

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 1980.07.00

DATE: July 1980

LOCATION: The accident took place in the Atlantic Ocean near Ponce Inlet jetties in New Smyrna Beach, Volusia County, Florida, USA.

NAME: Tom Durrance

DESCRIPTION: He was an employee of Fish Memorial Hospital.

NARRATIVE: No details.

INJURY: His lower leg was injured.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: Durrance was taken to the Fish Memorial Hospital by Cory Waer, who was surfing nearby when the accident took place. Durrance was subsequently transferred to Ormond Beach Memorial Hospital for further care by a plastic surgeon.

SOURCE: Daytona Beach Morning Journal, Wednesday July 9, 1980

Surfer Bitten

NEW SMYRNA BEACH— A Fish Memorial Hospital employee suffered an apparent shark bite while surfing last weekend near the Ponce Inlet jetties.

Tom Durrance was treated at Fish Memorial Hospital and transferred to Ormond Beach Memorial Hospital for further care by a plastic surgeon late Saturday.

According to hospital reports, the bite wound was on the lower leg. Durrance was taken to the hospital by Cory Waer, an Illinois visitor who was surfing nearby when Durrance was attacked.