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**GALLOWAY MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM  
PRESS RELEASE**

**Galloway Mountain Rescue Team assist Ambulance Service at Loch Skerrow**

Galloway Mountain Rescue Team personnel, based at Castle Douglas, assisted ambulance crews to respond to a mountain biker suffering from chest pains. Rescue 177 Royal Navy Search and Rescue helicopter was also involved in the incident.

About 2.00pm on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2009 the team received a call regarding a 50 year old man suffering chest pains near to Loch Skerrow. Loch Skerrow is a remote location near to the old 'Paddy' railway line between Mossdale and Gatehouse Station. Ambulance crews anticipated problems accessing the location hence Galloway MRT and Rescue 177 were called in to assist.

Unfortunately, by the time resources arrived on scene the cyclist had died. The incident is being dealt with by Dumfries and Galloway Constabulary.

Information about Galloway MRT callouts, weather, training and much more, can be found on their website at <http://www.gallowaymrt.org.uk>.