



## **EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM – PRESS RELEASE**

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### **A Busy New Year for Edale Team**

After an unusually quiet Christmas period, the team have recently been tasked with assisting the Police and Ambulance services during the heavy snowfall and icy conditions that have been experienced throughout the region.

At about 10:30am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, A team vehicle was sent to rescue a motorist who had become stuck in the snow at Burbage North. Later the same day, we were called out to assist Yorkshire Ambulance Service evacuate a patient with a leg injury over icy paths near Rivelin Ponds in Sheffield.

The following day, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January, the team were called to transport a 92 year old from Eyam. The gentleman needed medical treatment and social services transport had been unable to reach him. A team Landrover was used to move the patient to one of the main roads in the area where he could be handed over to social services.

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, the team were placed on standby to assist East Midlands Ambulance Service. 3 vehicles were manned and positioned in and around our operational area to respond to 999 calls that the ambulance service were struggling to reach. During the course of the day, team members were called to assist an 88 year old lady suffering chest pains in Calver, an 11 year old boy with a severe asthma attack in Hassop and a 77 year old man who had also suffered a severe asthma attack in Eyam.

In addition, a team vehicle and crew, including a Paramedic, were sent to assist Glossop MRT who had been supporting North West Ambulance Service throughout the day. While working in Glossop, the Edale crew were called to a 95 year old man in Hadfield who had sustained head injuries in a fall.

Overnight on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January, a team vehicle and crew were again sent over the hills to Glossop to provide some relief for Glossop team members who had once again been on standby all day.

Overall, a busy week for the team and, with the winter weather looking set to continue for some time to come, Edale Mountain Rescue team will continue to assist our local communities by supporting the statutory emergency services with our volunteer resources.

<http://www.edalemountainrescue.co.uk>

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## Notes to Journalists and Editors:

Edale Mountain Rescue Team is staffed entirely by volunteers and supported by public donations. Like other MRTs in England and Wales we receive no financial support from National or Local Government. One of the busiest teams in the country, attending around 100 incidents a year, the team operates in the busiest part of the Peak District National Park itself the second most visited National Park in the world. The team is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We are a registered charity, number 512559.

A selection of stock images of EMRT vehicles and personnel is now available online at

<http://www.edalemrt.co.uk/gallery.html>

Where we are unable to provide specific digital images relating to a given incident, please use one of the stock images here.

I would appreciate it if you could let me know that you intend to use one or more of the images in any publication, paper, television or online broadcast. This is purely so we can keep track of our media coverage rather than for copyright purposes.

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Our new website now includes a selection of statistical information about the team's activities. Please visit [http://www.edalemrt.co.uk/team\\_statistics.html](http://www.edalemrt.co.uk/team_statistics.html)

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