

1972

- * The Annual General Meeting was held on the 29th June.
- * Cumbria Police Authority offered to maintain radio equipment after it had been signed over to them. The Team declined the offer.
- * 4 new Bantam sets to be bought at a total cost of £700.

1 17 January 1972 11:00 Sty Head

Boy (15 yrs) on expedition suddenly taken ill with suspected appendicitis.

2 23 January 1972 16:25 Helvellyn - Thirlspot

Male University student (19 yrs) went missing unnoticed from his party. He turned up before search in action having fallen into gully.

3 30 January 1972 17:10 Sty Head

Man (36 yrs) slipped on snow-covered ice and broke his leg.

4 28 February 1972 14:30 Great End - South East Gully

Ice axe belay failed and climber (25 yrs) fell 300', fracturing his tibia and fibula.

5 28 February 1972 14:45 Great End - Central Gully

Man (36 yrs) and 2 women (35 yrs & 18 yrs) slipped 600' on wet snow. One casualty sustained a fractured spine, humerus and dislocated shoulder. The other sustained a fractured skull base, arm and severe lacerations. Their crampons were on their rucksacks.

6 5 March 1972 12:50 Shepherd's Crag - Eve

Man (19 yrs) fell 70' while leading climb on slimy rock sustaining broken ribs.

7 9 March 1972 14:30 Ashness

Lone walker (79 yrs) blacked out receiving a broken wrist and cuts.

8 22 March 1972 21:30 Great End area

Search with Wasdale MRT for missing climber (22 yrs) who was found in Greta Gill at 0400 hrs having left a suicide note.

9 30 March 1972 18:45 Sty Head

Girl (17 yrs) and 2 men (22 yrs & 27 yrs) succumbed with exhaustion and hypothermia due to incompetence.

10 31 March 1972 15:15 Castle Crag

Rock fell on to leg of climber (22 yrs). Suspected fracture.

11 2 April 1972 14:30 Lining Crag area

Boy (14 yrs) lost from school party on walk from Borrowdale to Grasmere. He had no waterproofs and had not eaten breakfast. Weather poor. Boy found at youth hostel with member of staff.

12 2 April 1972 14:30 Central Fells

2 boys (18 yrs) missing on walk from Langdale to Borrowdale. One boy arrived at Seathwaite after night out in poor conditions. The other boy was found after 2 nights and 3 days out with severe exposure. 5 Teams and RAF helicopter involved.

13 3 April 1972 16:15 Goat Crag area

Report of climbers shouting for help. False alarm.

14 7 April 1972 13:00 Sty Head path

Man (61 yrs) slipped on wet rock while fastening gate. He broke his leg!

15 8 April 1972 18:50 Sour Milk Gill

Man (50 yrs) slipped on wet grass on descent, breaking his ankle.

- 16 14 April 1972 19:25 Sty Head**
Man and 3 children overdue on walk from Wasdale to Seathwaite. They turned up in Langstrath before search commenced.
- 17 17 April 1972 19:45 Lining Crag**
Boy (17 yrs) on Gold Award Expedition with exhaustion having over-exerted.
- 18 29 May 1972 15:00 Sty Head**
Boy (6 yrs) fell into pool and then suffered severe cooling from wind. He was carried down by relatives before the arrival of the Team.
- 19 11 June 1972 23:30 Scafell Pike area**
Man (29 yrs) missing after walk. Found at 0200 hrs in Greta Gill.
- 20 25 July 1972 11:30 Borrowdale**
Alert for missing person who turned up before Team in action.
- 21 10 August 1972 12:05 Force Crag Mine**
Rotten timbers gave way as miner (47 yrs) crossed disused shaft. Hoisted up 60' with a broken arm, broken ribs, cuts and bruises.
- 22 12 August 1972 17:10 Watendlath**
Woman fell into bog and broke her arm.
- 23 17 August 1972 14:00 Gillercomb Buttress**
Solo climber (30 yrs) fell 200' and sustained fatal injuries. Slim Sorrell and Michael Crook.
- 24 8 September 1972 2:30 Rosthwaite Fell**
Man (55 yrs) and wife benighted in bad ground, one with leg injuries.
- 25 24 September 1972 9:05 Raven Crag, Thirlmere**
2 climbers (20 yrs) failed to rendez-vous with friends after climb. Crag searched with negative results. Found in Keswick.
- 26 15 October 1972 15:00 Miner's Crag, Newlands**
Climber (44 yrs) dislodged a large rock (1 ton) and fell 30' on to ledge sustaining leg injuries.
- 27 26 October 1972 14:30 Walla Crag**
Man (45 yrs) suffered a heart attack.
- 28 26 December 1972 8:00 Greenup Edge area**
2 women (55 yrs & 22 yrs) failed to arrive after walk from Borrowdale to Langdale. They were found in Eskdale. 6 Teams involved.
- 29 27 December 1972 19:00 Shepherd's Crag - Ardus**
Climber (20 yrs) cragfast and benighted on wet rock.