

1949

- * 19th February. Royal Oak. 2nd Annual General Meeting. 12 members present. Secretary - Mr Forster, Treasurer - Mr Wilson. G Fisher was added to the Committee. V Veevers, G Fisher and S Thompson were elected as leaders.
- * It was suggested that members provided their own torches on night rescues.
- * It was suggested that 3 x 100' full-strength ropes be bought as in the past, members had used their own. Also some nylon line should be bought to make corselets for lowering patients.
- * The purchase of a Thomas stretcher was discussed.
- * 3 practices and 1 walk held for recruitment purposes. Not successful.
- * The Team could do with some new blood, the year having shown no increase in the number of members. (Secretary's report for 1949).

1 18 April 1949 14:30 Skiddaw - Broad End

The Team was called out to a boy, John Dowling of Slough, who had broken his leg at the top of Millbeck Gill on Skiddaw. Only A Burton and D Forster was available, but they together with members of Dowling's party got him down to Millbeck at about 5 pm. He was then removed to Keswick Cottage Hospital.

2 14 June 1949 16:10 Robinson

The Team was called out to a bank clerk, Howard M Mitchell (25 yrs) of Streatham who had broken both ankles in a fall of about 20' on the face of Robinson. V Veevers, A Burton and G Fisher went out and together with some other helpers got him to the ambulance in which he was carried to Keswick Cottage Hospital.

3 27 August 1949 Ashness area

A call was received from the Scout Camp at Ashness. Messrs G & R Fisher were brought out of the pictures by the Scoutmaster concerned. Not anticipating much difficulty other members of the Team were not called out by them. They proceeded with lamps and ropes and found the victim - a scout - stuck on a ledge on a crag, unable to move either way. He was finally moved by one of them abseiling down to him, fastening a rope on him and then having him hauled up.

4 31 August 1949 Great End

A call was received that a man had fallen. He was a Frenchman and was killed in the fall and carried down to Wasdale by his own party. Our Team was, of course, unaware of this. The stretcher and equipment was carried to Sty Head Tarn and back again in heavy rain.

5 7 September 1949 0:30 Great Gable area

The call was received that 2 boys were missing from Seatoller having set out to climb a chimney on Great Gable. Subsequently it was found that they were OK having spent the night in Langdale. Of the Team, V Veevers, R & G Fisher and S Edmondson turned out at once, and with the assistance of over 20 'locals' and visitors, a thorough search of Great Gable was made before dawn. During the following day A Burton, V Veevers, S Edmondson, Col Westmorland and Mrs M Sauer, with the help of many visitors, etc. Carried out a wider search. Areas covered were Comb Gill, Hind Crag, Scafell, Great Gable, Pillar, and Gillercomb. Our biggest and in many ways most successful effort to date.