



ACTIVITY: Swimming

CASE: [GSAF 2014.08.02](#)

DATE: Saturday August 2, 2014

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at Tables Beach at Pineda Causeway near Patrick Air Force Base, Brevard County, Florida, USA.

28.24°N, 80.60°W



NAME: Christian Sanhueza

DESCRIPTION: He is an eight-year-old male.

BACKGROUND

WEATHER: The air temperature was 84°F, dew point 79.3°F, and sea level pressure was 29.97 inches (falling).

MOON PHASE: Waxing Crescent, 40% of the Moon was illuminated. First Quarter, August 3, 2014.

SEA CONDITIONS: The sea surface temperature was 83°F, mean high tide occurred at 12h37, wave height was 3- to 3.5- feet and there was a NE swell.

ENVIRONMENT: The same day lifeguards cleared the water at Paradise Beach in Melbourne when two sharks were spotted. "I saw a couple of spinners jump off about 100 yards out, nothing crazy. Just a couple of sharks," said Elias Hensel, Melbourne surfer. "It's kind of natural for Florida, especially with everything that's going on right now, because there's a lot of bait. And it's kind of alive out there, the ocean has been real alive, but I saw a little bull shark too."

TIME: 13h00

NARRATIVE: The boy was swimming with his father when he was bitten. Both of his parents saw the shark's fin, but before they could reach their son, he was bitten and briefly pulled beneath the surface. Then the shark swam away.

INJURY: The boy sustained a laceration to his heel. The injury was considered serious, but not life-threatening,

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: A security officer administered first aid until the 45th Space Wing fire department arrived with paramedics, who bandaged the victim. He was treated by the Patrick Air Force Base Fire Department before being transported to Holmes Regional Medical Center for further treatment.



Sharks spotted at Paradise Beach

SPECIES: Not identified

