



# Edale Mountain Rescue Team Year Book 2020

2018 & 2019 Incident List

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## If you need help

- 1.Dial 999
2. Ask for the Police and Mountain Rescue
3. Be Ready to give;
  - Your name and telephone number.
  - The exact location of the incident
  - The nature of any incident
  - The number of casualties
4. Keep your phone switched on and with you so we can contact you.





## Team Leaders Report (2018 and 2019)

2018 and 2019 were busy years for the team, responding to 249 incidents across our patch – an incident every 70 hours on average.

That we manage to respond to these incidents and provide excellent care to our casualties, whilst remaining a completely voluntary service is a testament to the time and commitment all the team members give to the team. Whilst the public-facing side of the team is the Land Rovers on blue lights and the red goretex clad team members heading up the hill, the reality of a mountain rescue team today is more about what goes on behind the scenes.

With our new information management system, introduced on the 1st of January 2018, we have been able to capture a true reflection of the team's activities.

The numbers tell the story...

**249 Incidents**  
**76 Equipment maintenance sessions**  
**180 Training exercises**  
**155 Fundraising events**  
**960 Total events attended**

This equates to 20,312 volunteer hours - this is a massive 195 hours a week! This is just the time spent by operational team members, and doesn't account for all the non-operational supporters who put time and effort into assisting the team in a multitude of ways - truly the unsung heroes.

The start of 2018 saw us dealing with "The Beast from the East". The team deployed to assist the police and ambulance services in ensuring public safety in places badly affected by the snowfall. Whilst some of this was in wild and remote places, we found ourselves on some steep icy roads in Sheffield assisting the ambulance service in accessing patients. This meant that for a number of days in a row, team members gave up time, took leave days and made themselves available to help the community through the challenging conditions. Our purpose built vehicles proved themselves more than capable throughout this weather.

We visited a number of new (to us!) places. Whilst not our core business, due to the close working relationships we have with our local ambulance services and police forces, we do get called to assist where our skill set can help them out. One memorable incident took us to Rother Valley Park on a sunny weekend, to assist a walker who had sustained a very nasty ankle injury off the beaten track. Ever the innovators, we worked with the park rangers to cut a new path through some very dense vegetation to get the casualty back to the ambulance. I have never seen team members grin so much as when handed power tools!

We work in close partnership with our neighbouring teams in the Peak District. Buxton Mountain Rescue Team are often called to assist us during the week, and we have been called out several times to assist Woodhead Mountain Rescue Team with incidents on their patch. We meet regularly as a region, with key operational staff meeting and sharing best practice and learning points. We also partake in a number of regional training events, getting team members to train together, so when needed to work together, there is already a close working relationship.

The big news is the set up of our new digital radio network. This should give us clear communications across all of our operational area and beyond. This initiative is being undertaken as part of a Peak District wide program, thus enabling communication all the way across the Peak, between all the teams. This has only been possible by the time put into the project by a number of operational and non-operational team members. Early testing has shown us the huge advantages the network will bring - exciting times ahead.

None of this would be possible without the ongoing support that we receive from the public. It is truly humbling when speaking to people who raise money for us the lengths some have gone to and the effort that goes in to raising funds for the team. We truly do value every single donation. It is only because of this support that we are able to keep doing what we do, with the right equipment and resources.

**Steve Rowe**  
 Edale Mountain Rescue Team Leader

Well done Steve. In March 2020 he passed the Team Leader's jacket to Dave Torr. Steve remains as a deputy team leader but needed more time to concentrate on his day job in the Northern General Hospital Sheffield.

At the time of writing this the Country is in lockdown and the number of Corona Virus deaths is rising daily.



## Chairmans Report

I have now served two years as Team Chairman after taking over from Rob Small who had been the teams Chairman for the last eleven years. During this time Rob had spent many hours guiding the non operational side of the team and keeping the good ship Edale sailing in the right direction. A lot of this work was done behind the scenes, with his fellow team members not totally aware of the amount of work he carried out. On behalf of us all thank you Rob. I am pleased to say that Rob continues to be a leading light within the team taking over the role of fundraising officer, no rest for the wicked.

2018 saw us lose one of our most dedicated fundraisers, Graham Brassington, who sadly died after a period of illness. Graham was one of those people that you don't remember joining the team, it just felt like he had been around forever. Graham wasn't an operational member

but a dedicated fundraiser who during his time volunteering for us raised in excess of £40,000. Much of this money came from his association with the Red Lion Public House and the Victoria Club at Whittington Moor in Chesterfield. Not what you would call a natural partnership but an immensely valuable one to us over the years. If Graham wasn't busy raising funds there he would be out and about with his trusty collection pot. Graham and the people like him are the unsung heroes of voluntary organisations like ours. Mostly unrecognised and happy to work in the shadows but without their dedication and fortitude we could not operate.

I am pleased to say that we still have a dedicated non operational support group who turn out on a regular basis to help us raise funds come rain and shine. We also have "Friends in High Places" for people who would like to keep in touch with

the team. This of course is in addition to our social media accounts where we have in excess of 15,000 followers on facebook.

During 2019 we finally moved one of our Land Rovers into our brand new garage at Ringinglow. The culmination of many years of sweat, blood and tears. It is brilliant to have the vehicle protected from the weather. We are still looking for sites for two more garages to shelter the other two vehicles we currently park in the open.

We continue to be grateful to Breedon Cement who own the land and buildings where we are based. The team has had a long association with various companies who have owned the site over the years and which we hope will continue long into the future. You can generally identify how long someone has been in the team by what name they refer to the cement works by; 1980s - Earls, 1990s Blue Circle, 2000s Lafarge and more recently Hope Cement and then Breedons.

All of the money that we receive is put towards the running of the team and securing its future going forward. Due to all our team members being volunteers only a small amount is spent on administrative costs. Over the last few years we have been able to claim VAT back on all the goods we purchase which is good news. However another task for Bob our treasurer to undertake. He thought he was doing pretty well this year when we submitted our accounts to our accountants for auditing. Only to be advised that there was a further amount of VAT equating to less than £10 that we could claim back. The accountant could have overlooked it but they didn't which again shows how many different people and organisations have the best interests of the team at heart.

Several of our team members are professional medics currently involved in the fight against Corona Virus. We don't know what the future holds but I wish them all well.

Finally I would like to thank all the members of Edale Team, operational and support for making the team what it is and you the reader for your continued support of what we do.

**Ian Bunting**

Chairman Edale Mountain Rescue Team



● **1951**

When the Peak National Park was formed in 1951, an agreement was reached with moorland owners to allow access onto Kinder, Bleaklow and Black Hill. As part of this agreement a Warden Service was established, mainly on a voluntary basis, to patrol the moors and assist with any incidents. It was logical that rescue would form part of the wardens' duties and Fred Heardman, of the Peak Park Planning Board and landlord of the Nag's Head at Edale, was appointed as co-ordinator.

● **1956**

Edale Mountain Rescue Team organise their first rescue exercise on the 19th February. The day consisted of stretcher carrying on the southern slopes of Kinder Scout. This exercise became the first of many. Exercises like this are now a common occurrence for the team.

● **1959**

The visitor centre at Fieldhead was procured as a base for the Warden Service. The mountain rescue post was re established here and George Garlick, living at Fieldhead as Chief Warden, became Edale Team Leader.

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● **1964**

Two incidents occurred which would have a major impact on mountain rescue in the Peak District. Two climbers were killed in an avalanche in Wilderness Gully, Chew Valley in the north of the Peak District National Park. Then three participants in the Four Inns Walk became lost on Bleaklow and died of exposure. Although the walkers were in fairly accessible areas, it took five hours to evacuate one person, who later died, and two others were missing for two days. This led to a review of mountain rescue in the Peak District and as a result the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation was formed on the 26th September.

● **1975**

Amongst the new teams formed in 1975 was Woodhead Mountain Rescue Team. Woodhead Team operated as three geographically based sections until October 1994 when the southernmost Sheffield section was integrated into Edale Mountain Rescue Team. The two other sections continue to operate.

● **1992**

Edale Mountain Rescue take receipt of a yellow Ford Transit van, a vehicle affectionately known as the 'custard bus'. This improves the teams mobility allowing for faster incident response times.

● **1994**

A Land Rover 110 donated by Severn Trent becomes the new Derwent Mobile One. The aforementioned 'custard bus' continues service and becomes Derwent Mobile Two.

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**2004**

In March the Land Rover 110 was replaced by a brand new Land Rover Defender. The new Derwent Mobile One. The old Land Rover was given to Cornwall Rescue Group (now Cornwall Search and Rescue Team).

**2015**

In February we took delivery of DM5 our bespoke Toyota Hilux first response vehicle built by Pickup Systems.

**2007**

In July the team moved into a brand new purpose built facility. The new home of Edale Mountain Rescue situated in Hope Cement Works is a great improvement allowing the team to deploy quickly in emergencies.

**2012**

43 members were awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, of which 17 had previously been awarded the Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002.

**2016**

Derwent Mobile 4 was replaced with a brand new multi-functional Mercedes Benz Sprinter 4x4 control vehicle. We donated our old control vehicle to Yorkshire Search and Rescue.

**2006**

Another Land Rover Defender Derwent Mobile Two, donated by Keswick Mountain Rescue Team, completes a major overhaul. This increases the teams operational capabilities allowing for better mobility.

**2008**

Edale Mountain Rescue team upgrade Derwent Mobile Two, taking receipt of a new Land Rover 110. This vital equipment update benefits Glossop Mountain Rescue team too as they take ownership of the older vehicle.

**2019**

In September we used our new garage at Ringinglow operationally for the first time. One of our Land Rovers now has a secure home.

**2019**

In September our new digital radio network went operational providing much better radio coverage throughout our operational area. Team members in Sheffield can now talk to Team members operational in the Peak District. Enhancing our capabilities significantly.



## Introduction to 2018 and 2019 Incident List

### Who are the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation (PDMRO)?

The PDMRO is the umbrella body for the seven teams which operate in the Peak District. It assists with co-ordinating the activities of the seven teams in the PDMRO along with the search dog handlers who operate in their area. Senior team members from several teams are appointed as controllers. They ensure there is a single point of contact for the professional emergency services to call when the assistance of mountain rescue teams is required. Like all the other members of a mountain rescue team the controllers are unpaid volunteers. The PDMRO Controller on duty when a call comes in from the emergency services decides how many and which teams are required to deal with the incident and calls them out.

### Who do you call?

If you are unfortunate enough to require mountain rescue assistance the quickest way to call us out is to dial 999 and ask for the police. Then tell the police you require mountain rescue. It helps if you tell the police exactly where you are and the reason you need assistance. Once you have made the call, monitor the phone, the PDMRO Controller or the responding team may wish to talk to you to obtain further details. This may help us to help you more quickly.

### How do we swing into action?

Team operations are led by the Team Leader. Who is assisted by a Deputy Team Leader and a number of other team members who are trained to act as the Duty Team Leader. Between themselves they ensure the Team Followme Number is monitored 24/7. The Followme Number is a special phone number that can be moved from phone to phone. This means the PDMRO Controller has a single phone number to call us out. In some circumstances we may be called directly by the police or by the ambulance service but they use the Followme Number and speak to the Duty Team Leader. Once the team is tasked to an incident the Duty

Team Leader calls out the team using some fancy mobile phone technology and team members swing into action from wherever they happen to be at the time.

### Who turns up when you call?

We provide the primary response in our operational area unless we are already committed to a rescue in which case one of our neighbouring teams will assist. If an incident is close to the boundary between the operational areas of two teams then both teams will respond.

If the incident is a search we may ask our neighbouring teams to assist if required by the size of the search area.

To improve the speed of the response during the working week we operate a joint snatch squad in cooperation with Buxton Mountain Rescue Team. Where both teams are called to incidents in our joint operational area.

### What is the Kinder Plan?

The Kinder Plan was developed to find missing persons on the Kinder Plateau. The four teams that surround the plateau, Edale, Buxton, Kinder and Glossop, deploy on a pre-arranged search pattern, the objective of which is to cover all the key sections of the plateau with the maximum personnel in the quickest possible way.

### Mountain Rescue Stretcher

To carry a casualty over rough terrain we use a Bell mountain rescue stretcher. This is a robust stretcher designed and developed by Peter Bell specifically for mountain rescue use. It allows eight team members to carry the stretcher, three down each side and one at each end. As you can imagine it is physically demanding carrying a casualty on a stretcher over rough terrain. We normally alternate two stretcher parties of eight team members to make good progress whilst giving people a break.

If we are following a decent path or track, or if the terrain is relatively smooth. We have a wheel which we can mount under the centre of the stretcher to take some of the load. In this case we use six team members in the carrying party and their role is to keep the stretcher level

and moving forward with some of the weight supported on the wheel.

The stretcher has skids on either side and we can also sledge the stretcher over the ground. This is normally done with a party of six team members pulling the stretcher with slings attached to the stretcher which is at ground level. We often use this technique to descend steep slopes with the stretcher secured to a rope from above for safety. It also comes in handy to make progress when there is a decent covering of snow.

Ambulances usually have a crew of two and contain a casualty trolley bed which wheels in and out of the rear doors of the ambulance using a ramp. The trolley is a substantial piece of equipment and is not at all suitable for use on rough terrain. Making it impossible for the ambulance crew to move the casualty over rough terrain on the ambulance trolley. If a casualty is unable to walk, even if they are close to the road, the ambulance crew will often require our assistance to get the casualty to the ambulance.

The same applies to the air ambulance even if the helicopter can land close to the casualty site. The crew often require our assistance to transport and load the casualty into the helicopter.

### Bothy Shelter

A bothy shelter is a waterproof five sided cube of fabric which effectively forms a tent without poles. It can be quickly removed from its storage bag and used to protect a party or a casualty from the weather at the same time providing privacy. Team members or members of the party sit inside the bothy shelter at the corners acting as human tent poles to provide a sheltered area for others in the group or for the casualty. Once deployed the body heat of those inside warms the air enclosed providing some escape from inclement weather.

### Vacuum Mattress and Casualty Packaging

A vacuum mattress is a rectangular bag about the size of your average single bed duvet filled with small polystyrene beads. After assessment and treatment, the casualty is moved on to the bag and it is then wrapped around them and held in place with straps and usually the willing hands of several team members. Air is then sucked out of the bag with a pump removing the

air between the beads and forming a solid mass shaped to the casualty. This forms a full body splint to support and protect the casualty. The casualty can then be placed inside a specialised casualty bag for insulation and securely strapped on the Bell mountain rescue stretcher. This is the casualty packaged for evacuation.

### Our volunteer partners

<b>PDMRO</b>	Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation
<b>BMRT</b>	Buxton Mountain Rescue Team
<b>DMRT</b>	Derby Mountain Rescue Team
<b>GMRT</b>	Glossop Mountain Rescue Team
<b>KMRT</b>	Kinder Mountain Rescue Team
<b>OMRT</b>	Oldham Mountain Rescue Team
<b>WMRT</b>	Woodhead Mountain Rescue Team
<b>DCRO</b>	Derbyshire Cave Rescue Organisation
<b>SARDA</b>	Search and Rescue Dog Association recently renamed as Mountain Rescue Search Dogs England <b>MRSDE</b>

### Our professional partners

<b>EMAS</b>	East Midlands Ambulance Service
<b>YAS</b>	Yorkshire Ambulance Service
<b>DC</b>	Derbyshire Constabulary
<b>SYP</b>	South Yorkshire Police
<b>DFRS</b>	Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service
<b>SYFRS</b>	South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service
<b>DL&amp;RAA Helimed 53 and Helimed 55</b>	Derbyshire Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance Helimed 53 and Helimed 54
<b>L&amp;NAA</b>	Lincolnshire & Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance
<b>MCA S92</b>	Maritime and Coastguard Agency Sikorsky S92 Helicopter
<b>YAA Helimed 99</b>	Yorkshire Air Ambulance Helimed 99
<b>EMICS Volunteer Doctors</b>	East Midlands Immediate Care Scheme volunteer doctors assist EMAS at the scene of life threatening emergencies.
<b>PDNPR</b>	Peak District National Park Rangers
<b>Sheffield CH</b>	Sheffield Children's Hospital
<b>Sheffield NGH</b>	Sheffield Northern General Hospital

## 2018 Incidents

### 1. Sunday 7th January 2018

**14:10hrs**  
**22 team members**  
**38 team member hours**

As we were having a break from casualty care training and preparing to take a test to renew team members annual basic life support competency certification we received a call to a person with an isolated lower leg injury in the Burbage Valley. With many team members already at base we were quickly on scene. The casualty was soon stabilised and rapidly evacuated to the awaiting YAS ambulance at the Fox House Inn. Still plenty of work to do as team members returned to base to sort out the muddy kit and replenish used medical equipment.

### 2. Tuesday 9th January 2018

**20:27hrs**  
**26 team members**  
**102 team member hours**

We were at our base in Hope, refreshing our first aid training when a call came in from the police (DC) to assist in the search for a vulnerable missing person in the Chesterfield area. We were able to deploy rapidly and were soon at the RV with the police making a search plan. DMRT and SARDA handlers were also called in to assist. Team members and search dogs were quickly deployed into the locality to search for the missing person. Sadly, one of the sections found the missing person deceased. The police then took over the scene and mountain rescue resources stood down. Our thoughts are with the family and friends of the missing person.

### 3. Sunday 14th January 2018

**21:36hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**32 team member hours**

We were called as part of the Kinder Plan with Glossop, Kinder and Buxton MRTs to search for a missing walker on the plateau. SARDA dog

handlers were also called to assist. The MCA S92 helicopter was asked to assist with the search but was unable to get to the Kinder area due to poor weather. Thanks for trying. Fortunately, a GMRT section quickly picked up the overdue walker when they spotted a flashing torch. The walker had been delayed by a leg injury. The injury was assessed, they were warmed up and assisted back to the road.

### 4. Saturday 20th January 2018

**08:00hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

We were called early in the morning to Lady Cannings Plantation to assist YAS with the evacuation of an unconscious casualty. A rapid deployment into the plantation saw the team working calmly but rapidly to carry the casualty to the ambulance within twenty minutes.

### 5. Saturday 27th January 2018

**16:00hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**40 team member hours**

We were called along with Glossop, Buxton and Kinder MRTs when the Kinder Plan was initiated at 16:00hrs to search for two walkers lost somewhere on the Kinder plateau. The weather was rapidly deteriorating with high winds, rain and diminishing visibility. We sent two rapid initial parties up Grindsbrook and Ringing Roger. The couple could not be located with Sarloc and communications were challenging. We eventually received further information via a phone call from the missing couple to say they had been met by some walkers and were heading back to Edale with them. A party from BMRT met the party on the southern edge path and helped to guide them back down. Once we knew they were in good hands we stood down at 19:35hrs.

### 6. Sunday 4th February 2018

**15:35hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

After a busy day doing the monthly equipment and vehicle checks we received a call from the PDMRO Controller for an incident near Only Grange Farm on the Great Ridge, Castleton. Several team members were still at base and were quickly deployed to the RV. A full team callout was also initiated and team members were soon on scene to join the team members responding from base. The casualty had been assessed by a passing helimed doctor who was out for a walk with his family and the reported broken ankle was possibly not as bad as thought. The team then transported the casualty and family to their car where they were happy to transport themselves to their local A&E hospital.

### 7. Sunday 11th February 2018

**16:11hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**6 team member hours**

A walker out for a pleasant stroll around Ladybower Reservoir ran into trouble when the weather closed in whilst he was on high ground near Derwent Edge. Derbyshire Constabulary phoned us for assistance to locate him. We were able to use Sarloc to determine his exact position, and also were able to make phone contact. The team leader advised him to head downhill until he found a farm track and a farm. This was duly followed, and one of our vehicles met with the chap to give him a lift back to his vehicle as he had also pulled a muscle whilst out on his walk. A rapid and successful end to the incident.

### 8. Saturday 17th February 2018

**14:00hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

The first of three jobs in quick succession this afternoon. A young lady walking down from Hollins Cross towards Edale slipped on some ice and injured her ankle making it impossible to walk on. The team were called along with

BMRT to assist with evacuation to the waiting ambulance.

### 9. Saturday 17th February 2018

**16:00 hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

Before we had time to return to base to replenish dirty kit we were tasked to Beeley. A quick dash across the patch to the RV at Hell Bank Plantation where a gentleman had slipped whilst crossing a field and sustained a lower leg injury. Again several BMRT members in their vehicle came to assist with the evacuation to the waiting ambulance at Beeley Top Farm.

### 10. Saturday 17th February 2018

**19:35 hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

Just when we thought we would get back to base to clean the kit another call to a father and son as the father had slipped 10m and injured himself. First information put them at Thornhill near to Aston Hall but further information which came through put them near Ladybower Dam. The duty team leader attempted to SARLOC the pair but it was unsuccessful. We eventually managed to speak to the son and with local knowledge we were able to locate them between Parkin Clough and the reservoir plughole overflow. While the duty team leader was in conversation with the son the team could be seen arriving which confirmed their position. The father had actually taken a 15m tumble into Parkin Clough but had managed to drag himself to where we found him.

Again a quick evacuation and finally time to breathe. Back to base to sort out some very dirty kit ready for the next job before a well earned cup of tea.



## 11. Saturday 24th February 2018

**17:00hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

A call from Derbyshire Constabulary to the plantation at Stanage Edge for a fallen climber. A female climber had taken a 10m fall and been knocked unconscious. A rapid team response saw first team members arriving at the RV just as the Yorkshire Air Ambulance arrived overhead. The air ambulance doctor and initial team members helped to stabilise the casualty. After packaging the casualty, a very quick stretcher carry to the waiting Air Ambulance was smoothly and efficiently carried out. The young lady was soon off to Sheffield NGH and the major trauma centre.

## 12. Wednesday 28th February 2018

**09:12hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

We were called to assist YAS with an incident in Meersbrook Park where a lady had dislocated her knee after slipping on ice. After keeping her warm in our Mercedes 4x4 control vehicle we transferred her to the ambulance when it arrived. We were then quickly redeployed to help tow an ambulance up a steep icy road nearby with a critically ill patient on board.

## 13. Thursday 1st March 2018

**11:11hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

We were tasked to help YAS with an incident at Ringinglow. A young male had been sledging and suffered a head injury. A rapid evacuation to our Mercedes 4x4 control vehicle where warmth and care were administered until we handed him over to the ambulance service.

## 14. Thursday 1st March 2018

**12:30hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

A call from Derbyshire Constabulary to rescue a gentleman stuck in a snow drift on the Losehill track leading from Castleton. Initial team members who were checking road conditions in the area were soon with him. After a speedy rescue he was warmed up in our Mercedes 4x4 control vehicle before dropping him off at a local caravan site where he was staying.

## 15. Thursday 1st March 2018

**16:16hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

A call from YAS saw some team members deployed to assist an ambulance crew in the Heeley Green area of Sheffield. On arrival the crew had managed to carry the patient to the ambulance but we waited in case they required a tow up the hill. A quick closure of the busy main road with team vehicles allowed the ambulance to take a good run and with some willing hands it made it to the main road.

## 16. Thursday 1st March 2018

**19:40hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

Horrendous conditions in the High Peak saw the team along with all other Peak District teams tasked to search the high roads for stranded motorists. Edale were initially tasked to search the A623 from Calver cross roads to Tideswell Moor. We found a convoy of lorries stuck near to Tideswell junction, while most were okay with sleeper cab facilities one driver had a basic cab and was cold with no food or drink. We arranged to take him to the Anchor Inn where he could keep warm and be refreshed. We then regrouped at base awaiting the next tasking which soon came to assist another stranded motorist. While trying to cross from Tideswell Moor to Bradwell he had become stranded in deep snow drifts. On route to him a very large

tree had fallen blocking both carriageways of the A623 so we were forced to divert through Eyam. On arrival a tractor had managed to pull some vehicles out but was struggling with one remaining vehicle. We convinced the car owner to abandon his vehicle and started to drive him home the long way round to Bradwell.

While diverting via Foolow and Eyam Dale to miss the large tree we encountered a lorry stuck with two occupants inside. After a lot of hard digging and a two vehicle tow we managed to get them on their way. DM4 dropped the gent at Bradwell while DM5 made its way to Owlbar and some well earned rest.

However on passing Horsleygate Lane we noticed some tail lights in the distance and on inspection found another stuck vehicle trying to head down towards Barlow. We quickly convinced him to abandon his van and took him home to Barlow. Police were informed of all the abandoned vehicles and Derbyshire County Council of the fallen tree at Middleton Dale on the A623. Home to bed at 02:45. A long night after starting our first job at 11:00 the previous day.

## 17. Thursday 1st March 2018

**20:15hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

A request from EMAS to help evacuate a seriously ill patient from a farm at Renishaw saw team members attending in two team vehicles and their own 4x4 vehicles to assist in the evacuation.

## 18. Monday 5th March 2018

**00:45hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

The duty leader took a call from the PDMRO Controller about a group stuck in a snow drift in their vehicle near Pindale. A couple of local team members were sent to investigate and met the group back on the main road having made their own way through the snowdrift with help from a passing motorist.

## 19. Wednesday 14th March 2018

**15:45hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

Callout to Longstone Edge to assist EMAS. A lady slipped on a track and suffered a lower leg injury. The team along with BMRT carried the lady a short distance through fields to the waiting ambulance.

## 20. Friday 16th March 2018

**15:13hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

A lady taking photographs with her partner at the southern edge of Higger Tor slipped and fell approximately 10m onto rocks below. The lady had suffered multiple injuries and the team along with an EMAS paramedic treated and evacuated her promptly to the Derbyshire Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance. Due to the weather changing drastically to heavy fog conditions, she was flown to Queens Medical Centre in Nottingham.

## 21. Saturday 17th March 2018

**18:35hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were called to assist with a casualty on the A6187 near Surprise View. Very wintery road conditions meant that ambulances were struggling to reach the patient. Local team members in the teams 4x4 response vehicles were able to get directly to the patient and administer medical care until the ambulance got through.

## 22. Tuesday 20th March 2018

**13:54hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

A joint snatch call with BMRT to a gentleman who had slipped on a steep muddy slope while descending to Castleton from near Goosehill Hall. He sustained a lower leg injury and couldn't move. Both teams secured him on a Bell stretcher and with the aid of a back rope system sledged him down the slope and carried him to the awaiting EMAS ambulance for onward transport to hospital. Thank you to the couple who looked after him until our arrival.

## 23. Wednesday 21st March 2018

**15:10hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

Eat/Sleep/Repeat! For the second day on the trot we were called along with BMRT to a walker on a muddy footpath near Castleton. For the second day running they came to our assistance. This time with ten team members. This lady had slipped on an icy muddy patch of path and dislocated her ankle. Our first RV proved to be the wrong location but after a successful SARLOC she was found near to Castleton on the path from Hope. She was given pain relief and a team member reduced her ankle to ensure adequate blood flow to the foot and help relieve the overall pain. Helimed 99 Yorkshire Air Ambulance was requested and they were quickly on scene to transport her to NGH Sheffield. We have a number of medical professionals in the team. On this incident, whilst there was no medic amongst those that made it on foot to the casualty site, the Yorkshire Air Ambulance happened to be carrying one of the team doctors on their regular HEMS shift, and the casualty was met at hospital by a Charge Nurse in the Emergency Department who is also a team member, who put the patients leg in a plaster cast and arranged x-rays and onward treatment in hospital.

## 24. Tuesday 27th March 2018

**10:34hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**41 team member hours**

A walker set out on what was a beautiful spring day, but unfortunately became benighted on the Kinder plateau. Overnight the weather closed in and by morning the plateau was in thick mist. Mountain rescue were contacted the next morning when he had failed to return home. The Kinder Plan was kicked off, with Edale, Buxton, Glossop and Kinder teams all turning out to search their areas of the plateau. As initial hill parties were deploying we were able to get a call through to the missing person's mobile. This was helpful, as we now knew he was uninjured but cold and wet after a long night out on the hill. We were also able to SARLOC his location, putting him on the southern edges. Glossop and Kinder teams stood down, and Edale and Buxton members made their way to his location to escort him off the hill. Once back in Edale he was driven back to our base to dry his clothes and warm up after a rather cold unplanned night out.

## 25. Friday 30th March 2018

**14:22hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

A walker slipped on the path to Hollins Cross, near Castleton, injuring their ankle very badly. Some team members were at our base in Hope so were able to respond rapidly. Buxton team members were fundraising in Castleton so were also at the incident very quickly. The walker was treated by air ambulance medics and EMAS ambulance crew before being evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher to the waiting air ambulance for onward transport to hospital.

## 26. Friday 30th March 2018

**15:24hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

As the previous incident was concluding the duty team leader received a call from the PDMRO Controller alerting him to a second incident near Redmires Reservoir, Sheffield. A walker had aggravated an old leg injury and was unable to continue their walk. As our vehicles were already manned from the previous incident we were able to get to the incident rapidly. Team members treated the walker and evacuated him back to the road and the waiting YAS ambulance. As the casualty disappeared into the nice warm ambulance the heavens opened and the team got treated to a sideways hail shower as they packed the kit away. Perfect timing!

## 27. Saturday 31st March 2018

**18:14hrs**  
**1 person**  
**0.5 team member hours**

We were put on standby for a search for an overdue walker. The walkers partner was waiting for them, hadn't been able to get in touch on their mobile and they were a couple of hours overdue for the pre-arranged pick up. As initial enquiries were ongoing, the walker turned up, having lost their phone, explaining the lack of communications, and spent some time looking for it, explaining the delay! A good end to a potential search.

## 28. Wednesday 11th April 2018

**13:15hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

We were called to assist an EMAS paramedic with the evacuation of a gentleman who had slipped on the steep path below Haywood car park. Initial reports mentioned a compound fracture but it turned out to be a nasty cut. With help from the EMAS crew the gent managed to get back to the car park and the waiting ambulance just as the first team members were arriving.

## 29. Sunday 15th April 2018

**15:30hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

While descending the very steep and muddy footpath between Eyam and Stoney Middleton a man slipped and sustained an upper leg injury. We responded to a call from EMAS to evacuate him to the ambulance on the main road. The new prototype stretcher wheel was used for the first time on a live job and proved to be very successful. Work continues to fine tune the design.

## 30. Thursday 19th April 2018

**14:00hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

A para-glider attempting to take off from Stanage Edge found himself in difficulty and crashed on to the rocks below. Matters were made worse when his canopy became caught up in the strong breeze which dragged him across the ground and boulder field. We were soon on scene along with BMRT to assist the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance crew who were already treating the casualty. He was in a very awkward position so great care was needed to move him safely on to a mountain rescue stretcher before carrying him to the top of Stanage to the air ambulance. He suffered back and hip injuries but was in very good spirits and hopefully the injuries are not too severe.

## 31. Saturday 21st April 2018

**12:29hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**29 team member hours**

Just after lunch on a lovely sunny day we were contacted by the PDMRO Controller to assist a walker with an ankle injury in Grindsbrook. Team members undertaking equipment maintenance at base were dispatched directly to the scene, along with other team members making their way from work and home. Normally, BMRT would be called to assist in



this location but they were already committed to a paragliding incident on Rushup Edge. Once on scene the casualty was assessed and treated by casualty care trained team members, before being assisted down to the roadhead.

### 32. Saturday 21st April 2018

**14:02hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**33 team member hours**

A walker out for a stroll on a beautiful sunny day slipped and fell awkwardly, injuring their knee. Team members from Edale and Buxton teams were dispatched from the other local incidents which were drawing to a close to assist. A SARLOC text was used to ascertain the casualties exact location. After trotting up the hill they found and assessed the casualty, who had dislocated their kneecap. This was reduced on scene by casualty care trained team members and the patient carried down to the roadhead for onward transportation to hospital by EMAS.

### 33. Saturday 21st April 2018

**15:40hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

As the previous incidents were concluding, we were called to assist BMRT with the evacuation of a second hang-gliding incident from Rushup Edge. Team members helped with the evacuation of a paraglider pilot with an injured wrist and concussion.

### 34. Sunday 22nd April 2018

**14:43hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

We were called by Derby MRT to assist with an incident near Matlock. Local team members were rapidly on scene along with EMAS and Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service to help with the treatment and evacuation of an injured boulderer in woodland.

### 35. Thursday 26th April 2018

**16:47hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

A walker fell sustaining a head injury near the top of Grindsbrook. We were called along with BMRT to assist with the evacuation. Derbyshire Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance Helimed 54 managed to drop a doctor and paramedic to start patient assessment. Given the location and fortunate good condition of the walker, they were walked down with the air ambulance doctor and paramedic. Team members met the group half way down Grindsbrook and assisted in getting the walker back to the roadhead.

### 36. Thursday 3rd May 2018

**15:06hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

A joint call with BMRT to a lady out for an afternoon walk near Great Longstone. Unfortunately she tripped over her dogs and sustained a dislocated knee. EMAS responded initially and requested assistance from mountain rescue. After splinting her leg she was placed on a stretcher and carried back to an ambulance parked on a nearby road.

### 37. Saturday 5th May 2018

**20:50hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

We were contacted by Derbyshire Constabulary after an elderly man became separated from his walking partner in the late afternoon in the Stoke Ford area near Hathersage. We were put on standby along with SARDA at 20.50hrs while two senior team members visited Eyam youth hostel where the man was due to stay to gather further information. While the two team members were arriving he turned up safe and well, exhausted and in need of a drink.

### 38. Monday 7th May 2018

**11:47hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

We were called to support BMRT with the rescue of a fallen climber in Cowdale Quarry, near Buxton. Normally we wouldn't stray too far out of our patch on a busy bank holiday, but BMRT were also dealing with an incident at the Roaches so needed some extra hands on this second incident. As luck would have it Derbyshire Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance Helimed 53 was able to land near to the patient and deal with them with the assistance of the EMAS responder already on scene. All done and dusted very rapidly, allowing us to return to the safety of the Hope Valley.

### 39. Tuesday 22nd May 2018

**21:07hrs**  
**21 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

A runner taking part in the Totley Moor fell race took a fall and sustained an isolated ankle injury. They were unable to weight bear and so race marshals contacted police and mountain rescue for support. We were training on Higger Tor and supporting the BMC Mend Our Mountains Light Night event on the Great Ridge and were quickly on scene. We treated and packaged the casualty and transported them to a YAS ambulance for onward transport to hospital.

### 40. Wednesday 23rd May 2018

**18:04hrs**  
**1 person**  
**0.5 team member hours**

Our Duty Leader was contacted by the PDMRO Controller after a man had contacted police to say he was lost on the moors near Dob Edge above Baslow. He was using an old phone so we were unable to use Sarloc to locate him. While talking to him on the phone he spotted another walker in the distance and was told to try and make contact with them.

Fortunately the passing walker was able to walk him off so we did not have to attend. We are grateful for the assistance of the passing walker.

### 41. Tuesday 29th May 2018

**13:54hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to the aid of a climber who took a tumble on Dover Wall at Stanage Edge. She fell from the crux move near to the top which caused her first bit of gear to fail and this resulted in her landing on her belayer. The young man was complaining of upper back pain so he was immobilized in a vacuum mattress and stretchered down to the old ranger station at the Plantation where the EMAS ambulance crew met the team. The team casualty carer handed over the patient to the crew and he was transported to NGH to be assessed for his injuries. Fortunately the fallen climber was uninjured.

### 42. Thursday 31st May 2018

**11:20hrs**  
**1 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

The duty team leader received a call regarding a missing person whose vehicle had been located at Ashopton Viaduct. There was concern for the well being of this individual and so a search plan was put together to cover the moors either side of the A57 with team members and four search dog units. As this was being initiated the duty leader received a second incident; the search was passed to Glossop MRT, allowing us to attend the second incident.

### 43. Thursday 31st May 2018

**11:39hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

As we were initiating Incident 42 a second incident came in concerning a fallen boulderer above Stanage Plantation. Glossop MRT took over Incident 42 whilst we deployed to Stanage along with Buxton MRT who were asked to assist us. The team plus EMAS personnel located the fallen climber and treated for an isolated ankle injury. The casualty was given pain relief, the injury reduced, the casualty packaged and evacuated by mountain rescue stretcher to the plantation car park.

### 44. Thursday 31st May 2018

**15:50hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

Just when team members had managed to get back to either home or work from the last incident the duty team leader received a request from EMAS for support with a young person suffering from a medical collapse brought on by medication side effects somewhere just below Bamford Edge. After some initial confusion regarding the exact location initial team members (who were still at base sorting kit from the last job) quickly located the casualty and managed to package and transport them down off the hill to a waiting EMAS ambulance. Once again we were grateful for the support of Glossop MRT who sent two vehicles and a number of personnel to our side of the Snake Pass.

### 45. Sunday 3rd June 2018

**14:13hrs**  
**21 team members**  
**32 team member hours**

A climber fell whilst leading a route on Millstone Edge, striking their lower back on a ledge on the way down. They were lowered to the ground, but struggled to mobilise. We were called to assist. Fortunately, there were a few team members very nearby, having just completed two training sessions, one for vehicle drivers and one for search dog teams. Helimed 54 also attended. The casualty was immobilised on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to the road for transport to Sheffield NGH in an EMAS ambulance.

### 46. Thursday 7th June 2018

**00:27hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were called by YAS to assist with the extrication of a patient from dense scrubland following a road traffic collision. The patient had ended up in some relatively inaccessible terrain, near to a golf course. Fortunately, as the first team members arrived at the incident, it became clear the patient had been extricated by the emergency services personnel on scene. We were stood down to return to our beds!

### 47. Friday 8th June 2018

**15:01hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**114 team member hours**

We were called along with Buxton MRT by EMAS to assist with a fallen climber in Horseshoe Quarry, Stoney Middleton. Both teams were quickly on scene arriving after the EMAS paramedics and EMICS doctor. Unfortunately the patient was declared deceased from his injuries. We remained at the scene for several hours assisting the police with recovery and investigation. Our thoughts are with the climber's family and friends.

### 48. Wednesday 13th June 2018

**16:34hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

We received a request from Derbyshire Constabulary to assist with a young lady reported to be stuck on the face of Mam Tor. The duty team leader contacted the informant who explained that a young lady had chased her dog up the face of Mam Tor and they were both now crag fast approximately half way up. As is usual at this location BMRT were also requested to assist. We were quickly on scene and team members reached the crag fast pair and safely secured them. A rope rescue system was set up to aid the rescue of the young lady and Monty the standard Schnauzer. It appeared that Monty had escaped from his owner and decided to have a go at the face of Mam Tor. The lady chased after him and ended up in quite a scary position. Fortunately the pair were safely reunited with terra firma and their friends.

### 49. Tuesday 19th June 2018

**18:52hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

A mountain biker enjoying an evening ride on the bridleways above Hope fell over the handle bars whilst descending the Old Roman Road from Hope Cross to Townhead Bridge. Unfortunately for the rider he landed awkwardly and sustained a variety of injuries. We were called out by EMAS just as team members were setting off from home to a training session. This saw the first team members arriving at the road head within 10 minutes of the initial call and being on scene with the casualty shortly afterwards. After being treated for his injuries the biker was evacuated on our stretcher down to the ambulance waiting at the roadside.

### 50. Tuesday 26th June 2018

**14:22 hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to assist an elderly man who was found collapsed by two fell runners at the top of Grindsbrook. It appeared he had set off from Glossop the day before with the intention of walking to Hayfield. Things did not go to plan and he got disoriented on the Kinder plateau. He decided to bed down for the night and to walk off in the morning. Unfortunately his plan didn't work and he became dehydrated and low on energy. The two runners gave him food and water which helped to bring him around and then alerted mountain rescue. We headed on foot towards his location at the top of Grindsbrook but due to the distance from the road and the very long carry off, we asked the Maritime and Coastguard Agency for assistance. They attended with their S92 helicopter from their base at Hull airport. The helicopter transferred the casualty, BMRT paramedic and a team member to Edale village to meet with an EMAS ambulance for the journey to hospital. We would like to thank the two fell runners for their prompt action.

### 51. Wednesday 27th June 2018

**12:30 hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

A request from YAS to evacuate a man from Ecclesall Woods. Two over enthusiastic dogs belonging to another walker had knocked him over and caused a head injury, concussion and a dislocated shoulder. He was approximately 500m into the woods making it impossible for the ambulance service to evacuate him. He was treated by a team paramedic and carried back to the road and transferred to the ambulance crew.



## 52. Sunday 1st July 2018

**15:39 hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

Two of our SARDA dog handlers were called to assist DMRT with an ongoing search incident just south of our patch. A couple of team members also attended to act as navigators for the dog handlers whilst they worked their dogs in the search area. Fortunately the missing person turned up safe and well, so all resources were stood down.

## 53. Sunday 1st July 2018

**16:24 hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to a female walker who had sustained an isolated lower leg injury on the path above Treak Cliff cavern. Luckily some team members were close by and arrived at the casualty within 10 minutes of the initial call. The casualty was given pain relief, her ankle splinted and stretched down to the road for onward transport to hospital.

## 54. Thursday 5th July 2018

**18:05 hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

A young girl out walking with a school group above Edale slipped and sustained a suspected fractured ankle. We were called with BMRT to assist EMAS. The girl was treated by Buxton team medics and then carried down to the Nags Head in Edale where she was handed over to an EMAS crew.

## 55. Sunday 8th July 2018

**14:06 hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

A climber fell around 3m whilst attempting a route on Ash Tree Wall at Burbage North. Unfortunately she landed awkwardly and

sustained a suspected fractured ankle. Her companions provided initial aid and pain relief with the contents of their first aid kit. Upon arrival we administered additional pain relief, splinted the injured leg and evacuated her by stretcher back to Burbage North car park.

## 56. Sunday 8th July 2018

**14:50 hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

Whilst the previous incident was ongoing a further casualty was presented to us at our control point. Another climber with an ankle injury who was transported back to the road slung over the shoulder of his mate. After a quick examination his leg was splinted and he made his way to hospital in his mates car.

## 57. Dummy Incident 2018

**00:00 hrs**  
**0 team members**  
**0 team member hours**

A manual numbering error in our incident database missed out incident 57. This dummy incident has been added to ensure the numbers match our incident database to prevent confusion in the future.

## 58. Saturday 14th July 2018

**14:13 hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**31 team member hours**

We were called with BMRT to assist a young man walking on Kinder who had managed to aggravate a recurrent knee problem, making him unable to continue. Unfortunately, the problem had happened at Nether Tor, on the edge path of the plateau so it was a long hot slog up hill for team members to reach him. Given the location the MCA helicopter was also called to enable a rapid evacuation to hospital. A big thank you to the helicopter crew who also returned our kit after dropping the patient at hospital.

## 59. Sunday 15th July 2018

**12:14 hrs**  
**1 person**  
**0.5 team member hours**

We were called by YAS to assist with the rescue of a mountain biker reported fallen on a moorland track near Ringinglow, Sheffield. As the team were mobilising, the first ambulance at the incident was able to drive to the casualty so the team were stood down.

## 60. Sunday 15th July 2018

**12:31 hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

As the duty leader was dealing with Incident 59 he received a further call alerting him to a fallen mountain biker in the Burbage valley. The resources mobilised for the previous job were diverted to Burbage. EMAS first responders were already on scene with the mountain biker who had fallen and sustained a nasty leg injury. The team helped splint and evacuate him to the air ambulance when it arrived, for onward transport to the NGH.

## 61. Sunday 15th July 2018

**14:30 hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**10 team member hours**

Whilst at base repacking and restocking from Incident 60, we received a call from Derbyshire Constabulary. A walker had contacted them saying his dog had collapsed near Edale. Unfortunately, whilst travelling to Edale we were told the dog had sadly passed away. The dog owner was understandably distraught, and unsure of his exact location. We managed to locate him, and carried his dog off the hill on a mountain rescue stretcher.

## 62. Sunday 15th July 2018

**16:21 hrs**  
**1 person**  
**0.5 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO Controller about a walker who had taken a 10m tumbling fall near the Blue John show cave. As we were mobilising, the EMAS crew on scene confirmed the casualty was next to the road so we were not required and stood down.

## 63. Tuesday 17th July 2018

**01:00 hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**55 team member hours**

A Duke of Edinburgh's Award group on a silver expedition were reported overdue by their leaders just before midnight. The leaders had checked out the area near to their intended campsite and quite rightly waited some time prior to reporting the incident. The group were well equipped and the weather was fine so a limited response was initiated searching possible locations where the group could have gone wrong. With day breaking and no success the search was extended to include Buxton and Glossop Mountain Rescue Teams. The group was eventually located a couple of fields away from their intended campsite oblivious to the ongoing search and enjoying bacon butties prior to setting off again.

## 64. Wednesday 18th July 2018

**13:40 hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

We were contacted along with BMRT by the PDMRO Controller after EMAS had requested our assistance to help a young chap on a school trip who had injured his ankle running down the footpath between Hope and Lose Hill. Luckily one of our medics was at our base in Hope so was on scene quickly. After assessment and treatment by our medic we carried him on a mountain rescue stretcher to the EMAS ambulance for onward transport to hospital.

## 65. Saturday 21st July 2018

**11:40hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

We were asked by YAS to assist them with a male who had fallen in the Whiteley Wood area of Sheffield sustaining a knock to the head. As we were mobilising the patient had managed to walk out to the road so our services were not required.

## 66. Sunday 22nd July 2018

**13:04hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

We were called by YAS to assist them with an incident near Rother Valley. A young lady had a tumble down a loose slippery slope whilst out walking, injuring her ankle. Unfortunately, the location she chose was a little tricky to access! Working with the Park Rangers, YAS and South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service, we were able to get to her, treat and splint her injuries then evacuate her on a mountain rescue stretcher to the waiting ambulance. Our team members were only too happy to assist the Park Rangers when power tools were mentioned. It took a while to make Tony let go of the hedge trimmer. That cleared the route to the substantial fence which was removed by the fire service personnel allowing the stretcher party to pass through.

## 67. Tuesday 24th July 2018

**17:54hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**40 team member hours**

As some of us were settling down to our evening meals we were passed an incident that had initially been tasked to Woodhead MRT. A pair of mountain bikers had left their vehicle in Penistone to cycle a route over Bleaklow they had downloaded from an internet site. Unfortunately this gave them nothing more than 'a bread-crumbs' type trail to follow and neither had any other way to navigate their chosen route. To compound

problems both had set off with very limited water and, given the lovely hot weather we were experiencing, they were soon suffering in the heat and called for assistance. Luckily we were able to use SARLOC to pin point their location on the Cut Gate track north east of Sandy Lee and, because of concern for their wellbeing, a full team call out was initiated. They were soon located, given glucose and rehydrated. Luckily still Woodhead MRT very kindly volunteered to send one of their vehicles round to Fairholmes car park to ferry them back to their car, saving them a hefty taxi fair!  
Two important lessons were learnt. The value of good navigation skills and the need to fully prepare if going out for prolonged activities on a scorching hot day.

## 68. Sunday 29th July 2018

**20:30hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

We were called by Derbyshire Constabulary after they had received reports about four people stuck in a cave somewhere on Stanage Edge. It turned out they had decided to take a look into Robin Hood's Cave on Stanage Edge and one of the party was reluctant to make the return journey over a short exposed bit of rock.  
We were put on standby while the duty team leader went to investigate with another team leader. On arrival the police informed our duty leader that a couple of climbers had helped the person out of the cave.  
It was decided to make sure the whole party was okay and contact with two of the group established that everyone was safe. A bit of investigation saved a full team call out at a time when all teams are a bit thin on the ground with annual holidays. Thank you to the two climbers who saved the day and explained the situation to our duty leader.

## 69. Thursday 2nd August 2018

**23:30hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

At 23.30hrs the duty team leader was asked by the PDMRO Controller to assist Woodhead and Glossop Mountain Rescue Teams with a search for a walker who had set off from Langsett at 15.00hrs with the intention of walking to the Derwent Valley reservoirs.  
At that time he was thought to be on the Howden Moors and Edale was asked to search the area from Slippery Stones to the Cut Gate track. As our duty leader was planning to call out the team, he was informed the walker had been successfully located with Sarloc and was close to Fairholmes. Given the mild weather and the knowledge the walker was in good spirits a vehicle and a couple of team members were asked to pick him up.  
Another Sarloc put him on the Grindle Clough bridleway just above the east side track. The walker was advised to look out for the team vehicle travelling down the east side track with blue lights flashing. He was quickly spotted signalling with his torch as he headed towards us down the Grindle Clough bridleway. This was a classic example of someone taking a wrong turn and ending up navigationally challenged. Fortunately modern technology assisted us to find him quickly. A good example of Peak District teams working together for a swift and successful outcome. All back to our beds for 01.30hrs.

## 70. Wednesday 8th August 2018

**10:20hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

An early(ish) call for us and BMRT to Stanage Edge to rescue a climber who had fallen, sustaining back injuries. Working with the EMAS staff on scene, the patient was immobilised on a vacuum mattress and carried down to the waiting ambulance on a mountain rescue stretcher.

## 71. Tuesday 14th August 2018

**21:01hrs**  
**24 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

We had just finished an exercise in Padley Gorge, Grindleford when we were contacted by the PDMRO Controller about a vulnerable male whose car had been found by police at Surprise View car park above Hathersage. As we were gathering more information the police managed to locate him and we were stood down.

## 72. Wednesday 15th August 2018

**10:16hrs**  
**1 person**  
**2 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO Controller to possibly assist Woodhead MRT with a search for a 61 year old vulnerable male in the Wentworth area of Rotherham. We were put on standby but fortunately the gentleman turned up safe and well so we were stood down.

## 73. Thursday 16th August 2018

**15:40hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We were called with BMRT by the PDMRO Controller to assist an unwell female in Grindsbrook valley near Edale. One of our local members was quickly on scene along with an EMAS paramedic and the patient was evacuated to Edale village on a mountain rescue stretcher.



## 74. Saturday 25th August 2018

**11:45hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

We were asked by EMAS to assist a fallen climber at Stanage Edge. Team members out fundraising with our vehicles in Hathersage and Edale were able to stop collecting and set off quickly, ensuring a rapid response to the incident. Helimed 54 also attended, and its crew worked with team members to treat, and evacuate the casualty. Fortunately, the injuries were not as serious as initially reported and the climber was taken down to the road ambulance for further assessment.

## 75. Sunday 26th August 2018

**12:30hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

While team members and two support group members were fundraising on a very wet day in Edale they were approached by a couple who had concerns about a young lady with an ankle injury somewhere on the Grindslow Knoll footpath.

The team vehicle was driven up the field system to see where exactly the incident was, as it was described as near the bottom of the track. On approaching the gate up to Grindslow Knoll a chap could be seen carrying the lady down. After a quick assessment it was decided to get her in the vehicle and to the warmth of Coopers Café. It had been a very wet day on Kinder. After getting herself into some dry clothes and getting warm she was taken back to team headquarters at Hope for warm drinks and food. The couple had no transport as they had travelled by train from Chesterfield. To save any delay or inconvenience one of our team members kindly offered to take them to hospital in Chesterfield to get the ankle properly assessed.

Thank you to the couple who initially came to her aid and to Coopers café for their help in providing initial warmth and shelter. Oh and the fundraising! We collected £98 in total so not bad for a horrible wet and what turned out to be a short fundraising day, thanks to everyone who donated.

## 76. Friday 31st August 2018

**17:45hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**17 team member hours**

A young lady out for an afternoon with her family slipped at the side of Padley Gorge and sustained a painful ankle injury. She was given pain relief and had her leg splinted before being carried a short distance to the road, where she was handed over to a crew from EMAS.

## 77. Saturday 1st September 2018

**14:20hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

A female climber had fallen whilst attempting a route on the second level in Horseshoe Quarry, Stoney Middleton. Unfortunately she caught her leg in the rope which resulted in an awkward landing. Team members arrived at the same time as Helimed 54 and treated her for a lower leg injury. She was carried down to an EMAS ambulance at the road which released Helimed 54 for any further tasking. We were assisted by a few BMRT members who were fundraising near by at the Chatsworth country fair.

## 78. Sunday 2nd September 2018

**17:30hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**31 team member hours**

We were called to a lady who had taken a tumble whilst attempting to climb up the boulder field below Stanage Edge. She had fallen heavily and was complaining of chest pain and breathing difficulties. The initial treatment was by team casualty carers who handed over to a team doctor and paramedic when they arrived on scene. Once packaged on our stretcher a tricky evacuation ensued out of the boulder field on to a path and then down to the ambulance at Stanage Plantation car park. Thanks to the climbers and boulderers who provided extra hands with the initial evacuation.

## 79. Wednesday 5th September 2018

**15:30hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

A climbers anchor point gave way while abseiling off Grotto Slab at Stanage Edge resulting in a 10m fall to the ground. Fourteen team members and four members of BMRT treated the climber at the scene for leg and facial injuries. After strong pain relief by a team medic he was packaged and immobilised on a team stretcher and swiftly evacuated to the road and the Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance for a short flight to the Major Trauma Unit at Sheffield NGH.

Thank you to the climbers on scene for their accurate reporting of the location of the incident which enabled a fast response from the team.

## 80. Thursday 13th September 2018

**10:00hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

An early call when the duty team leader was contacted along with BMRT by the PDMRO Controller after a request from EMAS to attend a paraglider who had collided with a wall on Rebellion Knoll, Bradwell Edge. We arrived just after Helimed 54 and worked with the crew to stabilise the injured pilot and evacuate him the short distance to the helicopter on a mountain rescue stretcher. It was a short evacuation so members were soon able to return to their daily activities.

## 81. Friday 14th September 2018

**15:54hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

An elderly cyclist was reported to have fallen off his bike near Slippery Stones in the Upper Derwent valley and sustained a suspected fractured hip. As we were mobilising, visitor centre staff advised he had been transported to Fairholmes by some forestry workers, and

an ambulance pick up arranged from there. We were stood down as the first members arrived at Fairholmes.

## 82. Friday 14th September 2018

**19:50hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

A request from EMAS to attend a lady who had fallen whilst walking near Mam Tor. The team responded alongside BMRT as Mam Tor is on the border of each teams operational area. The lady had two children with her which was an extra concern as the temperature was dropping and rain was expected. Our duty team leader made several unsuccessful attempts to contact the informant. Fortunately a BMRT vehicle arrived on scene and quickly located the lady and her children close to the road at Mam Nic. She was found to have severe pain in her back and given pain relief. She was stabilised, packaged on a vacuum mattress and mountain rescue stretcher and carried the short distance to the ambulance on the road above. Her two children accompanied their mother to NGH Sheffield where she received further treatment for her injuries.

## 83. Saturday 15th September 2018

**13:22hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

We were called by the PDMRO Controller following a request from the police for mountain rescue assistance at Stanage Edge. A climber had fallen a couple of metres sustaining an ankle injury. One of our team members was nearby and quickly on scene to assess his injuries followed by one of our team doctors and EMAS paramedics. Buxton MRT were also asked to assist. The climber was packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher and evacuated to the Plantation car park. Fortunately, he could be conveyed to hospital by friends as the injuries were not too serious freeing up the ambulance.

## 84. Tuesday 18th September 2018

**18:47hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**21 team member hours**

A climber fell whilst descending from a climb on Stanage Edge, landing heavily on their feet. We were called to assist EMAS. The climber was treated by EMAS staff and carried off the hill by the team to the ambulance.

## 85. Wednesday 19th September 2018

**12:36hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

A horse unseated its rider in the fields near Curbar Edge. We responded along with EMAS assisting in the treatment and packing of the casualty who had sustained potential back injuries. We then carried the rider on our mountain rescue stretcher to the ambulance.

## 86. Sunday 23rd September 2018

**14:56hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

We were asked to assist a walker who had fallen on the track around Ladybower, sustaining a facial injury. By the time we arrived the walker had been patched up by family members, and the party were making their way back to their car. A valiant effort by all. After a quick check over by a team doctor, the group were given a lift back to their vehicle, with plans to call into a minor injuries unit on their way home.

## 87. Monday 24th September 2018

**16:37hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were called by the PDMRO Controller

to assist a chap who had phoned in having become "navigationally challenged" on Kinder Scout. The initial reports put him somewhere on the northern edges, so Glossop Mountain Rescue Team was asked to assist with the search. Fortunately, as we were deploying he turned up on the A57 having had a grand and longer than expected day out on the hill. He was given a lift back to his vehicle in Edale, and the teams stood down.

## 88. Tuesday 25th September 2018

**11:53hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

We were asked with BMRT to assist a paraglider who had fallen on take off, taking a tumbling fall down a steep hill on Longstone Edge. As local members arrived on scene it was clear the pilot had, despite pretty significant and painful injuries, walked up a steep hill to get back to their car! We treated his injuries until an ambulance arrived to take over the care.

## 89. Wednesday 26th September 2018

**16:37hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**31 team member hours**

We were requested to go to the aid of six walkers and their dog who were struggling after a long day on the hill, made worse by one of the party who was concerned that a recent illness had returned. As we were arriving at Fairholmes news came in that the gent was feeling better. Team members were taken to the bottom of Walker's Clough in our vehicles for a hasty ascent to meet the party. After assessment a team medic decided they were all well enough to walk to the team vehicles for a lift back to their vehicles at Fairholmes.

## 90. Thursday 27th September 2018

**12:05hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

Along with BMRT we were requested to assist a walker who had taken a nasty fall off a high stile near the Monsal Trail, sustaining arm and facial injuries. The walker was treated for her injuries and handed over to an EMAS crew for treatment and transport to hospital.

## 91. Tuesday 2nd October 2018

**11:00hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**6 team member hours**

A young person on a Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition suffered an allergic reaction whilst walking between Grindleford and Froggatt. The group leader administered medication prior to the arrival of the EMAS crew which helped stabilise the patient. They were then evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher back to an ambulance waiting in Froggatt village by our selves assisted by BMRT.

## 92. Friday 5th October 2018

**12:55hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

We were called to a footpath near Bakewell to assist a walker with a knee injury caused by one of the party, Maggie, a 42kg Bernese Mountain dog. Sadly Maggie's enthusiasm for head snuggling one of her owner's friends was not so much of a gentle nuzzle as 42kg of fast moving hard headed dog joy. The injured walker was carried on a mountain rescue stretcher back to the waiting ambulance. We don't know how much trouble Maggie was in when she got home.

## 93. Tuesday 9th October 2018

**15:35 hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

A young person who was on a residential course with their school became stuck when they slipped while weaseling amongst the rocks at Higger Tor. We were requested to assist along with BMRT. It was quickly established that more help from our colleagues at Derbyshire Cave Rescue would also be needed with specialist lifting equipment. Analgesia was administered to ease the discomfort and warm blankets applied to stop the body temperature dropping. As DCRO were in transit we were able to get to the back of the trapped person's foot and dig away enough earth to allow the foot to be freed. Fortunately a check up by a team medic confirmed nothing but a few grazes and they were happy to walk back to the road none the worse for their ordeal. A welcome ride back to the centre where the school were staying followed for some warm food and drink.

## 94. Saturday 13th October 2018

**12.08hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**25 team member hours**

A request from EMAS to evacuate a visitor from the depths of Blue John Mine who had slipped and suffered an isolated lower leg injury and was unable to move. Team members who were in the vicinity were quickly on scene and were later joined by members of BMRT and Derbyshire Cave Rescue who were on exercise in the nearby Peak Cavern.

After being checked over by team medics pain relief was administered and the awkward task of evacuating them back to the surface began. The tunnels and stairway are very narrow which makes it extremely difficult for many hands to get on. A specially adapted chair from the ambulance was used which helped on the tight corners. Eventually after much thrusting and heaving, gently of course, the stretcher party arrived back on the surface

where the casualty was handed over to the ambulance crew for onward transportation to hospital.

## **95. Thursday 18th October 2018**

**11:21hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO Controller with a request to assist EMAS to evacuate an unconscious male from an area adjacent to Derwent Dam in the upper Derwent valley. We were quickly on scene and worked alongside the ambulance and air ambulance crew to swiftly evacuate the male from the waters edge up to the road where they were transferred to the land ambulance for transport to Sheffield NGH.

## **96. Friday 19th October 2018**

**11:21hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**10 team member hours**

A request for assistance from EMAS gave us an early start to the day with an incident near Holmesfield. A rider had been knocked from their horse while negotiating a hurdle by hitting his head on a low tree branch. The location was several fields from the nearest road and we were requested to evacuate the rider on a mountain rescue stretcher. Pain relief was administered by the paramedic and he was packaged in a vacuum mattress for the journey to the ambulance. Where he was reassessed before onward transportation to Sheffield NGH.

## **97. Sunday 21st October 2018**

**14:46hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

The duty team leader received a call from the police regarding a fallen climber on Curbar Edge. Further questioning of the informant put them in the 'Kayak' area of the edge with a suspected dislocated arm and a fractured

ankle. Our first vehicles arrived on scene at the same time as a local EMAS paramedic. The casualty was given pain relief and his injuries splinted prior to being evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher up to the top of the edge and down to the car park to an ambulance for the journey to hospital. A number of our new aspirant members had, by chance, been at our base working on the very first modules of their 18 month training course and were able to observe the team in action; hopefully giving them a good insight into how a callout works.

## **98. Monday 22nd October 2018**

**10:14hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO Controller after a request from the police for assistance with a forestry accident in the Upper Derwent valley near to Slippery Stones. We were quickly mobilised with Glossop MRT, as the area is on our boundary of operations, along with helimed and a community paramedic from EMAS who also happens to be a team member. All resources arrived around the same time and worked together to stabilise the casualty who was then evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher to the air ambulance which had landed at Slippery Stones. The area was very difficult to access and suitable landing sites for helicopters were limited. This incident was a good example of how our expertise and local knowledge are invaluable in locating and evacuating casualties. In addition our radios help us communicate with the Peak District National Park Rangers. Their help is invaluable in this area, and they helped with this job, so thanks to them.

## **99. Tuesday 23rd October 2018**

**14:20hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**41 team member hours**

We were called to assist Kinder and Buxton teams with the rescue of a lady with a lower leg injury who was with a party of ten adults and three children. A passing walker came upon

the casualty party and alerted the police to the incident via a 999 call. They also provided a tent and sleeping bag for the casualty which helped keep them warm. The party were located accurately using Sarloc. Facing a long carry off in poor weather and fading light the MCA S92 helicopter was requested. The S92 attempted to reach the casualty site but was turned back by the very low visibility. They did however manage to drop some team members part way up Kinder before the cloud base dropped to near the valley floor. The casualty was eventually reached on foot and given first aid and pain relief. The rest of the party were warned in a team bothy shelter and then walked off the hill. It was a four hour stretcher carry to a waiting EMAS ambulance at Upper Booth. Thank you to the walker and the crew of the S92 for all your efforts.

## **100. Wednesday 31st October 2018**

**11:40hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

This years one hundredth incident was to a report from Derbyshire Constabulary of someone falling down a steep bankside at Fairholmes in the Upper Derwent valley. A family on half term break were in need of our assistance after one of the younger members had taken a tumble down a steep and very slippery bank leading down to the Ladybower Reservoir. As the first team member arrived and made contact with the family the Derbyshire Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance landed so their doctor was quickly on scene to take over assessment and pain relief. This allowed us to prepare a rope rescue system to evacuate the casualty. The mountain rescue stretcher was lowered to the casualty site and the young person was splinted and packaged before we hauled the stretcher protected by a safety rope back up to the car park. We then carried the casualty to the air ambulance which had landed in the meadow under Derwent Dam. Mother and child were flown to Sheffield Childrens Hospital for further treatment. Thank you to the Peak District National Park Rangers at Fairholmes and Severn Trent Water staff for their

assistance during this rescue.

## **101. Saturday 3rd November 2018**

**12:10hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**19 team member hours**

The duty team leader received a request from Derbyshire Constabulary to assist a man who had walked out across the mud of Ladybower Reservoir to take a closer look at the ruins which were exposed due to very low water levels in the reservoir. The mud is extremely thick in places and he got completely stuck. Due to concern for his temperature and general welfare his partner ran round to the Peak Park Ranger Station at Fairholmes to summon assistance.

On arrival we were able to access the casualty on foot by improvising with a variety of specialist equipment carried on the vehicles to spread their weight on soft surfaces. After approximately 30 minutes of digging we got him free and he walked back to solid ground. We returned to base to start a long session of equipment cleaning! We are aware that low water levels in the reservoirs generate a lot of interest and publicity. This was just one of several incidents that occurred during the dry spell. In future we would urge people to view the ruins from the safety of solid ground. Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service were also called but were stood down en route as we had managed to free the man from the mud.

## **102. Thursday 8th November 2018**

**12:29hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to assist a walker who had taken a tumble in the Burbage valley sustaining a knee injury. After assessment by team members, the casualty was splinted and placed on a mountain rescue stretcher for the short carry to the road, where an ambulance was waiting to transport them to hospital.



### **103. Thursday 8th November 2018**

**17:15hrs**  
**23 team members**  
**92 team member hours**

Two walkers set out from Edale to explore Kinder. They became navigationally challenged and benighted, and called for assistance. The Kinder Plan was initiated, with ourselves, Buxton, Glossop and Kinder teams deploying and searching their respective areas of the plateau. Search and Rescue Dog Association air scenting search dogs were also deployed to assist. The plan worked and the walkers were located fairly quickly. After being checked over by team members, the pair were escorted off the hill.

### **104. Saturday 10th November**

**12:09 hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

We were called to Stanage Edge to assist a walker who had suffered a collapse. Local team members were rapidly on scene, and assessed the experienced walker. The group had got quite cold waiting for rescue to arrive, so other members of the group were escorted to the teams Land Rovers to be warmed up. Once the casualty was packaged in our insulation system for warmth, they were carried on a mountain rescue stretcher along the edge to the Land Rovers and then taken down the track to the ambulance.

### **105. Saturday 10th November 2018**

**15:18hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

Woodhead MRT were already committed on another rescue so we were asked to deal with a fallen mountain biker in Grenoside Woods, Sheffield, which is normally Woodhead's patch. As initial team members arrived at Grenoside Woods, we were stood down as Woodhead had finished the previous tasking and were able to deal with this incident. One of our team doctors

who was on scene by this point assisted with the medical care, working with Woodhead team members and YAS to stabilise and evacuate the injured rider.

### **106. Friday 16th November 2018**

**18:47hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**35 team member hours**

A walker descending off Kinder Scout down Golden Clough became increasingly concerned by a painful knee injury and called Derbyshire Constabulary for help. We were asked to assist along with BMRT. SARLOC was used to pinpoint the injured person and his walking companion.

After an assessment by a casualty carer and some pain relief the casualty was happy to walk back to Edale with help from team members. The pair were then transported back to their car and drove themselves to hospital for further assessment.

### **107. Sunday 18th November 2018**

**14:06hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

Sunday kicked off with crag assessments at Gardom's Edge for some of our aspirant team members, however these were interrupted. Shortly after lunchtime a female, having tracked down the number via the internet, called our base phone to report her father had taken a fall on the Mam Tor ridge. Luckily our base was manned at the time and the caller was directed to put in a 999 call via the police. This was done and both ourselves and BMRT were activated to attend from Mam Nick. The first team members on scene located the casualty halfway between Mam Tor summit and Hollins Cross. He was treated for an isolated leg injury, insulated from the brisk cold wind and evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher to Mam Nick.

### **108. Sunday 18th November 2018**

**14:20hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

Our third vehicle responding to Incident 107 was flagged down in Castleton to assist with a lady who was suffering from chest pains. Team members rapidly located the individual and commenced primary casualty care. As there was sufficient resources attending the Mam Tor casualty, our Mercedes Sprinter 4x4 control vehicle was diverted to Castleton to provide a warm place and support until an EMAS ambulance arrived.

### **109. Sunday 18th November 2018**

**15:34hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

As we were finishing incidents 107 and 108 a further call came in from Derbyshire Constabulary regarding reports of a fallen climber somewhere below the Burbage North crags. The caller was able to give a broad location along with a Lat / Long position. Luckily we had a number of members who had not attended the first two calls and were able to head straight to the RV, backed up quickly by vehicles from the Mam Tor job, an EMAS paramedic and the Derbyshire, Leicester & Rutland Air Ambulance. Fortunately the first members on scene, including a team doctor, found the casualty's injuries to be not as bad as first suspected and so the helicopter was stood down overhead and the individual treated for a painful lower leg injury. He was packaged and insulated against the rapidly dropping temperature and evacuated to an EMAS ambulance waiting at the Burbage North car park. Earlier in the day the team had been carrying out a crag assessment for some of our aspirant members which had been interrupted by the series of callouts. They were luckily (not so much for the aspirants) able to go back to the Burbage North incident site, finish the crag assessment and simultaneously strip out the injured climbers gear from the rock. Arriving home late into Sunday evening having started a long day at Gardom's Edge first thing in the morning.

### **110. Tuesday 20th November 2018**

**13:39hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

We were called to assist BMRT with an elderly lady who had fallen whilst walking with friends in Shacklow Woods near Ashford in the Water. She sustained an ankle injury and after being attended by the team and a paramedic she was transported by stretcher to a waiting ambulance for transport to hospital.

### **111. Saturday 24th November 2018**

**10:19hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

Another busy Saturday for the team. At our base we were hosting a national meeting to share best practice in mountain rescue whilst dealing with three Incidents (111, 112, 113). We were called by YAS to reports of an injured mountain biker in the woods above Ladybower Reservoir. As team members were mobilising contact was made with the informant by the duty team leader. The group were assisting the injured biker off the hill themselves and advised that mountain rescue were not now required although they would need an ambulance at the road. It transpired the group had done a sterling job dressing a nasty leg wound with gloves secured by zip ties to stop the bleeding. They had then transported the casualty out on his own bike being supported by a person on either side. Brilliant work folks well done!

### **112. Saturday 24th November 2018**

**13:19hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

The team was contacted by BMRT to assist with an incident on the Monsal Trail near the Headstone Tunnel. As we were responding further information was received with regards to the location of the casualty which meant that our services were no longer required. The

casualty site was inside the Headstone Tunnel on the Monsal Trail and accessible by Buxton team vehicles.

### **113. Saturday 24th November 2018**

**16:07hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

An unusual request for our services on the rugby pitch at Hope Valley College. The visiting prop forward had sustained a painful knee injury earlier in the afternoon. Due to the high demand on the ambulance service the patient had been waiting a considerable time for an ambulance to arrive and was getting very cold. A club member requested our services via the police and we were more than happy to oblige as we had a number of team members at our base a few minutes down the road. We administered some pain relief, splinted the leg and then transported him to the warmth of our Mercedes Sprinter 4x4 control vehicle whilst we awaited the arrival of an ambulance.

### **114. Sunday 25th November 2018**

**17:50hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**46 team member hours**

A couple who had been out for a walk on Kinder Scout reported themselves to the police as 'navigationally challenged' as the light faded at the end of the day. Questioning from the PDMRO Controller was inconclusive and an attempt to locate their mobile phone was also unsuccessful. Unfortunately the clag was down meaning helicopter support was going to be limited at very best and so we therefore had to do it the old fashioned way and the 'Kinder Plan' was initiated. This well tried and tested plan quickly located the couple via flashes from their lights below the western edge path in the area of Broad Clough. A Kinder MRT dog handler was first to them, and undertook an initial assessment. The pair were walked down and reunited with their transport allowing all the team members to return home at a relatively civilised hour in the evening.

### **115. Friday 30th November 2018**

**14:54hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**45 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to assist a mountain biker who was reported to have collapsed near to Win Hill. As our duty leader was taking details it became clear this was a serious incident, and the casualty was receiving CPR from fellow riders. We responded rapidly, along with BMRT and the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Unfortunately, despite the efforts of all those on scene, the rider could not be resuscitated. Working with Derbyshire Constabulary, the team carried the deceased rider off the hill, returning him to the care of a local undertaker. Our thoughts go out to the riders family and friends.

### **116. Friday 7th December 2018**

**17:30hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

The duty team leader received a call from Derbyshire Constabulary regarding an overdue male who had failed to return from a run in the area surrounding the Derwent reservoirs. Questioning of his partner, who was waiting at the Ladybower Inn and had raised the alarm, increased the concern for his welfare as he was only dressed in tee shirt and shorts and had left his phone behind. A full team callout was initiated in addition to a request for search and rescue dogs. Luckily as our first members were arriving on scene he phoned in to say he had made it home having flagged down a passing motorist. Please consider that a bivvy shelter or bag could save your life especially if you plan on travelling light.

### **117. Sunday 16th December 2018**

**03:16hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**91 team member hours**

We were called along with Buxton, Glossop and Kinder teams as part of the Kinder Plan to search for two missing walkers who had set off from

Edale at 11am the previous day and failed to return home. Search and Rescue Dog Association England air scenting search dogs were also deployed onto the plateau to assist in the search. The police helicopter was unable to undertake a prolonged search due to weather conditions, but the Maritime and Coastguard Agency S92 was able to attend from Humberside. Fortunately, A Kinder MRT section found the missing pair, who by this time had spent over 18 hours on the plateau and were very cold indeed. The S92 helicopter was overhead by this point so was able to winch the casualties on board accompanied by a Kinder MRT team doctor. They were then flown to the Sheffield Northern General Hospital for ongoing assessment and treatment.

### **118. Tuesday 25th December 2018**

**11.30hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

Just as the turkey and trimmings were being prepared for Christmas dinner a call came in from EMAS to go to the aid of a lady at Mam Tor who had slipped on muddy ground and injured herself. We attended along with BMRT as a joint snatch. The lady had sustained an isolated lower leg injury and was treated and given pain relieving drugs before being loaded on to a mountain rescue stretcher and conveyed to the ambulance on the road near to Odin Mine.

### **119. Thursday 27th December 2018**

**14:30hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

A joint call with BMRT to a man walking with his family near Back Tor, Lose Hill, who had slipped and sustained an upper leg injury. We had some team members at base so were quickly on scene, the casualty was treated and given pain relief by the first team members and then splinted, packaged, sledged and carried over difficult steep slippery terrain on a mountain rescue stretcher down to the nearest farm. He was then transferred to one of our team vehicles and driven down the farm track and handed over to

an EMAS crew. Thank you to the farmer at Only Grange Farm for providing refreshments to both teams.

### **120. Sunday 30th December 2018**

**12:17hrs**  
**1 person**  
**0.5 team member hours**

The duty team leader received a report from Derbyshire Constabulary regarding a mountain biker who had taken a tumble from his bike somewhere in the vicinity of Parson House outdoor centre and sustained a fractured arm. Luckily the rider's friends were able to get him down to the main road where they arranged onward travel to hospital; saving the team a job. The duty leader kept in contact with the party via phone to ensure they were making good progress.

### **121. Sunday 30th December 2018**

**17:04hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

An early evening call to our duty team leader requested support with an ongoing rescue by one of our neighbouring teams. Glossop team were assisting a walker with an injured leg on the northern edge of Kinder Scout close to Fairbrook Naze and asked for support and fresh hill personnel as the evacuation had been going on for some time. We responded with two full team vehicles plus additional pain relief and ropes to support the final stretcher lowers down steep ground. By 19.00 both teams were back at the Snake Inn and the casualty was handed over to an EMAS crew for onward transport to hospital.







## 2019 Incidents

### 1. Thursday 3rd January 2019

**00:21hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**35 team member hours**

We were asked by DC to search the area above Stanage Plantation for a vulnerable missing person. Targeted searches were commenced by team members and MRSDE search dogs. When DC received further information this area was discounted as a possible location. Team members and their dogs returned to bed in the early hours of the morning.

### 2. Friday 4th January 2019

**14:00hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to a female walker on the Great Ridge above Castleton who had sustained a lower leg injury. The casualty was treated by team members and team paramedics before being carried on a mountain rescue stretcher to the road at Mam Nick where she was handed over to an EMAS ambulance crew.

### 3. Thursday 10th January 2019

**13:17hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

We were requested by the police to assist the ambulance service with a patient who had fallen off their bike on the east side of Ladybower near Ashopton Viaduct. It was possible to get the ambulance to the patient once the access gate had been opened so the team were stood down.

### 4. Wednesday 23rd January 2019

**12:08hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to a walker who had slipped on the ice near the summit of Mam Tor, sustaining a lower leg injury. Team members were rapidly on scene and provided casualty care. With the clear blue sunny skies, temperatures were very low on the tops, well into the minus numbers. The casualty was splinted, wrapped up, insulated and placed on a mountain rescue stretcher. Making good use of the wintery conditions the casualty was sledged off the hill on the stretcher and handed over to an EMAS ambulance crew for further treatment and onward transport.

### 5. Saturday 26th January 2019

**22:14hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**1 team member hour**

We were contacted by YAS for assistance with a developing missing person search. As further intelligence was gained it became apparent the subject was mobile and not in the area initially considered so our involvement was no longer required.

### 6. Sunday 27th January 2019

**12:06hrs**  
**31 team members**  
**49 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to Curbar Edge following reports of a fallen climber with leg injuries. Team members at base undertaking casualty care training on lower limb injuries were rapidly deployed for a practical example! The climber who had sustained an open lower leg injury was given pain relief and antibiotics, and the fracture was treated and splinted. The patient was carried off the hill on a mountain rescue stretcher to the waiting ambulance.

### 7. Sunday 27th January 2019

**16:59hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to a walker who had fallen on the banks of the River Wye near Bakewell. They had sustained a hip injury and were unable to walk. Both teams worked together to locate and treat the casualty, before evacuating them to the waiting ambulance.

### 8. Tuesday 5th February 2019

**11:23hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

We were contacted by EMAS to assist a walker in the Burbage Valley who had hip and leg injuries. Our vehicles used the main valley track to reach the casualty who was treated by team members, followed by an evacuation to the road and the ambulance.

### 9. Thursday 14th February 2019

**14:19hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**162 team member hours**

We were asked to assist with a search for a missing person in the Haywood area near the Grouse Inn. After DC received further information the missing person was located safe and well by GMRT in their area and we were able to stand down.

### 10. Sunday 17th February 2019

**12:49hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**47 team member hours**

A walker fell whilst crossing the stream in Grindsbrook, injuring their ankle. Fortunately, their walking partner was able to summon help and we were called along with BMRT to assist. We had just finished our equipment checking session at our base so team members were rapidly on scene with the casualty. Their injury was splinted and they were carried off the hill on a mountain rescue stretcher to a waiting ambulance.

### 11. Monday 18th February 2019

**23:30hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**2 team member hours**

Our duty team leader was contacted shortly before midnight by DC regarding concern for a hillwalker. The walker had contacted a family member in Bristol stating they were lost on 'a mountain near Hope' after leaving for a walk late in the afternoon. Concern was increased by very limited phone battery life and potential medical issues. Repeated attempts to locate the walker's mobile phone using Sarloc were unsuccessful however further questioning of the family member put the walker in the Edale area. Luckily as plans were being made to call out the team the walker made contact to say they were back down in the village, allowing us all to go back to bed.

## 12. Tuesday 19th February 2019

**15:58hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

As part of the joint snatch squad arrangement we were called alongside BMRT to reports of a fallen walker somewhere downstream of the Chee Dale viaduct on the Monsal trail. Initial information indicated a young boy from an organised group had fallen approximately 6m into the river, because of the potential serious nature of his injuries and the difficult location, additional resources were requested from DFRS, DL&RAA and an MCA search and rescue helicopter.

The first team members on scene alongside an EMAS paramedic waded into waist deep water to secure the casualty who had sustained serious leg injuries in addition to the effects of the cold water. Further water trained and equipped team members and DFRS personnel were then able to package and evacuate the boy via an inflatable rescue sledge to an open area of ground further downstream where MCA S92 helicopter Rescue 912 was able to winch the casualty up through a gap in the tree cover. Overall a very good example of inter service cooperation; utilising EMAS personnel, two mountain rescue teams, the fire service and two helicopters to carry out a challenging rescue in a difficult location.

## 13. Saturday 23rd February 2019

**12:19hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

A walker slipped on the steep path above Suicide Cave at the foot of Winnats Pass. Unfortunately they banged their head which caused them to fit. We were requested by EMAS to evacuate to the DL&RAA which attended along with EMAS paramedics. BMRT were also requested to help. The casualty was sledged down using a back rope system and carried the rest of the way to Helimed 54 for onward transportation to Sheffield NGH.

## 14. Saturday 23rd February 2019

**21:40hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**0.25 team member hours**

A walker phoned the police after losing their group and becoming lost. They thought they were in the Castleton area, but information on their location suggested they may be further down the Hope Valley. Before the team were deployed, the lost walker phoned back to say they had rejoined their group near to Surprise View. A happy end to a confusing tale!

## 15. Sunday 24th February 2019

**11:09hrs**  
**28 team members**  
**56 team member hours**

Deploying directly from base and our annual casualty care exam we responded to reports of a walker who had fallen and sustained a head injury on top of Stanage Edge. Team members were rapidly on scene and assessed the walker, who had also sustained a fractured wrist. The walker's injuries were treated and they were carried on a mountain rescue stretcher to a waiting EMAS ambulance.

## 16. Sunday 24th February 2019

**15:22hrs**  
**33 team members**  
**29 team member hours**

Later in the day a further call from DC requested our assistance with an injured walker in a quarry in Stoney Middleton. The walker had taken a tumbling fall and sustained a serious leg injury. When we arrived EMAS Paramedics were already on scene and were dealing with the casualty's injuries. Team members assisted by carrying the patient to the North West Air Ambulance helicopter that had attended to transport the patient to the Sheffield NGH for ongoing care.

## 17. Sunday 24th February 2019

**16:24hrs**  
**30 team members**  
**51 team member hours**

Just as we were leaving the previous incident we were requested by the ambulance service to attend an injured paraglider pilot near Mam Tor. Given the location on the boundary of our area BMRT were also asked to assist. We drove to Mam Nick and from there by foot onto Rushup Edge. An experienced pilot had impacted the ground shortly after take off dislocating a shoulder. Team members assessed the casualty and a team doctor gave strong pain relief and managed to relocate their dislocated shoulder. This made for a much more comfortable carry on a mountain rescue stretcher to the road.

## 18. Tuesday 26th February 2019

**11:27hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**40 team member hours**

As part of the joint snatch squad we were called with BMRT to assist a walker who had fallen in Grindsbrook sustaining a nasty ankle fracture. The casualty was assessed and treated by an Edale team doctor and given strong analgesia. Due to the location high up in Grindsbrook and the severity of the injury, assistance was requested from the MCA rescue helicopter, stationed at Humberside Airport. The helicopter was able to winch the casualty on board and fly them to the NGH in Sheffield for further assessment and treatment of their injury. Unusually this was the second job in a week with the MCA S92 Helicopter. To keep team members up to speed we train with them yearly to ensure a smooth and efficient working relationship when needed.

## 19. Saturday 2nd March 2019

**11:02hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to reports of a 3 year old child who had fallen 6m on HiggerTor. When team members arrived at the roadside RV the child was in the back of a car having been carried there from the incident site. The child was quickly assessed by a team doctor and swiftly transferred to an EMAS ambulance that arrived at about the same time. Our team doctor travelled with the casualty to the Sheffield Children's Hospital.

## 20. Sunday 3rd March 2019

**15:15hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

A walker slipped above Spring House Farm coming off Lose Hill. A team member who is also a paramedic responded on behalf of EMAS. After examining the walker they were found to have a significant right ankle injury and EMAS asked for help to transport them to the ambulance. DM4, our 4x4 Mercedes Sprinter, was despatched from our nearby base with several team members to assist. A quick job that was over within the hour.

## 21. Saturday 16th March 2019

**15:49hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**19 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to assist a walker with an ankle injury near Hathersage. Using one of our 4x4 vehicles we were able to drive to within 20m of the casualty, administer analgesia and splint the limb. The rest of the group with the injured walker were by this time cold and wet, so we ferried them back to the road and down to the warm dry shops and tea rooms of Hathersage. The injured walker was carried back to the road on a mountain rescue stretcher before being handed over to the ambulance service.

## 22. Monday 18th March 2019

**19:12hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

A request from DC tonight to search for a vulnerable missing person. Their car was located by a family friend at Surprise View car park. As our search managers arrived at the car park to gather further intelligence from the police the missing person turned up safe thus saving a full team callout for us and MRSDE search dog teams.

## 23. Saturday 23rd March 2019

**14:46hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

A walker slipped whilst enjoying a day on Kinder and sustained an ankle injury. A valiant effort was made to make their way off the hill under their own steam, managing to get as far as the western slope of Grindslow Knoll before being unable to continue. A phone call was made to our base and fortunately for the walker some team members were there who quickly responded. The rest of the team was called out along with BMRT. The walkers injured leg was splinted before they were carried down to Edale Village.

This was the second incident in a short period where a phone call had been made to our base to request assistance. Like all mountain rescue teams our members are volunteers and our base is not staffed all the time. To request mountain rescue please dial 999 / 112 and ask for police, then mountain rescue.

## 24. Saturday 23rd March 2019

**17:09hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

Just after arriving in Edale with the casualty from the previous incident we were called to Coombs Dale near Stoney Middleton. A mountain biker had crashed and sustained a

head and shoulder injury. Fortunately vehicles were able to reach the location and the rider was transported to the village football pitch where they were handed over to the crew of Helimed 54.

## 25. Sunday 24th March 2019

**13:23hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

A request from WMRT to assist them with an incident at Wickersley, Rotherham. A horse rider had fallen off and the ambulance service had requested assistance in evacuating them to their vehicle. Team members were stood down whilst responding as WMRT had enough personnel on site to do the job.

## 26. Monday 25th March 2019

**14:02hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

We were called with BMRT to Mam Tor above Castleton. A paraglider had crashed with the pilot sustaining potential back injuries.

## 27. Tuesday 26th March 2019

**14:52hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

We were called for the fifth time in four days to the Burbage North car park. A walker had slipped whilst attempting to cross Burbage Brook and sustained a suspected fractured ankle. An EMAS paramedic administered pain relief and treatment for the injury before the team evacuated the walker to the road for onward transport to hospital.

## 28. Thursday 28th March 2019

**20:58hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

Two walkers set off for a walk from Edale up Grindsbrook and became lost in the failing light. We were able to identify their location which was just below the southern edges between Grindsbrook and Upper Tor. A small section of team members was deployed to locate them and escort them back down into Edale.

## 29. Friday 29th March 2019

**14:50hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

A call from the PDMRO controller to assist WMRT with the evacuation of a person who had fallen whilst pruning trees and rolled down a steep embankment. Team members went to assist but fortunately the use of ropes was not needed and with help the patient walked to the waiting YAS ambulance for further assessment and onward transportation to NGH.

## 30. Saturday 30th March 2019

**14:45hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**32 team member hours**

During Thursday night's rescue of navigationally challenged walkers (Incident 28), a rucksack containing camera equipment and an expensive outdoor jacket was found. It was later logged with DC who had no relevant reports of missing persons. On Friday further intelligence came to the team from an ex team member that he and friends had also found some camera equipment near the same spot. This prompted us to use two search dog teams each accompanied by a team member to search the Grindsbrook area. Nothing was found.

## 31. Wednesday 3rd April 2019

**19:02hrs**  
**22 team members**  
**43 team member hours**

A call from the PDMRO controller to assist a young member of a DofE group who at the end of a long day had become nauseous and then unresponsive for a short time. The group's location was confirmed using Phone Find. A team member who is also a paramedic was nearby and after a yomp on to Derwent Edge was the first on scene. The rest of the team followed close behind and quickly arrived at the casualty site with all the necessary equipment. After stabilising the casualty and ensuring the rest of the group were fit and well, they were evacuated to Cut Throat bridge to RV with an EMAS ambulance. The casualty was taken to NGH for further assessment.

## 32. Saturday 6th April 2019

**16:20hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**25 team member hours**

We were called out on a joint rescue with DMRT and BMRT to a casualty with a leg injury near Grindslow Knoll. The teams assessed the injury and transported him to Edale village on a mountain rescue stretcher for onward transport to hospital.

## 33. Sunday 7th April 2019

**13:54hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**39 team member hours**

For the second day running we were called to Edale along with members of BMRT. This time it was for a walker suffering a reoccurrence of an old injury who was struggling to make their own way off the hill. Team members intercepted the walker just below Grindslow Knoll tenaciously making their way down towards Edale. After a quick consultation it was decided it would be less painful and quicker if we gave the walker a stretcher ride to Edale.



### 34. Sunday 14th April 2019

**16:32hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

We were called by DC to assist a walker who had fallen sustaining a shoulder injury near Baslow Edge. The team were on scene rapidly, with a team paramedic assessing the casualty and administering analgesia. The casualty was then carried to the road on a mountain rescue stretcher and handed over to EMAS.

### 35. Thursday 18th April 2019

**14:21hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

A climber attempting to solo a route on Bamford Edge fell off and sustained suspected multiple injuries. We responded along with colleagues from BMRT, EMAS and Helimed 54. The climber's injuries were treated and they were transported by team members to Helimed 54 for a short flight to the NGH in Sheffield.

### 36. Friday 19th April 2019

**13:30hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

We were called along with EMAS to assist a fallen climber on the Broken Butress area of Stanage. The climber had been hit by a falling rock, sustaining a leg injury. We were assisted by a couple of BMRT members who had been fundraising in Castleton when the incident occurred. The casualty was made safe in their precarious position on the crag, before being lowered down and carried off on a mountain rescue stretcher to the waiting ambulance.

### 37. Friday 19th April 2019

**14:56hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

As we were putting away kit from the previous incident, we were contacted by EMAS regarding a fallen mountain biker in the upper Derwent valley. Whilst the position of the casualty was initially unknown, it soon became clear they were near the new hydroelectric station on the east side track. Team vehicles were able to drive directly to the casualty, on arrival team members provided care alongside EMAS paramedics. The casualty was transferred to an ambulance and onwards to hospital.

### 38. Saturday 20th April 2019

**14:41hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**45 team member hours**

We were called by DC along with BMRT to attend a walker who had slipped and injured their leg on the southern edge of Kinder Scout. Both teams deployed from the Nags Head Edale with all the necessary equipment for a long carry off. The MCA helicopter was available and offered their assistance which was gladly accepted. The casualty was stabilised and offered pain relief before a decision to start the carry off was made just in case the helicopter was retasked to another incident. Fortunately, the aircraft arrived and the casualty was loaded on board for transfer to hospital. On a busy bank holiday, having the assistance of the MCA's air support is invaluable allowing the team to deal with jobs rapidly and efficiently.

### 39. Saturday 20th April 2019

**15:50hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**6 team member hours**

While we were attending to Incident 38 on the southern edge of Kinder Scout another call came in from EMAS to assist with a paraglider incident near to the summit of Mam Tor. Members from our team and BMRT who had not been deployed to the Kinder incident were redeployed to this one. Initial reports were very worrying and Helimed 54 had landed near to Mam Nick car park. The air ambulance team had already stabilised the casualty so a quick carry off on a mountain rescue stretcher to the road was undertaken. Fortunately, the injuries sustained were not as serious as first thought so the casualty was handed over to EMAS staff for further assessment.

### Dog Call Out 1 – Sunday 21st April 2019

**09:00hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**4 team member hours**

Search Dog Flo deployed to assist DMRT with a missing person search in the Somercotes area near Alfreton. The missing person was located, safe and well, walking along a road in the search area by a DMRT member travelling between operational areas.

### 40. Sunday 21st April 2019

**09:35hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

An early morning call to Horse Hay Coppice, Grindleford to a walker who had slipped and injured their back. The walker was treated by EMAS medics on scene and given pain relief before the team evacuated the casualty to the waiting ambulance at Grindleford bridge.

### 41. Sunday 21st April 2019

**12:46hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

For the second day running we were asked to attend an incident on the southern edge of Kinder Scout along with BMRT. A young member of a DofE group had slipped and sustained an injury to their ankle making it very painful to walk. Several of our members were fundraising outside the Nags Head in Edale and were quickly deployed to the scene. After initial assessment and pain relief the casualty was secured on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to Edale where they were handed over to the group leaders from the DofE to be conveyed to hospital in their own transport.

### 42. Sunday 21st April 2019

**15:34hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**21 team member hours**

We were called by DC to attend a young DofE group member reported to be suffering from a severe asthma attack near Hagg Bridge. As team members arrived a DofE leader was taking care of the casualty. On examination it was confirmed the attack was not as severe as reported and after some treatment they were carried on a mountain rescue stretcher to the waiting EMAS ambulance. After further examination by the crew they were discharged into the care of their group leaders.

### 43. Monday 22nd April 2019

**18:01hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We received a call from DC to assist a climber on the Black Hawk area of Stanage Edge. After taking a fall which caused a dislocation of their ankle they tried to self rescue with friends but decided in the end they would need the help of the team. We were on scene pretty quickly and after splinting the ankle carried them back

to Hooks Carr on a mountain rescue stretcher. Where they were installed comfortably in the back of a friend's van for onward transportation to their local A+E.

#### 44. Friday 26th April 2019

**13:30hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

A walker out with family members in Grindsbrook tripped and dislocated their knee making it impossible to descend back to Edale. There was some additional concern regarding an underlying asthma condition combined with the cold and wet conditions. We were deployed with BMRT to Edale village as part of the mid week joint snatch arrangements. The casualty was quickly located on the Grindsbrook path, given pain relief and the dislocation reduced before being evacuated on a mountain rescue stretcher to Edale village. Family members took the casualty to hospital for further assessment.

#### 45. Sunday 28th April 2019

**11:45hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

We were requested by SYP to assist a family of mountain bikers on Totley Moor. One of the group had fallen pretty badly and was in severe pain with a shoulder injury. After speaking with the informant our duty team leader was able to despatch the team to a Land Rover track so we could drive the team vehicles straight to the casualty site. Team members administered pain relief but it wasn't having much effect. Helimed 98 attended with our team leader onboard wearing his Yorkshire Air Ambulance doctor's hat. I.V. morphine was administered but again the casualty was still in significant pain. The casualty was loaded on board and flown to NGH for further assessment. Thank you to YAS for also attending in case the air ambulance had to leave to attend another incident.

#### 46. Sunday 28th April 2019

**11:44hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**33 team member hours**

A call via DC to assist two climbers at the base of Tody's wall at Froggatt Edge. One of the climbers had suffered a lower limb injury and was unable to move. Access was via the Froggatt track and team members were quickly at the scene where pain relief was administered. The limb was splinted and then the casualty was loaded onto a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to the road. EMAS further assessed the climber and then conveyed them to hospital for treatment.

#### 47. Sunday 12th May 2019

**13:05hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**33 team member hours**

We were requested by EMAS to attend a walker who had fallen above Lane Head farm near Fairholmes sustaining a painful wrist injury. The DL&RAA helicopter also attended, but had to land some distance away. After treatment by the air ambulance personnel, the walker was transported in one of our Land Rovers back to the road and handed over to an ambulance crew for onward travel to hospital, freeing the air ambulance up for further tasks.

#### 48. Monday 13th May 2019

**14:40hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

We were called to Stanage Edge to assist a walker who had suffered a medical event. Fortunately, the walker, assisted by members of their walking party had managed to make their own way down to the car park by the time the first ambulance responder arrived, and we were stood down. The group did exactly the right thing by calling for assistance. Had the casualty

needed more help to reach the car park we were on the way which would have speeded up the evacuation.

#### Dog Call Out 2 – Thursday 16th May 2019

Search Dog Flo available to assist with a missing person search in the Monk Bretton area of Barnsley but not required.

#### 49. Friday 17th May 2019

**13:20hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

EMAS requested our assistance to evacuate a patient from the grounds of Chatsworth House. As the first team members were arriving the ambulance crew had received assistance from Chatsworth Estate staff and their off road vehicle. Team members were stood down and returned home or to their day jobs.

#### Dog Call 3 – Friday 17th May 2019

**22:45hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**3 team member hours**

Search Dog Bolt called to assist DMRT with a search for a missing person south of Matlock. The search was stood down when further information came to light about the missing persons whereabouts.

#### 50. Saturday 19th May 2019

**17:40hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

A member of an organised walking group failed to return to their coach parked in Castleton. Other members of the group located our base phone number on the

internet and called to alert us of their concern. Luckily a few team members were at base carrying out routine maintenance and picked up the call. Happily, as initial enquiries were being started, the missing walker turned up. Like all mountain rescue teams our members are volunteers and our base is not staffed all the time. To request mountain rescue please dial 999 / 112 and ask for police, then mountain rescue.

#### 51. Wednesday 22nd May 2019

**15:25hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

A call from the PDMRO controller to assist a walker who had fallen injuring their ankle on Mam Tor ridge above Castleton. We were mobilised with BMRT and were quickly on scene. After administering some pain relief the casualty was splinted and evacuated by stretcher to the road at Mam Nick and handed over to the ambulance crew for onward transport to hospital.

#### 52. Friday 24th May 2019

**20:10hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**21 team member hours**

We were called by the PDMRO controller after a request from DC to attend a fallen climber with a serious lower leg injury at the popular end of Stanage. The DL&RAA helicopter also attended and worked with the team to treat and evacuate the casualty to the helicopter at the top of the crag and then by air to the NGH in Sheffield.

#### 53. Saturday 25th May 2019

**21:15hrs**  
**5 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

A pair of walkers reported themselves lost in the failing light somewhere above the top of

Grindsbrook having started their walk from Edale earlier in the day. A successful "Sarloc" to their mobile phone confirmed their location and a small hill party was dispatched to meet the walkers, provide warm drinks, food and additional clothing before escorting them down to their transport in Edale village.

## 54. Sunday 26th May 2019

**11:00hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

We were called to assist BMRT with a member of a group suffering from an asthma attack between the top of Jacob's Ladder and Kinder Low. As we had a vehicle and team members fundraising in Edale village, we were able to provide a rapid response with further members arriving shortly after with additional equipment.

The casualty was stabilised before being evacuated down to Tips car park whilst the rest of the group was walked off the hill and shuttled back in team Land Rovers. Thanks to KMRT for providing an additional Land Rover to assist with the casualties.

Team members returned to fundraising for what remained of the day.

## 55. Saturday 1st June 2019

**18:02hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

A request from EMAS via the PDMRO controller to assist a climber on Bamford Edge who had fallen six metres and sustained a head injury. We were mobilised and were with the casualty within thirty minutes. After being given pain relief the casualty was packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried by team members to the top of the crag where the DL&RAA Helimed 54 had landed. They were flown to the Major Trauma Centre at Sheffield NGH for further assessment.

## 56. Sunday 2nd June 2019

**14:32hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

A request from YAS to attend a medical incident in Ecclesall Woods. A very quick local response saw our team leader and another team member on the scene within minutes with ten more team members close on their heels. The patient was carried to the road by the ambulance crew and attending team members to be conveyed to NGH for further treatment.

## 57. Sunday 2nd June 2019

**16:34hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

Second request of the day from YAS. A mountain biker had suffered significant injuries falling off their bike on the bridleway in Whiteley Woods. They were being treated by the ambulance crew but our specialist equipment and expertise were called for because of the terrain and difficulty in carrying them from the casualty site. After treatment and pain management the rider was carried back to the road to be transported to NGH for further assessment.

## 58. Monday 3rd June 2019

**19:20hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

A fell runner out training on the Kinder plateau for a big race sustained an ankle injury part way round their route. After contacting their partner to inform them, they lost phone signal. With the partial information about the injury, their partner contacted the police who then contacted mountain rescue to assist. This was an excellent decision and allowed the PDMRO to respond in a planned and coordinated manner. The Kinder Plan was activated, with ourselves, BMRT, KMRT, GMRT and MRSDE all

responding. Not long after the search started a section from BMRT came across the injured party, who had valiantly made their way down the hill hobbling with their walking poles and a very swollen ankle! A good result and a great effort from the casualty.

## 59. Tuesday 4th June 2019

**15:18hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

A request from DC to assist EMAS with a walker who had fainted and consequently suffered an ankle injury. The location of the casualty near to the Great Ridge above Losehill farm meant that a carry off with a mountain rescue stretcher was needed. As usual for midweek jobs BMRT were requested to assist. On arrival the first team member discovered the casualty had managed to walk to the waiting ambulance with the help of the ambulance crew. Members from both teams who were still en route were stood down.

## 60. Thursday 6th June 2019

**11:38hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were called to assist YAS with an incident in Ecclesall Woods in Sheffield. A member of an organised walking party had tripped and landed on their face. Team members were quickly on scene and the casualty was treated by a team paramedic before being handed over to a YAS crew who had managed to get the ambulance up the track to the patient saving us a carry on our mountain rescue stretcher.

## 61. Sunday 9th June 2019

**14:10hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**26 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO controller about two walkers stuck on the face of Mam Tor. We were able to respond quickly as some members were training at base and others were attending the Edale country day. As the incident was close to the boundary between us and BMRT they also responded. On arrival a quick assessment was made and two team members were lowered using the team's rope system to safely retrieve the two stuck walkers. PLEASE NOTE: Whilst there have been ascents of the Mam Tor face, especially during the winter when it is frozen, by those with mountaineering experience we absolutely do not recommend straying onto the face. It is steep, loose, and there is a high risk of falling rocks. Over the years we have rescued numerous people from this terrain.

## 62. Saturday 15th June 2019

**12:16hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

We were called along with BMRT to reports of an injured walker on a footpath near to Odin Mine. As the first team members were arriving it became apparent the casualty was close to the road and team members on the way were stood down. The walker was assisted to an ambulance by those present.

## Dog Call 4 – Monday 17th June 2019

**04:30hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**7 team member hours**

Search Dog Flo was called early in the morning along with two other MRSDE dogs to assist DMRT with a search in the Castle Gresley area of Derbyshire.



## Dog Call 5 – Thursday 20th June 2019

**23:41hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**4 team member hours**

Search Dog Shola called along with other MRSDE dogs to assist DMRT with a search near Rowsley.

## 63. Saturday 22nd June 2019

**06:00hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**60 team member hours**

A request from DC to search high woodland around the Rowsley area for a person who had been missing since Sunday 16th June 2019 along with MRSDE, DMRT, BMRT and their drone team. A dog and its handler found the body of the missing person late in the morning in woodland and heavy scrub within one of the allocated search areas. A very sad result for the missing person's family.

## 64. Saturday 22nd June 2019

**15:49hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

A report of a mountain biker injured on a track above the Derwent reservoirs. Fortunately the PDMRO controller was able to contact an informant who was with the casualty. After obtaining a grid reference the team was mobilised to RV at Cut Throat Bridge on the A57. Team members were quickly with the casualty who had a fractured ankle and after administering strong pain relief a team member reduced the ankle and applied a splint. This was followed by an evacuation on a mountain rescue stretcher to the RV and the waiting EMAS crew for further assessment and onward transportation to hospital in Stockport.

## 65. Sunday 23rd June 2019

**16:45hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**27 team member hours**

A call from the PDMRO controller via DC to a fallen climber on Froggatt Edge. The climber had taken a three metre fall and landed on a flake of rock. We were able to drive our 4x4 vehicles to the top of the crag, so team members were quickly on scene. The climber had suffered damage to their lower back and were given pain relief before being packaged in a vacuum mattress (full body splint). A stretcher ride to the road was considered to be the most comfortable method of transportation. An EMAS crew was waiting at the road to reassess the patient before onward transfer to the Children's Hospital in Sheffield. Earlier in the day a car had been spotted parked in front of the access gate at the road which would have slowed our response to the casualty. Please don't park in front of access gates as it can cause a problem for all emergency services.

## 66. Wednesday 26th June 2019

**12:15hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

We were called to assist EMAS with a walker who had fallen and sustained a head injury on a footpath near to the Robin Hood Pub. Whilst near to the road, the walker was at the bottom of a steep and slippery footpath with some awkward steps. Team members ensured the casualty was safe and secure and assisted them to walk to the ambulance.

## 67. Friday 28th June 2019

**11:15hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

A request from DC to attend an incident near the top of Parkin Clough. A teacher out with a Silver DofE group suffered an unwitnessed

medical episode. It was unclear initially what had occurred, whether a slip/trip or a collapse but third parties reported finding them unconscious. As is normal on mid week jobs our colleagues from BMRT were also called to assist. The first team members to arrive were able to drive along a forestry track in a team Land Rover and reach the group closely followed by a team paramedic who ascended the clough on foot. After initial assessment and treatment for low blood sugar the casualty was evacuated in the Land Rover to the road and handed over to EMAS for further assessment and onward transport to Sheffield NGH.

## 68. Saturday 29th June 2019

**16:00hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We received a request from DC and EMAS to assist a member of a DofE award scheme group who was reported to have collapsed on the forest track on the south western bank of Ladybower Reservoir. The first team vehicles were rapidly on scene and able to drive straight to the given location. The casualty was treated for the effects of heat, dehydration and exhaustion and evacuated to the waiting ambulance. The group was well organised and just found themselves victims of the first really hot day of the summer.

## 69. Saturday 29th June 2019

**18:23hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**19 team member hours**

Just as team members were settling down to an assortment of barbecues, ice creams and cold drinks they were overcome with a sense of déjà vu as a second request came in from DC to assist a member of a DofE group reported as collapsed above Stanage plantation. Luckily a passing trainee member of Calder Valley SRT was able to guide the first team members rapidly to the group where

the casualty was again treated for the effects of heat, dehydration and exhaustion before being evacuated down to the car park. Once again the group was well organised and just found themselves victims of the first really hot day of the summer.

## 70. Wednesday 3rd July 2019

**13:48hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

We were requested by DC to assist a member of a local group climbing at the popular end of Stanage who had fallen backwards over a rock and injured their leg. The team were on scene quickly and the patient was assessed by team members, given pain relief and packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher before being carried to the road at Hooks Car and handed over to an EMAS crew for further treatment and onward transport to hospital.

## 71. Thursday 4th July 2019

**18:41hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**18 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO controller after a request from EMAS to assist with the treatment and evacuation of a climber who had fallen several metres from Dead Banana Crack at Stoney Middleton. We have members who live in Stoney and they were on scene with the EMAS crew in minutes with the rest of the team and equipment arriving soon after. The patient was swiftly immobilised using our specialist equipment and carried to the waiting ambulance at the road.

## 72. Sunday 7th July 2019

**15:44hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

EMAS requested us and BMRT to assist a walker who had fallen sustaining a gash to

the head in Harden Clough close to Edale. As we had a team member in Edale at the time they were able to meet the informant who had made their way to Edale station. Within a few minutes they were able to meet the casualty who had managed to walk with assistance down to the farm in Harden Clough. The casualty was transported in one of our Land Rovers to the station car park where the wound was treated and dressed. The casualty's family drove them to hospital avoiding the use of an ambulance.

### 73. Monday 15th July 2019

**15:20hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**28 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to assist a climber who had fallen 15 metres on Millstone Edge. As the team arrived the climber was being treated by the crew of the DL&RAA helicopter with the crew of an EMAS ambulance also in attendance. The casualty was packaged and transported to the road using our specialist vacuum mattress and stretcher, for onward transport to hospital in the air ambulance.

### 74. Sunday 21st July 2019

**15:08hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**29 team member hours**

Request from DC via the PDMRO controller to go to the aid of a young person who was trapped by their knee within the rocks at Higger Tor. Because of the nature of the job we requested the attendance of DCRO with specialist lifting equipment in case it was needed. As the first team members arrived at the scene it quickly became obvious that the casualty was well and truly stuck and in some considerable pain. The weasel kit was deployed along with all the normal kit including pain relief. The weasel kit is a hammer and chisel which we carry in case those weaselling in the rocks at Higger Tor get stuck. Weaselling being a gentler version of

caving. After what seemed an eternity with the hammer and chisel, (one and half hours) they were freed just as more specialist equipment was en route to the casualty site. After a stretcher ride to the road and a further assessment they had no more injuries than a very sore knee and were happy to take a lift in a friend's vehicle. An excellent example of two teams working together with enthusiasm, smiles and good banter.

### 75. Tuesday 23rd July 2019

**19:08hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**55 team member hours**

We were called by DC to assist a young person in a Gold DofE group who had taken a tumble towards the top of Jagger's Clough (Kinder Scout) and sustained a leg injury. Luckily we had a number of members training at our base in Hope and therefore were able to respond quickly, meeting up with one of the group leaders at a pre-arranged rendezvous. Team members and vehicles were deployed onto the hill via Jagger's Clough and Hope Cross. The casualty's group was quickly located and initial care commenced. Due to the difficult location of the party a MCA S92 search and rescue helicopter was also requested to allow the casualty to be winched directly out of the clough and flown to hospital. The remaining group members and additional adult leaders (who had walked up to meet their group) were evacuated in team Land Rovers. All the DofE members were back with their transport and the team stood down just before midnight.

### 76. Friday 26th July 2019

**17:19hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

A tea time request from EMAS to assist a walker who had tripped and injured their

ankle above Stanage Edge. An EMAS paramedic and the ambulance crew had stabilised the injury and given pain relief so it was just a case of packaging and carry off to the ambulance at Hooks Carr. All done within an hour and back home for tea.

### 77. Sunday 28th July 2019

**12:10hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

Just as the monthly equipment maintenance session was finishing at base a call from the dispatcher at YAS came through to the PDMRO controller. A teenager out walking with their family had slipped while negotiating a stile and injured their ankle rendering them unable to walk. After speaking with the father it was possibly broken. Team members were soon en route to Cow Gap farm near Dungworth on the northern edge of our patch where we were able to drive up the track in the team vehicles to treat the casualty and load them for transportation to the ambulance and crew back at the road. After further examination the casualty was transported to Sheffield NGH for further assessment and an X-ray.

### 78. Sunday 28th July 2019

**20:30hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**26 team member hours**

We were called by DC along with BMRT and MRSDE to search for a missing walker who had become separated from their group earlier in the day. After extensive searching around the Millersdale area it was decided to stand the teams down just before midnight. Shortly after that we were informed the walker had turned up safe and well outside the search area.

### Dog Call 6 – Tuesday 30th July 2019

**06:00hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

Search Dogs Flo and Flash called with another five MRSDE dogs to assist Cheshire SAR and KMRT with a search for a missing person in the Styal area of Cheshire.

### 79. Thursday 1st August 2019

**13:45hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**199 team member hours**

As part of a large regional 'major incident' response to the failure of the dam wall at Toddbrook Reservoir in Whaley Bridge; EMRT provided two vehicles with specially trained water rescue personnel to support the fire, police and ambulance services. Team members stood by in two pre-designated holding locations and manned the first overnight stint on what became a rolling seven to seven 24 hour shift pattern in co-ordination with other Peak District teams.

### Dog Call 7 – Thursday 1st August 2019

**15:00hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**3 team member hours**

Search Dog Shola called to assist in a search on Dartmoor whilst attending a national MRSDE training course.

### 80. Friday 2nd August 2019

**16:25hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**53 team member hours**

A request from DC to assist a casualty with a suspected broken leg on the southern edge

of Kinder Scout. As normal we requested the assistance of BMRT and because some team members were involved in the ongoing incident at Whaley Bridge we made an early request for assistance from the MCA S92 helicopter.

As the first team members reached the casualty site the coastguard helicopter arrived and lowered the winch paramedic to the scene. After evaluation, pain relief was administered and the casualty was winched aboard the helicopter and transferred to the Trauma unit at Sheffield NGH for further treatment. Both teams stood down at 20:00hrs.

### **81. Saturday 3rd August 2019**

**17:09hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

As part of the ongoing major incident in Whaley Bridge, engineers had identified a further residential zone to be evacuated (amounting to an additional 55 premises). In partnership with the police mountain rescue was tasked with communicating and then managing this evacuation. The team provided two vehicles manned with a response driver and a swift water rescue technician.

### **82. Saturday 3rd August 2019**

**17:26hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**19 team member hours**

At almost exactly the same time as Incident 81 was being organised, a call came in from the police to alert the team to reports of a fallen boulderer with a potentially serious lower leg injury somewhere above Stanage plantation car park. When the duty team leader made contact with the informant a more precise location of Petal Rock was identified and a full team call out initiated.

Because of the concurrent Whaley Bridge incident, RAF Leeming MRT (who were based in Hathersage for the weekend) were asked to support. Both teams worked to treat the injured climber, package them on a mountain

rescue stretcher and evacuate them to a waiting EMAS ambulance in the plantation car park. Another good example of inter team cooperation and we were grateful for the assistance of our RAF colleagues.

### **83. Tuesday 5th August 2019**

**17:10hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**0.5 team member hours**

A call from EMAS to assist a young person with a leg injury at Owlter Tor, Surpise View. Once the team had been mobilised a call was made to the group for further information. We were informed that a group of walkers were in the process of carrying the injured person to the road, which meant we could stand down. One of the quickest callouts we have been involved in and thanks to the walkers for helping out.

### **84. Wednesday 6th August 2019**

**14:00hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

We were called to assist BMRT and EMAS with a fallen walker in Shacklow Woods near Ashford in the Water. The casualty had been out walking with their family through the woods when they slipped and took a tumble down a short slope. Both teams were quickly on scene with the ambulance crew, and after assessment, the DL&RAA helicopter was requested to attend. The casualty was treated before being placed on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to the waiting helicopter to be flown to hospital.

### **85. Wednesday 6th August 2019**

**15:55hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**9 team member hours**

Just as the vehicles were being parked up from the previous incident team members were redirected to an incident above Haggwater

Bridge, Ladybower. EMAS had received a call from a fallen mountain biker with a severely fractured wrist gained whilst descending "The Beast" from Hope Cross. As the location was close to our border with GMRT they were also called to assist. Our first responding vehicles met the injured person at the roadside after they had made their own way off the hill allowing both teams to stand down.

### **86. Thursday 8th August 2019**

**10:18hrs**  
**9 team members**  
**17 team member hours**

A morning call to the woodland below Win Hill. A young person walking off the hill with their father sustained an ankle injury. Despite their best efforts to get down under their own steam they decided to call for assistance. Fortunately we were able to drive one of the team Land Rovers along the woodland tracks to within a few hundred metres of the pair. After assisting them to the vehicle they were driven back to the road and a waiting ambulance. As usual during the working week we were assisted by members of BMRT.

### **87. Friday 9th August 2019**

**16:43hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

Just as team members were travelling home from their day jobs a call came in from DC to go to the rescue of a person who had slipped on Kinder Scout. Two people on holiday from abroad suddenly found their day turned upside down when one of them slipped and aggravated an old ankle injury which rendered them unable to walk. The PDMRO controller located their position using Phone Find technology.

As is usual on midweek jobs our colleagues from BMRT were requested to help. Team members from both teams were swiftly at the RV in Edale, from where they were despatched to go up the old sled road to the casualty site. With ever threatening heavy

rain showers sweeping across the whole area a very fast response was in order. Team members reached the incident quickly and a team casualty carer examined the casualty before pain relief was administered. After packaging the casualty on a mountain rescue stretcher they and their friends were led down to meet the EMAS crew at the Nags Head who re-examined the casualty before onward transportation to hospital for X-rays and further treatment.

### **88. Saturday 17th August 2019**

**17:20hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

A request from EMAS to assist a fallen climber in Horseshoe Quarry, Stoney Middleton. The casualty was treated by EMAS Paramedics at the scene who needed help with evacuating the casualty. Team members who were at base were quickly on scene to help carry the casualty to the ambulance at the road for transportation to Sheffield Northern General Hospital.

### **89. Saturday 17th August 2019**

**18:30hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**34 team member hours**

Our duty leader was contacted by WMRT with a request for us to assist with a search for a vulnerable 80 year old person in the Locke Park area of Barnsley. Some team members were still at base after the previous incident at Horseshoe Quarry so they and other team members made their way to the RV. Search dogs from MRSDE were also asked to assist. After a comprehensive search the missing gentleman was not located and the teams were all stood down.



## 90. Sunday 18th August 2019

**10:40hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were asked by EMAS to assist a walker who had fallen, injuring their arm and head, near Harper Lees, Leadmill Bridge. A small section of team members were training nearby so were able to respond rapidly and assess and treat the casualty. The casualty was transported in a team vehicle to the road and a waiting ambulance.

## 91. Friday 23rd August 2019

**12:28hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

A gentleman on holiday with his children slipped while on rocks at Higger Tor and fell six metres, hitting rocks on the way down. His children did a fantastic job of alerting the emergency services and the EMAS crew were on scene dealing with the casualty when we arrived. Amazingly he got away with some quite sore looking scrapes on his forearms and a lower leg injury. After he was given pain relief, stabilised and splinted he was carried on a mountain rescue stretcher to Upper Burbage car park, reassessed and then conveyed to Sheffield Northern General Hospital for treatment.

## 92. Friday 23rd August 2019

**15:35hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**14 team member hours**

A request from DC to help rescue a dog that had fallen onto a ledge in the Downhill Racer area of Froggatt Edge. The engines on the team vehicles had not had chance to cool down from the previous job and team members were soon on their way. The dog's owner was in contact with the duty team leader and was able to give their position using the What Three Words app which we

backed up with good old fashioned local knowledge. Fortunately we can drive with caution up the Froggatt track to the top of the crags so legs and time were saved. On arrival a team member scrambled to below the dog to comfort it while other team members set up a rope rescue system. A team member abseiled down and bribed the very friendly pooch with doggy treats before lifting Eddie into a bag for his own safety and ease of handling for his journey back up the crag and into his grateful owners' arms.

## 93. Sunday 25th August 2019

**12:41hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

We were called by EMAS to attend a fallen climber on Stanage Edge. Helimed 54 were also activated to attend, but diverted to another emergency (see Incident 94). The Yorkshire Air Ambulance was then tasked to assist on the Stanage incident. As we were out and about fundraising as is usual on a bank holiday, team members were rapidly on scene to assess and treat the injured climber. They were stretchered down the hill and flown to the Sheffield Northern General Hospital, the South Yorkshire Major Trauma Centre.

## 94. Sunday 25th August 2019

**12:50hrs**  
**3 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

Whilst fundraising in Hathersage with one of our response vehicles, and just as we were taking the call for Incident 93, a serious road traffic incident occurred just up the road. Luckily, with the help of some passing medical professionals our team members were able to triage the multiple casualties and provide casualty care whilst awaiting the ambulance service. Helimed 54 attended and worked with our team members to carry a patient to the air ambulance for transport to hospital.

## 95. Monday 26th August 2019

**11:28hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**40 team member hours**

We were called by DC to assist a climber on Derwent Edge. The climber had fallen a short distance, but unfortunately landed awkwardly on their ankle on a ledge halfway up the crag. Given the location and busy bank holiday weekend, WMRT were also called to assist. We turned out prepared for a rope rescue, but as is often the case, the resourcefulness of climbers nearby meant the casualty was on the ground when our team members arrived. They were assessed and treated by team members, including Woodhead's team doctor, before being stretchered to the Strines Road, and waiting ambulance.

## 96. Monday 2nd September 2019

**17 30hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**52 team member hours**

We received a request from a local farmer to evacuate some of his sheep that were stuck on a ledge on Millstone Edge. A rope system was set up and a number of sheep were lowered to the ground. Due to the failing daylight we returned the following day to assist the remainder of the flock.

## 97. Saturday 7th September 2019

**09:30hrs**  
**16 team members**  
**31 team member hours**

We were called to a climber who had fallen and sustained serious injuries on Stanage Edge. Working alongside a BASICS doctor and EMAS paramedic the climber was stabilised before being evacuated down to Helimed 29 for onward transport to hospital. A big thank you to the climbers in the locality who assisted us with the evacuation.

## 98. Saturday 7th September 2019

**13:11hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

The second call of the day to a mountain biker who had taken a tumble descending a track through Manners Wood, Bakewell. After treatment by an EMAS paramedic we evacuated the biker back up through the woods to an ambulance.

## 99. Saturday 14th September 2019

**18:26hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**5 team member hours**

We were packing up the kit from our Nine Edges Endurance fund raising event when we were made aware of a fallen climber with a leg injury on Birchens Edge. The climber's friends had made a valiant effort to get the climber down to the road, and by the time we met them, were only a few hundred yards from tarmac! The team assisted with the final stage, and ensured the climber was taken for assessment in a local hospital.

## 100. Sunday 15th September 2019

**11:40hrs**  
**17 team members**  
**31 team member hours**

A climber fell approximately 4 metres whilst attempting a route on the High Neb area of Stanage. A number of team members were in the locality as we were providing safety cover for the Stanage Struggle fell race which resulted in a swift response to the incident. After treatment from team casualty carers the climber was evacuated down to the road at Dennis Knoll and handed over to EMAS for ongoing care and transportation to hospital.

## 101. Monday 16th September 2019

**16:00hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**36 team member hours**

The team were contacted by DC regarding reports of a lamb stuck on the cliff face of Back Tor on the Great Ridge above Castleton. Whilst we would normally undertake these rescues after working hours, there had been a number of reports of members of the public trying to climb on to the face to get to the lamb. With that in mind we deployed a section of team members to rescue the lamb using our rope system.

Back Tor, along with Mam Tor has a very unstable shale rock face - it is unsuitable for climbing. If you see an animal in difficulty do not put yourself at risk - call the police who can coordinate appropriate assistance.

## 102. Monday 16th September 2019

**18:30hrs**  
**14 team members**  
**4 team member hours**

Whilst the previous incident was ongoing, we were called by EMAS to assist a walker who was having an allergic reaction on Mam Tor. Those already on the Great Ridge made their way towards Mam Tor, with further team members along with BMRT heading directly towards Mam Tor by road. The initial location was vague, so our team leader phoned the farm house where the informant had made the original 999 call. Demonstrating typical Derbyshire resilience and innovation, the farmer had driven his 4x4 vehicle directly to the walkers and evacuated them down to the farm house. Having established this, the ambulance resources were re-directed to the farm, and the mountain rescue teams stood down. Having local knowledge and capability undoubtedly saved a great deal of time, so a huge thank you to the farmer!

## 103. Friday 20th September 2019

**11:52hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**20 team member hours**

A call from YAS to go to the assistance of a walker who had stumbled while walking below Higger Tor. On arriving at the scene the walker was in some considerable pain with a lower leg injury. After an assessment the casualty was given pain relief, packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher and evacuated, along with his dog to the road. The walker's partner came from home to provide transport to A&E at Sheffield NGH.

### Dog Call 8 – Friday 20th September 2019

**12:00hrs**  
**1 team member**  
**1 team member hour**

Search Dog Bolt called to assist BMRT and Cheshire SAR with a missing person incident near Macclesfield. Stood down on route when the missing person was located.

## 104. Friday 20th September 2019

**14:50hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**19 team member hours**

A call via DC to a lone boulderer who had fallen and injured their ankle above the plantation car park at Stanage Edge. Some team members were still local from the previous incident on Higger Tor and were quickly on scene. A team member located the casualty and started giving treatment and pain relief. Other team members were not too far behind and carried the stretcher and other kit needed for the treatment and evacuation. The casualty had landed quite heavily on one leg and damaged his ankle.

After a quick stretcher evacuation to the car park the casualty was handed over to EMAS for further assessment and an ambulance ride to Sheffield NGH. The casualty was on holiday from Norway so we assisted by taking care of their hire car and personal belongings.

## 105. Saturday 21st September 2019

**13:20hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**1 team member hour**

A call via the PDMRO controller from EMAS to a hang glider who had crash landed near to Treak Cliff Cavern. We were mobilised but stood down en route as the EMAS paramedic and ambulance were able to drive to the casualty site.

## 106. Saturday 21st September 2019

**17:30hrs**  
**12 team members**  
**21 team member hours**

Our duty team leader received a call regarding a fallen climber below Birchens Edge. Luckily a number of team members live in the area and so managed a quick response. The climber was treated for lower leg injuries, splinted and packaged in a vacuum mattress. Unfortunately due to limited ambulance resources a friend's car had to be used to take the casualty to A&E.

## 107. Tuesday 24th September 2019

**19:33hrs**  
**25 team members**  
**153 team member hours**

We were contacted by the PDMRO controller after a request from EMAS to attend someone who had fallen at Bamford Edge. One member of a party of three had fallen from the

craggs approximately 20 metres landing on a narrow ledge and sustaining serious injuries. We mobilised very quickly as we were just about to start training in Chatsworth with the first team members on site within 30 minutes of being called.

It was apparent at an early stage this was going to be a technical and difficult rescue and because of the nature of the injuries a request was made early for assistance from the MCA rescue helicopter. The casualty was treated by team members, an ambulance paramedic and a team doctor, then packaged onto a rescue stretcher and evacuated using the teams technical rope rescue system to a larger ledge for winching. After battling bad weather to get from Humberside to the Peak the S92 helicopter winched the casualty and team doctor onto the aircraft and flew them to the Manchester major trauma unit. Low cloud meant they could not fly to Sheffield. This was a difficult and technical multi agency rescue in less than ideal weather conditions with a seriously injured casualty. We were grateful for the help provided by members of the public who were passing, made the initial emergency call and assisted the casualty group before we arrived.

## 108. Friday 27th September 2019

**16:55hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**3 team member hours**

We were alerted to an incident at the cascades in Chatsworth House gardens where a visitor had slipped and injured themselves. A BMRT member was trying to comfort and give the person some help but with the cold and wet conditions she was concerned for their welfare. We were asked to send a vehicle and some local team members to move the casualty to a warmer and drier place until the ambulance arrived.

When two team members arrived in a team vehicle they discovered EMAS had arrived and managed to get the casualty into the ambulance so the rest of the team were stood down en route.

## 109. Wednesday 2nd October 2019

**13:03hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

We were called to Padley Gorge to assist a walker who had slipped and fallen in the river. With recent rains the paths were very muddy and slippery, and the stream had a fair bit of water flowing down it. Fortunately, the walker was assisted by other passing walkers to the bank. However, pre-existing medical issues meant they were struggling to mobilise after their impromptu dunking. The first team members on scene were able to assist the uninjured but cold walker back to the road and re-united them with the warmth of their car. After assessment by the team doctor the walker was happy to return home to dry off and warm up, uninjured but soggy!

## 110. Thursday 3rd October 2019

**11:48hrs**  
**7 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

We were asked by WMRT to assist them with an injured dog walker on Loxley Common. The injured person was treated by team members and then evacuated to an ambulance at the roadside.

## 111. Sunday 6th October 2019

**17:00hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**16 team member hours**

We received a call for assistance from YAS regarding a young cyclist who had taken a tumble on the mountain bike tracks in the Bolehill area of Sheffield. The ambulance crew had managed to reach the casualty but were unable to evacuate them up through the muddy woodland. We provided a

rapid response, packaged the casualty and carried them to the waiting ambulance on a mountain rescue stretcher.

## 112. Saturday 12th October 2019

**11:25hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**11 team member hours**

A request from EMAS to attend a fallen climber with an ankle injury in Horseshoe Quarry, Stoney Middleton. Local team members were quickly on scene and found the party with the aid of other climbers had started to evacuate the casualty back towards the car park. After a quick assessment by team members the casualty was handed over to the EMAS crew who arrived shortly after. Thanks to all those who assisted with the evacuation which meant we could all return more quickly to our normal weekend activities.

## 113. Saturday 19th October 2019

**12:00hrs**  
**13 team members**  
**24 team member hours**

A couple walking just below Lose Hill got into difficulties when one of them slipped injuring their ankle rendering them unable to walk. Several team members were providing safety cover for the British Fell Running Championships at Fairholmes so were able to respond very quickly to the incident. We are able to drive up to Losehill Farm which helped to reduce the response time to the casualty site. An EMAS paramedic also attended and he was happy to have a lift to Losehill Farm. After initial treatment the casualty was made comfortable and given pain relief for an isolated ankle injury, packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to the DL&RAA Helimed 54, for a flight to the Northern General Hospital in Sheffield for further treatment. Afterwards we transported their partner and

dog to Castleton to collect their car.

## 114. Sunday 20th October 2019

**19:28hrs**  
**4 team members**  
**12 team member hours**

The PDMRO controller received a call from SYP concerning a walker lost on the hills near Ladybower. Further investigation put them near Howden Clough. A small section of team members was deployed to escort the lost walker off the hill and drop them off at the Strines Inn in a team vehicle to get a lift back with SYP to where they were staying.

## 115. Sunday 20th October 2019

**19:58hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**63 team member hours**

Just as details were being taken for Incident 114, we were made aware of a second incident in the same area. A helicopter crossing the Pennines had become caught in bad weather and the pilot elected to land and wait for the weather to improve. Unfortunately, the weather did not play ball so mountain rescue was asked to assist the pilot and 3 passengers off the hill. It was a misty and chilly autumn evening so the prospect of spending the night in a small cold helicopter was not appealing. A team member on the hill for the previous incident diverted to the helicopter site, with further sections in Land Rovers accessing the upper moorland, all meeting at the grounded helicopter. The 4 occupants were given warm clothing and escorted to a team vehicle before being driven off the hill and to our base where they were met by their onward transport. An unusual callout, but we'd much rather assist fit and well people off the hill than the alternative. Knowing when to stop and call for help is a very important life skill!

## 116. Sunday 27th October 2019

**13:22hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

We were asked by DC to assist a fallen climber at the Cowper Stone end of Stanage. As we had several members at base after an equipment checking session we were able to respond swiftly and were quickly on scene. After treatment by team members for a lower leg injury the casualty was packaged on a mountain rescue stretcher and carried to the road at Burbage North, then handed over to EMAS for further treatment and onward transport to hospital. A standard and quick job for EMRT on a very busy day in the Peak.

## 117. Tuesday 29th October 2019

**13:14hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

We received a direct call for assistance from YAS regarding a walker who had slipped in the woods near to the Hallamshire golf course in Sheffield. Luckily the walker had not sustained any serious injuries but needed supporting back to their transport. Team members were able to assist then quickly return to their afternoon activities.

## 118. Wednesday 30th October 2019

**11:56hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**13 team member hours**

We were called to assist a collapsed walker on a footpath near to the Calton Lees car park in Chatsworth Park. Helimed 54 and an EMAS ambulance also attended. The Air Ambulance team were first to the patient and assessed and stabilised their condition. This left the team to deal with the family of the collapsed



walker and assist the ambulance service with a slightly mud-bound ambulance. A quick job, fortunately less serious than first reported.

### 119. Sunday 3rd November 2019

**14:47hrs**  
**15 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

We were called to Stanage plantation to assist a boulderer who had taken a high fall, injuring their ankle. Team members were at base following crag and driver training so were able to respond rapidly. After assessment and treatment the casualty was carried off the hill on a mountain rescue stretcher and handed over to EMAS in the car park for onward transportation to hospital.

### 120. Friday 8th November 2019

**14:27hrs**  
**11 team members**  
**6 team member hours**

A request from YAS to assist a mountain biker who had been knocked unconscious after falling from their bike in Lady Cannings plantation. Two team members were close by and were very quickly on scene along with the ambulance technicians and paramedic. After initial assessment of the casualty's injuries and level of consciousness the medics were happy to walk them back to the road and the waiting ambulance.

### Dog Call 9 - Sunday 17th November 2019

**13:00hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**7 team member hours**

Search Dog Bolt called with two other MRSDE dog teams to assist WMRT with a search at Cudworth, Barnsley. All teams were stood down after the missing person was located by a search section from WMRT.

### 121. Monday 18th November 2019

**17:50hrs**  
**6 team members**  
**8 team member hours**

A request from DC, through the PDMRO controller, to assist some navigationally challenged walkers in the "Walkers Clough" area on the east side of the Upper Derwent Reservoir. The controller had managed to contact the walkers and use Phone Find technology to get a location. He managed to point them in the right direction to use their limited lighting to find their way down to the road. A section of team members, in a team Land Rover headed out to make sure the walkers got down ok, particularly as the temperature was dropping fast. The walkers managed to get themselves back to their car, so our boots didn't get muddy. A good outcome.

### Dog Call 10 – Saturday 23rd November 2019

**07:15hrs**  
**2 team members**  
**2 team member hours**

Our search dogs and handlers were placed on standby to assist OMRT with a search in the Dovestones area. They were stood down when the missing person was located by the police.

### 122. Wednesday 27th November 2019

**14:06hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**25 team member hours**

A request from DC to assist a walker who had slipped in very muddy conditions and injured their ankle. They were part of an organised walking group and were unable to move

out of Abney Clough due to a very painful injury. First team members were on scene within twenty minutes of the initial callout and were able to give primary care. As other team members arrived on scene with team kit, the casualty was secured on a mountain rescue stretcher and protected from the worsening weather in an insulated casualty bag. It was a very muddy carry out of the clough to the road where we waited for the ambulance crew under a shelter tent. We got as many people in the tent as possible to generate heat to try and improve the casualty's temperature. Thank you to the local traffic for understanding the predicament with our vehicles causing a bit of a bottle neck on the Abney Road but with a bit of patience we all got there. The casualty was conveyed to Chesterfield Royal Hospital by EMAS for X-rays and further care.

### 123. Sunday 1st December 2019

**12:30hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**25 team member hours**

We received a request from the PDMRO controller to assist a walker with a leg injury somewhere between Hollins Cross and Brocket Booth plantation above Castleton. Once the location was confirmed the team were quickly on scene due to having large numbers of team members at base attending a casualty care session. The casualty was treated for a leg injury and evacuated by stretcher back to the road.

### 124. Sunday 1st December 2019

**15:00hrs**  
**18 team members**  
**23 team member hours**

We were contacted for the second time today by the PDMRO controller and requested to assist a fallen climber with a lower leg injury somewhere in the boulder field beneath

Curbar Edge. Team members had just finished packing equipment away from the previous call and were able to respond promptly. The casualty was located and treated by team members then evacuated to the road for onward travel to hospital.

### 125. Thursday 5th December 2019

**12:04hrs**  
**8 team members**  
**15 team member hours**

We received a request from BMRT to assist with a walker who had slipped on muddy ground at Mam Nick. An EMAS paramedic was already in attendance treating the walker so it left the teams to focus on packaging and stretchering the walker back to the car park where they were transported to hospital by car. Mid week jobs are usually attended by both teams to increase the numbers available as some cannot leave work.

### 126. Saturday 7th December 2019

**17:00hrs**  
**10 team members**  
**22 team member hours**

Our duty team leader was contacted by EMAS to assist a walker between Hollins Cross and Back Tor who had a suspected lower leg injury. Coincidentally the duty team leader was in Castleton at the time and could see the flashing lights of the casualty party on the ridge as the details were being passed over. There was some concern about casualty's temperature and safety as they had been out for some time having tried to make their own way down. The team were called, the casualty located, packaged and carried on a mountain rescue stretcher to a waiting ambulance.

## 127. Saturday 14th December 2019

17:30hrs  
14 team members  
18 team member hours

Following a request from DC we were asked by the PDMRO controller to assist a walker lost in the Cranberry Clough area of the Cut Gate track. Other than being lost, cold and wet the walker was uninjured. They were successfully traced by Phone Find technology and asked to stay where they were if at all possible. Repeated attempts by our duty leader to confirm their movements were unsuccessful and it was thought they had kept moving to keep warm, losing their weak signal in the descent from the tops. Three Edale team dog handlers and their dogs from MRSDE were also getting ready to deploy. As team members were driving up the east side track to deploy, the walker was found walking back towards Fairholmes car park.

## 128. Sunday 29th December 2019

17:11hrs  
9 team members  
25 team member hours

A request from DC to assist with a report of two lost walkers and their dog on the Derwent Moors. The walkers were in mobile contact so the team were able to locate them with Phone Find on the moorland below Bradfield Gate Head. We were happy to find they were both uninjured but very cold and wet. A limited response was initialised to go and pick them up and provide some warm clothing from the search section kit.

Team vehicles were able to take moorland tracks part way to their position and then good old legs were used. The first team members were with them in 90 minutes and they were quickly evaluated and given spare warm clothing ready for the walk back to the team vehicles.

Fortunately the walkers car was parked at Fairholmes so they were able to make their own way complete with a happy dog to the warmth of their homes.

## 129. Tuesday 31st December 2019

17:00hrs  
9 team members  
2 team member hours

We were called to search for a missing walker on the Kinder Plateau as part of the Kinder Plan search response. However, shortly after the call to the team, further information was received which put the lost walkers in KMRT's patch so they were left to deal with it along with BMRT, and we stood down.

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## The Montane Spine MRT Challenge

The Spine MRT Challenge is the same route as the Spine Challenger, but for mountain rescue members only, so they can raise awareness and fundraise for their local mountain rescue teams. The Challenger is dubbed "Britains most brutal fun run", a 108 mile non-stop race from Edale to Hardraw following the route of the Pennine Way. To make it even tougher, it's in winter. Quite short compared to the full 268 mile Spine race, but still certainly deserving of the description "brutal".

I ran this race three years ago, taking 39 hours 31 minutes, so I knew what I was letting myself in for, although in 2016 I had support from my wife driving our camper van north, meeting me at road crossings allowing me to eat and drink, and even have a few hours sleep. But this time I didn't have such a luxury, so I knew it would be tougher.

As it seems to be on every long distance event I try, I felt under trained and under prepared for what I knew was to come. A mountain rescue life is a busy life, and the best attempts at sticking to a training regime are quickly hampered when call-outs come in taking priority.

On Saturday 12th January 2019, 8am, I was cheering the "regular" runners on at the start of their Spine Challenger. One hour later the Spine MRT Challenge would begin. There were a few familiar faces at the start line, and a quick chance to talk race tactics with them. Mine was simply put one foot in front of the other, and repeat.

So at 9am the race began for the 24 mountain rescue team members. It was within the first mile or so that I found myself in the top few runners, and managed to keep this up for quite a while. In races of this distance I find it better to see competitors as "comrades" for the race, and the competition being more against yourself on whether you can finish or not. So I ran with two Robs. They were great company, and we laughed along the first 20 or 30 miles, each commenting how we were going at too fast a pace, but felt ok, so crack on!

The first Rob dropped behind as he went to stock up on water from a booty van. We didn't see him again until the first checkpoint 46 miles in, where it turns out he retired. The second Rob and I would run together for a bit, then separate as one felt a bit weaker (both agreeing on not to slow the other down).

It's worth mentioning the weather was horrendous. A constant head or side wind across the higher ground, with regular heavy rainy intervals. The valley bottoms were a nice break, but demoralising to know there would always be a tough climb out of them.

I arrived at check point 1 in first place, slightly earlier than Rob, and took the opportunity to change into a spare set of clothes and running trainers, and have a sit down meal to rest for a short while. Turns out Rob had other plans. He had a speedy change of t-shirt, and a quick energy meal, before heading out as quickly as possible. So, we were racing!







The section from Hebden Hey to check point 1.5, Malham Tarn Field Centre, was awful for me. It was dark, wet, windy, cold, and relentless. If someone would have offered me a bed to crawl into, I would definitely have taken it, and to make it harder, there was no sign of Rob ahead, so my pace must have been slower than his.

With about 500 metres to go before reaching check point 1.5, I caught up with Rob, and he wasn't in a good way. It seems like he'd had an awful night too, and an old injury had flared up preventing him from moving at a good pace. So I continued, where unfortunately Rob had to retire. This put me in first place, and for the first time I thought there was a good chance I could win the MRT Challenge, but there was still a long way to go, with other runners not too far behind.

The next hill, Fountains Fell, was brutal on top. It was a battle with the wind to stay upright, and the horizontal rain made a fine test for the waterproofs. I continued to battle down to Horton in Ribblesdale, lucky that the route was diverted from Pen y Ghent summit due to the high winds. Always in the back of my mind was "how far away?" I knew I could be overtaken at any time if second place had saved some energy, so I pushed and pushed to keep as quick a pace as possible, which is damn tough after going for 90 miles and over 24 hours. After another 18 miles I eventually arrived into Hawes with a grin on my face. Just a mile or so more to the finish and I'd have done it... and I did.

32 hours and 25 minutes. Thanks to generous donations, I managed to raise over £1500 for the team. Thanks to everyone who supported, whether with a message, a donation, or a visit in person, it was overwhelming, and was a huge help in letting me succeed.

**Joe Farnell**

## Search Dog Flo

Ever wondered what it would be like to be buried in snow and found by one of our happy search and rescue dogs??

That was the twitter post from Mountain Rescue Search Dogs that went viral during our annual winter skills refresher in the Cairngorms. Edale MRT's very own search dog Flo was made famous with over 5 million views all around the world from one simple 30 second video.

So what were we doing in Scotland, each year the Mountain Rescue Search Dog training organisation offers the dogs and handlers a winter skills refresher, of which the main part is avalanche rescue for the search dogs like Flo. If you happened to have seen the video you would have seen it from the volunteer body perspective who filmed the action on a mobile phone. We dig deep and wide trenches large enough for our volunteer bodies to comfortably lie down in with enough room to play with the dogs as well. The bodies are usually placed in the snow trench a short time before the dogs are set to work, the mouth of the trench is then fully blocked up. Once the scent has settled the dogs will search the snow slope for the strongest human air scent and then dig on the scent indicating to the handler that there is a body or article under the snow. The dog then gets a huge reward and plays their favourite game in the snow hole.

Why do search dogs in the Peak District require avalanche skills? We have had avalanches in the Peak District albeit not too serious however the risk is present every winter. There is a much greater chance in the Peak District of freak storms as we saw with the 'Beast from the East' which resulted in thousands of stranded motorists all over the UK. The search dogs would be a highly valuable asset in this environment for ensuring buried cars were empty. The search dogs also operate on a much wider scale for Mountain Rescue in England so can also be called upon to support any other Mountain Rescue team requiring search dog support.

Avalanche trained search dogs throughout the globe save lives every year and make national press. In most search scenarios the dog's nose knows best and this can make the difference between life and death for those buried in avalanches or lost on the moors.

Search Dog Flo is a 4 year old Border Collie. Flo's favourite toy is a tug but she also loves to play ball. Flo achieved her initial operational grade in January 2017 this was followed by her upgrade assessment in October 2018. During this period Flo has attended nearly 30 operational call outs for missing people and is a valued member of Edale MRT.

Flo is the star of this article, but she never goes anywhere without her handler and team member Paul Bartram. He looks after Flo, drives her around and it is his hard work and dedication that has trained her to be such a valuable member of the team.

**Thanks Paul.**





## Friends in High Places

### Help Us to Help You

Interested in Mountain Rescue but unable to commit the time to become a full team member. How about joining Friends in High Places (FiHP).

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Those who live closer to the Peak District can be more active contributing their time to the cause. We always need enthusiastic adult volunteers to assist with fundraising. Having FiHP members at country shows and street collections means the fundraising doesn't stop when the team is called away to help someone in distress.

There are not many summer weekends when the team isn't involved in at least one incident so our fundraising efforts are frequently curtailed when team members disappear suddenly. This is where FiHP members provide vital assistance to the team.

Fancy improving your acting and first aid skills and seeing the team in operation first hand. Then volunteer as a practice casualty. Realistic training is vital to keep the team sharp and having volunteer casualties improves the realism. Most training is done on a Tuesday evening but there are opportunities at weekends as well.

We have regular sessions to maintain and clean team equipment and vehicles and there are opportunities for FiHP involvement at our base in Hope for enthusiastic volunteers. There are sessions on Wednesday evenings and at weekends.

One FiHP member Elizabeth Hodgkinson started helping the team with equipment maintenance, then took an interest in our medical equipment being a hospital pharmacist. With more involvement she was asked to join our Support Group and in 2016 she joined the team as an aspirant member and became a full team member in 2018. How far can you go?

The team organises the Nine Edges Challenge each September to raise funds and we need fit and active volunteers as marshalls on this event. It is an important job helping to track the progress of participants as they run or walk from Fairholmes to the Robin Hood at Birchens. Team members will be out in force on the day but we need your assistance in case there is an incident in our area which team members need to attend.

Unfortunately the 2020 event has been cancelled due to Coronavirus. Future events are 11th September 2021 and 10th September 2022. Please contact the team to volunteer and put the event in your diary.

If you like dogs and the great outdoors our three team Mountain Rescue Search Dogs England dog handlers will be very pleased to have your support. Come and learn about training a search dog and play hide and seek in the Peaks. We currently have three operational search dogs in the team with three dogs in training.

If you are interested in the team but want to work at your own speed or to your own timetable there are many other tasks with which we need assistance. For example we could really do with a computer literate person and enthusiastic helper to compile a team archive online to record our history. We have projects in mind for those with geographic skills to plot our incidents over the years to locate our hotspots and answer questions. How many times have the team been to Stanage for an injured climber? When did we rescue our first mountain biker? How many people has the team rescued in total over the years. The list is endless for someone with an interest and an enquiring mind.

If you join FiHP, get enthusiastic and we see you regularly we will ask you to join our select band of Support Group members. These are FiHP members who go the extra mile.

If you are interested in finding out more please contact the fundraising officer. Thanks for your support.

**Rob Small**

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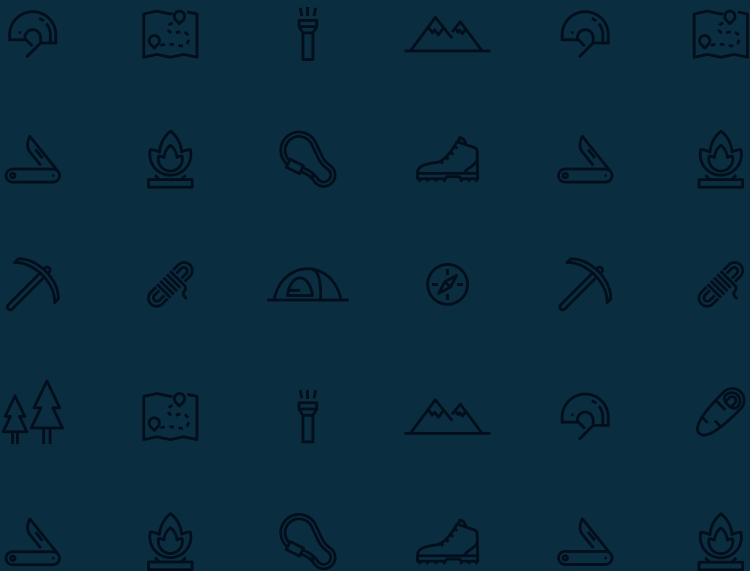
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The World Famous Blue John Cavern is situated at Mam Tor, Castleton in the Hope Valley area of Derbyshire. It is home to eight of the fourteen known veins of Blue John Stone, a very rare and beautiful ornamental fluorspar. The mineral was first discovered centuries ago and is still mined to date in the winter months. The Cavern is over 300 feet deep and its beauty can be explored through its various cave systems.




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