

Bay Search and Rescue

Morecambe Bay and Cumbrian Coastlines



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Dear Sponsor,

Thank you for thinking about helping raise funds for the Bay Search and Rescue Team.

Bay Search and Rescue is a registered charity (1090880) which was founded by two members of a Local Coastguard Team. Gary Parsons and Adrian Swenson and later joined by a third Stuart Hamilton who had a Mountaineering background.

The Charity / Team was formed to provide a provision in the Search and Rescue Facility in a part of Morecambe Bay not previously covered and to provide specialist equipment for this area. The Charity's aims are to support all Emergency Services in the area such as HM Coastguard / Mountain Rescue / Police / Ambulance / Fire / RNLI, whilst also operating as a front line service in the immediate area and treacherous sands beyond.

Bay Search and Rescue have participated in all major searches in the last six years, not least the Cockelling tragedy of Feb 5th 2004 when 19 Chinese cockle pickers drowned, on this occasion several members of our team suffered Hypothermia due to the conditions and the length of the search. For our team it had been the longest period of continuous search lasting from the Thursday night at ten pm through till half five on Saturday, only returning home once for food and sleep.

We also, in adverse weather have assisted the Ambulance Service during heavy snow fall transporting doctors and Paramedics around the district on routine calls and emergencies.

The police and Mountain rescue call upon us during lowland searches over soft marsh ground, or when rapid deployment of search teams is required over inaccessible areas where conventional vehicles cannot travel.

Our aim is to protect the loss of life both Human and Marine etc and also where possible the loss of property.

We like to recognise people and organisations who raise money for us.

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Depending on the amount you are able to raise we have a numbers of ways We can do this from a simple thank you letter to sending rescue team member to receive your donation in person (Please note that this depends on your location).

Lastly if you have any questions please feel free to e-mail us and we will try to help as much as we can. You will find more information on our website (www.baysearchandrescue.org.uk)

Thank you again for considering sponsorship of the Bay Search and Rescue.



Fundraising Ideas

1. Walk or Swim the equivalent width of Morecambe Bay
2. Bike coast to coast

All these could be done as a single or group event

We are sure that you may have plenty of other ideas to raise funds for the Bay Search and Rescue