

Roll-bar design: Rocna and Supreme

Both the Rocna and Manson Supreme have a self-righting roll-bar design (photos 2 and 3). The feature is sometimes mistakenly credited to Rolf Kaczirek, designer of the Bugel anchor, but Peter Bruce, creator of the original Bruce anchor, actually invented it and included it in his 1973 patent. By eliminating the need for extra lead weight in the tip, the roll bar allows for a larger total blade area and for the use of heavier materials in the toe and shank, putting strength where it is needed. Both anchors also have chiseled tips (1 and 4) to easily cut through kelp and seaweed, and for penetrating hard bottoms. The Supreme was the only anchor *PS* tested with fully slotted shank.

