

Charity Registration No. 1138626

EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Current Ian Bunting, Chair of Trustees Ian Donaldson, Secretary Bob Davey, Treasurer Dave Torr, Team Leader Simon Beasley
	Retired in year None
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association and "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 2015)".

Objectives and activities

The objectives of Edale Mountain Rescue Team are 'to save lives and alleviate distress, primarily in upland and mountainous areas' in conjunction with other organisations having similar objectives.

Edale Mountain Rescue Team (EMRT) operates within the UK's Peak District National Park as well as the rural areas of South Yorkshire and Derbyshire from our purpose built headquarters within Hope Cement Works.

The team was first established in February 1956 and has been active continuously since that time.

Whilst we primarily work for the Derbyshire Constabulary we are also called to assist South Yorkshire Police, East Midlands Ambulance Service and the Yorkshire Ambulance Service. This also means we work frequently with several Air Ambulance Organisations but particularly the Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland Air Ambulance, the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and the Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire Air Ambulance.

Due to the large number of outdoor activities carried out within our area, coupled with the high number of visitors/participants, EMRT is one of the busiest mountain rescue teams in the country.

From the beginning of 2000 to the end of 2024 team members have been involved in 2986 incidents. These incidents have occurred whilst people have been partaking in a variety of outdoor activities; walking, climbing, fell running, mountain biking, horse riding, trials biking, hang gliding, paragliding, fixed wing gliding and fishing.

We also assist the police in incidents where our skills can be utilised in more rural locations. These predominantly involve searching for vulnerable people that have gone missing for various reasons and whose disappearance has caused concern.

EMRT is one of seven teams within the Peak District and is a member of both the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation (PDMRO) and Mountain Rescue England and Wales (MREW).

As with all other UK teams, the team is made up entirely of volunteers who come from all walks of life and give up their time freely. We have 46 team members on the call out list.. We also have several support members who assist in the running of the team.

Several of our members are specially trained and equipped to provide a swift water rescue section.

We also have three Mountain Rescue Search Dog England (MRSDE) handlers with graded search dogs who will be deployed to incidents with other teams anywhere in the country if their services are required.

Team members train on a regular basis to refresh and improve on old skills as well as learning new ones. These include advanced first aid/casualty care, rope rescue, search techniques, radio procedure, water safety, stretcher handling, equipment familiarisation and equipment maintenance.

Due to the number of calls we receive for people suffering from serious injuries team members are encouraged to hold Remote Rescue Medical Technician qualification.

Apart from being able to reclaim VAT, EMRT receives little funding from government and we rely on donations and grants to raise the money we need to run the team.

All funds raised are used to improve the service we offer to the public by investing in replacement medical consumables, equipment maintenance and renewal, training and equipment for members, running a Land Rover Defender 110 response vehicle, two Toyota Hilux response vehicles, one Land Rover Defender 110 crew transport vehicle and one Mercedes Sprinter search control vehicle; as well as planning for a secure financial future for the team.

Most funds are raised through the hard work of team members and our valued support group.

Achievements and performance

In 2024 team members attended 152 callouts with a further 25 incidents being attended by our search dog handlers. Additionally, the team was alerted to a further 10 incidents which did not require a team response.

Once again we ran our annual "9 Edges Challenge" which was a great success.

Financial review

A combination of fundraising activities and other income streams have continued to benefit the team.

We continue to plan to improve our equipment and replace team member's protective clothing at intervals. To provide replacement vehicles in due course and to provide additional garages to protect our vehicles from the elements.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to thirty six month's essential expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that in the event of a significant drop in funding, the charity's current activities will continue while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

At the end of 2024 we were able to allocate the following funds to projects.

£852,395	New Base Fund
£60,000	Garage Fund
£300,000	Reserves for Running Costs (3 years @£100K)
£70,000	Vehicle Fund
£32,500	PPE Replacement fund

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that the systems and procedures that we have in place manage and mitigate those risks.

Plans for future periods

During the year the trustees reviewed and updated the 5 year plan to cover the period 2024 to 2029. In summary this plan committed to

Continue to raise funds to cover our running costs.

- Rescue vehicle insurance and maintenance, fuel, phone calls.
- Medical consumables
- Headquarters communications costs and maintenance.
- Replacement of damaged and time expired items such as shelter tents, slings, karabiners and stretchers.
- Development and update of team equipment
- Digital radio communication system improvement and expansion

At the same time, we are planning for the future and fund raising to replace our vehicles, protective clothing and helmets on a rolling basis as required.

It is our aim to have all our vehicles stored in garages for their protection and to speed up our response during the winter. The search for suitable sites near Owler Bar and Hathersage continues.

We are planning to maintain the training for the swift water rescue section and to add to their equipment to improve their capability.

We will also continue to invest in the training of team members who are our most valuable asset. Without team members there would be no team and no rescues would be carried out.

Due to the potential future loss of our base in 2042 when the cement works closes, it was decided to commence the search and funds for the construction of a new base. A dedicated working group was established to fulfil this aim. Dedicated fundraising will take place over the coming years in addition to raising funds for our day to day activities.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was established by a charitable trust deed in October 1981 and registered as a charity on 4th May 1982, with charity number 512559.

The company was incorporated as a private limited company on 13th July 2005.

The company was registered as a charity on 27th October 2010 with charity number 1138626.

On the 4th January 2011 charity number 512559 was removed and all assets transferred to the incorporated charity number 1138626.

On the 8th September 2021 the private Limited Company status was changed to that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). Charity number 1138626 remains the registered charity number of the organisation.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

All trustees are elected annually by the team members at the annual general meeting.

Broadly the team leader is responsible for operational activities and the chairman is responsible for non-operational activities.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for identifying and disclosing transactions with related parties. None of the trustees receive remuneration or other benefits apart from travel expenses in some instances for out of area journeys. However, the Charity did pay a £200 kit allowance to Full Members of the rescue team and of these 3 are trustees.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 28th August 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Ian Bunting
Chair of Trustees

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF EDALE MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Edale Mountain Rescue Team Limited (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 9 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statement carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act of 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statement do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principals of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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14th August 2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income					
Income from generated funds					
Income from charitable activities	388,920	-	-	388,920	182,820
Investment Income	58,575	-	-	58,575	25,096
Total Income and endowments	447,495	-	-	447,495	207,916
Expenses					
Costs of generating funds					
Expenditure on Charitable activities	42,182	81,989	1,710	125,881	96,394
Total Expenditure	42,182	81,989	1,710	125,881	96,394
Net income before transfers	405,313	(81,989)	(1,710)	321,614	111,522
Gross transfers between funds	(394,384)	394,384	-	-	-
Net income for the year	10,929	312,395	-	321,614	111,522
Fund balances at 1 January 2024	551,989	702,500	4,407	1,258,896	1,147,374
Fund balances at 31 December 2024	562,918	1,014,895	2,697	1,580,510	1,258,896

This statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

BALANCE SHEET AT 31/12/24

	Notes	£	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible Assets	2		134,222	158,391
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors (amounts falling due within one year)	3	10,821	13,767	
Cash at bank and in hand		145,706	92,662	
Other investments (Flagstone)	4	779,374	513,110	
Other investments (Investec)		510,887	481,466	
		<u>1,446,788</u>	<u>1,101,005</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>1,446,288</u>	<u>1,100,505</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>1,580,510</u>	<u>1,258,896</u>
Represented By				
Revaluation Reserve	7		-	
Income Funds	8			
Unrestricted funds			562,918	551,989
Designated funds			1,014,895	702,500
Other Charitable funds			2,697	4,407
Total Income Funds			<u>1,580,510</u>	<u>1,258,896</u>
Total Reserves			<u>1,580,510</u>	<u>1,258,896</u>

For the year ending 31/12/2024 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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

Approved by the board of trustees on 28th August 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Ian Bunting

I Bunting
Trustee

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1a. Basis Of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS102 - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

1b. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1c. Resources Expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1d. Allocation And Apportionment Of Costs

All costs relate to the single activity of the charitable company and are recognised accordingly.

1e. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for the specific future purposes or projects.

1f. Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives.

Long Leasehold Properties	straight line 5%
Plant and Machinery	straight line 20%
Fixtures and Fittings	reducing balance 25%
Motor Cars	straight line 15%

1g. Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods and services supplied by the company, net of value added tax and trade discounts.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long Leasehold Properties £	Training Wall £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 01/01/24	159,405	25,240	57,187	248,401	490,233
Additions	-	-	-	3,378	3,378
Disposals	-	-	-	-13,500	-13,500
At 31/12/24	159,405	25,240	57,187	238,279	480,111
Depreciation					
At 01/01/24	112,746	18,930	39,994	160,172	331,842
Disposals	-	-	-	-13,175	-13,175
For the year	7,970	1,262	4,298	13,692	27,222
At 31/12/24	120,716	20,192	44,292	160,689	345,889
Net Book Amounts					
At 31/12/24	38,689	5,048	12,895	77,590	134,222
At 31/12/23	46,659	6,310	17,193	88,228	158,390

3. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other Debtors	6,923	6,924
Prepayments and accrued income	1,632	3,685
Chairman's Fund	423	423
Vat Refund	1,843	2,737
	<u>10,821</u>	<u>13,769</u>

4. OTHER INVESTMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Flagstone Deposit Platform	779,374	513,110
Investec Low Risk Portfolio	510,887	481,466
	<u>1,290,261</u>	<u>994,576</u>

4. CREDITORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade Creditors	500	500
	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

5. LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. Each member gives a guarantee to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to the company should it be wound up. At 31/12/2024 there were 48 members.

6. REVALUATION RESERVE

Increases in the value of the low risk investment policy with Investec are transferred to the revaluation reserve until funds are withdrawn from the policy and the increase is realised, at this point the gain will be recognised in the statement of financial activities. Reductions in value are reversed against the historic revaluation reserve and further reductions over and above the brought forward value of the revaluation reserve are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS

A donation was received of £5,000 to be spent on equipment bags and medical bags. As at 31 December 2024 £2,697 (2023 - £4,407) of this fund remained and is shown as restricted funds on the statement financial activities.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Incoming resources	2024	2023
Incoming resources from generated funds	£	£
Monetary Donations	52,208	40,918
Legacies	223,315	68,957
Grants	24,676	264
Friends in High Places	2,612	2,046
Collections	9,241	7,907
Shows and Events	5,942	1,277
Collection Boxes	5,206	5,245
Just Giving	51,122	41,340
Nine Edges	11,812	12,057
First Aid Cover	1,088	1,947
Talks	1,447	713
Fundraising Sales	251	149
	<u>336,712</u>	<u>141,902</u>
	<u>388,920</u>	<u>182,820</u>

INVESTMENT INCOME

Interest receivable	29,154	9,103
Investec profit/loss	29,421	15,993
	<u>58,575</u>	<u>25,096</u>

EXPENSES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charitable Activities		
Depreciation of fixed assets	27,222	24,152
Base Costs	4,504	802
Website	618	420
Fundraising Costs	6,374	6,072
Ringinglow Garage Exp	1,256	740
Communications	4,726	3,385
Computers and Internet	2,391	1,836
Search and Rescue Equip	16,669	14,292
Training	1,966	3,599
Medical Supplies	27,373	2,042
Vehicle Running Costs	19,800	10,160
Uniforms	13,562	14,894
Team Insurance	5,570	3,015
Water Rescue Equip	1,009	4,623
Nine Edges Costs	3,864	4,693
Crag Wall Exam	585	135
Restricted Fund, PPE equipment	-	-
Profit on fixtures and fittings disposal	(14,676)	-
	<u>122,813</u>	<u>94,860</u>
Governance Costs		
Stationery & office supplies	327	552
Printing	83	-
Accountancy and legal fees	2,658	905
Sundry expenses	-	77
	<u>3,068</u>	<u>1,534</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>125,881</u>	<u>96,394</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	81,989	64,149
Designated funds	41,195	32,245
Restricted funds	2,697	-
	<u>125,881</u>	<u>96,394</u>