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Prior to conversion to CIO on 14 March 2022

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 December 2021

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Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2021

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Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2021

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Oldham Mountain Rescue Team
Company registration number	04178168 (prior to conversion to CIO on 14 March 2022)
Charity registration number	1088825
Registered office	Unit 19 Boarshurst Business Park Boarshurst Lane Greenfield Oldham Greater Manchester England OL3 7ER

The Trustees	Robert Tortoisshell (appointed 14th March 2022) Robert Jones (appointed 14th March 2022) David Wyatt (appointed 14th March 2022) Peter James Hyde Dr Andrew William Taylor Denzil John Broadhurst Anthony Gillon MBE Sean Reade (appointed 14th March 2022) Mick Nield (resigned 23rd May 2022)
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Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charitable company for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the statutory accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The statutory accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the statutory accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed; the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102.

Structure

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the charity was a company limited by guarantee and did not have any share capital.

On 14 March 2022, the Charity Commission granted approval for OMRT to convert from a charitable limited company to a charitable incorporated organisation. The new constitution and bye-laws are dated 1 March 2022 and were adopted on 14th March 2022 following approval from the Charity Commission.

Governance

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the charity was governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 6 February 2001. Team bye laws were made under Article 70 of the above articles and adopted by the Team on the 6 November 2001.

Management

During the year ended 31 December 2021, under the Team constitution, the Team elects three principal officers for a year term of office, Team Leader, Company Secretary and Team Treasurer. The Team Council of Management ("Council" or "Management Group") comprises the elected officers and a number of appointed officers. Chairmanship of Team meetings is performed by the Team Chairman. Separate committees look after training & medical issues. All members are encouraged to contribute to the successful running of the Team.

Risk management

The Trustees have identified that the principal risk to the charity is the maintenance of a level of income to meet the needs of the organisation. The Team maintains a cautious approach to investment. The Teams treasury policy is that deposits held in any one financial institution should, where possible, be kept within the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) limit.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team ("the Team" or "OMRT") is a voluntary organisation whose objects are to relieve suffering and distress amongst persons affected by accidents or natural hazards in the area of Greater Manchester and elsewhere ("the area of benefit").

Additional objectives and activities

The Team helps the Police in other search activities in areas and conditions where they may not have adequate resources, or experience. In addition to mountain rescue and search activities, the Team is available as a back-up for the Ambulance and Fire Service, during severe weather, major incident or where our specialist skills are needed.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

The charity's principal objective is as stated above. This is achieved by:

- a) Holding and maintaining rescue equipment, medical supplies and vehicles ready for immediate deployment 24 hours a day.
- b) Encouraging, equipping and advancing the training of volunteers in sufficient numbers to facilitate having available a useful number of people to attend any emergency calls.
- c) Maintaining links with the rescue Teams covering adjacent areas, the national body and affiliated organisations.
- d) Maintaining links with local resilience forums, Police, Fire and Ambulance services through meetings and participating in joint training opportunities.
- e) All incidents we attend being debriefed as soon as possible after the event. Regular reviews of incidents are used to highlight failings and identify improvements to equipment, methods and influence future training. The Trustees believe that the charity's objectives satisfy both elements of the public benefit requirement and they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance at all relevant times.

Public benefit

The direct benefits that arise are:

- a) The beneficiaries are members of the general public who have become incapacitated in difficult, remote locations, possibly with life threatening or life changing injuries. They are located, treated and evacuated to the care of the health service. Positive and complimentary feedback from casualties, their families, friends and the emergency services frequently underlines the value of the service we provide.
- b) Local communities benefit when the Team supports the emergency services dealing with floods, wildfires and extreme weather events.
- c) Attending meetings with the emergency services, resilience forums and regional bodies keeps the Team up to date and familiar with the individuals responsible for co-ordinating incidents.
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- e) The Team has a regular program of outreach activities with talks to schools, community groups and societies throughout the region. The talks promote the wider work of Mountain Rescue Teams generally and are a vehicle for communicating safety outdoors.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

Achievements and performance

Review of activities

The income and expenditure of the charity is shown in the statement of financial activities on page 7.

The net expenditure for the year was £6,519 (2020: £12,121 net income) which has been deducted from the general reserve.

The charity held fund balances as at 31 December 2021 amounting to £186,054 (2020: £192,573). In the opinion of the Trustees, these funds are sufficient to meet the charity's obligations for the foreseeable future.

Details relating to changes in fixed assets can be found in the notes to the statutory accounts.

The Team depends on public support in one form or another, including donations from patrons, gifts in memory, collection boxes, Friends of OMRT and money raised from various challenges and events.

Financial review

a) Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

b) Reserves policy

The Trustees have designated a portion of funds for future vehicle purchases.

The Trustees have agreed that it is prudent to maintain a level of reserves sufficient to meet at least 2 years of unrestricted expenditure, to finance cash flow requirements and to provide safeguards against a fluctuating rate of income. Our current level of reserves is consistent with this policy.

c) Investment policy

The Trustees recognise that the reserves policy means that significant amounts of cash may be held for a time. The Trustees therefore seek to achieve income through investment, only through guaranteed capital and interest generating safe investments. The Trustees review this policy annually. Low interest rates continue to reduce income on these investments.

d) Fundraising

This year fundraising activities have slowly recovered after the Covid 19 pandemic. The Team have attended or have benefited from several events throughout the year. Income has remained at the same level as the previous year, helped by a sizeable bequest and a large donation from a charitable trust.

Online tools such as Justgiving and Facebook continue to be an important mechanism for supporters to donate or raise money for the Team. Collection box income continues to decline likely due to the increased uptake of cashless transactions since the pandemic.

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

Financial review (continued)

Plans for future periods

There are no immediate material development items on the agenda. The focus is on maintaining a high state of readiness of equipment, vehicles and volunteers. In this area, continued development and use of the D4H system continues and will assist improvements in the management and control of the Team's assets.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of Oldham Mountain Rescue Team for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the statutory accounts in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations.

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare the statutory accounts for each financial year. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the statutory accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the statutory accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of the recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the statutory accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small companies note

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies' exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees' annual report was approved on 29 September 2022 and signed on behalf of the board of Trustees by:

Mr David Wyatt
Trustee

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Year ended 31 December 2021

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Oldham Mountain Rescue Team ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 29 September 2022

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 December 2021

		31.12.21		31.12.20
		£		£
Income	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	
Voluntary income:				
Gift Income	3	41,476		30,624
Legacies	3	12,150		2,177
Activities for generating funds:				
Fundraising - Collection Boxes	4	454		1,595
Fundraising - Talks	4	90		1,043
Fundraising - Friends	4	779		844
Fundraising - Events	4	2,093		
Investment income:				
Interest Received	6	55		475
Incoming resources from charitable activities				
DEFRA Water Rescue Grant	5		-	22,317
		57,097	-	59,075
Expenditure				
Expenditure on charitable activities		63,616	-	46,955
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds		(6,519)	-	12,121
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		192,573	-	180,452
Total funds carried forward		186,054	-	192,573

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities. The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for and income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Statement of Financial Position

31 December 2021

		2021		2020	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	14		<u>52,733</u>		<u>61,064</u>
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Current assets					
Stocks	15	400		400	
Debtors	16	2,390		8,203	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>130,531</u>		<u>122,906</u>	
		133,321		131,509	
Net current assets			<u>133,321</u>		<u>131,509</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>186,054</u>		<u>192,573</u>
Total Charity Funds	17		<u><u>186,054</u></u>		<u><u>192,573</u></u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net incoming resources for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 394 and 395 and the Act and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to statutory accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29 September 2022, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr David Wyatt
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2021

1. General information

During the year ended 31 December 2021, Oldham Mountain Rescue Team was a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registration number 04178168. The registered office is Unit 19 Boarshurst Business Park, Boarshurst Lane, Greenfield, Oldham, Greater Manchester, England, OL3 7ER.

On 14 March 2022, the Charity Commission granted approval for OMRT to convert from a charitable limited company to a charitable incorporated organisation. The new constitution and bye-laws are dated 1 March 2022 and were adopted on 14th March 2022 following approval from the Charity Commission.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The statutory accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Company status

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the charitable company was a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

Fund accounting

All general income is currently voluntary and from fund raising and is unrestricted and hence the funds can be used in furtherance of the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

During the year funding has been received and fund raising undertaken for a specific purchase and this income has been recorded as restricted. Restricted funds can only be used for the particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Income

All income is recognized in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*
Year ended 31 December 2021

2. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant & Machinery	15% Reducing Balance
Motor Vehicles	20% Reducing Balance
Fixtures & Fittings	15% Straight Line

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. No provision for tax is therefore considered necessary.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations			
Gift Income	41,476		30,624
Other donations and legacies			
Legacies	12,150		2,177
	53,626		32,801

4. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising events			
Collection Boxes	454		1,595
Talks	90		1,043
Friends	779		844
Events	2,093		
	3,416		3,482

5. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
DEFRA Water Rescue Grant		-	22,317

6. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	55	55	475	475

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*
Year ended 31 December 2021

7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds 2021	Total Funds	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Direct costs	38,511	-	38,511	18,752
Support costs	24,841		24,841	27,923
Governance costs	<u>264</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>280</u>
	63,616	-	63,616	46,955

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	Total funds 2021	Total fund 2020
	£	£	£	£
Direct Costs	30,180	8,331	38,511	18,752
Support costs	2,820	22,021	24,841	27,923
Governance costs	<u>264</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>280</u>
	33,000	30,616	63,616	46,955

9. Analysis of expenditure

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Rent	15,320	15,320
Light and heat	1,376	2,078
Insurance	2,437	2,375
Repairs and maintenance	-	402
Equipment	28,211	7,678
Team member training	950	2,438
Telephone	987	876
Printing and stationary	48	317
Computer costs	898	800
Catering costs	636	110
Fundraising costs	383	180
Sundry expenses	955	362
Motor expenses	2,820	5,394
Accountancy charges	264	277
Bank charges	-	3
Depreciation	<u>8,331</u>	<u>8,346</u>
	63,615	46,955

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team
Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

10. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	8,331	8,346

11. Staff costs

The charity has no employees. All officials and Team members provide their services on a voluntary basis.

12. Independent Examiner

The independent examiner The Accountancy People was paid £264 (2020: £264) during the year, of which £264 (2020: £264) related to the accounting software. There were no costs relating to the preparation and examination of the accounts during the year, nor in 2020.

13. Trustee remuneration and expenses

The Trustees have received no remuneration or expenses during the year.

14. Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
As at 1 January 2021	129,687	137,931	3,695	271,313
As at 31 December 2021	<u>129,687</u>	<u>137,931</u>	<u>3,695</u>	<u>271,313</u>
Depreciation				
As at 1 January 2021	115,851	92,512	1,887	210,250
Provided during the period	<u>2,075</u>	<u>5,701</u>	<u>554</u>	<u>8,329</u>
As at 31 December 2021	<u>117,926</u>	<u>98,212</u>	<u>2,441</u>	<u>218,579</u>
Net Book Value				
As at 31 December 2021	<u>11,761</u>	<u>39,718</u>	<u>1,254</u>	<u>52,733</u>
As at 1 January 2021	<u>13,836</u>	<u>45,419</u>	<u>1,808</u>	<u>61,063</u>

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Year ended 31 December 2021

15. Stocks

	2021	2020
	£	£
Stocks	400	400

16. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
VAT	2,390	8,203

17. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 December 2021 £
General funds	192,573	57,097	(63,616)	186,054

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 December 2021 £
General funds	-	-	(-)	-

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 December 2021

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	52,733	-	61,063
Current assets	<u>133,320</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,509</u>
Net assets	186,053	-	192,572

19. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.



The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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Public Benefits Statement

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Team Leader's Report

As 2021 began, COVID was still very much at the forefront of people's minds, and was still affecting the Team's training and operating procedures. Once again, non-essential activities were ceased due to lockdown, despite many Team members having received their 1st vaccine shot as Mountain Rescue was recognised nationally as an essential front-line service. PPE, hygiene, and disinfecting remained part of our lives, albeit with the essential items more readily available to maintain this. Regular contact was maintained with the national bodies, and relevant information continued to be disseminated as necessary.

In terms of numbers, the incidents we attended were around average at 50 (with 52 casualties), but many of these were serious traumas or technical rescues. Lower leg injuries continued to feature heavily in the statistics with 15 in the year, as well as snow events and wildfires. In total, 1,661 volunteer hours were spent on incidents alone, this is disregarding time spent on training, fundraising, equipment maintenance and PR.

Our water section continued to expand, with several members indicating their interest when training restarted. We were also introduced to our newest trainee search dog, Ace. As the year progressed, the Team returned to whole Team training, even fitting in a "mini Oldham Weekend" that allowed us to focus on essential rope rescue skills.

In December our Chair, Justin Parkinson, stepped down. I would like to thank Justin for his time in position. This meant a significant change of people and positions: Rob Jones as Chair (formerly Team Secretary), Sean Reade as Team Secretary (formerly Training Officer), and Mick Nield as Training Officer. I'd like to thank Rob & Sean for their time in their previous roles.

We said goodbye to our trusty control vehicle OM3, which we were in the fortunate position of being able to donate to East Cornwall SRT, who, being a relatively new Team, were extremely grateful of the gift. This allowed us to take delivery of the new OM3, our brand new MAN TGE control/ response vehicle, which had been converted by Venari at minimal cost to us.

I would like to thank our Team Members for their commitment and resilience during 2021. I would also like to thank the partners, families and employers of our Members, and the local community, without whose unwavering support we would not be able to continue to operate.

Rob Tortoishell
Team Leader

Incidents

The objectives of the Team are as stated herein. The most practical way to demonstrate whether we have achieved these objectives is to list the incidents we have been called out to deal with.

1 11th Jan 2021 17 Team members for 2hrs 9mins. Location – Tandle Hill, Royton

Team were contacted by NWAS for assistance with male fallen in Tandle Hill Country Park with suspected broken ankle. Crew en route. Team Leader & Deputy Team Leader located the casualty and directed OMRT personnel to scene. The casualty had been on the ground for a while, so was put in a winter cas bag. Cas carer and one of the Team doctors administered aid, including pain relief and limb splintage to right ankle. Casualty was evacuated on stretcher and wheel to the NWAS ambulance.

2 31st Jan 2021 22 Team members for 1hr 45mins. Location – Dove Stone, Wimberry

The Team received a request from NWAS for assistance with a 39yr old male with a firework injury to the arm. Location was given as Stable Stones path. The Team headed up Chew track, but after making contact with the casualty it became apparent that he had begun to make his way off the hill in the direction of Greenfield, via Alphin. Vehicles were diverted to Intake Lane (White Lee Farm), including the NWAS ambulance. The casualty party had made their way virtually all the way down and were met at the road by OM3. Casualty was treated in OM3 by Team doc and NWAS paramedic for serious burns. Casualty was then transferred to the NWAS ambulance for transport to hospital.

3 2nd Feb 2021 2 Team members for 2hrs 7mins. Location – Hollinworth Lake, Rakewood

Team were contacted by NWAS for assistance transferring a patient from a remote farmhouse to the ambulance that had got stuck in the snow near Hollingworth Lake. Patient was COVID positive. Team Leader plus one other went in OM1 and RV'd with the ambulance and a paramedic, then proceeded to the farmhouse. The casualty was transferred to the NWAS ambulance. Full PPE including goggles were worn by OMRT personnel, and OM1 was thoroughly disinfected afterwards.

4 23rd Feb 2021 19 Team members for 2hrs 49mins. Location – Dove Stone, Ravenstones

Initial report from NWAS was a male fallen 15m onto rocks, W3W location given showed as Ravenstones. Helimed already en route. Yorkshire Air Ambulance arrived on scene 1st- the call had initially been routed via YAS. They assessed the casualty as being in a very serious condition and requested Coastguard with winching capability. CVSRT were also requested but did not respond due to being out of area- they did pass contact details for Yorkshire air desk. OMRT arrived on scene shortly after YAA and assisted with personnel and equipment as necessary, including vac mat, splint, stretcher. Injuries included frac skull, frac scapula, frac humerus, frac femur, dislocated ankle, partial amp right leg. MCA R912 attended and decided to winch the cas on our stretcher onto the crag top for transfer to YAA and onward transport to Sheffield NGH. Multiple passers-by either witnessed the fall or the immediate aftermath and were escorted from the hill after having details taken.

5 26th Feb 2021 20 Team members for 1hr 24mins. Location – Carrbrook, Buckton Castle

Contact received from GMP about a child who had slipped on mud and was cold due to being on the ground for a few hours. NWAS had been called by GMP. Team Leader deployed straight to scene to assess. Cas was being kept warm by parents and passers-by. Medical aid given by Cas Carer, including entonox. Casualty put in winter cas bag and stretcher and carried down to NWAS ambulance.

6 27th Feb 2021 17 Team members for 1hr 39mins. Location – Diggle, canal towpath

Team received a request from NWAS for help with treatment and evacuation of a 37yr old female with suspected fractured leg & pregnant who slipped in the mud on the canal towpath in Diggle at Bridge 69. Team responded with local people only. Casualty was treated by Cas Carer and stretcher & wheeled back to the road and waiting NWAS ambulance. GMP also attended.

7 28th Feb 2021 4 Team members for 54mins. Location – Mossley, Roaches Lock

A Team member happened across a 39yr old female who had slipped in mud while running along the canal

in Mossley, injuring her right lower leg. No ambulance allocated at that time but casualty in extreme pain so Team vehicle plus doctor deployed to assist. NWAS ambulance arrived at same time as OM2. Casualty treated by NWAS paramedic plus OMRT doctor and transferred to NWAS ambulance for onward transport to hospital.

- 8 2nd Mar 2021 16 Team members for 1hr 43mins. Location – Dove Stone, Sugar Loaf**
Team received a request from NWAS for assistance with a male whose "knees given way" on steep banking, Dove Stone area.; PhoneFind showed location as near Sugarloaf. Medical aid by cas carer before stretchered to NWAS ambulance.
- 9 7th Mar 2021 15 Team members for 1hr 54mins. Location – Grains Bar, Besom Hill**
Team were contacted by NWAS requesting assistance with a 28yr old male who had fallen and injured his leg at Besom Hill near Grains Bar. Crew on scene and HART en route. Team attended (using local people only due to location and information given) and arrived at the same time as HART. The casualty had a badly broken/ displaced left femur and was in extreme pain. Treatment was by NWAS, including multiple drugs for pain relief. Casualty was packaged and evacuated on OMRT stretcher & wheel to NWAS ambulance.
- 10 11th Mar 2021 18 Team members for 1hr 21mins. Location – Dove Stone, Birchen**
GMP contacted the Team regarding a lost male "near Dovestones". Coordinates indicated possible location of Slate Pit Moss but not confirmed. Phone dead. Fast parties were deployed from Chew Mount, Ashway and Birchen, with the intention of getting torches visible on the high ground and to assess conditions for NPAS. The rest of the Team RV'd at garage. The cas saw the vehicle heading up to Birchen and managed to get their attention. After an assessment, he was found to be well enough to be dropped at his car at Dove Stone car park and continue home.
- 11 12th Mar 2021 27 Team members for 2hrs 8mins. Location – Grains Bar, Besom Hill**
The Team was contacted by GMP following reports of a female stuck on a ledge at Grains Bar. Police in attendance but required assistance with rescue. As the first Team members on scene were making their way to the top of the crag in order to assess the incident, the ledge underneath the female gave way and she fell approx 35m down a combination of vertical and steeply sloping shale. She came to a stop approx 20m from the foot of the slope. GMP officers and OMRT immediately ascended to her position and stabilised her until further kit arrived. Team Cas Carer assessed & treated, assisted by NWAS paramedics, Team doc, GMP medic, and NWAA doc as they arrived. She was then packaged onto the vac mat & stretcher- a challenging task given the terrain- and carried horizontally down the slope, with a back up rope anchored to ground spiders. Then a short carry to the land ambulance.
- 12 18th Mar 2021 22 Team members for 2hrs 29mins. Location – Newhey, Newhey Quarry**
Report initially from GMP, and then from NWAS, regarding a male stuck on a ledge with 2 dogs in Newhey Quarry. Uninjured. First Team members gained entry to the quarry and located the male, while OM1 drove to the top of the quarry. Access to the field was uncertain, so personnel walked across and set up temporary belays. Dog handler descended to assess and decision was made to haul all parties back to the top. Dog handler took one dog, while casualty took another, accompanied by a second Team member. GMP drone provided scene lighting.
- 13 23rd Mar 2021 17 Team members for 1hr 30mins. Location – Delph, Knott Hill**
Alert from NWAS to 69yr old male on a hill in Delph. Crew on scene requested MR assistance. Injuries unknown at the time.; PhoneFind to crew established location as Knott Hill. Casualty treated for ruptured left quadricep by NWAS & Team doctor using vac splint, cas bag, entonox. Stretchered down to NWAS ambulance for onward transport.
- 14 3rd Apr 2021 9 Team members for 59mins. Location – Greenfield, Pots n Pans**
Alert from NWAS, 40yr old female with possible broken left ankle, halfway up Pots n Pans. Crew en route. Treated by Cas Carer & NWAS- vac splint, cas bag, stretcher & wheel. No pain relief. Later confirmed as

broken in 3 places.

15 22nd Apr 2021 17 Team members for 2hrs 49mins. Location – Austerlands Quarry

The Team received dual alerts from NWAS & GMP for a 35yr old male fallen in a quarry, HART on scene but unsure of casualty location. Team RVD with HART at Austerlands Cricket Club initially. Team vehicle gained access to the bottom of the quarry and after a brief search found the casualty at the foot of the vertical quarry face. Casualty was treated by Cas Carer and HART paramedics for 2 frac lower legs, head injury, spinal and initial hypothermia. Casualty was then packaged on HART scoop and OMRT stretcher for the short carry to the ambulance, assisted by GMFRS.

16 24th Apr 2021 11 Team members for 1hr 19mins. Location – Austerlands Quarry

The Team received a request from NWAS for help with the evacuation of an 18yr old male, intoxicated, unconscious, on a narrow path between 2 quarries in Austerlands. The Team deployed with local people only and evacuated the male on our stretcher down to the waiting NWAS ambulance. Medical aid was given by NWAS. All kit was extensively decontaminated afterwards.

17 25th Apr 2021 2 Team members for 15mins. Location – Dove Stone, Chew Bridge

Whilst finishing an exercise at Dove Stone, Team were approached by a walker for assistance with a small laceration to the foot; Cas carer cleaned & dressed the wound before advising a visit to A&E.

18 26th Apr 2021 22 Team members for 10hrs 30mins. Location – Marsden, Brun Clough

Team were contacted by landowners asking for support with ongoing wildfire at Marsden Moor. A small section was deployed in the morning using OM5 to access hot spots and smokers. A change in the wind direction in the afternoon meant renewed burning and full Team deployment to assist.

19 15th May 2021 2 Team members for 23mins. Location – Shaw, Buckstones Quarry

Team Leader received a call from the police requesting assistance with 12yr old intoxicated male who had not come home. Somewhere near Buckstones Quarry. Whilst the Team was responding, the male was found and dealt with by GMP.

20 15th June 2021 10 Team members for 1hr 14mins. Location – Delph, near Cricket Club

Team were contacted by NWAS asking for assistance with a 68yr old female with possible broken ankle, in a field next to A62 in Delph. W3W was provided. Team responded to the W3W location, which was accurate. Casualty was 150m from the road, on a footpath, accompanied by the walking group she was part of. She was assessed by the Team doctor and then NWAS paramedics for a possible fractured left ankle, before box splint was used and stretcher carry down to the waiting ambulance.

21 16th June 2021 15 Team members for 3hrs 46mins. Location – Dove Stone, Birchen Clough

Team were contacted by GMP with a report of a male fallen 20 feet into a reservoir near Dove Stone. No further info due to poor phone signal. As mobile searches around the likely spots were beginning, information came through that the informant had mentioned Birchen. A Land Rover headed there while others continued the search. The casualty party was spotted from the bottom of Birchen and all mobiles diverted there. Cas Carer & TL assessed the casualty as possible spinal injuries and requested Coastguard. Pain relief was administered before casualty was packaged in vac mat on stretcher. Following discussions with the winchman due to low wind conditions, the casualty was carried further back up Birchen before being winched into R912. R912 transferred casualty into NWAS land ambulance at Greenfield Res dam.

22 23rd June 2021 9 Team members for 1hr 22mins. Location – Dove Stone, path

Team were contacted by NWAS with a request to help a 54yr old female who had suffered a lower leg injury while walking around Dove Stone. W3W was provided. Casualty was located far side of Dove Stone reservoir and accessed in Land Rover. Treatment by Cas Carer for possible left ankle fracture with consideration of various ongoing medical issues. Casualty packaged on stretcher & wheel and carried to Ashway, transferred to OM3 round to King of Tonga stone, then into NWAS ambulance.

- 23 2nd July 2021 13 Team members for 2hrs 18mins. Location – Newhey, Piethorne Res**
Team were contacted by NWS for a 71yr old male fallen off his mountain bike near Piethorne Res. Severe bleeding, and fractured humerus. Off duty paramedic on scene. Land Rover could drive to the casualty down the Ram's Head track. Cas Carer took over from the paramedic and assessed as a compound fractured right humerus, no other injuries. Arm was re-banded to control the bleeding before the casualty was packaged on the stretcher in a cas bag and transported back up the track in the Land Rover to the NWS ambulance.
- 24 2nd July 2021 4 Team members for 1hr 13mins. Location – Dove Stone, Birchen**
Team contacted by GMP for 2 males stuck at Birchen waterfall, inadequate footwear, scared to continue. Small section sent to RV with males and escorted them back down to the bottom of Birchen and let them continue their walk.
- 25 3rd July 2021 14 Team members for 1hr 16mins. Location – Bardsley, Ashton Road bridge**
Initial call went to Glossop MRT via NWS. GMRT called Oldham TL direct with info of a male with chest pains on the dam at Higher Swineshaw Res. Team Leader went straight to scene and RV'd with NWS ambulance, located male at west end of dam. OMRT & GMRT mobiles arrived simultaneously although medical assessment was carried out by NWS. Male was assessed as having fainted due to exertion/heat and dropped at partner's car to continue home.
- 26 17th July 2021 15 Team members for 4hrs 5mins. Location – Royton, Sheepfoot Lane**
Team Leader was contacted direct by GMP POLSA, asking for assistance with the ongoing search for a missing person in a wooded area near Oldham Athletic. Team searched a steeply sloped and densely vegetated area around a stream/ pond. Some sections were inaccessible due to vegetation density. Team found the person's belongings & phone, which meant a re-assessment of the search parameters by GMP, and OMRT standing down pending further information.
- 27 17th July 2021 8 Team members for 1hr 43mins. Location – Alderman & Churchill Field**
While Team were covering a fell race, Team Leader received a call from a member of Woodhead MRT who was at the finish line (Churchill) with multiple runners suffering from varying stages of heat exhaustion. Ambulance had been called but long delays. Team doc and an extra cas carer plus vehicle went to Churchill to assist. While the section on the hill were being diverted, they came across further casualties who had fallen on the descent. These casualties were taken to race start/finish and all sections then assisted with heat casualties.
- 28 17th July 21 13 Team members for 3hrs 28mins. Location – Pennine Way, Laddow Rocks**
Team Leader received a call from duty controller re: an incident at Laddow, involving a DoFE group, one of whose members was unable to continue due to seized legs, associated with his cerebral palsy condition. After liaising with Glossop MRT, OMRT deployed from Chew with kit and GMRT from Crowden, without kit. Casualty was assessed as no other injuries and packaged on stretcher & wheel before the carry back to Chew. He was then transported down to Dove Stone in OM3 and handed over to his parents, with advice from doc and cas carer.
- 29 19th July 2021 18 Team members for 2hrs 2mins. Location – Denshaw, PW south of A640**
Team contacted by NWS for assistance with a 26yr old fallen female, ankle injury, possible vascular compromise. On Pennine Way, set off from A640. W3W given and accurate. Team accessed from PW car park, flagged down by casualty's father. Casualty splinted and carried back to road and transferred to hospital by father.
- 30 23rd July 2021 9 Team members for 6hrs 29mins. Location – Reddish Vale**
Team Leader received a call from Kinder MRT, requesting assistance with a GMP search in Reddish Vale for a 36yr old suicidal male. 2 sections plus 1 dog section tasked with several areas of steep & or wooded/densely vegetated ground, as identified by POLSA, due to info from CCTV & phone triangulation.

Main focus on trees, etc. Very dense veg in most areas, with some mature woodland. Areas completed with no finds, OMRT stood down pending further relevant information.

- 31 28th July 2021 15 Team members for 1hr 56mins. Location – Ashton, Stamford Park**
A follow me call from NWS received by Team Leader requesting assistance with a 35yr old male fallen off a rock face in Stamford Park, head and spinal injuries, difficult extraction. Crew on scene. Team medic assisted NWS paramedics to stabilise casualty before transfer on scoop to Team stretcher, with back up rope. Casualty moved to flat ground, packaged in vac mat then stretcher & wheel to NWS ambulance for transport to MRI. Difficult conditions due to thunderstorm, mud & steep working area.
- 32 4th Aug 2021 19 Team members for 1hr 15mins. Location – Denshaw, A640**
Request for assistance from NWS for a 59yr old female overdose just off A640, Denshaw. W3W provided and accurate. Team carried the casualty to the NWS ambulance.
- 33 8th Aug 2021 5 Team members for 25mins. Location – A635, County boundary**
Team were covering Saddleworth Round fell race at the county boundary on A635. A runner approached with a knee injury and cold. Casualty was assessed by Team medic and warmed up, then left with race marshals for onward transport.
- 34 15th Aug 2021 17 Team members for 1hr 48mins. Location – Dove Stone, Chew track**
Team received a call from NWS regarding a 22yr old male fallen down a hill on the way up to the top reservoir. Helimed also en route. W3W supplied and accurate. Casualty location confirmed via phone and PhoneFind as just above Charnel on Chew Track. Team Leader went straight to scene, picked up helimed paramedic on way up, who had landed at the tip. Casualty had landed on his back after a short fall next to the track. Treated by paramedics and Team doc/cas carer. Vac mat & stretcher then down in OM3 for transfer.
- 35 8th Sep 2021 12 Team members for 5hrs 8mins. Location – Tintwistle, Valehouse Res**
Team received a request from the duty controller to assist Glossop MRT with the search for a 41yr old possibly suicidal male in the Tintwistle area. OMRT deployed sections to areas around the res and skyline, including a dog party & water personnel. The deceased male was located by a GMRT section in the plantation nearby.
- 36 23rd Sep 2021 12 Team members for 2hrs 21mins. Location – Dove Stone, Birchen**
Team received a request from NWS for assistance with a 57yr old female with broken ankle "on the reservoir". W3W provided and accurate. Team responded, arriving just before NWAA, and treated jointly with NWAA & NWS. Fractured/dislocated ankle reduced on scene. Casualty was transported in OM3 to ambulance.
- 37 25th Sep 2021 13 Team members for 1hr 16mins. Location – Dove Stone, dam wall**
Team received a request from NWS for assistance with a 29yr old male with injured knee, fallen down embankment in Greenfield. HART & RRV en route. W3W provided & accurate. Team were at a social gathering so responded quickly. Casualty was assessed by cas carer as having a knee injury before being transferred the short distance to the NWS ambulance.
- 38 7th Oct 2021 7 Team members for 55mins. Location – Dove Stone, Wimberry**
Whilst out dog training, Team member heard shouts for help and lights at Wimberry. The initial Team member went to investigate while local Team members were contacted to assist if necessary. 4 Casualties were located lost and inadequately prepared at Ram's Clough. They were led down to Chew Bridge, checked out and given some advice, before being given a lift down to the car park.
- 39 12th Oct 2021 19 Team members for 1hr 20mins. Location – Daisy Nook, Bardsley Vale**
Team were at Tuesday training when a request from NWS came in for help with a 29yr old male down a steep embankment with leg/spinal injuries in Daisy Nook. HART on scene requested MR. Team assessed

medically alongside HART. Casualty was packaged on our stretcher before hauling back up to the path and then stretcher & wheel to ambulance.

- 40 26th Oct 2021 19 Team members for 5hrs 19mins. Location – Mossley & Dove Stone**
Team contacted by GMP for help with a high risk missing person in the Mossley/ Greenfield area. Car left at Mossley Hollins layby. Initial areas searched around Mossley Hollins. Peak dogs requested and areas expanded to include Dove Stone. person located at Dove Stone Plantation following a phone call to police by the person, who had taken an overdose. Checked over by OMRT and passed to NWS.
- 41 30th Oct 2021 11 Team members for 1hr 46mins. Location – Dove Stone, Middle Edge Moss**
GMP contacted the Team for help with a couple lost after walking up Birchen. Location was established as Middle Edge Moss, above the waterfall at Birchen. Local Team members responded and walked the couple down to the vehicles for a check. They were then dropped at Binn Green. W3W supplied and accurate.
- 42 14th Nov 2021 11 Team members for 1hr. Location – Greenfield, Pots n Pans**
Team were on standby at the Remembrance Sunday service at Pots n Pans. A member of public approached with info that a male had collapsed near to the memorial. A small section responded to the male, who was being treated by a member of public. The casualty's relative was on the phone to 999, and the call was continued by Deputy Team Leader. After assessment and oxygen, casualty felt well enough to walk off the hill to the waiting NWS ambulance for further assessment and transport to hospital.
- 43 14th Nov 2021 15 Team members for 1hr 32mins. Location – Greenfield, Pots n Pans**
Contact from NWS & then GMP for a male fallen on Pots n Pans with knee injury. Team responded to Knowl Top, met ambulance that was subsequently stood down due to information that the casualty had self rescued. Team investigated reports from passers-by that the casualty was still on the hill, finding him at the gate junction. He was assessed and treated before being taken back down to OMRT base for onward transport by his family. Strongly advised to go to A&E for a possible quad injury.
- 44 27th Nov 2021 13 Team members for 7hrs 6mins. Location – A640, A672, A62, A635**
As our Team new applicants were being picked up following an overnight exercise, it became apparent that there were multiple cars stuck in snow on the A672, Denshaw. Team deployed to moorland roads to check for any persons at risk. Cars were checked and multiple people were evacuated. Team members also advised motorists who were attempting to travel on A640, A672, A62, A635 that the roads were not passable.
- 45 28th Nov 2021 20 Team members for 2hrs 10mins. Location – Denshaw, Readycon Dean**
Team received contact initially from GMP, with a request from NWS, for assistance locating and evacuating a 61yr old female who had fallen in the snow near Readycon Dean Res, suffering a leg injury. Vehicle access not possible due to the still falling snow. Casualty was assessed and quickly packaged in winter cas bag before being sledged on Alpine stretcher to waiting NWS ambulance.
- 46 29th Nov 2021 3 Team members for 1hr 12mins. Location – Lees**
NWS requested MR assistance with transfer of patient from home to ambulance in the snow. After assessing on scene, it was decided that the patient could remain at home with observations being taken by nurse.
- 47 29th Nov 2021 7 Team members for 6hr 33mins. Location – Dove Stone, Kinder Intake Farm**
A Team member was contacted by a remote farm, where a male had fallen. Access was difficult due to the snow. After assisting initially, an ambulance was then requested and a small number of members attended to move the male from the house to the ambulance down the snow-covered track.
- 48 18th Dec 2021 15 Team members for 1hr 54mins. Location – Dove Stone, Ravenstones**
Request from GMP regarding 2 males lost above Dove Stone. W3W provided and accurate. Location was

determined as Ravenstones and confirmed with PhoneFind. Callout officers advised casualties to remain in position while hill party was sent in from Birchen weir. Casualties found and escorted off the hill down to Birchen, and then back to their car at the Clarence. No medical aid by Team.

49 20th Dec 2021 5 Team members for 41mins.

Location – Dove Stone

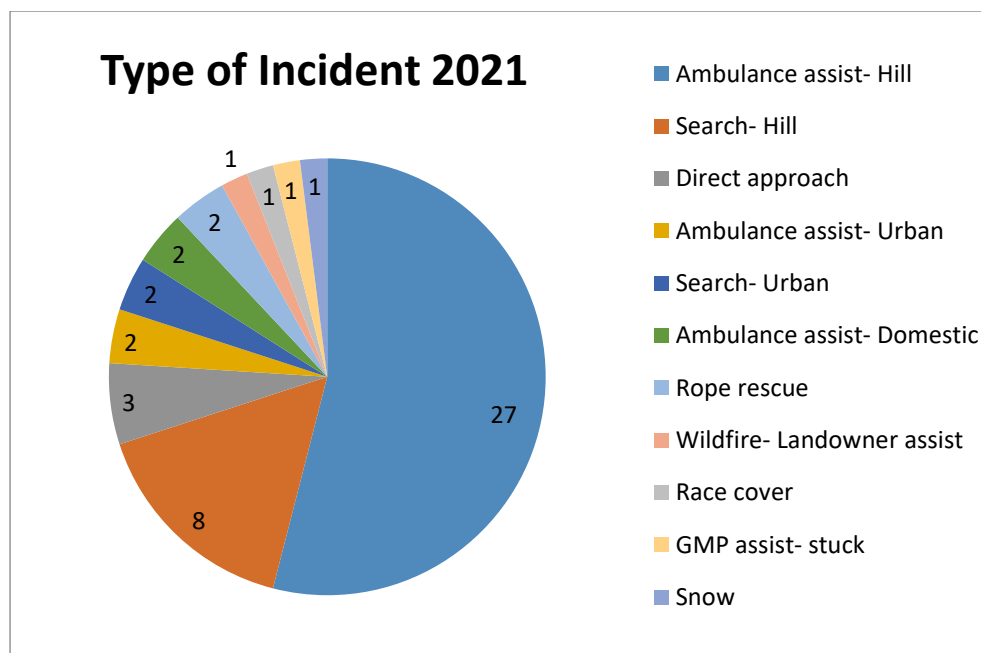
GMP requested assistance with possible search for a missing person, whose car was at Dove Stone. Team put on standby. Team Leader attended scene and, after further intel received, took officers up to Chew Track, where the person was located at the bridge. Team Leader transported person & officers back to car park.

50 25th Dec 2021 12 Team members for 1hr 6mins.

Location – Littleborough, Blackstone Edge Old Road

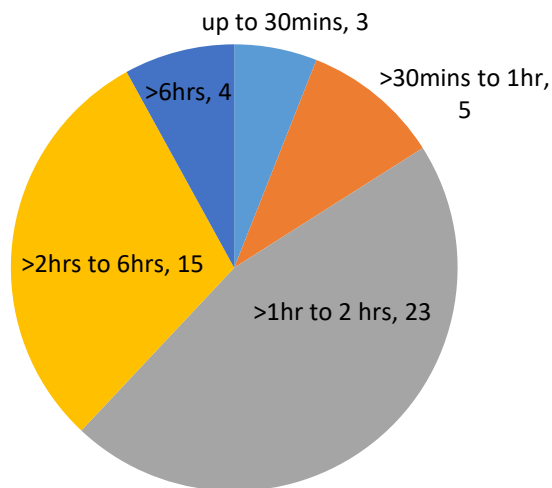
GMP requested assistance following reports of a male who had been in an RTC and then walked off into the moor near the White House. Assumed location was given following a PhoneFind by GMP, with officers heading to that location. As OMRT were responding, GMP officers located the male and began walking him off to their vehicle. Team was stood down, with one member continuing to RV with casualty and carry out a medical assessment. GMP then transferred to hospital.

We assisted 53 casualties and attended 1 wildfire. Team members put in 1,674 man-hours during the year on incidents which is less than the 2,642 man-hours in 2020.



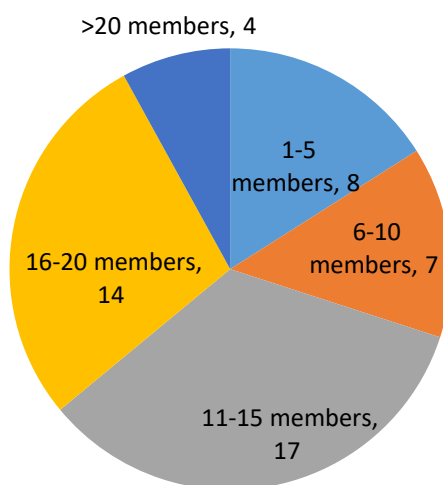
A pie chart showing an analysis of the various incidents in 2021 is shown above. Over half of our incidents were to assist the ambulance service with our manpower and specialist equipment.

Duration of Callouts 2021



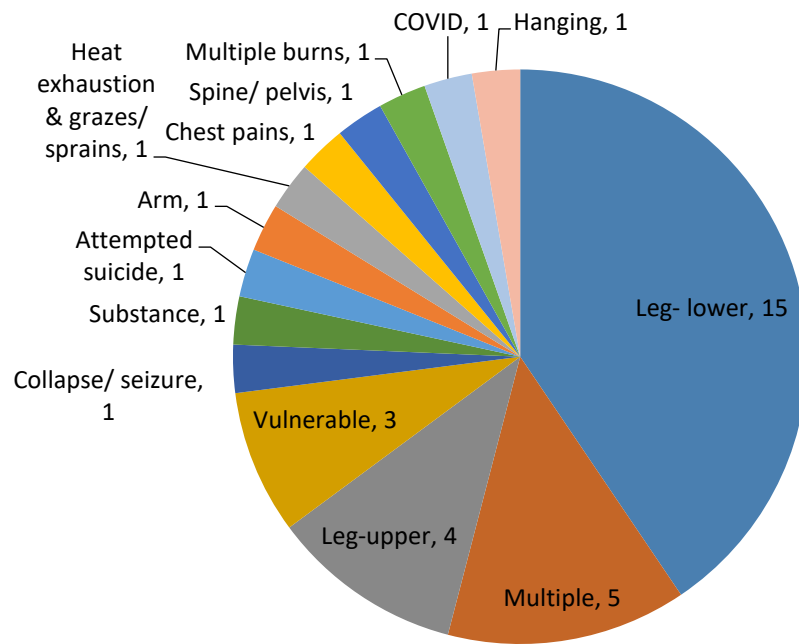
The chart above shows the duration of the incidents. The four incidents taking more than 6 hours were 1 wildfire, one search for a missing person and two related to snow.

Number of Team members attending



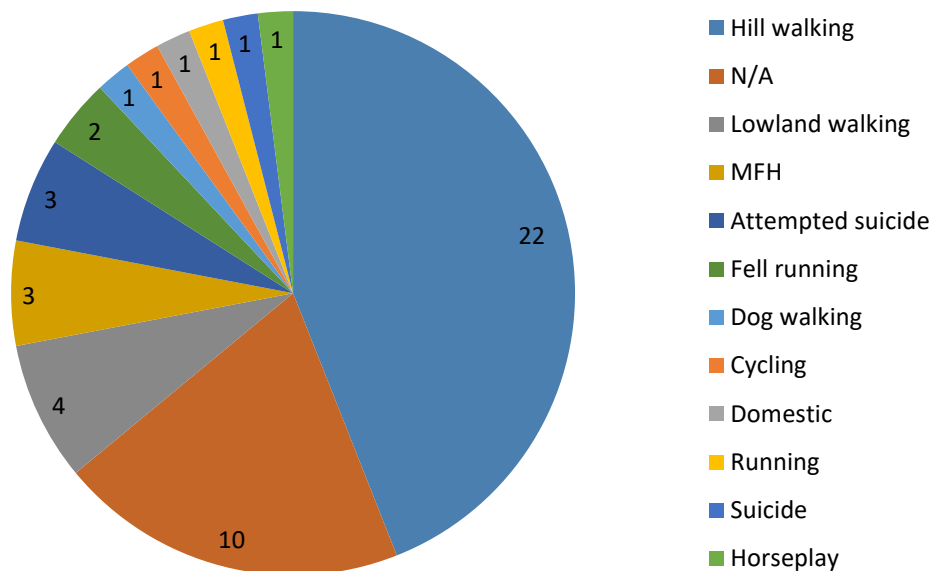
Above is shown the number of Team members who attended each of the callouts.

Casualty injuries 2021

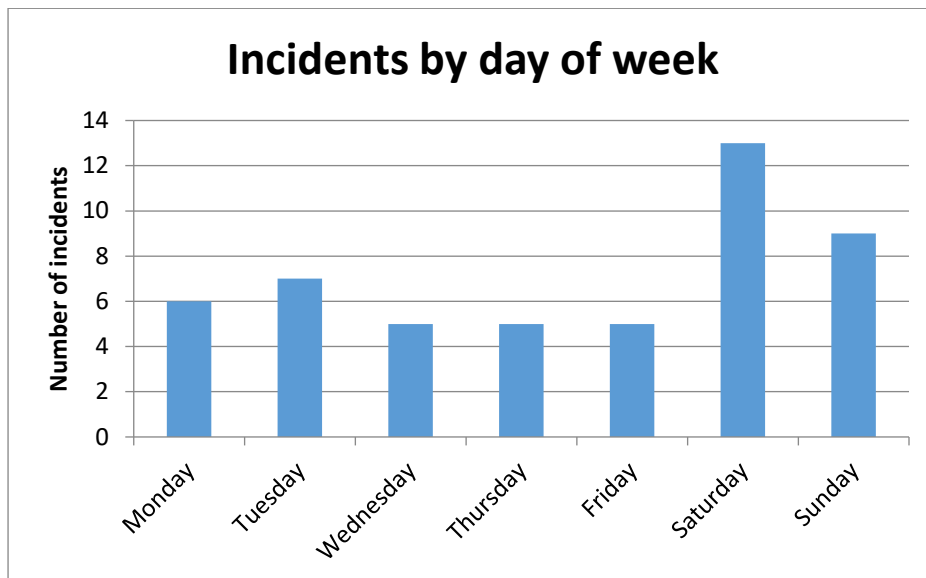


This chart shows the type of injury which the casualty suffered. Leg injuries accounted for more than half of the incidents, especially lower leg.

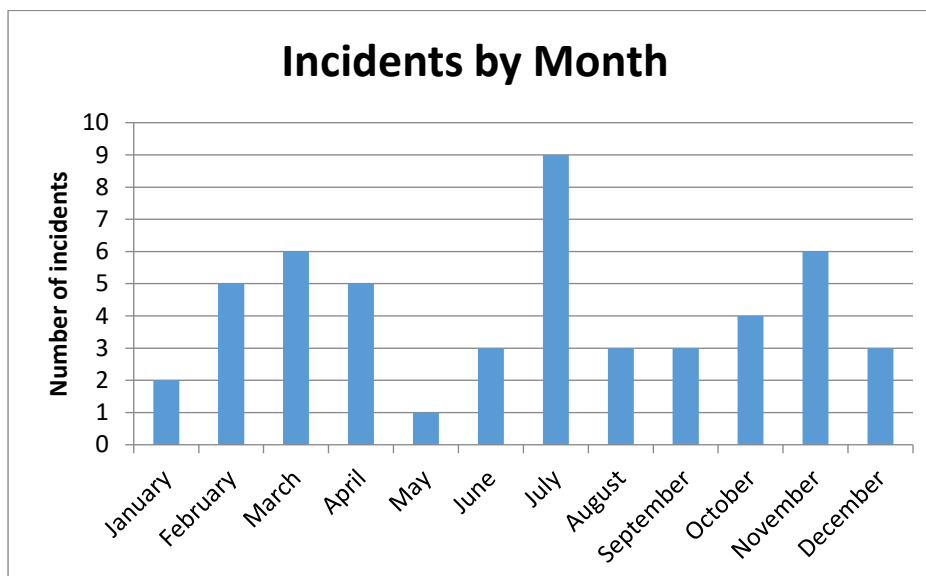
Activity of Injured Person 2021



This pie chart shows the activity of the casualty. More than half of the casualties arose from walking injuries.



As is to be expected, the weekend is the busiest time of the week.



The large number of incidents in July could be related to the good weather in that month and the much lower numbers of people taking foreign holidays once the schools had broken up – instead they were spending time in the UK and doing more hillwalking.

Financial Review and Treasurer's Report:

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have designated a portion of funds for future vehicle purchases.

The Trustees have agreed that it is prudent to maintain a level of reserves sufficient to meet at least 2 years of unrestricted expenditure, to finance cash flow requirements and to provide safeguards against a fluctuating rate of income. Our current level of reserves is consistent with this policy.

Investment Policy

The Trustees recognise that the reserves policy means that significant amounts of cash may be held for a time. The trustees therefore seek to achieve income through investment, only through guaranteed capital and interest generating safe investments. The trustees review this policy annually.

Low interest rates continue to reduce income on these investments.

Risk Management

The trustees have identified that the principal risk to the charity is the maintenance of a level of income to meet the needs of the organisation. The Team maintains a cautious approach to investment.

Deposits held in any one financial institution are kept within the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) limit.

Assets

The Team's assets are rescue equipment, headquarters equipment, fundraising kit, vehicles, a rescue boat, bank deposits and cash. This year the Team replaced its control vehicle (OM3) and all its analogue radio equipment with new digital radio equipment. This included individual radio sets for all Team personnel and mobile units for all vehicles. The Team also purchased utility vests for all Team personnel.

Insurance

Public Liability, Employers Liability, Trustee Indemnity, Legal Expense Cover and Personal Accident insurance are provided nationally by Mountain Rescue England and Wales (MREW).

Vehicle insurance is covered by a fleet policy also provided by MREW. Under this arrangement 3 vehicles are paid for by MREW with additional vehicles paid for by the Team.

This contribution by MREW represents a significant saving to the Team.

North West Ambulance Service provide medical negligence cover.

Vehicles

At the end of the 2021 the Team owned 5 vehicles: 2 Land Rover Defenders, a control van, a minibus, and a Honda UTV. The Team's ageing minibus has since reached the end of its life and was disposed of. A replacement minibus has been ordered post year-end. The associated costs of keeping these vehicles operational is a major cost to the Team. Servicing, maintenance, and fuel were approximately £4,000.

Headquarters

The rent and service charges of the Team's business unit at Boarshurst are the Team's largest annual commitment standing at £15,000 per annum. Utilities costs were £2,500. This year the Team is looking to replace its IT infrastructure and hardware.

Accounts

The Report and Accounts for the financial year ending on 31st December 2021 follow this report.

Fundraising

This year fundraising activities have slowly recovered after the Covid 19 pandemic. The Team have attended or have benefited from several events throughout the year. Income has remained at the same level as the previous year, helped by a sizeable bequest and a large donation from a charitable trust.

Online tools such as Justgiving and Facebook continue to be an important mechanism for supporters to donate or raise money for the Team. Collection box income continues to decline likely due to the increased uptake of cashless transactions since the pandemic.

Thank you to all the local community groups and people who have raised money for the Team during 2021.

Whilst it is not practical to list everyone within this report who has made donations during the year, the Oldham Mountain Rescue Team depends totally on public support in one form or another. Special thanks to those who have raised money for us via various challenges and events.

We are extremely grateful to all the individuals and organisations that have been involved with our work or supported us in cash or kind during the year. We wish to record a special thank you to our Patrons and the following for their continued support:

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Saddleworth Runners Club
Saddleworth Tuesday Walkers
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Stan Bannister
Stephen Ward
Tom Mills
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Woodend Garage

We would also like to make special mention of the gifts made 'In Memory' of:

Alan McCormick
Diane Liddle
Ivor Watson

Mark Hansom
Mary Crossley
Melvyn Bennion
Mike Grimes
Vera Taylor

Collection Boxes

The Team would like to thank proprietors of all the businesses who have hosted a collection box for us during 2021. Thank you to the patrons of the following businesses whose collection box donations have been received this year.

Chadderton Fitness Centre
Gardeners Arms
King William IV
Mossley DIY
Mountain Feet
Royal Oak Heights
The Crafty Pint
The Rams Head Inn
Uppermill Post Office

Friends of Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

The Team would like to thank everyone for their continued support.

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Mr C Wheeler

David Wyatt

Treasurer

Structure, governance and management:

Legal and administrative details

During 2021 the team was governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 6th February 2001. Team bye laws were made under Article 70 of the above articles and adopted by the Team on the 6th November 2001.

On 14 March 2022, the Charity Commission granted approval for OMRT to convert from a charitable limited company to a charitable incorporated organisation. The new constitution and bye-laws are dated 1 March 2022 and were adopted on 14th March 2022 following approval from the Charity Commission.

Team Organisation

Under the 1 March 2021 constitution and associated bye-laws, at each AGM the Team elects four principal officers until the next AGM namely, Team Leader, Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. The Team Management Group comprises the elected officers and a number of appointed officers. Chairmanship of Team meetings is performed by the Chairperson. Separate committees look after equipment, training & medical issues. All members are encouraged to contribute to the successful running of the Team.

Elected officers

Team Leader:	R Tortoiseshell
Chairperson:	J Parkinson (resigned Dec 21) R Jones (Appointed Dec 21)
Secretary:	R Jones (resigned Dec 21) S Reade (Appointed Dec 21)
Treasurer:	D Wyatt

Appointed officers

Deputy Leaders:	L Allport, D Wyatt
Team Doctor:	Dr. A Taylor
Medical Officer:	I Airth
Section Leaders:	A Knight, J Parkinson, I Airth, A Hadfield (Resigned Oct 21) N Hyde (Appointed Oct 21)
Training Officer:	S Reade (resigned Dec 21) M Nield (Appointed Dec 21)
Equipment Officers:	J Brown, P Smith (resigned April 21), I Dredge (Appointed April 21)
Vehicle Officer:	M Owen
Comms Officer:	D Broadhurst

The body of the Team is divided into 4 sections. We take on trainees, who need to be experienced in relevant outdoor activities, and, after a series of training lectures, exercises and assessments are eligible to become full members. The Team is a member of the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation ("PDMRO") and is affiliated to MREW.

Operational Area

Our normal operating area is the local moorland and crags in the Saddleworth area of the Peak District. We are one of the 7 Teams that make up the PDMRO, which in turn is affiliated with MREW. The Team also provides an urban search and rescue service working with the Police, Ambulance and Fire Services in Greater Manchester. The Team is always available to provide similar assistance anywhere in the United Kingdom.

Risk Analysis

The work undertaken by the Team is often potentially hazardous and, whilst we have an excellent safety record spanning over 50 years the identification of potential risks and looking at how we might manage them is an important part of our Management Group's responsibility. The Team has a documented safety policy that is available to all Team members. The three key considerations underpinning our approach to practical risks are: (a) provision of quality rescue equipment, and attention to its care and maintenance; (b) training of Team members in all aspects of rescue work; (c) regular practical exercises.

Potential Risks	Steps to Mitigate
Ability of the Team to meet changes in organisational and operational areas.	Regular subgroup meetings for planning three key operational areas medical, training and equipment. Regular reviews of training, equipment and medical procedures.
Losing touch with the changes in the statutory emergency services.	Attend all liaison meetings with the emergency services and emergency planning departments at local and county level.
Financial shortfall due to failure of income streams.	Maintain reserves in line with the stated reserves policy. Plan special fundraising activity.

Team Address

Oldham Mountain Rescue Team (OMRT)
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Boarshurst Lane
Greenfield
Oldham. OL3 7ER

Incorporation

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Prior to conversion to a CIO, OMRT was a company limited by guarantee and did not have any share capital.
Registered No.: 04178168

Charity Registration:

Registration No.: 1088825.

Trustees (under constitution dated 1st March 2022)

Robert Tortoisshell
2 Lower Hey Lane
Mossley
Ashton-Under-Lyne

OL5 9DE
Robert Jones
46 Springmeadow Lane
Uppermill
Oldham
OL3 6HH

David Wyatt
8 Leefields Close
Uppermill
Oldham
OL3 6LA

Peter James Hyde
7 School Street
Coppice
Oldham
OL8 1SE

Dr Andrew William Taylor
38 Summershades Lane
Grasscroft
Oldham
OL4 4ED

Denzil John Broadhurst
6 Abels Lane
Uppermill
Oldham
OL3 6ES

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Ashton-Under-Lyne
OL7 0DU

Sean Reade
12 Wordsworth Crescent
Littleborough
OL15 0RB

Bankers

HSBC
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Oldham
Lancashire
OL1 1RT.

Independent Accountant

The Accountancy People
Phoenix House
Stalybridge
SK15 2QA

Team Members for year ending 31 December 2021

Name	Position	Occupation
Rob Tortoiseshell	Team Leader	Product & Training Manager
Lee Allport	Deputy Team Leader	Operations Director, SAR Products Ltd
David Wyatt	Deputy Team Leader/Treasurer	Software Development Lead
Peter Hyde	President	Retired
Justin Parkinson	Chairman/Section Leader	Managing Director
Tony Gillon M.B.E.	Company Secretary	Civil Servant
Dr Andrew Taylor	Team Doctor	Retired GP
Adam Knight	Section Leader	Electronics Engineer
Andrew Hadfield	Section Leader	Self-employed Plumber
Iain Airth	Medical Officer/Section Leader	School Teacher
Nigel Hyde	Section Leader	Retired
Jake Brown	Equipment Officer	Artist
Mike Owen	Vehicle Officer	
Rob Jones	Secretary	Accountant
Denzil Broadhurst	Comms Officer	Airlifting Assistant
Mick Nield M.B.E.	Dog handler	Self-employed Builder
Stephen Ward	Dog handler	Shopkeeper
Tony Tombs	MRSDE dog handler	Driver Trainer
Mark Harrison	MRSDE dog handler	Group Finance Director
Sean Reade	Training Officer	Retired
Iain Dredge	Equipment Officer	Network Engineer
Ian Atherton	Buildings Manager	
Kevin Simmonds		Group Sales Manager
Mike Porritt		Mechanical Design Engineer
Matthew Torr		School Teacher
Katie Johnson		Chartered Insurer
Paul Mayall		Class 1 HGV driver
Colin Pierce		Kitchen Fitter
Phil Beard		Director, Height Safety Consultants Ltd
Dave Allport		Technical Director, SAR Products Ltd
Richard Beswick		Police Officer
Scott Downs		Computer Network Technician
Paul Bruton		Information Science Consultant
Steven Bramwell		Toolmaker
Kelvin Storer		Retired
Ceri Thomas		Rope Access Technician
Simon Taylor		Shopkeeper
Chris Maylor		Police Officer
Lee Briggs		Toolmaker
Helena Skinn		Product Development Scientist

Ron McFaul
Paul Smith
Luke Viney
Rebecca Fitton
Sam Davey
Nigel Clegg
Dave Henderson
Mary Clegg

Magistrate
Depot Manager
Indirect Tax Advisor

Builder
Site Inspector
Gardener
Care at Home worker

Signed on behalf of the Trustees of Oldham Mountain Rescue Team

R Jones
Chairperson

D Wyatt
Treasurer

Dated

Registered Charity Number **1088825**

Registered Company Number **04178168** (prior to conversion to CIO on 14 March 2022)

Fully signed copy available at Team operational base.