

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 2011.04.22

DATE: Friday April 22, 2011

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean off the Beachway Avenue approach at New Smyrna Beach, Volusia County, Florida, USA.

NAME: Ronald White

DESCRIPTION: He is a 49-year-old male.

BACKGROUND

WEATHER: At 15h48, New Smyrna Beach recorded clear skies and visibility of 10 miles. The air temperature was 82.4°F, dew point 68°F, humidity 62%, sea level pressure 30.13 inches and wind direction was SE at 16.1 mph.

MOON PHASE: Waning Gibbous, 74% of the Moon was illuminated.

DEPTH OF WATER: Three to four feet.

TIME: 15h30

NARRATIVE: Ronald White was coming back to shore when he was nipped by a shark.

INJURY: He sustained only minor puncture wounds.

TREATMENT: Mr. White said he did not need to be hospitalized.

SPECIES: Based on the wounds, it was thought the incident involved a small shark approximately one to two feet in length.

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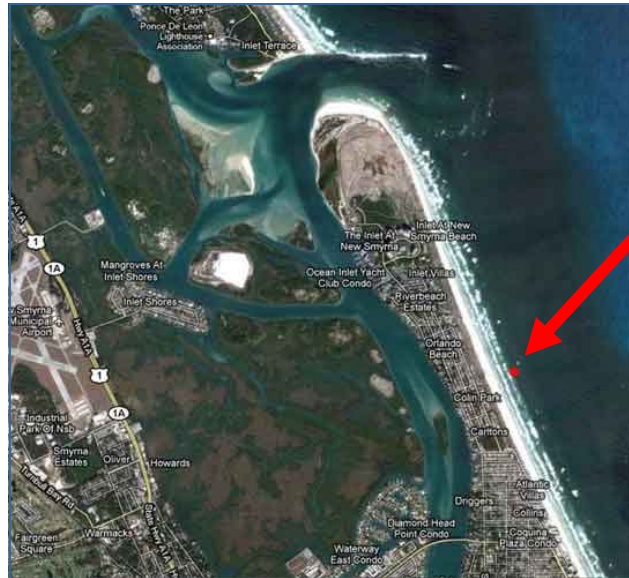
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On April 13, 2013, Ronald White's son, Joshua, was surfing at New Smyrna Beach when he, too, sustained a minor injury from a shark.