**ACTIVITY:** Playing

CASE: GSAF 2004.11.26

DATE: Friday November 26, 2004

LOCATION: The incident took place at Gonubie, 13 kilometres northeast of East London

Harbor in the Eastern Cape Province, South Africa. 32°56'S, 28°02,1'E

NAME: Arno de Bruyn

**DESCRIPTION:** He is a 16-year-old male

**BACKGROUND** 

MOON PHASE: Full Moon

**NARRATIVE:** The boy's father, Ockert de Bruyn, of Bloemfontein, said he was working in East London and Arno and his brother, who live in Pretoria, had just arrived to spend the weekend with him. "The children were swimming in the shallow water. I was playing with him. The next moment Arno was shouting, 'I'm bitten, I'm bitten'." De Bruyn said he thought Arno was joking, until he saw his foot.

**INJURY:** Arno sustained minor lacerations on his lower leg and foot.

**FIRST AID /TREATMENT:** According to Arno's father, 14 stitches were need to repair the wound

**SPECIES INVOLVED:** De Bruyn said they subsequently identified the shark as a ragged-tooth.

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