1992

- ACPO recommends teams should be covered for £116,000.
- * Police insurers collapse. Team buys its own insurance. £120,000 capital sum.
- Computerised training records introduced.

1 9 January 1992 16:30 Dollywaggon Pike

A report of flashing lights was investigated. Nothing was found. False alarm with good intent. Keswick Search Dog involved.

2 11 January 1992 14:10 Clough Head - summit

A Cessna 172 made a glancing blow on the summit of Clough Head in poor visibility. Remarkably, all survived and managed to get down to the Old Coach Road notwithstanding considerable injuries.

3 25 January 1992 13:05 Blencathra - Sharp Edge

A man slipped and fell to his death whilst traversing Sharp Edge - somewhere around the 'Bad Step'. A helicopter in the area was able to evacuate the body as the Team was arriving at the scene.

4 26 January 1992 17:00 Corridor Route - Greta Gill

A man was reported to have collapsed with an injured knee. The assistance of Wasdale MRT was requested to help locate the casualty who was then carried down to Seathwaite.

5 28 January 1992 18:00 Black Crag, Shoulthwaite Gill

A climber fell about 70' while leading an ice pitch. He sustained multiple fatal injuries. Probably the ice he was climbing on collapsed.

6 8 February 1992 16:15 Black Crag - Obituary Grooves

A climber dislocated his shoulder when he tried to hoist himself up against the drag of his rope. He was lowered from the crag and taken to Carlisle Infirmary where he was treated under a general anaesthetic.

7 13 February 1992 19:58 Skiddaw - summit

Search for a light aircraft which had disappeared from radar over Bassenthwaite/Skiddaw area. The wreckage was discovered near Skiddaw summit at about 2 am by Team members. The pilot was dead. Search Dogs were deployed.

8 22 February 1992 11:45 Stonethwaite campsite

Because of rising water levels, 2 campers had become stranded on an island in the middle of the beck. They were taken off by aerial ropeway.

9 1 March 1992 16:45 Cat Bells - Hause Gate

A man (51 yrs) slipped and broke his ankle. It was very slippery underfoot.

10 7 March 1992 11:32 Hollows Farm - path north of

A lady wearing low shoes slipped on wet rock and broke her ankle.

11 8 March 1992 16:10 Rosthwaite-Watendlath path

A woman wearing trainers slipped and broke her ankle.

12 10 March 1992 11:56 Force Crag - near Coledale Beck

A woman slipped and broke her ankle - Mephisto shoes.

13 14 March 1992 13:46 Blencathra - Roughten Gill

A boy in a school party became unable to continue whilst on the summit ridge. An alarm was raised but the boy was found making his way down.

14 14 March 1992 15:10 Blencathra - Glenderamackin by Scales Tarn

A young woman was reported to have 'frozen' with vertigo. She was carried down in a semi-conscious condition and detained in hospital overnight. She had a history of Menuires disease.

15 19 March 1992 16:34 Glaramara - summit

A youth in his teens, in a larger party, collapsed on a walk from Langdale to Borrowdale suffering from exhaustion and hypothermia. He was located by Team Search Dogs and then carried down.

16 22 March 1992 17:45 High Tove

A girl (17 yrs) collapsed from exhaustion on her D of E Gold Expedition. She had gone to ground in a tent. She was carried down by the Team.

17 22 March 1992 19:45 Stockley Bridge

A man (44 yrs) had collapsed after a walk to Scafell Pike. He was utterly exhausted.

18 27 March 1992 14:18 Taylorgill Force

A geology student slipped from the path and fell about 60'. He sustained multiple cuts and bruises.

19 29 March 1992 11:50 High Spy

A boy (16 yrs) collapsed with stomach pains and exhaustion. He was found sheltering in a tent with his companions. He was carried down by the Team.

20 4 April 1992 18:44 Ullscarf

Alerted by Langdale/Ambleside MRT. A party of D of E Silver trainees walking from Grasmere to Borrowdale had gone to ground on Ullscarf with 2 collapsed girls (15 yrs). They were found by Team Search Dogs.

21 7 April 1992 14:48 Greenup Gill

A man (52 yrs) slipped and broke his ankle.

22 10 April 1992 16:40 Castle Rock - N Crag Eliminate

A climber (34 yrs) fell 30' whilst leading a climb. He sustained head and wrist injuries and crushed genitalia.

23 13 April 1992 22:00 Duddon to Borrowdale

A man was reported overdue on a walk from the Duddon to Borrowdale. He turned up at Stonethwaite at 23.30 hrs just as the Team and 11 SARDA handlers were setting out on the search.

24 16 April 1992 16:50 Grains Gill

A man (62 yrs) tripped over a stone and fell on to his glasses, badly cutting his eye. He had managed to get to Stockley Bridge before being met by the Team.

25 23 April 1992 16:14 Grains Gill

A man (53 yrs) collapsed whilst returning from Scafell Pike. Attempts to revive him failed. He was carried down by the Team.

26 26 April 1992 16:00 Dock Tarn area

A man (60 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke his ankle.

27 2 May 1992 13:05 Skiddaw - Doups, off Millbeck Gill

A young man (20 yrs) slipped and fell about 100' down a rocky outcrop on to a steep heather slope sustaining serious bruising to head and back.

28 10 May 1992 13:20 Walla Crag

A woman (48 yrs) slipped on wet rock, breaking her left tibia and fibula.

29 16 May 1992 15:46 Launchy Gill, Thirlmere

A man slipped and broke his right ankle. His previous rescue had been with Kendal MSRT. This was his 4th rescue!

30 16 May 1992 17:40 Carrock Fell

A young man made a poor take-off in his hang glider during a competition. He fractured his right humerus.

31 19 May 1992 14:50 High Spy - summit ridge

The body of a man (63 yrs) was found by passing walkers. The Team set out to recover him but a helicopter in the area was able to attend. This man had featured in our records before - see 26/10/91.

32 22 May 1992 17:15 Watendlath - Dock Tarn path

A man (74 yrs) slipped and injured his nose.

33 23 May 1992 19:02 Dale Head - Miners Crag

A man (43 yrs) experienced severe hip pain and muscular cramp.

34 26 May 1992 15:27 Blencathra - summit

A man (62 yrs) was reported to have collapsed on Blencathra summit. He was found to be dead on arrival of the Team and helicopter.

35 26 May 1992 16:45 Brandreth - Moses Trod

A woman (46 yrs) sprained her ankle. She was airlifted to Furness General Hospital. Accompanying Team members found themselves subsequently engaged on a search over the Irish Sea for some boys on a lilo.

36 28 May 1992 12:55 Blencathra - Gate Gill

A man (53 yrs) collapsed at the end of his walk. He was found to be dead on arrival of the Team.

37 29 May 1992 14:00 High Doat

A woman slipped on dry grass and sprained her ankle.

38 6 June 1992 14:57 Bowder Stone-Watendlath path

A man (74 yrs) was reported to have collapsed, walking with his wife, son and grandchildren. He was found in an exhausted condition. He was carried down and taken to hospital.

39 7 June 1992 13:19 Stonycroft Gill path

A woman (52 yrs) slipped and injured her hip.

40 9 June 1992 17:00 Stonethwaite-Dock Tarn path

A woman slipped and tumbled about 25' from the path down a steep rocky bank. She sustained a wedge-compression fracture of her vertebrae.

41 16 June 1992 17:30 Blencathra - Hall's Fell

Police request to search for a possible casualty after a rucksack had been found in a gully. SARDA members from Keswick and Cockermouth MRTs searched the area but found nothing.

42 16 June 1992 18:10 Stockley Bridge

A man slipped on the dry, gravely path in flat town shoes and sprained his ankle.

43 20 June 1992 15:50 Grains Gill

A woman slipped and fell, breaking her ankle. Members of Bowland-Pennine MRT (monitoring the RA 4 Peaks event) also assisted.

44 20 June 1992 17:50 Helvellyn - Nethermost Pike path

A report was received from Bowland-Pennine MRT on Helvellyn summit, that a man (65 yrs) had collapsed with severe cramp. He was also a diabetic and angina sufferer. A helicopter was requested to assist.

45 20 June 1992 22:42 Gowder Crag - Fool's Paradise

Hotel guests reported shouts from Gowder Crag. An investigation found rucksacks and climbing gear at the foot of the crag. The climbers were then found leaving the crag top in darkness.

46 23 June 1992 12:01 Rosthwaite-Watendlath path

A man was reported to have collapsed. He was found to be dead on arrival of the team.

47 28 June 1992 16:30 Force Crag

A trail biker skidded on a gravely mines road and came off his bike sustaining multiple abrasions and bruising.

48 7 July 1992 18:35 Reecastle Crag

A climber fell whilst climbing. He sprained his ankle. His second sustained burns to his hands.

49 16 July 1992 15:08 Langstrath - foot of Stake Pass

A girl (15 yrs) slipped from the path and sustained head, arm and leg injuries when she ended up in the beck.

50 22 July 1992 15:42 Helvellyn - Brown Cove Crags

A German man (60 yrs) slipped and fell, breaking his leg.

51 24 July 1992 16:48 Dodd Wood

A request from Ambulance Control to assist with the recovery of a lady (36 yrs) with a broken leg in Dodd Wood.

52 25 July 1992 12:45 Sty Head path - 1000' boulder

A man (60 yrs) slipped in the wet and broke his tibia and fibula.

53 2 August 1992 16:34 Shepherd's Crag - Chamonix

A woman was reported to have fallen from Chamonix, sustaining head injuries. She had managed to get to the roadside as the Team arrived. She then made her own way to hospital.

54 9 August 1992 16:38 Blencathra - Sharp Edge

A young lady (25 yrs) was reported to be cragfast.

55 14 August 1992 17:25 Skiddaw - Carlside Col

A young boy (11 yrs) ran out of control down scree path. He sustained lacerations to his scalp.

56 17 August 1992 12:35 Bowder Stone Cottage

A request was received by the ambulance crew to assist in the evacuation of 2 girls and 1 boy from Bowder Stone Cottage, all suffering from food poisoning.

57 19 August 1992 17:15 Lodore Gill

A request was received from the ambulance crew to assist in the evacuation of a casualty with an arm injury.

58 29 August 1992 12:20 St Johns in the Vale - Dale Bottom

A request was received from the ambulance crew to assist in the evacuation of a lady with a broken ankle. She was wearing shoes.

A boy (14 yrs) was reported to have collapsed with an epileptic fit.

60 2 September 1992 16:05 Langstrath

A German male was reported to have broken his ankle. He mainly managed to rescue himself.

61 3 September 1992 12:45 Walla Craq - summit

A man was reported to have collapsed. He was evacuated by the team.

62 5 September 1992 16:49 Sour Milk Gill

A man was reversing a slab. Having run out of foot-holds he slid down about 15' and broke his tibia and fibula.

63 6 September 1992 10:50 Walla Crag - Great Wood

Passing walkers noticed a man crawling through deep bracken. He had been there some time. He was taken the Cottage Hospital for a check up.

64 7 September 1992 1:30 Honister - Ennerdale

6 Venture Scouts were reported overdue on the Coast to Coast route (on mountain bikes)! They were found by Team Search Dogs minus bikes in two groups, cold and wet, suffering from mild hypothermia. 4 of them were in one bivvy bag!

65 11 September 1992 13:20 Skiddaw - Carlside

A youth (17 yrs) had collapsed with epileptic fits. A helicopter in the area was able to assist and airlift him to hospital.

66 23 September 1992 0:05 Borrowdale - Grasmere

A man failed to report his walk complete. An extensive search involving Search Dogs, overnight and into the next day failed to find him. He turned up at Thirlmere at midday having spent the night on Calf Crag.

67 23 September 1992 17:00 Borrowdale - near Grange

A lady (57 yrs) slipped on wet grass and sprained her ankle.

68 28 September 1992 17:05 Grains Gill

A woman slipped and broke her ankle.

69 2 October 1992 20:35 Glaramara - Low Buck How, Bessyboot

A man became lost, cragfast and benighted in steep ground. The Team responded to flashing lights and whistle blasts.

70 3 October 1992 16:08 Dale Head path from Honister

A woman (57 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke her ankle.

71 3 October 1992 16:41 Blencathra - Sharp Edge

A solo walker (26 yrs) fell from the bad step sustaining multiple, fatal injuries. As the Team was already in action, the helicopter and Cockermouth MRT were called to assist. The report was of 2 casualties.

72 6 October 1992 18:50 Sty Head path

A woman slipped and sprained her ankle. She managed to walk some way but then required assistance.

73 14 October 1992 12:20 Skiddaw - Lonscale Fell

A cadet (19 yrs) dislocated his knee. He was carried down by the Team.

74 18 October 1992 14:45 Blencathra - Blease Fell

A fell-runner went out of control on a steep descent down screes and sustained a general battering to his head, shoulder and knees.

75 25 October 1992 15:56 Cat Bells - Hause Gate

A woman slipped and broke her ankle.

76 29 October 1992 13:50 Castlenook, Newlands Valley

A woman slipped and broke her ankle.

77 1 November 1992 7:45 Sprinkling Tarn area

A party of 4 Venture Scouts succumbed to poor weather - their tents blew down and they were reported to be suffering from hypothermia. They were airlifted to Keswick for treatment.

78 5 November 1992 14:00 Walla Crag

A man sustained a twisted knee.

79 15 November 1992 11:20 Ashness Gill

A man (42 yrs) slipped and fell, breaking his ankle.

80 29 November 1992 23:59 Central Fells

2 men (40's) and a boy (15 yrs) were reported overdue from an excursion into the Central Fells. They were located by a dog team in Calf Cove, suffering from exposure. The boy was stretchered down.

81 6 December 1992 14:37 Shepherd's Crag - Brown Crag Wall

A climber fell about 50' sustaining injuries to his back, wrist and thumb. He was able to walk with assistance to the roadside for transport to hospital.

82 20 December 1992 18:15 Great End - SE Gully

2 climbers became benighted climbing SE Gully. They were assisted to the top of the crag on 2 topropes.

83 28 December 1992 14:55 Blencathra - Blease Fell

A man (38 yrs), a member of Bolton MRT, slipped and fell, breaking his right ankle. He was carried down by the Team.