# 1984

- \* Col Rusty Westmorland died, aged 98 years.
- \* Members without crampons to be so equipped.
- \* Bought Little Dragon hot air apparatus for £200.
- \* Radio licence to be paid for by Police.
- \* External light to be installed at Seathwaite Farm, to be a guiding light for people late off the fell.

## 1 6 January 1984 13:45 Blencathra - Bannerdale Col

Boy (14 yrs) in party of 7 became exhausted. Others in party raised alarm but passing walkers assisted the boy down. Weather cool with drizzle.

# 2 18 January 1984 13:00 Mungrisdale

Search dogs called by police to assist in search for possible burials in avalanche across road. 500' path and 70' width on road.

## 3 5 February 1984 15:10 Helvellyn - Brown Crag Cove

Girl (18 yrs) slipped on snow and fell 200' sustaining multiple injuries. RAF rescue helicopter in area from a previous incident took girl to hospital. Cold and windy.

# 4 15 February 1984 17:30 Great End

Man (44 yrs) tripped over crampons and slid 500' sustaining a broken arm and head injuries. Climbers in area commenced rescue. Clear and cold.

## 5 19 February 1984 7:00 Great End

A man (44 yrs) slipped on ice on path breaking his tibia and fibula. He had earlier completed a night ascent of Central Gully. Fine, cold weather.

### 6 19 February 1984 12:45 Helvellyn - Whelpside

Man (47 yrs) slid on old snow into boulders. Broken forearm and head injuries. Fine, cool and windy.

## 7 20 February 1984 16:40 Helvellyn - Brown Crag Cove

Youth (16 yrs) slipped on old snow damaging his patella. Fine, cold and windy.

# 8 20 February 1984 17:00 Helvellyn - Helvellyn Gill

Youth (17 yrs) slipped into gill while playing on steep snow. He broke his femur. Incident encountered while attending to the above incident.

## 9 2 March 1984 15:30 Scafell Pike - Broad Crag Col

Party of 11 (17 yrs) climbing near col without crampons. 4 fell sustaining various minor injuries. Party airlifted by RAF rescue helicopter before arrival of Team in worsening conditions. High winds and very cold.

## 10 2 April 1984 14:00 Raven Crag, Comb Gill

2 foxhounds cragfast after morning hunt.

#### 11 4 April 1984 15:00 Derwentwater - Manesty

Man (73 yrs) slipped on path and broke his arm. Dry, warm weather.

### 12 20 April 1984 16:00 Coledale Hause

Man (64 yrs) collapsed and died on walk on fine, warm day.

## 13 21 April 1984 15:15 Grisedale Pike

Woman (35 yrs) slipped on stony path and suffered severe lacerations to her leg and knee. Fine, sunny day.

## 14 25 April 1984 6:30 Bowder Stone Crags

Campers at Hollows Farm heard cries for help. Nothing found. Thought to be hounds on early morning hunt.

### 15 26 April 1984 11:10 Black Crag

Climber (17 yrs) with an epileptic fit while approaching rock climb. Fine, sunny day.

## 16 2 May 1984 14:45 Shoulthwaite - Dodd Crag

Nature Conservancy worker became cragfast. Fine, warm day.

## 17 4 May 1984 16:30 Fairy Glen - Langstrath

Man (39 yrs) went to assistance of boy (4 yrs) who had slid into pool in beck. The boy was OK but the man injured his head and shoulder. Fine, sunny weather.

# 18 19 May 1984 16:00 Eel Crag - above Coledale Hause

Boy (14 yrs) in large school party, out of control down scree severely gashed his lower leg. Fine, sunny weather.

## 19 20 May 1984 18:00 Langstrath - Stake Pass junction

Woman (55 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke an ankle. Overcast but warm day.

## 20 28 May 1984 15:25 High Doat

Farm hand (20 yrs) slipped in wellies while herding sheep and broke an ankle. Fine, dry day.

## 21 28 May 1984 17:54 Grisedale Pike - Kinn

Woman (21 yrs) collapsed in an anxiety state. Carried down in fine, dry weather.

## 22 28 May 1984 22:00 Shepherd's Crag - Brown Slabs

Cries for help heard by passing walkers. Man cragfast 8' up. Rescue by local hotel guests before Team's arrival!

## 23 9 June 1984 12:15 Castle Rock - Holly Tree Grooves

Woman (32 yrs) fell 40' while leading climb. Head injuries and 2 broken ankles. No helmet. Sunny and warm.

## 24 23 June 1984 15:10 Fairy Glen - Langstrath

Woman (76 yrs) collapsed on walk. Dull, overcast weather.

## 25 1 July 1984 16:10 Skiddaw - Half Way House

Runner (18 yrs) on Skiddaw Race suffering from exhaustion carried down. Dry with cold wind.

#### 26 11 July 1984 14:30 Helvellyn - Comb Crags

Man (30's) slipped and bruised his thigh. Assistance also rendered by Ullswater OBMS. Warm with heavy showers.

### 27 12 July 1984 15:20 Sticks Pass path

Girl (19 yrs) in D of E group collapsed from exhaustion. Weather fine and warm.

## 28 17 July 1984 20:00 Skiddaw - Jenkin Hill

D of E group member collapsed with gastric problems. Fine, misty and warm.

### 29 23 July 1984 23:50 Bessyboot - High Buck How

Lights seen flashing at Seatoller. Man (21 yrs) found cragfast with minor ankle injury. Fine, dry night.

# 30 31 July 1984 1:50 Castle Head Quarry

Man (20 yrs) walked over edge of quarry (no torch) and fell 15' into groove, severely gashing his back. He received 36 stitches. Fine, mild night.

# 31 9 August 1984 12:30 Lower Falcon Crag

Girl (16 yrs) fell into tree while scrambling down sustaining minor abrasions and bruises. A further fall might have been more serious. Fine weather.

# 32 9 August 1984 18:00 Comb Gill - Comb Door

Boy (15 yrs) fell 20' while rock climbing and sustained head and general injuries. Fine weather.

## 33 14 August 1984 23:55 Langstrath - Langdale

2 sisters (21 yrs) overdue on walk in light clothing. Found unharmed in Ambleside after misunderstanding about rendez-vous in Langdale.

## 34 18 August 1984 1:45 Cat Gill, Ashness

2 youths (19 yrs) made a late-night trip to swim in the lake from their camp site at Ashness. Both killed when they fell over cliff edge. Warm night.

## 35 18 August 1984 21:55 Upper Falcon Crag

Police informed that 2 climbers were cragfast, but investigation found all OK.

## 36 19 August 1984 11:30 Grains Gill - White Bridge

Boy (16 yrs) suffered heat exhaustion from walking too quickly. Hot, sunny weather.

## 37 20 August 1984 19:40 Longthwaite Crag, Newlands

Lady and gent stuck on a steep slope. Hot weather.

## 38 10 September 1984 10:30 Launchy Gill, Thirlmere

Water Authority worker collapsed and died. Dry, overcast and cool.

## 39 15 September 1984 15:30 Watendlath

Woman (42 yrs) slipped and broke her tibia and fibula.

### 40 20 September 1984 20:30 Rigg Head Quarries

Body of a man (74 yrs) found dead by another walker. Weather very wet during recovery.

## 41 29 September 1984 13:30 Glaramara - summit

Man (39 yrs) thought unconscious having struck head when falling, but had collapsed and died. Fine, sunny weather.

# 42 30 September 1984 11:15 Wythburn - head of valley

Woman (29 yrs) sprained her ankle the night before and spent the night in her tent. Other campers found her the next morning and raised the alarm. Wet weather.

## 43 11 October 1984 11:45 Watendlath - Rosthwaite path

Man (61 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke his leg. Weather good.

## 44 12 October 1984 16:45 Borrowdale - near Borrowdale Gates

Walker slipped on wet grass and broke a leg. Assisted ambulance crew. Fine, overcast weather.

### 45 13 October 1984 14:20 Grange Crag, Borrowdale

Climber (19 yrs) slipped on wet grass descending from climb, breaking an arm. Damp conditions.

# 46 17 October 1984 22:45 Castle Crag

Lights seen flashing. Investigation found 2 campers. Fair weather.

#### 47 20 October 1984 10:50 Sour Milk Gill

Man (40 yrs) slipped breaking his ankle. Cool, wet and windy.

## 48 20 October 1984 13:25 Watendlath

Boy (16 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke his ankle. Cool, wet and windy.

### 49 26 October 1984 12:15 Watendlath - Dock Tarn path

Man in party of 8 slipped on wet grass and broke his ankle. Wet weather.

## 50 27 October 1984 16:55 Barrow

Woman (53 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke her leg. Fine, cool weather.

## 51 27 October 1984 20:45 Taylorgill Force

Party of 12 from Warwick University. On return from Scafell Pike, Scafell and Wasdale, had become benighted. One member fell in the dark and broke his wrist. Dry weather.

## 52 10 November 1984 12:45 Shepherd's Crag - Eve

Man (28 yrs) fell from 2nd pitch while soling, receiving multiple injuries from which he died 6 days later. Dry but damp underfoot.

# 53 17 November 1984 12:55 Shepherd's Crag - Donkeys Ears

Man (50 yrs) fell 30' when hand-hold came away while relieving himself. Fractured his femur, tibia and fibula. Damp with drizzle.

# 54 21 November 1984 22:30 Central Fells

2 men (73 yrs) lost between Wasdale and Langdale in very wet, windy and misty weather. Found between Stake Pass and Langdale Pikes at 1135 hrs next day.