

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 2011.03.10

DATE: Thursday March 10, 2011

LOCATION: Tallow Beach, Byron Bay, New South Wales, Australia.

NAME: Prem Puri

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Waxing Crescent, 23% of the Moon was illuminated. First Quarter, March 13, 2011.

SEA CONDITIONS: 1.5 metre surf

ENVIRONMENT: Tallow Beach is the most easterly point on the Australian continent. There was a large pod of dolphins with their young in a channel close to shore, according to the surfer.

TIME: 13h00

NARRATIVE: Prem Puri was riding a wave about 100 metres south of the lighthouse when he was suddenly hit from behind and knocked from his board. As he surfaced he felt a searing pain in his foot and found a sizable chunk missing from his board.

SPECIES: Shark involvement suspected but not confirmed.

SOURCE: Lismore Northern Star,

<http://www.northernstar.com.au/story/2011/03/14/suspected-shark-attack-breaks-board-byron-bay/>

<http://www.northernstar.com.au/story/2011/03/15/byron-surfers-close-call-prem-puri-surfer-shark/>



Prem Puri and his surfboard



Byron Bay