



Penrith Mountain Rescue Team Callouts 2010

ID	Date & Time	Description	No of Team Members	Duration (Hrs)
48	31/12/10 Callout request received at 07:45	Search Call - The Team was asked to assist in a major search coordinated by Cockermouth MRT for a missing mother of four from Thornthwaite. Working alongside colleagues from SARDA Search Dogs, Cockermouth, Keswick, Kirkby Stephen, Patterdale and Wasdale MRTs, a search was carried out of Thornthwaite Forest at Whinlatter but nothing was found.	10	5.00
47	30/12/10	Rescue Call - Two Members of the Team happened to be in the area of Swirral Edge, Helvellyn when a 43 year old gentleman from St. Helens fell approximately 150m into Brown Cove. They assisted Patterdale MRT in effecting the rescue which included an RAF Sea King evacuating the casualty to hospital in Carlisle where sadly he later died.	2	1.00
46	28/12/10 Callout request received at 15:31	Ambulance Service Assist - A 68 year old male fell whilst walking his dog in Cowraik Quarry on the eastern edge of Penrith. He sustained a fracture to the neck of femur. The Team met with Ambulance Service crew and paramedic and together stretchered the casualty to a waiting ambulance. (8 personnel, 1.5 hours)	8	1.50
45	27/12/10 Callout request received at 19:06	Search Call - The Team was asked to assist Keswick MRT along with Search Dogs and Cockermouth MRT in the search for a 60 year old walker reported as being "in difficulties" by his daughter. The gentleman was located north west of Atkinson Pike, Blencathra, and was walked to safety by Keswick personnel.	12	4.00
44	12/12/10 Callout request received at 16:15	Animal Rescue - Two fox hounds being exercised in the Haweswater area found themselves cragfast on Rough Crag at Cospel Gate. They were located the following day trapped on a rocky ledge. Two members of the Team went down to the dogs on a safety line and lowered them both to safety.	8	5.00



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43	12/12/10 Callout request received at 10:16	Ambulance Service Assist - The Ambulance Service asked the Team to assist in accessing a 70 year old bed-bound female in Shap needing transportation to respite care. The track to the property was thick with ice making access, even by 4WD vehicle, very difficult. Working with an Ambulance crew the lady was carried from her bed, out of her home and on to a Team stretcher. From there she was sledged along the track to the waiting ambulance and transported to Penrith Hospital.	8	3.00
42	08/12/10 Callout request received at 11:07	Ambulance Service Assist - The Team was asked to transfer an elderly lady from Penrith Hospital to her home at Ivegill. The snow and ice meant an ambulance was unable to access the property. Using one of our two Land Rovers we were happy to oblige.	2	2.00
41	04/12/10 Callout request received at 20:29	Rescue Call - The Team worked with Patterdale MRT to stretcher a casualty from Red Tarn to a waiting vehicle at Greenside. The gentleman from Penrith had been climbing with a partner on steep snow on the headwall of Helvellyn. The casualty had slipped and sustained an injury to the lower back. His companion was suffering from mild hypothermia and was able to be walked off the fell.	9	4.00
40	02/12/10 Callout request received at 12:43	Social Services Assist - The Team was asked to assist with getting a 77 year old gentleman from his home near Cumwhitton to respite care in Brampton. He had very limited mobility and his caravan was from suffering frozen pipes in the subzero temperatures. The wintry road conditions and the capability to transport the gentleman on a stretcher if necessary meant the Team's Land Rovers were best suited to the task. The gentleman was collected from his home and transported to Warwick Bridge to meet with Social Services.	9	2.50
39	01/12/10 Callout request received at 14:38	Search Call - A 21 year old farmer from Garrigill set out to tend to sheep in thick snow and whiteout conditions. He became disorientated and stuck in the freezing snow. The Team was called to search for the gentleman but shortly before it was deployed he was found by local farmers. He		



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		was very cold but otherwise fit and well.	1	0.25
38	27/11/10 Callout request received at 17:10	Search Call - A couple from Cleator Moor set off for a walk with their two dogs from Haweswater to High Street. The thick snow and freezing temperatures meant one of the dogs suffered frozen paws and found it difficult to walk. The subsequent delay led to the walkers becoming benighted at the shelter on Nan Bield Pass. The Team located the couple and their dogs safe and well but all were very cold. The party was led down to Mardale Head and a waiting vehicle.	13	5.00
37	27/10/10 Callout request received at 20:05	Rescue Call - A 21 year old student from the University of Cumbria became stuck whilst abseiling a rock face in Coombs Wood, Armathwaite. He was uninjured and not in immediate danger but was suspended approximately 10m from the ground unable to descend further. Three members of Penrith MRT rigged a second abseil to reach the climber who in the meantime managed to escape from his rope and climb safely down to the foot of the crag.	3	2.00
36	24/10/10	Rescue Call - A Team Member returning from a walk on the fells came across a walker collapsed in the road at Close, Grisedale. Patterdale MRT Base was just a few minutes away and happened to be manned at the time. The walker quickly recovered. She was monitored and returned to her hotel by Patterdale MRT.	1	0.50
35	21/10/10 Callout request received at 15:29	Search Call - The Team received a call from the Police asking it to assist in a major search of the countryside to the southwest of Penrith. A gentleman had gone missing from the town and there were immediate fears for his safety. Police officers, dogs and air support from Lancashire were used in the search. The Team was mobilized but the gentleman was located shortly before it needed to be deployed.	12	1.50
34	11/10/10 Callout request	Search Call - One of the Team's Deputy Leaders was contacted by Patterdale MRT about a missing walker in the High Street area. The Deputy was able to make contact		



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	received at 20:53	with the gentleman by mobile phone and from the description he was able to assist Patterdale in identifying the walker's likely location. The gentleman was located by Patterdale MRT and SARDA search dogs near The Knott above Hayeswater.	1	1.00
33	24/09/10 Callout request received at 12:57	Rescue Call - A gentleman tripped and twisted his ankle near Nan Bield Pass above Small Water. An air ambulance was first on scene and managed to land nearby for paramedics to tend to the casualty. Penrith MRT walked up from Mardale Head towards the site and an RAF Sea King was called because of the difficulty of the terrain. The helicopter managed to winch the casualty to safety and evacuate him to hospital.	15	3.00
32	23/09/10 Callout request received at 12:08	Rescue Call - The Team was asked to assist Keswick MRT in rescuing a 40 year old female who had fallen from Sharp Edge on Blencathra. An RAF Sea King was in attendance and worked with KMRT to evacuate the casualty to hospital in Carlisle. Penrith MRT remained on standby at the roadside in case the helicopter was unable to reach the casualty.	11	1.50
31	13/09/10 Callout request received at 02:34	Search Call - Patterdale MRT called the Team to work alongside them and Langdale / Ambleside MRT in looking for a missing 36 year old gentleman from Whitehaven. The walker was last seen at Hart Crag having asked Patterdale MRT for directions to his car at Kirkstone Pass. As night time fell and weather conditions deteriorated the gentleman was unable to continue. He was eventually located by a search dog in Caiston Glen and walked to safety. Penrith MRT was stood down shortly after deployment.	6	1.00
30	11/09/10 Callout request received at 21:45	Search Call - A 30 year old mountain biker set off from Mardale Head heading for Mosedale. Unfortunately he lost his route and in failing light had to abandon his bike and climb a hillside to phone for help. The Team was contacted by the Police and search groups were deployed from Swindale and Wet Sleddale. The gentleman was eventually located at Selside Brow. He was very cold and had suffered minor		



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		scrapes and cuts but was otherwise unhurt. He was walked off the fell to a waiting vehicle from Kendal MRT at Brownhowe Bottom.	8	6.75
29	09/09/10	Rescue Call - A 39 year old gentleman from Hertfordshire reported pain in his knee from a long-term injury whilst walking the Coast to Coast route. The Team were airlifted to Kidsty Howes from Haweswater by the Cumbria Air Ambulance to offer assistance. Medical treatment was not required. The gentleman was stretchered to Mardale Head and transported to the Haweswater Hotel from where private transport could be arranged.	13	4.00
28	01/09/10	Search Call - The Team was asked to assist Patterdale MRT in its search of the Ullswater lakeshore for a missing angler. Nothing was found and the Team was stood down. The following day a Police underwater unit located and recovered the angler's body.	9	4.00
27	19/08/10	Search Call - We received a request from Keswick MRT to assist them in a search of the Blencathra area for a gentleman reported missing from the previous day. Kirkby Stephen MRT was also called in. After a search of the ridges and valleys the gentleman's body was located by a SARDA dog high up on the western slope of Hall's Fell Ridge. An RAF Sea King recovered the body and assisted in the transportation of MR personnel.	7	8.00
26	21/07/10	Rescue Call - The Team was tasked to assist the Police, Fire & Ambulance services in recovering the body of a gentleman who had taken his own life on the banks of the River Eamont near Nine Kirks Church.	18	2.50
25	18/07/10	Search Call - A 70 year old gentleman lost his way in thick mist whilst descending Kidsty Pike to Haweswater and reported himself lost. Fortunately he was carrying a GPS and was able to relay his position in latitude and longitude. The coordinates were converted to a grid reference and with this information the gentleman was talked down off the fell to safety at Burnbanks.	1	3.00



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24	01/07/10	Search Call - The Team were asked to search for a lady who had set off from Dufton to walk the Pennine Way to Alston. She had lost the path in thick mist on the summit of Cross Fell and was getting cold as night fell. The walker was located on the edge of the summit plateau, suffering from mild hypothermia, by the Team's search dog. She was guided off the Fell by Team Members to a waiting Land Rover and from there was driven to her overnight accommodation in Alston. The Team was supported by seven members of SARDA Lakes. Teesdale & Weardale and Kirkby Stephen MRTs were on standby but were not required.	15	6.00
23	30/06/10	Rescue Call - A 69 year old gentleman from Cheshire slipped whilst descending Nan Bield Pass to Small Water. He sustained a broken wrist, mild concussion, possible injury to the neck and back and lacerations to the head and leg. A Sea King from RN Gannet was in attendance and the casualty was taken to hospital at Barrow.	12	3.00
22	02/06/10	Search Call - The Team was called by the Police to work with other mountain rescue teams in searching roadsides in the area between St. Bees and Egremont in West Cumbria. This followed the tragic shootings earlier in the day which resulted in 12 people dead and another 11 injured. Thankfully the area was clear of further casualties.	16	6.50
21	24/05/10	Ambulance Assist - The Team were asked by Keswick MRT to assist with the supply of equipment and expertise to a major road traffic collision on the A66 near Braithwaite involving a school bus and multiple casualties. Other emergency services were soon on the scene and the Team was stood down upon arrival.	15	1.00
20	22/05/10	Rescue: Keswick Assist - A 57 year old gentleman fell while descending Cat Bells near Manesty. He hit his head and sustained a gashed hand. Two members of the Team were in the area at the time and assisted Keswick Mountain Rescue Team and the Great North Air Ambulance in getting him safely down to the road.	2	1



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19	18/05/10	Rescue Call - A 71 year old gentleman collapsed whilst walking the Pennine Way near Peeping Hill, Dufton. He struck his head on the ground sustaining cuts to the face and bleeding from the ear. He was evacuated by Teeside Air Ambulance to James Cook Hospital in Middlesbrough shortly before the Team arrived.	8	1.50
18	23/04/10	Search Call - A 53 year old female contacted a friend to say she was at White Mines, Murton and was going to commit suicide having taken tablets. Both Penrith and Kirkby Stephen Teams were mobilized to search for the missing person. A police officer made an initial assessment of White Mines and soon located the lady. She was evacuated to safety with the help of a quad bike.	12	1.00
17	05/04/10	Rescue Call - A female walker fell on the footpath on the north shore of Haweswater and hurt her ankle. Others in the party of four managed to get her further along the path where they were met by the Team Land Rovers. She was transported to Burnbanks and transferred into a waiting ambulance.	18	1.50
16	05/04/10	Search Call - A party of five 16 & 17 year olds undertaking their Duke of Edinburgh expedition became disorientated in hill fog in the vicinity of Wether Hill and one of the party reported an injured knee. The Group were instructed to seek immediate assistance from passers-by on the fell and fortunately quickly met up with two walkers who kindly escorted them off the Hill and into Cawdale. From Bampton they were delivered to their intended destination at Pooley Bridge. All were safe and well. The young man with the injured knee was in fact suffering from cramp.	15	2.50
15	31/03/10	Rescue Call - A 17 year old female walking with her boyfriend on the track to Newshield Moss from Alston slipped in the snow and injured her knee. The Team was called to treat the casualty and evacuate her to safety, but a local farmer was able to oblige with the use of his quad and the Team was stood down before being deployed.	10	0.50



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14	28/03/10	Rescue Call - A 31 year old rider was thrown from her horse at Riggingley's Top, Askham Fell. She sustained a possible fractured hip and was attended to by Penrith MRT, ambulance paramedics and by a doctor before being evacuated to Cumberland Infirmary Carlisle by Air Ambulance.	13	1.00
13	26/03/10	Search Call - Two walkers left Dufton at around lunchtime and lost their way in poor visibility. Kirkby Stephen MRT called upon Penrith MRT and SARDA search dogs to look for the missing couple. They were finally located late in the evening, safe and well, near Great Rundale Tarn by members of Teesdale & Weardale SMRT. From there they were evacuated to safety by MRT Land Rovers.	10	6.00
12	22/03/10	Search Call - The Team was asked to be on standby for a search of the Coast to Coast route when a gentleman from a party of two failed to show at his B&B in Shap. The gentleman was located around midnight safe and well having booked into different accommodation.	N/A	0.45
11	16/03/10	Search Call - The Team was put on standby then asked to assist Patterdale MRT in its search for a missing 73 year old gentleman who had headed up to High Street from Patterdale but had lost his way and was benighted. The gentleman was located near Rest Dodd before Penrith MRT could be deployed.	6	1.5
10	03/03/10	Search Call - The Team received a call from the Police reporting 3 rucksacks had been found unattended at the top of Rampsgill Head, Martindale. The informant was concerned there may have been a climbing accident. A thorough observation of the crags from the valley bottom proved inconclusive. The following morning a check was made of the area and no rucksacks were found. The owners had presumably collected them after a day's climbing.	2	4.00
9	26/02/10	Search Call - A gentleman with senile dementure went missing from his home in Morland. There were fears for his safety since he was dressed totally inadequately		



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		for the wet and wintry weather conditions. The Team worked with Police officers, Kirkby Stephen MRT, SARDA Lakes dogs and local residents to search gardens and countryside in and around the village. The gentleman turned up approximately seven hours later back in his own home having spent the duration of the search in a property immediately next door. He had been oblivious to the search and certainly none the worse for wear.	17	5.25
8	22/02/10	Search Call - The Team was asked to assist Patterdale MRT in its search for the final missing person of a party of four avalanched on St. Sunday Crag in Patterdale. An Air Ambulance located the casualty very soon afterwards and the Team was not deployed.	11	0.75
7	27/01/10	Search Call - A 60 year old gentleman went missing from his home in Brampton. There were fears for his safety and the Team was called to search Gelt Woods. The Team's search dog was tasked along with a selected group of Team Members to investigate known sites in the woods but nothing was found.	5	3.00
6	22/01/10	Search Call - A female walker and her 72 year old father set out on a walk from Bewcastle towards Newcastleton but veered off the route and became lost. The Team was able to talk to the lady by mobile phone and she described her location as a three-sided forest-clearing near some rocks. Using this information and comparing it to the description of the route on a Website it was possible to deduce their likely location. Moffat MRT, Tweed Valley MRT and SARDA Dogs were asked to standby and a Sea King from RAF Boulmer was called to assist. Based on the likely location, the helicopter was able to fly direct to the scene and quickly located the couple at Christianbury Crag. They were safe and well, but ill-equipped for the thick snow and night time conditions. Furthermore, the 72 year old Father had a known heart condition and at the time was suffering from chest pains. Both walkers were airlifted to safety and taken to Cumberland		



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		Infirmary Carlisle for checkups.	17	3.50
5	13/01/10	Ambulance Assist - A 53 year old gentleman had fallen and sustained upper back and rib injuries at his home in Alston. The Ambulance crew was initially unable to access the house because of thick snow cover and asked us to assist. Eventually they did so and the Team was stood down en route.	13	2.50
4	03/01/10	Ambulance Assist - A 34 year old female had fallen in fields at Edenhall, Penrith and broken her leg. The Team was asked to support the Ambulance Service in reaching the casualty located on snow covered ground. A local farmer was able to assist and the Team was stood down upon arrival.	7	0.50
3	03/01/10	Ambulance Assist - A gentleman had fallen in his garden and sustained a fractured femur and a fractured pelvis on snowy and icy ground. The Team was called to assist with carrying and possible transportation in view of poor road conditions. However the Ambulance crew was able to cope and the Team was stood down on arrival.	12	0.45
2	02/01/10	Search Call - The Team was alerted, via the Police, by the father of a walker missing in the High Street area. The walker had set out from Mardale Head, Haweswater at midday and was reported overdue when darkness fell. Search Managers were gathered to prepare a search plan and the Team activated but at that same time the call came through that both missing persons had been located safe and well at Burnbanks.	13	1.50
1	01/01/10	Ambulance Assist - The Ambulance Service requested assistance in reaching a patient at Lees Hill, north of Brampton. Severe winter weather meant two ambulances had become stuck and the patient needed urgent evacuation to medical attention in hospital. Two Land Rovers were dispatched but were stood down when a local farmer reached the patient by 4WD tractor.	4	1.00



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