

# 1973

- \* Team members to be issued with a polar suit, and duvet and boots.
- \* New Operations Room built.
- \* Insurance for animal rescues permitted at £10 per rescue.
- \* Boots (up to £15), polar suits, duvets became standard Team issue, costing £43 per person.
- \* New medical equipment included a Hare splint (£40.86), a spinal board, an exposure sack and Entonox.

- 1 1 January 1973 22:00 Esk Hause area**  
Man and woman overdue. Found in Langstrath at 0800 hrs, the woman having leg lacerations.
- 2 2 January 1973 22:00 Scafell Pike area**  
3 walkers overdue. All found in Taylorgill at 0900 hrs.
- 3 9 January 1973 22:00 Esk Hause area**  
Walker missing. Found returning safely at Esk Hause at 1015 hrs.
- 4 17 January 1973 15:00 Woden's Face**  
Climber fell 60' breaking his elbow and ankle.
- 5 18 February 1973 9:00 Cat Bells area**  
Man (48 yrs) reported missing overnight. Found returning at Goldscope at 12 noon.
- 6 24 February 1973 9:00 Borrowdale**  
4 men failed to make rendez-vous with colleagues in Keswick. Search made for car. Men found in Newcastle.
- 7 10 March 1973 14:00 Base Brown**  
Boy (12 yrs) in school Party separated from group, fell in rough ground, sustaining head lacerations and fractured lower arm. Another walker heard his cries for help.
- 8 18 March 1973 14:45 Shepherd's Crag - Shepherd's Chimney**  
Woman (26 yrs) fell 30' on to ledge breaking her ankle and damaging her spine.
- 9 3 April 1973 16:00 Walla Crag**  
Woman slipped on wet snow breaking her ankle.
- 10 8 April 1973 15:30 Glaramara**  
Man (28 yrs) slipped on ice on summit, falling 50' sustaining head and shoulder injuries, in blizzard conditions.
- 11 10 April 1973 16:00 Stonethwaite Fell**  
2 boys became separated from school party. Found within an hour.
- 12 13 April 1973 14:30 Quayfoot Quarry**  
Youth in school party became cragfast while scrambling.
- 13 14 April 1973 16:00 Great End - Brunt Gully**  
Woman (24 yrs) slipped on snow into gill. Was later extricated by her own companions, uninjured.
- 14 15 April 1973 15:00 Greenup Gill - Lining Crag**  
Girl (17 yrs) twisted her knee in rough ground.
- 15 17 April 1973 Helvellyn - Red Tarn**  
Large scale search for missing male walker (55 yrs). Body found next day near Tarn having fallen. 277 searchers.
- 16 23 April 1973 19:00 Ullock Pike**

Man (19 yrs) with scalp lacerations having been hit by falling stone on scree.

**17 12 May 1973 15:00 Blencathra - Blease Fell**

Man collapsed with a stroke. Fatal.

**18 12 May 1973 19:00 Allen Crag**

Elderly woman (77 yrs) slipped on wet ground and broke her ankle. Her 2 companions also suffered from exposure. A wet night!

**19 20 May 1973 16:30 Shepherd's Crag - Ardus**

Climber leading climb fell 100' sustaining head, chest and spinal injuries. His second suffered rope burns.

**20 26 May 1973 20:30 Gowder Crag - Lodore Grooves**

Climber leading climb fell 150'. Lowered in tragsitz with hand, scalp and leg injuries.

**21 30 May 1973 12:30 Skiddaw - Lonscale Fell**

Youth in a school party collapsed with exhaustion.

**22 29 June 1973 14:55 Walla Crag**

Woman slipped on wet grass breaking her tibia and fibula.

**23 10 July 1973 18:30 Sticks Pass**

An army cadet collapsed with exhaustion.

**24 13 July 1973 18:15 Esk Hause**

Man (63 yrs) collapsed and died while walking.

**25 17 July 1973 9:00 High Street area**

Request to assist in search for party of 11 children and 1 teacher missing overnight in bad weather. Group turned up safely at 0930 hrs the next day!

**26 26 July 1973 20:00 Seathwaite - Jinny Bank**

Man fell 15' down slimy slab in gully sustaining head and spinal injuries.

**27 11 August 1973 Blea Tarn - Watendlath**

Woman tripped and fell dislocating her shoulder.

**28 12 August 1973 15:00 Langstrath - Blackmoss Pot**

Man drowned while swimming.

**29 30 August 1973 17:30 Sour Milk Gill**

Woman slipped on wet ground, fracturing her tibia and fibula.

**30 5 September 1973 17:00 Quayfoot Quarry**

Man became cragfast while attempting to rock climb.

**31 9 September 1973 16:30 Seathwaite area**

Child believed to be missing on fells. Turned up safely.

**32 7 October 1973 15:30 Shepherd's Crag - Bluebell Wall**

Hold gave way and struck woman while climbing.

**33 8 October 1973 12:00 Langdale area**

Request to assist in search for man missing overnight but he turned up safely before Team in action.

**34 13 October 1973 15:30 Shepherd's Crag - Shepherd's Chimney**

Man reversing climb lost his footing and fell 15' on to ledge sustaining a fractured tibia and fibula.

**35 14 October 1973 15:15 Shepherd's Crag - Shepherd's Chimney**

Youth, a second on the climb fell 60' and suffered shock.

**36 10 November 1973 11:30 Wythburn Gill**

Woman slipped on wet grass spraining her ankle.

**37 17 November 1973 15:40 Watendlath area**

5 youths on a Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme expedition failed to make a rendez-vous. Search all night and next day until boys turned up safely at next check point.

**38 24 November 1973 19:30 Langstrath/Greenup Gill area**

Man missing overnight in bad weather. Turned up safely in Wasdale at 0830 hrs next morning.

**39 29 December 1973 9:00 Elterwater - Buttermere**

Man and woman (28 yrs) missing overnight in bad weather on walk using a map on a postcard. Turned up safely in Wasdale the next day.

**40 31 December 1973 12:00 High Rigg**

Woman slipped on icy grass and broke her ankle.