



# Raven Rescue

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*Training and Safety Services*

## PRESENTERS' BIOGRAPHY

### **Paul O'Sullivan, Managing Director, Rescue 3 UK**

Paul has been the Managing Director of Rescue 3 (UK) since 2000 and has led its development into the UK's leading provider of specialist water and flood rescue training. Paul is a highly-experienced rescue trainer and has delivered rescue classes in the UK & Europe and as far afield as Asia and South America. Paul has led the development of a number of new training programmes including the 'Rescues from Vehicles in Water' and 'Management of Water and Flood Incidents' courses, as well as implementing a partnership between Rescue 3 (UK) and the University of Central Lancashire for the provision of university credit courses in technical rescue.

In 2008 Paul was awarded a Higgins and Langley Memorial Awards for Outstanding Achievement in Swiftwater Rescue for his involvement in the UK Chief Fire Officers Association's Management of Major Flood Event Research Project. This project greatly enhanced the ability of the UK's Fire and Rescue Service to cope with major flood events. Today, Paul continues his effort to share knowledge internationally with the goal of building global capacity to deal with major water and flood events.

Paul has a BEd (Hons) degree in Outdoor Education, a diploma in Health & Safety Management and is a Rescue 3 International Advanced Instructor Trainer. His rescue training experience is built upon many years of working and recreating in the outdoors. Paul holds high-level coaching and instructional qualifications in kayaking, rafting and mountaineering and has vast experience as an expedition kayaker, with numerous first descents of rivers throughout the world to his name.

A dual Irish/American citizen, Paul grew up in Ireland before moving to North Wales where he now lives with his wife Suzanne, their son Finn, and the family's two dogs Madi and Meg.

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