



## Penrith Mountain Rescue Team Callouts/Incidents 2009

ID	Date	Description	No of Team Members	Duration (Hrs)
40	31/12/09	<b>Search Call</b> - Two walkers became disorientated in thick snow and very poor visibility on the High Street ridge in the vicinity of White Bog, Bampton Common. They were located safe and well by the Team's search dog near Cawdale Edge and were escorted to waiting Team Land Rovers to be reunited with relatives in Bampton.	16	3.5
39	30/12/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - Two Team Land Rovers were sent to Kirkby Stephen MRT Base to help evacuate motorists from their vehicles in blizzards and drifting snow on the A66 and surrounding roads. A mountain rescue team from Teesdale and an RAF Sea King also assisted in reaching stranded vehicles. Penrith MRT remained on standby but were not deployed.	4	3.0
38	30/12/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - Motorists were becoming stranded in blizzard conditions on the A6 at Shap Summit. Four Team drivers reported to Base to attend in Land Rovers but were quickly stood down by the Police.	4	0.5
37	20/12/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - One of the Team's two 4WD ambulances was called upon to assist both the Ambulance and Fire & Rescue Services in evacuating a lady from her home during a period of snowy weather.	3	1.5
36	20/12/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - Two members of the Team were asked to assist the Ambulance Service attending to an 80 year old gentleman who had fallen in Carlisle. Extensive snow cover meant the ambulance crew were initially unable to evacuate the patient and the Team's 4WD ambulance was requested. However the problem was soon overcome and the Team Members were stood down .	2	0.5
35	27/11/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - The Team assisted Keswick MRT in rescuing a fallen walker on Sharp Edge, Blencathra. The gentleman slipped on wet rock and tumbled around 20m into a gully on the north side resulting in multiple fractures and possible spinal injury. A Sea King from RNS Gannet was tasked to the scene. The winchman from the helicopter assisted in stabilizing the casualty before		



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		the stretcher was lowered to safer ground and then winched into the aircraft for evacuation to the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle.	7	4.00
34	26/11/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - A despondent slipped and fell on a crag on the edge of Greystoke Forest near Johnby. The Team was asked to assist the Ambulance Service in recovering the gentleman to a Sea King helicopter from RAF Boulmer.	16	2.25
33	22/11/09	<b>Flood Incident</b> - In response to a request from Cockermouth MRT, a Land Rover with water rescue personnel and equipment was despatched to Papcastle on the north side of the River Derwent at Cockermouth. The Team was involved in a variety of tasks including ferrying medical personnel through flooded streets and surrounding countryside. A rota was drawn up to ensure constant cover for 27 hours but the Team was later stood down following the opening of bridges in the area.	11	9.00
32	21/11/09	<b>Flood Incident</b> - The Team was called to assist the Fire & Rescue Service in helping the occupants of a flooded vehicle to safety at Crosby-on-Eden.	10	1.75
31	20/11/09	<b>Flood Incident</b> - Using the Team's rescue raft and working alongside the Fire & Rescue Service, with help from Patterdale MRT and the RNLI, 23 occupants of flooded properties at Eamont Bridge were evacuated to safety .	21	7.75
30	19/11/09	<b>Flood Incident</b> - The Team was called in to assist with management of the major floods hitting the county. Initially this involved assisting the police with traffic management between Clifton & Eamont Bridge. The Team was then sent to Ullswater to deal with a large shipping container causing damage in the lake at Pooley Bridge.	11	5.00
29	23/10/09	<b>Search Call</b> - The Team received a call from Cockermouth MRT to help look for a 61 year old man reported missing from his home overnight. Just before the Team was deployed the gentleman was located by a search dog handler near Newton Wood, Cockermouth. The Team was stood down .	9	1.00
28	11/10/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - The Team was called to		



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		assist a 12 year old boy out walking with his family at Riggindale, Haweswater. The family were visiting the area from Preesall, Poulton-le-Fylde. The boy had slipped on the footpath near Bowderthwaite Bridge and suffered a spiral fracture of his tibia (smaller of two bones in the lower leg). The original call for assistance came from a local farmer who was in the area at the time. Sixteen members of the Team were assisted by a Sea King from RAF Boulmer in stabilizing the casualty and evacuating him (and his father) directly to hospital in Carlisle.	16	2.50
27	12/09/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - At the very end of a day celebrating its 50th Anniversary, the Team received a request from the Police to assist a 63 year old lady who had set out with a group of friends to walk over Barton Fell when she reported feeling faint. In view of the fact that the lady was suffering from recognized heart problems the Team was tasked to locate her and then evacuate her by RAF Sea King to hospital in Carlisle.	15	2.00
26	02/09/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - The Team received a phone call from the Ambulance Service requesting our assistance in helping a gentleman who had collapsed a short distance along Gatescarth Pass soon after leaving the car park at Mardale Head, Haweswater. The Penrith Air Ambulance was also in attendance and two members of Kirkby Stephen MRT just happened to be in the immediate vicinity. Despite the best efforts of all those present, the gentleman was pronounced dead on the scene and was airlifted to Cumberland Infirmary Carlisle.	8	2.50
25	21/08/09	<b>Search Call</b> - A party of three walkers from Braintree in Essex had set off on a walk up Rough Crag at Haweswater. One of the party became separated from the others and decided to turn back. The remaining two walkers were concerned for his safety and called out the Team to look for him. The missing gentleman appeared safe and well at the Haweswater Hotel an hour later.	8	1.25
24		<b>Sheep Rescue</b> - Further details to follow		
23	14/08/09	<b>Search Call</b> - The Team received a call from the Police asking for our assistance in		



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		locating two walkers on the Pennine Way who had got lost in thick mist and heavy rain. Kirkby Stephen MRT were put on standby. However, the couple were quickly found on Little Dun Fell from where they were safely escorted to Team vehicles waiting at Great Dun Fell.	13	3.00
22	09/08/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Assist Patterdale Mountain Rescue Team with an incident on Striding Edge, Helvellyn involving a 47 year old woman from Suffolk who fell approximately 3m from Striding Edge. She was caught by a passing walker who was on the path below. During her fall she sustained an injury to her shin and was unable to make her own way off Helvellyn. She was treated on the scene by the Team Doctor and evacuated to Patterdale MRT base, before making her own way to hospital.	6	3.50
21	04/08/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - Assist Patterdale Mountain Rescue Team with an incident at Ruthwaite Lodge, Grisedale, involving a 54 year old woman from South Africa. The woman had slipped on a wet footpath and sustained an injury to her ankle. She was treated on the mountain, evacuated to Patterdale MRT base, and then transferred to hospital by a North West Ambulance.	7	3.25
20	28/07/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - The Team was deployed to assist Patterdale MRT with a second incident involving a student on an outdoor course who had slipped and fractured a rib at Deepdale Hause. The helicopter from RNAS Gannet used at Haweswater was redeployed to deliver 2 Patterdale Team members to the casualty site. The casualty was flown to hospital in Carlisle for further treatment. 8 members of Penrith MRT were tasked to assist but were shortly stood down.	8	1.50
19	28/07/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - A female walker following the Coast to Coast route slipped on wet rock at Whelter Beck on the north shore of Haweswater and sustained an ankle injury. 11 Team Members went to her aid and called upon the assistance of a Royal Navy Seaking from RNAS Gannet near Ayr. An Air Ambulance from Blackpool was also in		



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		attendance but was not needed.	11	2.50
18	24/07/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - At the same time as assisting with incidents in the Helvellyn area, the Team was contacted by the Ambulance Service and asked to assist Ambulance and Air Ambulance crews in getting a casualty to safety at Coombe Crag, Banks near Brampton. The casualty had slipped on wet ground and suffered a lower leg injury. 8 Team Members assisted in getting the casualty to the waiting ambulance.	8	2.50
17	24/07/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> - The Team assisted Patterdale and other MRTs in stretchering a young lady from the summit of Lower Man, Helvellyn. The casualty was suffering from a long-term hip problem and was unable to make her own way down. Whilst assisting with evacuating the young lady off Lower Man, a member of the Team sustained an ankle injury at Keppel Cove. Members of several MRTs were in attendance to evacuate the casualty to Patterdale MRT's Base where he was transferred to an ambulance and taken to hospital in Carlisle	3	2.50
16	23/07/09	<b>Search Call</b> - The Team was called along with Patterdale MRT to look for a missing horse rider heading from Bowness-on-Windermere to Askham. The missing rider, a lady from Wales, was overdue at her destination but turned up safe and well at the hotel at Haweswater having lost her way on High Street. A total of 11 Team Members took part in a brief search. The remainder of the Team was put on standby but a full Team search was not required.	11	1.50
15	29/05/09	<b>Search Call</b> – Call to assist Cumbria Fire & Rescue Service search the River Eden, in the Willowholme area of Carlisle, for a missing male. Stood down at 22:15 after body located and recovered from the river by Cumbria Fire & Rescue Service. (Further details to follow)..		
14	26/05/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Assist Patterdale MRT. 17 yr old female crag fast on Striding Edge just below summit of Helvellyn. Penrith Team on standby at Patterdale MRT Base but not required. We stood down at 18.49.	5	0.75



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13	26/05/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Assist Patterdale MRT. Male (67) slipped and fallen on the becksides near Aira Force. Sustained dislocated left shoulder. 5 Penrith Team involved. Helped stretcher out of gully and transport to heli land site. Casualty evacuated to Barrow Hospital by GNAA from Blackpool.	5	1.25
12	17/05/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Assist Keswick MRT. Ascended from Steel End, Wythburn, Thirlmere to Broadstone Head. Male casualty with likely fractured wrist following slip. The casualty was part of a rambling club from Bolton. Casualty was walked down into Easedale to meet an NHS ambulance. Team was met by Keswick MRT vehicles to return to Keswick via Grasmere. LAMRT vehicle was also on hand.	1	3.00
11	08/05/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Mardale. Fellwalker with suspected ankle injury. Further details to follow..		
10	17/04/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Ainstable. Requested to assist NWAS evacuating a female walker who had injured herself crossing a fence. The site was in a steep ravine and the ambulance crew were having difficulty accessing the area. Casualty airlifted to CIC after initial treatment.	8	1.75
9	15/04/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Collapsed Fellwalker, Riggindale. Elderly female reported ill and near-collapse while descending Kidsty Pike into Riggindale, Haweswater.	15	3.00
8	06/04/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Fallen Horse Rider Askham Fell. Call from ambulance control direct (police informed by NWAS), report of fallen rider Female (16) about 2 mile up a track from Winder Hall Farm. Air Ambulance had been tasked. GNAA treated and evacuated casualty before team arrived at the scene. No details of injury available.	13	1.25
7	05/04/09	<b>Rescue Call</b> – Collapsed 60 year old male, Harter Fell area. He was described as unconscious and not breathing; CPR was attempted but without result. Air Ambulance attended. Airlifted four team members to scene to carry body to aircraft, then body flown to CIC. Companions		



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		escorted off the fell.	15	2.50
6	04/04/09	<p><b>Rescue Call</b> – North of Tyne MRT organised a Challenge event following a loop around Allenheads above Alston and Nenthead. During this event, a competitor was reported suffering from severe chest pains, diagnosed as a heart attack. We were requested to attend. With the help of North of Tyne members and GNAA, the casualty was airlifted to James Cook University Hospital, Middlesbrough. Not long afterwards, another competitor was reported with a sprained leg. Again a GNAA helicopter arrived but left immediately to get fuel, having dropped off the paramedic. While away, the helicopter was tasked to another incident, so we evacuated the 15 yr old boy by stretcher to doctor attending the event.</p>	7	4.00
5	07/02/09	<p><b>Rescue Call</b> - A male walker, descending from Helvellyn via Brown Crag tripped on a crampon and fell approximately 20 metres and suffered a dislocated ankle. Patterdale Team members were attending another incident and requested the support of Penrith MRT in the evacuation of the casualty to Glenridding. The casualty was transferred to the Cumberland Infirmary via the North West Ambulance service.</p>	3	3.00
4	20/01/09	<p><b>Search Call</b> - A group of six walkers from Yorkshire reported themselves lost on the High Street ridge. The Team was called to assist in the search but was stood-down as they mobilised. Group located - safe and well.</p>	4	0.50
3	20/01/09	<p><b>Search Call</b> - Team called to assist in the search for a lone walker who had not checked-in to his pre-booked accommodation the previous evening. Kirkby Stephen and Teesdale MRTs had searched from Langdon Beck to High Cup Nick during the night but found nothing so called for additional help when the search resumed. The walker was found safe and well. However, he had spent 36 hours sheltering from the weather (snow) in a shooting lodge. When the weather improved he recommenced his journey,</p>		



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		avoiding Dufton, and when he obtained a mobile phone signal was able to call his wife to report he was safe. MR personnel confirmed his location (off route) and he was airlifted by RAF helicopter (Boulmer) from the fell.	10	2.00
2	19/01/09	<p><b>Search Call</b> - A motorist, passing on the A66, reported seeing someone in difficulties in the River Eamont at Brougham. The North west Ambulance Service attended the scene but failing to locate anyone called for the assistance of the Great north Air Ambulance and Penrith MRT.</p> <p>The Team mobilised to the scene and, assisted by the Police and Search Dogs, searched the river to its confluence with the River Eden. Kirkby Stephen MRT (16 members with 2 dogs) were called to assist in the search of the River Eden upriver of Langwathby. A helicopter from RAF Boulmer joined the search but as darkness fell nothing had been found and no reports had been received of anyone having gone missing the search was stood down.</p>	18	4.50
1	17/01/09	<p><b>Search Call</b> – A group of 7 fellrunners reported overdue en route from Ambleside to Haweswater Hotel. Expected at 17:00 but had not arrived or contacted. During initial enquiries, the group were located and contacted at the Howtown Hotel making transport arrangements to get to Haweswater. 20:05 confirmed that group had met up with informant and police informed.</p>	1	1.25