

ACTIVITY: Surfing

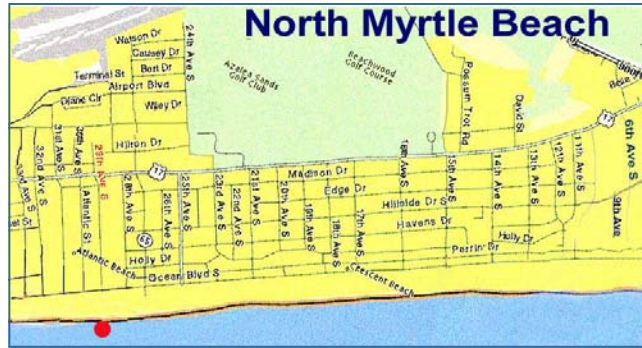
CASE: GSAF 1995.07.00

DATE: Early July 1995

LOCATION: The incident took place off 29th Avenue South at Myrtle Beach, Horry County, South Carolina.

NAME: Roberto Perez

DESCRIPTION: Perez is a male from Surfside Beach.



BACKGROUND

DEPTH OF WATER AT INCIDENT SITE: “Chest-deep”

NARRATIVE: “I jumped off my board and [the shark] was two feet below the surface ... I could make out a dark figure,” Perez said. “I landed on him like a horse, with one foot on each side. As soon as he felt me, he twitched and he grabbed my foot.”

INJURY: His foot was bitten.

TREATMENT: He was treated at an area hospital and released.

SPECIES INVOLVED: This was the second of six incidents reported this year off the coast of South Carolina this year.

SOURCE: The Aiken Standard (Aiken, South Carolina), Saturday August 12, 1995

CASE INVESTIGATORS: Clay Creswell, Global Shark Attack File.

Teen Becomes Fourth Shark Bite Victim

MYRTLE BEACH (AP) — A shark attack on a 14-year-old Ohio girl this week is the fourth report of a shark biting a swimmer off the Grand Strand this summer.

Venus Lindsey, of Amelia, Ohio, was bitten on her left foot late Thursday while in water between 3 and 4 feet deep at the Ocean Lakes Campground south of Myrtle Beach.

Lindsey will be on crutches for several weeks, Grand Strand Regional Medical Center spokeswoman Joan Carroza said. Doctors don't expect the teen to have any permanent damage.

On June 17, Jim Whitney of Myrtle Beach was bitten on his foot while surfing 400 yards off Garden City Beach.

In early July, Roberto Perez of Surfside Beach was bitten on the foot while in chest-deep water in Myrtle Beach.

On July 24, a 7-year-old Georgia girl was bitten on her foot while swimming in waist-deep water off Pawleys Island. Her name was not released.