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RAF LEUCHARS MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM
INCIDENT REPORT FORM A

Reference: Form R No.. 951
Date: 21 Nov 90 Area: Ben Nevis 41-1671

Nature of Incident: Civilian walker overdue from ascent of Ben Nevis

Narrative: Leuchars MRT were requested to take part in an early morning search of Ben Nevis, where Mr. Walker had failed to return from climbing the mountain the previous day. Overnight searches had been completed by Loch arbour MRT and RAF Kinloss MRT and 22 squad and Lucas helicopter had been diploid. Almost immediately on our arrival to our search area, the casualty was spotted alongside the water slide at the end of Glen Nevis. MRT personnel quickly went to his location and escorted the cold and wet individual, the short distance to the awaiting Land Rover. Mr. Walker had survived several falls after becoming lost on the summit. He had survived an awful night of driving rain with minimal equipment. This civilian was lucky to survive this ordeal, where many have perished previously.
Other SAR Forces Involved: Kinloss & Lochaber MRT, 'B' Flt 22 sqn Leuchars

Comments on Equipment: Hot cans very valuable. HF comms in transit – poor.
Statistics:
Alerted:0503 Deployed: 0605 On scene: 0905 Stood down: 1700
Total manhours: 220
Total Mileage:900

No of personnel on task: 22 Current Team Strength: 25

Remarks: The tasking of both RAF MRTs in this incident, allowed both the saturation of the mountain and an early find. But more importantly the reduction of risk to those MRT personnel searching the dangerous western gullies of a Ben. Low numbers and the weather encountered could have reversed the outcome.

Dated: 22 Nov 91 Signed Pete Kirkpatrick TL