



EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM – PRESS RELEASE

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Edale Team called to 100th Casualty of 2010

Edale team were called to assist their 100th casualty of the year on Sunday when a mountain biker sustained serious injuries after crashing at high speed on a track north of Kings Tree in the Upper Derwent valley. The 49 year old man from Didsbury suffered broken ribs, a fractured collar bone and a collapsed lung.

He was treated at the scene by a Paramedic from East Midlands Ambulance Service and team members before being transported in one of the team Landrovers back to Fairholmes from where he was flown to the Northern General Hospital in Sheffield for further treatment.

On Saturday, the team were providing safety cover for the annual Severn Trent Mountain Challenge in aid of Water Aid. During the event, the team were called to a fallen climber at Stanage Edge. A 27 year old male had fallen while leading a route in the High Neb area of the crag. He broke his left wrist and ankle. After being treated on scene by the team, he was immobilised in case of spinal injury and carried off the hill to the Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance (DLRAA). He was also flown to hospital in Sheffield.

These incidents brought the total callouts so far in July to 6 and our annual total to 83 – during the whole of 2009, the team were called out only(!) 97 times. The team averaged 106 callouts per year between 1999 and 2009.

The month began with a call on Thursday 1st July to a lady who had injured herself in a fall while walking in Lathkill Dale. The following day, the team assisted a fallen climber on Tor near Hathersage. After treatment and evacuation he was flown to hospital by the DLRAA. The first weekend of the month saw the team called again to Lathkill Dale, together with Buxton MRT, after a man collapsed while walking. The Air Ambulance was able to land close to the incident and the teams were stood down on arrival.

On Wednesday 7th July, the team were called to assist Buxton MRT with the evacuation of a man who had suffered a badly broken leg while working in woodland in Pooles Cavern Country Park in Buxton. He was evacuated to the road for transport to hospital in Stockport by road ambulance.

<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>

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