

ACTIVITY: Wading

CASE: GSAF 2002.09.05

DATE: September 5, 2002

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean off the 2200 block South Ocean Beach, Daytona Beach Shores, Volusia County, Florida, USA.

29.2°N, 81.0°W

NAME: Alex Lancaster

DESCRIPTION: He is a 36-year-old male.

BACKGROUND

WEATHER: At 17h40, Daytona Beach recorded overcast skies, and 10 mile visibility. The air temperature was 75.2°F [24°C], dew point 73.4°F [23°C], humidity 94%, sea level pressure 29.90 in [1012.4 hPa], and wind direction was SSE at 4.6 mph [7.4 km/h].

MOON PHASE: Waning Crescent, 4% of the Moon's visible disk illuminated. New Moon, September 7, 2002.

SEA CONDITIONS: The water was murky.

DEPTH OF WATER: Knee-deep

TIME: 17h45

NARRATIVE: Lancaster was wading when he stepped on the shark, and the shark struck his left foot.

INJURY: There were small puncture wounds on the left foot.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: No treatment was needed. Lancaster contacted the Volusia County Beach Patrol the next day to report the incident.

SPECIES INVOLVED: A hammerhead or bonnethead shark about one or two feet in length.

NOTE: This is classed as a provoked incident.

CASE INVESTIGATOR: Captain Scott Petersohn, GSAF

