



ACTIVITY: Boogie-boarding

CASE: [GSAF 2012.09.02.b](#)

DATE: Sunday September 2, 2012

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

NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: She is an eight-year-old female from Deltona.

BACKGROUND

WEATHER: At 18h47, New Smyrna Beach recorded clear skies and 10-mile visibility. The air temperature was 82.4°F, dew point 69.8°F, humidity 66%, sea level pressure 30.02 inches and wind direction was East at 5.8 mph.

MOON PHASE: Waning Gibbous, 95% of the Moon was illuminated. Full Moon, August 31, 2012.

SEA CONDITIONS: Many migrating bait fish were in the water. According to authorities, the underwater visibility was poor because of crashing waves; waves were churning up the sandy seabed, decreasing underwater visibility.

DEPTH OF WATER: Two to three feet

TIME: 18h30

NARRATIVE: According to witnesses, the shark grasped the girl, then immediately released her. "She was brave," said Capt. Jack Driskell of Volusia County Beach Patrol. "She didn't want to go to the hospital. She wasn't in pain. She said all the shark was doing was looking for food."

INJURY: She sustained minor puncture wounds to her calf and hand.

TREATMENT: Her parents took her to Bert Fish Medical Center in New Smyrna Beach for treatment. According to the press, both the girl and the woman who was nipped two hours earlier required stitches.

SPECIES: Not identified. The shark was reported to be 3.5 to 4-feet in length.