

# 1976

- \* Reviva hot air apparatus purchased with donations received in memory of two boys who died on Scafell Pike. Made by Peter Bell and cost £231.55.
- \* Col Rusty Westmorland 90 years of age.
- \* 80 insurance man-days per team allowed for training!
- \* £3000 received but only £2800 spent !

**1 3 January 1976 8:30 Scafell Pike**

2 youths (19 & 16 yrs) overdue on walk between Eskdale and Borrowdale having been caught in a blizzard. Team called after dog search all previous night. 10 Teams involved in search. Both found dead seated against cairn on Scafell Pike.

**2 14 January 1976 17:40 Walla Crag**

Shouts for help near the top of the crag. Boy (13 yrs) and dog found unharmed.

**3 4 February 1976 17:50 Blencathra - Sharp Edge**

Party of 8 from Rugby School overdue. They turned up as the Team was being called out.

**4 29 February 1976 15:30 Dale Head**

Man (38 yrs) separated from walking party in blizzard. Turned up after search initiated.

**5 6 March 1976 16:15 Corridor Route**

Woman (51 yrs) with a broken ankle having been blown over by the wind.

**6 9 March 1976 16:20 Barrow House waterfalls**

Schoolboy fallen into waterfall. Spinal injury suspected.

**7 21 March 1976 18:00 Langstrath**

Man (60 yrs) in family party walking in blizzard conditions reported in a collapsed condition. Found dead from exhaustion/exposure.

**8 3 April 1976 13:45 Taylorgill Force**

Woman (49 yrs) slipped and fell 100' sustaining cuts and abrasions.

**9 16 April 1976 15:45 Shepherd's Crag - Crescendo**

Climber (19 yrs) fell 70' sustaining a broken leg.

**10 20 April 1976 17:40 Shepherd's Crag - Chamonix**

Climber (19 yrs) fell 50' from second pitch on to his partner (29 yrs). Leader sustained spinal injuries and his second, head injuries.

**11 23 April 1976 15:30 Latrigg**

2 boys (10 yrs), 1 with broken leg after a tree fell on to them.

**12 24 April 1976 17:00 Castle Crag**

Man (78 yrs) collapsed and died.

**13 15 May 1976 13:45 Gowder Crag - Fools' Paradise**

Climber (28 yrs) dislodged several tons of rock and fell 50' sustaining a broken femur.

**14 10 June 1976 19:20 Raven Crag, Thirlmere - Empire**

Climber (23 yrs) dislodged rocks, fell 10' and bounced 30' on scree. He suffered head injuries.

**15 19 June 1976 14:35 Shepherd's Crag - Brown Slabs**

Boy climber (14 yrs) in party fell 15' to the ground sustaining a broken leg.

**16 26 June 1976 14:50 Sprinkling Tarn**

Man (23 yrs) slipped on dry, loose stones, breaking his ankle - Pott's fracture.

- 17 28 June 1976 0:20 Helvellyn**  
Girl (16 yrs) found dead from heart attack after separating from companions.
- 18 2 July 1976 17:10 Cat Bells**  
Man (48 yrs) with a tibia and fibula after a slip.
- 19 4 July 1976 16:00 Skiddaw**  
5 runners with heat exhaustion in annual fell race.
- 20 20 July 1976 21:30 Langstrath - Fairy Glen**  
Man (19 yrs) with a broken wrist after slipping in gully.
- 21 25 July 1976 13:20 Gowder Crag area**  
Man (55 yrs) with broken ankle having slipped on loose, dry ground.
- 22 28 July 1976 22:00 Gillercomb/Ennerdale area**  
Search for missing youth (17 yrs). Turned up in Keswick!
- 23 8 August 1976 22:30 Whinlatter**  
Search for local woman (74 yrs) last seen at 1600 hrs. Found unharmed in Beckside Gill area.
- 24 10 August 1976 21:25 Borrowdale-Helvellyn**  
Search lasting 2 days for youth (17 yrs) separated from group. Last seen going to Harrop Tarn at 1300 hrs having taken ill. Traced to Kendal Hospital.
- 25 22 August 1976 13:15 Souther Fell**  
Hang glider (48 yrs) with 2 fractured legs having lost control.
- 26 23 August 1976 15:00 Thirlmere**  
Request to assist police in recovery of a body of a man (68 yrs) found when lake level dropped in drought.
- 27 15 September 1976 10:30 Grisedale Pike**  
Man (53 yrs) collapsed on walk. He recovered sufficiently well to walk down before the arrival of the Team.
- 28 6 October 1976 17:15 Sty Head**  
Woman (31 yrs) with a broken tibia and fibula having fallen on the path.
- 29 7 October 1976 12:00 Cat Bells**  
Man with a broken leg having fallen on the path.
- 30 22 October 1976 11:45 High Scawdel - Lobstone Band**  
Woman (53 yrs) slipped on wet rock and broke her ankle.
- 31 30 October 1976 13:40 Fisher Gill, Thirlmere**  
Search for man (51 yrs) missing after short walk. Body found in deep pool under waterfall.
- 32 30 October 1976 17:00 Friar's Crag**  
Woman (34 yrs) with bad bruising after a slip and 20' fall.
- 33 28 November 1976 19:30 Langstrath**  
Request to assist Langdale/Ambleside MRT in search for 3 missing teenage boys. Turned up in Eskdale.
- 34 6 December 1976 8:30 Murton Fells - Pennines**  
Request to assist in search for man (19 yrs) missing in blizzard having left party. Turned up safely having spent the night in a snow hole.
- 35 19 December 1976 22:30 Skiddaw Forest**  
Search for missing couple (40 yrs & 29 yrs). Found sheltering at Skiddaw House.
- 36 24 December 1976 13:20 Eel Crag**  
Man (27 yrs) left party and slipped 500' on snow sustaining chest, head and back injuries.
- 37 29 December 1976 15:00 Blencathra - Middle Tongue**

Boy reported woman and man (both 36 yrs) had fallen 500' from ridge. Located body of woman but left for evacuation next day. Man had fractured skull.

**38 31 December 1976 14:30 Great End - Central Gully**

Cornice broke, causing avalanche and carrying 4 climbers (20-29 yrs) down with it. RAF rescue helicopter took casualties to hospital.