

ACTIVITY: Wading

CASE: GSAF 2008.06.20

DATE: Friday June 20, 2008

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at Fernandina Beach, Nassau County, Florida, USA.

30.6°N 81.5°W

NAME: Jennifer Cation

DESCRIPTION: She is a 35-year-old female from Birmingham, Alabama.

BACKGROUND

WEATHER: At 11h09, Fernandina Beach recorded an air temperature of 85.8°F [29.9°C], dew point 62.7°F [17.1°C], sea level pressure 30.03 inches [1016.8hPa], the air was calm with light gusts of 5 mph [8 km/h], and there was no rain.

MOON PHASE: Waning Gibbous, 96% of the Moon was illuminated.

DEPTH OF WATER: Waist-deep

TIME: 11h00

NARRATIVE: Jennifer Cation was in the water with her six-year-old daughter, Lillie, when the shark bumped her leg. She scooped up her daughter and headed toward shore. Her husband assisted her to the beach.

INJURY: Severe lacerations to both sides of her lower right calf.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: Ocean bathers in the area initially treated the patient until a Fernandina Beach Fire Rescue lifeguard arrived and performed emergency treatment until the arrival of paramedics who performed advanced life support. The patient was flown via air ambulance to Shands-Jacksonville Medical Center for further treatment.

SPECIES: Not identified

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Jennifer Cation and her daughter, Lillie