

About the Presenter

Mark Stambaugh started climbing recreationally in 2000 after taking the Spokane Mountaineers' Mountain School. He went on to become an instructor in the same school; and then co-directed a series of seminars dealing with more advanced climbing skills such as high angle self-rescue, lead and aid climbing, etc. He joined Inland Northwest Search and Rescue (INSAR) in 2008 and is currently its Vice President, helping the team get full accreditation with the Mountain Rescue Association. Around five years ago he started working on Anchor Analyzer because as an engineer some of the things he saw in the climbing literature relating to anchor systems didn't make sense, and he also realized that the climbing community needed some better means of instruction in this area. The same situation exists in the technical rescue community as well, so Anchor Analyzer should be equally applicable there. Mark holds a bachelor's and two master's degrees in engineering, and nine US patents.