



ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: [GSAF 2014.03.02](#)

DATE: Sunday March 2, 2014

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at Santa Lucea Beach on South Hutchinson Island, St. Lucie County, Florida, USA.

NAME: Dylan Fugitt

DESCRIPTION: He is a 20-year-old male from Stuart.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Waxing Crescent, 3% of the Moon was illuminated. New Moon, March 1, 2014.

ENVIRONMENT: Adam Ryan, a surfer who routinely surfs Santa Lucea, said he has seen hundreds of migrating blacktip and spinner sharks in the last few weeks. "They are just feeding on fish and unfortunately once in a while we get in their way."

NARRATIVE: Dylan Fugitt was surfing with his brother, Casey. Dylan stepped off his surfboard and his foot landed on a shark's head. "I kind of just dropped down and tried to jump back up and must have turned his head," said Dylan. "I pulled my foot out at the same time. Nothing you really can do. Its just an accident."

INJURY: Minor lacerations to toes.

TREATMENT: The surfer's injuries were repaired with 20 stitches.

SPECIES: Not identified by the surfer, but most likely a spinner or blacktip shark. “You see them whenever you are out there,” said Dylan. “You them in clear water. You can't see them in the white wash and that's where they usually get mixed up and they just tag you.”

SOURCE: Lynn Gordon, CBS 12, March 3, 2014