

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 2013.04.02

DATE: Tuesday April 2, 2013

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Pacific Ocean In front of 110 Ka'anapali Shores Place in Lahaina, West Maui, Hawaii, USA.



NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: He is a 58-year-old male from Marina Del Ray, California. He was on a long board.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Last Quarter, April 2, 2013. Waning Gibbous, 53% of the Moon was illuminated

SEA CONDITIONS: The sea surface temperature was 73.8°F.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 50 to 100 yards

DEPTH OF WATER: Estimated 6 feet

TIME: 08h30

NARRATIVE: Surfers saw a gray figure in the water. "The shadow was still kind of hanging around and then it left, and then a few minutes later I heard a kerplunk, a big splash," witness David Tuzinowski said. "He kind of freaked out and then I saw him get on the board and double time towards shore. You see these reef sharks when you're out surfing and what not. So honestly, it didn't scare me too much."

The area off Ka'anapali Shores Place in Lahaina was closed a mile in both directions from where the bite took place until noon on Wednesday.

INJURY: The man sustained two lacerations to his right thigh — a six-inch outline of bite marks. "The bite took place above the knee on the right thigh. The victim suffered two deep lacerations," said Maui County Communication Director Rod Antone.

TREATMENT: The surfer was transported to the Maui Memorial Medical Center for treatment and was undergoing surgery at last report.

SPECIES: The man told authorities that the shark that bit him had a head the size of a basketball. Surfers who were nearby reported seeing a 4-foot-long shark nearby. Lifeguards believe it was a reef shark.

SOURCES: Honolulu Star Advertiser, April 2, 2013,

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