

ACTIVITY: Wading

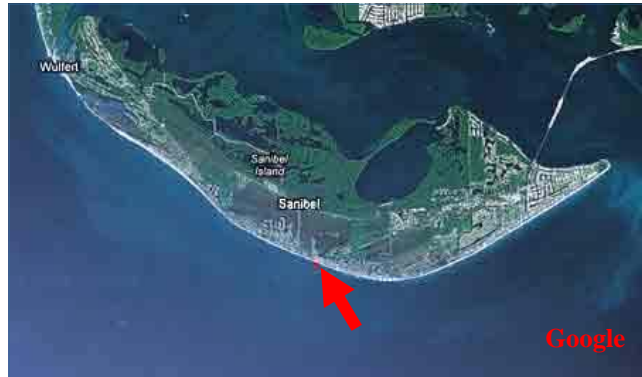
CASE: GSAF 2009.04.03

DATE: Friday April 3, 2009

LOCATION: The accident took place in the Gulf of Mexico at Sanibel Island, Lee County, Florida, USA.

NAME: Jack May

DESCRIPTION: He is a 15-year-old male from Denver, Colorado. He was wearing swim shoes.



BACKGROUND

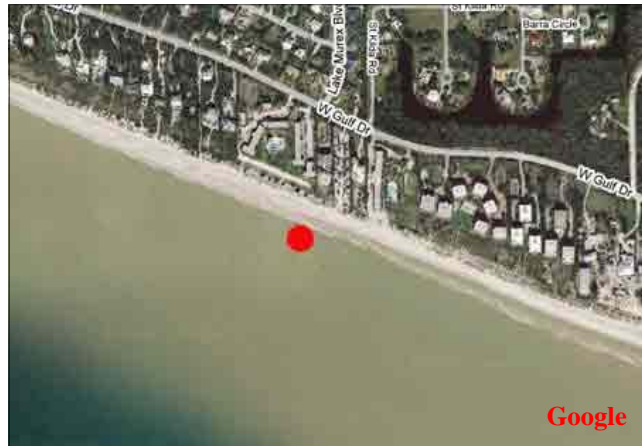
WEATHER: At 15h53, Fort Myers recorded visibility of 10 miles and partly cloudy skies. The air temperature was 84°, dew point 69.1°F, humidity 61%, sea level pressure 29.92 inches (falling) and wind direction was SW at 13.8 mph.

MOON PHASE: First Quarter, April 2, 2009. Full Moon, April 9, 2009

SEA CONDITIONS: The water was rough and murky.

DEPTH OF WATER: Thigh deep

TIME: Afternoon (just prior to 16h11)



NARRATIVE: Jack May was playing around in the waves when he felt a huge bump. "Right away I knew it was a shark," he said. "I was really scared when I first saw the cut. My swim shoe had a big cut in it. It didn't look good. I yelled 'Shark! Shark!'" He walked ashore unaided.

INJURY: Lacerations to dorsum of right foot and ankle.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: The boy's mother bandaged the injury. Then he was then taken to a hospital, where 28 stitches were needed to repair the wounds. He did not require admission to the hospital.

SPECIES: Not identified and the boy never saw the shark.

SOURCES: Cape Coral News, April 3, 2009

<http://www.cape-coral-daily-breeze.com/page/content.detail/id/504850.html?nav=5069>

NBC2 News, April 3, 2009

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