

History of Gear Series: Springbar Tents

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Jack Kirkham Sr. bought AAA Tent and Awning in 1944 in Salt Lake City, Utah

Utah's tent making history can be traced back to Arthur Jack Kirkham's decision to buy a tent and awning company based in Salt Lake City, Utah. From that decision, Kirkham built an outdoor retailer, invented the Springbar Tent, and championed Utah gear making for decades to come.

In the latest History of Gear Series, Arthur's son, Jack, shares the history of this heritage brand, his experience growing up in the company, and what has led to canvas, USA made tents remaining a timeless product.

Watch the whole interview on [YouTube](#) or listen on the Highlander Podcast.

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