

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: [GSAF 1995.07.28.d](#)

DATE: Friday July 28, 1995

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean slightly south of Ponce de Leon Inlet, Volusia County, Florida, USA.

29.1°N, 81°W

NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: The surfer is a male.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: New Moon, July 27, 1995

ENVIRONMENT: Volusia County lifeguard, Captain Paul Pivec, said that some of the surfers reported seeing sharks (species unknown) that were about two feet in length.

TIME: 14h45

NARRATIVE: No details.

INJURY: He sustained a minor gash to his lower leg.

SPECIES INVOLVED: Not identified

NOTE: Lifeguards closed the area to swimmers for about 15 minutes after this incident. This was the first time there were three incidents at this beach within a 15-minute time period, suggesting to lifeguards that there was “a school of sharks prowling for fish off New Smyrna Beach.”

SOURCES: Cory Lancaster and Mark Losey, Orlando Sentinel, July 29, 1995, page A.1; Pat LaMee, Orlando Sentinel, August 12, 1995, page D.1

