

1999

The quietest year for 5 years

1	16-Jan	16:08	Carlside, Skiddaw	A party of students was overtaken by poor weather and a girl (19 yrs) was suffering from mild hypothermia. A situation which could have become more serious was averted when a passing walker managed to coerce the group into starting a descent. They met the Team shortly afterwards.
2	17-Jan	14:14	Central Gully, Great End	An avalanche swept the gully, falling over or through several climbers. It caught 5 people in its lower reaches. 2 injured managed to make their way off unaided, and another 2 uninjured tended to the only stretcher case. This incident was reported as 15 avalanched climbers. Accordingly, 89 rescuers and a helicopter attended!
3	13-Feb	21:50	Grisedale Tarn	Shouts and whistles were heard in the mist by 2 walkers late off the hill. A search involving 3 teams and 2 search dogs found nothing except a report by another walker who had met 2 frightened people descending very late. Very icy underfoot.
4	17-Feb	15:40	Dale Head, Great End Pillar	A walker (28 yrs) slipped and broke his tibia and fibula.
5	20-Feb	10:30	Coire an t'Sneachda, Central Gully	A climber (32 yrs) slipped and fell 250' while gearing up. He ended up among boulders where 12 Keswick MRT members had assembled for some winter training. The climber sustained various multiple injuries consistent with his fall. He was taken by helicopter to hospital in Inverness.
6	18-Mar	15:21	Coledale	An elderly lady was blown over by the wind while walking. She sustained a broken arm.
7	27-Mar	16:41	Hindscarth	A man (58 yrs) experienced chest pains. He was taken by a RN helicopter to West Cumberland Hospital.
8	03-Apr	20:40	Helvellyn & Dodds	Request from Patterdale MRT to assist in search for overdue group of 4 D of E boys. Located at Red Tarn.
9	06-Apr	14:13	Puddingstone Bank, Watendlath	A woman (50 yrs) slipped on wet grass and broke her ankle.
10	11-Apr	18:35	Blackmoss Pot, Langstrath	A man (39 yrs) slipped on wet grass while coming off Sergeant Crag, sustaining ligament injuries.
11	11-Apr	23:50	Sail Beck, Buttermere	Request from Cockermouth MRT to assist in search for young woman (25 yrs) overdue at Youth Hostel. She was located in a taxi!
12	14-Apr	18:09	Comb Gill	A walker heard shouts for help. A search found nothing. False alarm with good intent.
13	17-Apr	13:17	Hindscarth - Dale Head Ridge	A fell runner sustained a badly gashed thigh. A helicopter training in the area was able to take him to hospital.
14	01-May	20:22	Thirlmere Eliminate, Castle Rock	A climber fell while leading the 2nd pitch, sustaining head and chest injuries. He was given medical assistance on the ledge before being lowered from the crag. He was in Spain a week later!
15	11-May	19:19	Sharp Edge, Blencathra	2 men (38 & 50 yrs) became cragfast as they tried to complete the ridge in wet, greasy conditions. They raised the alarm by mobile phone.
16	16-May	14:09	White Pike, Clough Head	2 paragliders collided while spiralling in thermals. Some observers say they fell 300'. They both landed heavily and received remarkably light injuries. Another person injured her ankle when running for her mobile phone. After receiving medical assistance, all 3 casualties were airlifted by RN helicopter.
17	28-May	17:28	Stake Pass area	Man in party of 28 walking the Cumbria Way broke his ankle. His informant walked us up Greenup Gill to the accident site only to find his companions had improvised his evacuation via Stake Pass!
18	29-May	16:45	Castle Crag area	A man (24 yrs) was reported missing by his friends while bivvying in Millican Dalton's Cave. An extensive search, found his sleeping bag by the river followed by his body in a deep dub, the following day.
19	30-May	15:26	Sharp Edge, Blencathra	A man (30 yrs) was pulled off the Edge by his collie on a lead. He fell about 25' receiving head injuries and lacerations. He was airlifted by helicopter and his companion and 2 dogs were escorted to safety by the team.
20	03-Jun	10:00	Swinside area	A man (46 yrs) was reported missing from home in NE England. His car was found and a thorough search was made of the local area with 2 MRTs and search dogs. Evidence suggested the man may have gone on a camping trip, so the search was suspended.
21	06-Jun	14:46	Honister Pass	A request from Ambulance Control to assist with a lady with a broken ankle.
22	12-Jun	14:01	Falcon Crag area	A lady (78 yrs) collapsed while walking.
23	13-Jun	13:37	Latrigg	A 15 year old boy fell runner collapsed on reaching the summit!
24	20-Jun	12:52	Meadows by River Derwent	A man (60 yrs) jumped over a small puddle and landed badly, breaking his ankle.
25	26-Jun	13:38	Skiddaw - Littleman area	A lady slipped and broke her ankle. She was airlifted by a helicopter which was diverted from a local public display.
26	26-Jun	14:08	Langstrath - Cam Crag Ridge	A man (54 yrs) slipped and fell 100' while descending, sustaining suspected wrist, back and pelvic injuries. He was taken, in tandem with our previous casualty, to Whitehaven Hospital.
27	06-Jul	21:31	Eagle Crag, Greenup	A climber was scrambling when he dislodged a large flake of rock. He fell to the next ledge where another rock hit him. He fell 200' and sustained fatal injuries.
28	07-Jul	17:59	Little Calva - Hause Gill	A lady slipped on grass and injured her ankle.
29	09-Jul	15:19	Watendlath valley	A request to assist the ambulance with a casualty.
30	10-Jul	14:54	Langstrath valley	A lady (39 yrs) fell from a stile and broke her ankle which became wedged in some rocks.
31	10-Jul	15:10	Castle Rock - Agony	A climber (37 yrs) fell from the first pitch and sustained cuts and bruises.
32	11-Jul	13:41	Castlehead, Keswick	A man (47 yrs) collapsed and died while walking.
33	12-Jul	16:51	Helvellyn - Wythburn track	A man slipped on loose stones and injured his ankle.
34	12-Jul	18:30	Glaramara - near Blackmoss Pot	A lady (64 yrs) slipped on a greasy rock and fell 10' into a rocky stream bed. She sustained a broken arm and pelvic injuries.
35	16-Jul	13:33	Walla Crag - Cat Gill	A woman (49 yrs) slipped on path on descent and dislocated her tibia and fibula. She was wearing trainers.
36	31-Jul	20:45	Red Pike, Buttermere	A request from Cockermouth MRT to provide medical assistance. The Team Doctor was airlifted by helicopter to a pregnant woman.
37	03-Aug	12:12	Gate Gill, Knitting Haws	A young lady (19 yrs) slipped 20' into the gill while scrambling. She sustained a bruised pelvis and ribs.
38	04-Aug	15:28	Castle Crag	A lady slipped and gashed her head. She had managed to walk some way down.
39	18-Aug	16:08	Sharp Edge, Blencathra	A young couple became cragfast in cold and wet conditions.
40	22-Aug	16:41	Taylorgill, Seathwaite	A woman (73 yrs) slipped and injured her arm and face.
41	25-Aug	18:22	Longband Crag, Greenup	A party of 7 teenage girls become stuck in steep group while descending at the end of their walk. 3 were walked off and the others needed to be extricated from their position, including another who went to their assistance.
42	29-Aug	15:45	Sourmilk Gill, Seathwaite	A lady (39 yrs) slipped on wet rock and broke her tibia and fibula.
43	29-Aug	18:49	Green Gable - summit cairn	4 D of E students succumbed to the unseasonal weather. They were shepherded off by 2 Teams and a rescue helicopter.
44	04-Sep	12:27	Sharp Edge, Blencathra	A male fell runner (39 yrs) slipped and fell 150' down a gully. He sustained chest, arm and leg injuries. After treatment at the scene he was winched into a helicopter.
45	04-Sep	13:20	Scales Tarn, Blencathra	Reports were received of a 10 year old girl suffering from a sprained ankle and being separated from her family. She was assisted and reunited.
46	04-Sep	14:08	Helvellyn	A man suffered a heart attack at the top of the Wythburn path. The Team attended and he was airlifted by helicopter to hospital.
47	04-Sep	15:12	Ullock Pike	A paraglider broke his leg. As the Team was busy with the above incidents, Cockermouth MRT was called to assist. The helicopter also attended!
48	04-Sep	16:30	Dock Tarn	A woman walker suffered a locked knee. By this time, the helicopter was worth its weight in gold. The Team attended but was not required. She was flown to hospital.
49	04-Sep	18:26	Walla Crag	A poor take-off resulted in the pilot of a paraglider (19 yr old girl) tumbling down the sheer front of the crag. She sustained cuts to her leg.
50	07-Sep	06:30	Castle Rock	Search for suicidal missing person. Later found in Wigan!
51	07-Sep	15:44	Stonethwaite valley	Request to assist the ambulance crew with the recovery of a Dutch walker (46 yrs) who had sprained his ankle.
52	08-Sep	00:01	Langstrath	Search for walker separated from his companion. After an all-night search he walked in at first light!
53	10-Sep	18:24	Harrop Tarn, Thirlmere	A girl in a D of E group aggravated a previous ankle injury when trying to get a mobile phone signal to report an aggravated ankle injury!
54	11-Sep	13:10	Dale Head Tarn	A girl in a D of E group was blown over by the wind. She bruised and grazed her knee and elbow. The group was also overwhelmed by the poor weather.
55	11-Sep	15:30	Scope End, Hindscarth	A lady (47 yrs) slipped on wet grass and injured her ankle as the Team was returning from the previous incident (same valley!).
56	21-Sep	16:50	Grains Gill	A lady (56 yrs) slipped and broke her ankle.
57	26-Sep	13:28	Latrigg summit	A lady (74 yrs) slipped and injured her ankle.
58	09-Oct	17:36	Great Gable	A lady became separated from her party on the summit. She got lost in mist and called on her mobile phone for help. Unfortunately, we could not contact her. We later were called again and found her near Westmorland Cairn at about 9 pm.
59	15-Oct	14:25	Barf	2 walkers became cragfast behind 'the Bishop'.
60	18-Oct	13:56	Sty Head	A 15-yr old girl with a suspected broken ankle.
61	29-Oct	23:55	Corridor Route, Scafell range	A young couple used their mobile phone to report themselves lost. We assisted Wasdale Team to locate the couple in wet and windy conditions. Found by search dog.
62	14-Nov	11:14	Castle Crag	A male (68 yrs) was reported to be in a collapsed state when attending the Remembrance Sunday meet on the summit. A helicopter airlifted him to hospital.
63	14-Nov	13:20	Great Gable - North Crag area	A man (42 yrs) injured his ankle while descending. He was airlifted by the helicopter attending the previous incident.
64	20-Nov	11:41	Sharp Edge, Blencathra	A lady (53 yrs) slipped from the Edge, sustaining head injuries. She was taken by helicopter to hospital in Carlisle. See incidents 44, 39, 19 and 15.
65	27-Nov	11:51	Grains Gill, Seathwaite	A man (52 yrs) collapsed while walking with friends. A helicopter on exercise in the area was quickly there, but the man was certified dead at the scene.
66	28-Nov	22:33	Central Fells	A request from Wasdale MRT to assist in search for 2 overdue walkers, after a day of storm force winds and heavy rain. They were located safe and well at Calf Cove just before 3 am. 53 searchers involved.
67	23-Dec	14:38	Beckstones Gill, Barf	A lady (77 yrs) slipped on wet ground and broke her ankle.