Beaudesert Outdoor Activity Centre

Bouldering or Traverse Wall Risk Assessment

What are the hazards? What can cause harm?	Who might be harmed	What are you already doing? What are you doing to control hazards and the chance of someone getting hurt?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk? By following this risk assessment, are the hazards & chances of someone being harmed adequately controlled?
		See 'Generic Site Risk Assessment'	
Moving hold spinning leading to a fall.	Group & Instructor	Visual inspection done and tightened where required. Periodic inspections to be completed by suitable person.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Slips and falls whilst off the ground	Group & Instructor	At the beginning of the session (January 2025), participants are to be always spotted, by instructor or other clients as appropriate for group. Suitable footwear. As the session develops there will be some development games where spotting is not required. (January 2025)	Trivial if controls are followed
Head injuries from contact with wall or falls	Group & Instructor	Appropriate instruction and "spotting" Helmets are not required.	Trivial if controls are followed
Jewellery	Group & Instructor	Jewellery should not be worn on this activity.	Trivial if controls are followed
Contact with posts	Group & Instructor	Group to spot each other whilst on the wall. The posts have also been padded to reduce risk.	Trivial if controls are followed
Issues with the wall, holds, ground cover, posts, and shelter leading to injuries during the activity. (January 2025)	Group & Instructor	Inspect the wall, holds, ground cover, posts, and a visual inspection of the shelter. (January 2025)	Trivial if controls are followed

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		Potential severity of harm		
		Slightly Harmful	Harmful	Extremely Harmful
		1	2	3
	Highly unlikely	Trivial	Tolerable	Moderate
	1	1	2	3
Likelihood of	Unlikely	Tolerable	Moderate	Substantial
harm occurring	2	2	4	6
	Likely	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable
	3	3	6	9

Slightly harmful: Superficial injuries; minor cuts and bruises; eye irritation from dust, nuisance and irritation (e.g. headaches); ill-health leading to temporary discomfort. **Harmful:** Lacerations; burns; concussion; serious sprains; minor fractures, deafness; dermatitis; asthma; work related upper limb disorders; ill-health leading to permanent minor disability.

Extremely harmful: Amputations; major fractures; poisonings; multiple injuries; fatal injuries, occupational cancer; other severely life shortening diseases; acute fatal diseases