



The Moorjock

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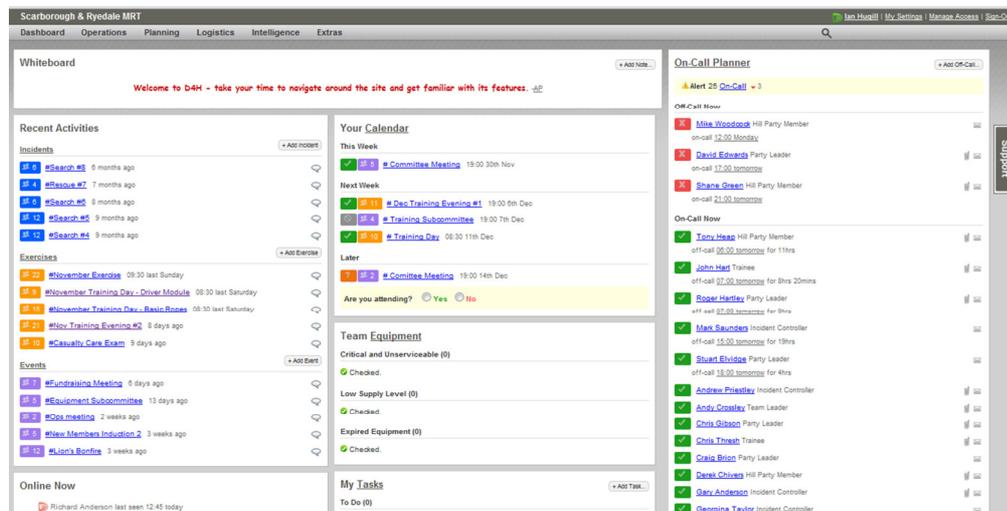
D4h - what's in a name

Decisions [D4H] is a collaborative emergency response team management tool that helps record and analyze operations, members, equipment, and training.

None the wiser?

The team have subscribed to a web based application to allow us to better maintain key records needed for the efficient running of the team.

Drew has run a couple of training sessions over the last month and all operational members should now have a logon. For those who missed it here is a brief overview.



The screenshot above shows the dashboard of the application, we are asking team members to complete the following detail:

- Your contact details – including those of your next of kin
- Your on-going availability – this can be holidays or periods during the day you are not available
- The sign up for exercises (including training) and events

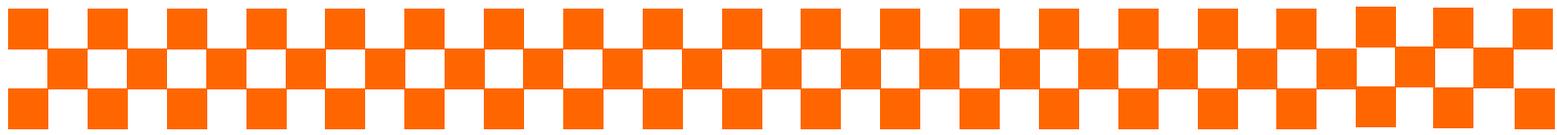
You get:

- Detail of your attendance at callouts, exercise and events
- Early notification of qualifications due to expire
- The option to make suggestions for future events
- Provide feedback on exercises and events you attended
- Access to shared documents

The team get:

- A centralized repository for team records
- A logistics and planning tool for exercises, events and incidents
- Detailed reporting on team equipment, team members qualifications, exercises, events and incidents

Should you have missed the training or need more then contact Drew or myself, if you are yet to receive your password then contact Drew. Please remember, as we transition, to still keep Andy informed of your holidays and Georgina informed of changes to contact details.



What have we been up to since the last newsletter?

- 5th November – Scarborough Lions bonfire – medical cover
- 6th November – Second new members assessment and induction
- 7th November – Training evening
- 9th November – Search Glaisdale Rigg, gentleman found safe and well and recovered by Rescue 128
- 12th November - 07:30 Channel 4 recorded coverage of the C2C challenge (1)
- 17th November – Search standby Stamford Bridge, gentleman found before we were deployed
- 19th November – Search standby Scarborough, lady found before we were deployed
- 20th November - 07:30 Channel 4 recorded coverage of the C2C challenge (2)
- 20th November – Casualty care examination
- 21st November – Training evening
- 22nd November – Search Burn Howe Moor, one lady escorted to the road
- 24th November – Search Scarborough, gentleman found as the team were deploying
- 26th November – Training day
- 27th November - Exercise

Planned activities – December

- 3rd December – Base and equipment cleaning day
- 6th December - training evening
- 9th December – Round table sleigh collection Ayton
- 10th December Aqua Nova water bears fundraising for us in Dalby
- 11th December training day
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- 17th December Aqua Nova water bears fundraising for us in Dalby
- 18th December Aqua Nova water bears fundraising for us in Dalby

Twitter



Facebook



Team web site



More new members

As discussed in last month's newsletter we ran the autumn induction over two days, one in October and the second in early November. The first session resulted in four new members, whose details were published last month.

We are pleased to say that the second day resulted in three more people joining us as trainee members. Please make Marie, Bob and Neil welcome along with John, Mike, Neil and Robert from October.



Bob



Marie



Neil

Search and rescue Helicopters

Department for transport announcement – 28th November 2011

Britain is to have a new fleet of faster and more modern search and rescue helicopters, the Government has announced.

The new service will see search and rescue operations provided by contracted civilian crews and the Government has today started the procurement process for a contract lasting around ten years.

Under existing arrangements, search and rescue is provided jointly by the Ministry of Defence (MoD) - operating a fleet of Sea King helicopters from eight military bases, with a further four civilian bases operated under contract to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA).

The new arrangements will see the end of military involvement in a dedicated helicopter search and rescue service. This will allow the Armed Forces to focus their activity on front-line operations and enable the MoD to meet its previously announced intention to retire its fleet of Sea Kings by March 2016.

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Team fundraising walks



The dates for our first two walks of 2012 have been published as follows:

Falcon flyer – Saturday 17th March

Ravenscar coastal half marathon – Sunday 29th April

We are yet to hear from the Forestry Commission on clearance for the Saltergate circuit but are hoping for the first Saturday in October.

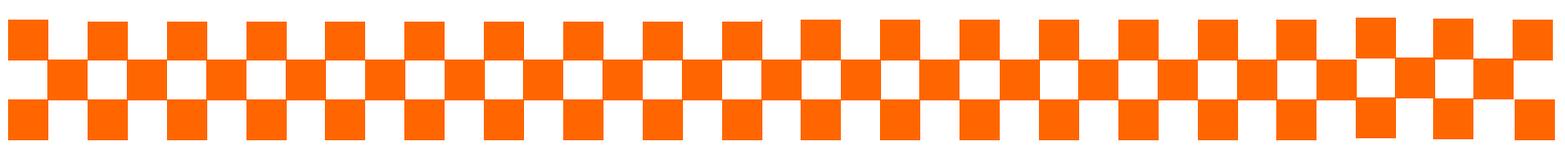
Please put all these dates in your diaries now. Remember we need 13 staff to man the base, control, vehicles and sweep the route before we cover any check points.

We have approached a number of companies for sponsorship but perhaps team members could suggest other opportunities? The Raven Hall hotel is sponsoring part of the costs of the Falcon Flyer.

Please advertise the events to friends, colleagues, clubs and organisations.

Remember entry fees are refunded if individuals raise more than £25 sponsorship for the team.

Entry forms for the Falcon Flyer and Ravenscar half marathon are available on the web site.



Congratulations

To Paul and Rachael Allanson on the arrival of their first bundle of joy. Hopefully all those sleepless night will be good training for those predicable out of hours callouts?

Notices

The Mountain Equipment Fitzroy Jackets provided by MRE&W have arrived. Drew will be issuing over the next few training events.

The drugs and dressing bags now have pulse oximeters in them. The guys on the recent casualty care course have already been trained. The rest of the casualty carers will be trained at the next convenient time.

We have a new protocol for securing the base, please ensure you are familiar with it if you are locking the building.

The new team website <http://www.srmrt.org.uk> is now live please take a look and provide feedback. While on the subject of the website, take a look at the donations page and help communicate the various ways we have of raising funds.

Please ensure you notify Andy (and update D4H) with your availability over the festive period. Historically we get at least one call out over Christmas and New Year. It simplifies any activation if we know who is not around. It also saves us disturbing you when you are in the middle of your festivities. Thanks in anticipation.



Image: John Hart

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Casualty care

As a result of the recent casualty care course held in Stape and the examination at the base we now have six more casualty carers with current qualifications. This is a net increase of four and means that exactly 50% of those on the callout list now have a recognised medical qualification. Thanks go to Georgina, Phil and the other trainers and casualties along with the examiners without whom this would not have been possible.

Congratulations to, Mike, Gary, Ian P, John H, Chris and Tony.

Casualty care examination - a students view

On Sunday 20th November, 6 of us turned up at base for the case care assessment day. This was my 2nd time through the process and having the assessment at our own base was much better than gong across to Swaledale, but no less nerve wracking!

So, what does the assessment entail? The first part is a 40 question, multiple choice paper, with a pass mark of 60%. Questions range from medical situations through to practical aspect on the hill. It's a pass or fail, no resit - gulp!

Following that, there are 2 practical assessments, one which is based on a physical injury, the other which is a medical condition. The injury scenarios, were a lower leg injury, following a slip on some ice and a chest injury following a fall. Medical scenarios were a heart attack and a stroke victim. A quick word here on the casualties, Dave and Steve, gave up their Sunday morning and put in some Oscar winning performances.

Of course on the hill, cas-carers would be part of a team, and the "team" in this instance consisted of Roger and Russ who made excellent "go-fers".

Everyone passed with flying colours and thanks to all those involved that gave up their time on Sunday to make the assessment possible

Mike Woodcock

An excellent result putting us in a much better position to be able to 'save lives in wild and remote places.

Ian Hugill

December 2011

