



Thorrington Scout Camp

hawk & angel throwing

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- risk assessment (where applicable).
- activity sheets (where applicable).

Please be aware that risk assessments are provided in an advisory capacity only, and a full risk assessment should be undertaken by the group leader.

Hawk and Angel Throwing

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Hazard	Initial Risk	Possible Actions	Actions Taken	Residual Risk	Review date, plan and sign
Impact from Tomahawk	High	 Closed toed/sturdy shoes to be worn. No one to stand directly behind any thrower. Waiting area off to the side and behind the throwers area. Distance of throwing line to target minimum of 3 metres, maximum 7 metres. Throwing area marked and roped off. Maximum of three throwers at any one time. Qualified Instructor acts as range master and gives safety range and technique briefing. Adult Range leaders to be appointed by range master. Throw line established, no one to cross throw line until instructed by Range Master Adult helpers to control waiting participants. All above in place 	 Closed area used – slacklining area – as all fenced of by Heras fencing and appropriate netting in place behind the targets. Waiting participants will remain outside of activity area. All leaders running session must be appropriately qualified or competent. Fixed placements for all markers on range. Photo taken to give expected layout for all instructors using setup. Range master in control of session, but any adult/participant can stop session at any time. If range master concerned of onlookers safety then activity to cease and resolved. 	Low	01/04/2024 C. Jay
Misuse of equipment	Moderate	- Appropriate technique to set up and running of session in place.	 Safety, range and technique briefing to include instruction on correct use of equipment. Include note of warning for any clinking sounds with Angels. All metal-on-metal hits should have angels removed and checked before used again. Activity controlled and supervised by range master at all times. Tomahawks kept in locked box when not in use. Throwers should be facing targets when in possession of tomahawks. Range master and range leaders to ensure no distractions for throwers. 	Low	01/04/2024 C. Jay

Slips/trips and falls in area and when collecting equipment.	Moderate	 All guidelines to be removed before activity starts. Ground of area to be checked before use to ensure no trip hazards present. 	 Range Master to give order when tomahawks may be collected. Correct removal of axes to be demonstrated and monitored. Throwers to walk slowly to target; and collect axes off target first, then collect hawks from the floor. Range Master to ensure area free from trip and slips hazards - vegetation and personal effects of participants. 	Low	01/04/2024 C Jay
Movement of equipment	Moderate	- Equipment in use is heavy so appropriate manual handling techniques to be used.	 All stands and targets must be carried by two people and never when a target is attached to stand. Stands and targets should be checked to be safely attached and angle of legs fit for purpose. Hawks and angels to be transferred from storage box into transporting/holding racks before being moved to the range. Storage area to remain locked at all times when unattended. Any damages to equipment should be locked away in quarantine until reviewed by appropriate person 	Low	01/04/2024 C Jay