



Both Lifeboats, on 30 March 2019

Two calls on a sunny spring day kept the Swanage lifeboat volunteers today

The first call, at 4.07pm, was a request from the St Albans Coastguard team for assistance in recovering an injured man from the Dancing Ledge area. The man had been ‘coasteering’ and had suffered a dislocated shoulder and any movement was difficult. The D Class inshore lifeboat (ILB) transferred pain relieving gas to the casualty before bringing him carefully to the all-weather lifeboat (ALB) to be transported to waiting paramedics in Swanage.

On arrival in Swanage, both boats were re-tasked, at 4.50pm, to a broken-down RIB with two people on board currently anchored off Kimmeridge Bay. The ILB arrived first and took the vessel under tow to bring it into deeper water, then transferred the tow to the ALB. The crew of the boat were brought aboard the ALB crew and vessel were towed back to Swanage, arriving at around 6.15pm



This year, Swanage’s lifeboats have responded to 3 incidents together.

The Shannon class all-weather lifeboat has launched to 2 further incidents.

The D class inshore lifeboat has also responded to 5 incidents.

This gives a total of 10 incidents, so far, this year

