



EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM – PRESS RELEASE

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Edale Team attend their 50th Callout for 2010

Yet another busy week for the team with 6 callouts! On Wednesday 14th April we were called to a report of a fallen climber at Birchen Edge near Baslow. The man, from the Manchester area, had sustained very serious head injuries following a fall. After treatment by the first team member on scene and later by the ambulance crew, team doctor and the crew of the Midlands Air Ambulance he was flown directly to the neurological unit at Queens Medical Centre Nottingham. He remains seriously ill in the intensive care unit.

At 04:00 the following morning the team were called to assist Woodhead MRT with a search for a missing 16 year old female near Worsborough in Yorkshire. They were stood down when the missing person was located in a local hospital.

Later on Thursday at around midday Edale and Buxton teams were called to a walker on a footpath near the team base at Hope. Initially reported as a fall with a head injury it turned out that the gentleman had suffered a heart attack. With local air ambulances grounded by the volcanic dust stream, he was carried to the road and accompanied to hospital in Sheffield by a team doctor.

After a day off on Friday the team were once again called into action near their base on Saturday evening after two young men fell into an old lead mining rake near Pindale Quarry. Both ended up precariously positioned above a long drop to the floor of the quarry. Team members were lowered to the casualties and they were then recovered to safety. Both were taken to hospital with possible back injuries but were later discharged.

Sunday saw the team called to a fallen climber at Stoney Middleton. A 25 year man had fallen around 12 metres suffering a dislocated shoulder. He was treated on scene by team medics and the ambulance crew before being taken to Chesterfield Royal Hospital by road.

Finally, on Tuesday 20th April, Edale and Buxton teams were called to assist an EMAS ambulance crew with a 50 year old lady who had stumbled on a footpath near Treak Cliff Cavern outside Castleton. She sustained a suspected broken ankle. After treatment by the ambulance crew and a team paramedic she was stretchered down to the road and taken to Stepping Hill Hospital in Stockport.

Once again a busy and varied week for Mountain Rescue in the Peak District.

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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.

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

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