



ACTIVITY: Surf skiing

CASE: GSAF 1995.03.21

DATE: Tuesday March 21, 1995

LOCATION: Clark Island, Sydney Harbour, New South Wales, Australia

33°51'45.57"S, 151 14'27.39"E

NAME: Mary Meagher

DESCRIPTION: She is a 29-year-old female now living in Singapore.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Third Quarter, March 24, 1995

NARRATIVE: See press clipping

INJURY: She was not injured but the shark bit a piece from one of her board's fins.

SPECIES: Not identified.

SOURCES: The Deseret News, Friday March 24, 1995, page A4; Australian Shark Attack File.

SHARK STORY: A shark attacked a woman and knocked her from her surf ski while she paddled in Sydney Harbor, the woman said Friday in Sydney. Mary Meagher, 29, a former Sydneysider now living in Singapore, said she was paddling in the harbor when the shark swam underneath her and flipped her from her ski, taking a chunk from one of the board's fins. She said she lost her paddle but managed to get back on her surf ski where she waited motionless for about 10 minutes, petrified the shark would return to finish her off. She said she was rescued by a passing ferry.



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