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* An article in the Keswick Reminder dated 6th February listed volunteers for the Borrowdale Mountain Rescue Team as follows:

Capt S H Badrock	Frank Barnes	Treeby Bolton
Alan Calder	Mrs Rosamund Creighton	Morley Dobson
Stanley Edmondson	Col A W Edwards	Roy Eynon
George Fisher	Nicholas Fisher (? Richard)	Brian Harden
W P Haworth	Robert Kelly	Dr T F Kirkpatrick
A Little	Dr G C Lyth	Ernest Midgley
Conrad Sauer	Harold Sunderland	Stanley Watson
Mrs S Watson	Douglas J Whalley	Major J N Wilkinson
? Robinson		

- * Saturday, 14th February. Royal Oak. 1st General Meeting of the Borrowdale Mountain Rescue Team, at which Col Westmorland presided and gave a general description of rescue work and of the aims of the Team. He was appointed Leader during the 3 hour meeting where there was a display of first aid kit with Thomas stretcher and equipment.
- * Tuesday, 16th March. 2nd General Meeting at which the following appointments were made: Secretary - C F Sauer, Treasurer - J C Wilson, Committee - V Veevers, Inspector Bell, F Barnes, A Beck, Dr Kirkpatrick, S Watson and 1 lady member, Mrs Sauer.
- * Initial membership was 34 (at least half active).
- * Practice held on Kern Knotts on 11 April with many photographers, using the vertical, "wheelbarrow" method, lowered by Col Westmorland.
- * Team equipment was kept at the Royal Oak.
- * September. Transport was discussed. 3 members offered the use of their cars.
- * November. Wedding presents from funds for G & R Fisher discussed.
- * Income was £59 with a balance of £22 at the end of the year.
- * There were 9 incidents in 1948 - 2 searches and 7 rescues. 5 were fatal, 8 fell-walking and 1 rock-climbing.

1 3 April 1948 Cross Fell - Pennines

An operation was carried out in deep snow conditions on cross fell, in search of a man missing since 31 March. The party moved off at 9 am by bus to the starting point, then proceeded in detailed sections on to the fell to search for the missing walker. Members present were: Col Westmorland, Messrs Frank Barnes, Treeby Bolton, Col Edwards, Dennis Edwards, G & R Fisher, Norman Lusby, D Robinson, George Spenceley, Lt Com E Stanley-Jones and V Veevers. The Team was unsuccessful in finding Basil Peachey (27 yrs) who was later found dead on the Alston side of the fell by boy ramblers.

2 20 July 1948 Wast Water Screes

The Team was called upon to rescue a Miss M Cunningham from the screes. Miss Cunningham had, however, been assisted by 2 climbers (Sid Cross & Albert Hargeaves), and was in a favourable position by the time the members of the Team arrived. She had been out all night, propped up by her walking stick. She was heard by the pumphouse attendant the night before and thought to be just more scouts shouting!

3 21 July 1948 Esk Hause

The assistance of the Team was asked for in helping to find Alan Heap, St Bede's Grammar School, Bradford. He was later found dead above Esk Hause.

4 22 August 1948 17:30 Great Gable

The Team was in operation at 7.30 pm to search for Mrs Rossiter. Taking the observed route from Honister Youth Hostel to Wind Gap, the Team unintentionally passed another rescue party already in operation from Seatoller. Not having had any sort of intimation as to this party's whereabouts, the Team searched until 2.30 am before returning to Honister Youth Hostel. Mrs Rossiter had then been removed to Keswick Cottage Hospital.

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