



EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM – PRESS RELEASE

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Busy Day for Edale Team

Edale Mountain Rescue Team was called to 3 incident in one day on Saturday 17th July.

The day began with the team training for technical crag rescue. During the training session, we were called to assist a family group in Grindsbrook on the southern edge of Kinder Scout. The party of 3, including a very young child, were suffering from hypothermia in the driving rain and hail. Edale team members, along with personnel from Buxton MRT, battled rapidly worsening weather to reach the party. The Yorkshire Air Ambulance was also able to reach the scene and evacuate the child and one parent. The other was assisted back down to Edale village by team members and a National Park Ranger. This incident demonstrates the potential hazards to walkers even on our modest hills in summer.

Immediately after this callout, the team were called on to assist a mountain biker who had fallen at Hollins Cross near Castleton. He was treated on scene by team members for a possible pelvic injury before being evacuated to hospital by the Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance.

A couple of hours rest and the team were in action again, this time to a fallen climber on Birchen Edge near Baslow. East Midlands Ambulance Paramedics had already reached the casualty and after treatment on scene for a fractured ankle, he was loaded onto the team stretcher and carried back to the road near the Robin Hood Pub. He was taken to hospital in Chesterfield for further treatment. After returning to base in Hope to restock and deal with soaking wet equipment, team members finally made it home at around 8:30pm after a very long day!

<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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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

Press Releases Now Available Online.

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