

## 1950

- \* 14th January. Royal Oak. 3rd Annual General Meeting. 14 members present. Position of Chairman changed to Captain. Secretary - D Forster, Treasurer - C Wilson. Committee - Dr Kirkpatrick and V Veevers replaced by R Fisher and J Davies. Recruitment of new members discussed. Up to £1 per day for loss of wages to be offered (paid for by the MRC) to encourage more members. Borrowdale MRT may become recognised as a MR Post by the Ministry of Health.
- \* 6th July. Extraordinary General Meeting held to see why the practice with the Outward Bound had not been well-supported. 17 members were present at the meeting (12 at the practice). A discussion followed at which it was suggested that some members were not interested in practices. It was proposed that the Committee should have some new, young, virile members!
- \* 2 gross of shoulder flashes were bought - red letters, MOUNTAIN RESCUE, on a stone background. 4 free per member, thereafter, 1/6d each.
- \* Another Thomas splint was ordered together with 2 blankets. G Fisher would make 2 waterproof covers.
- \* It was decided to write to a casualty to ask if he was prepared to meet his rescue expenses.
- \* A quote was sought for a 200' nylon rope.
- \* G Fisher recommended that some pitons were bought.
- \* Balance at the end of the year - £34-11-6d.
- \* It was thought that people were not joining the Team for fear of financial loss. Decided to recompense for lost pay up to £1 per day. (From MRC).

### **1 8 January 1950**

A search was made for a missing mosquito aircraft in co-operation with the RAF Teams from Topcliff and Buxton. It was a bad day for a search and nothing was found. The most pleasing thing was the number which turned out.

### **2 15 October 1950 17:30 Black Crag - Troutdale Pinnacle**

At about 5.30 pm the police received a message that a climber, R Wilkinson from Workington, was stuck on Black Crag. Mr Young had slipped about 10' while abseiling from two thirds up the crag, sustaining a severe cut on the head and concussion. Mr Wilkinson tried to climb up to the top but became cragfast. Mr Young eventually reached the bottom and raised the alarm. Police turned out with Messrs G & R Fisher & F Bantok of the Team. Rescue proved awkward as the 'victim' was in an awkward position. Finally a good piece of rock climbing by F Bantok carried the day. Team returned to Keswick at about 9.30 pm.

### **3 15 November 1950 16:30 Haystacks**

Police were informed that there was an accident on Haystacks, the 'victim' - a pupil at the Outward Bound School in Eskdale - having fallen 50' down one of the gullies after becoming separated from his party. Members of the Team went over to Gatesgarth and found that the 'victim' with scalp wounds and bruises had been got out of the gully, but most of them assisted with the carrying down.