



ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 2014.03.21

DATE: Friday March 21, 2014

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at MacArthur State Park, Florida, USA.

NAME: Sebastian Cozzen

DESCRIPTION: He is a nine-year-old male from North Palm Beach.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Waning Gibbous, 75% of the Moon was illuminated. Last Quarter, March 23, 2014.

NARRATIVE: "The shark came up and bit me and started to pull me into the water," Sebastian said.

His mom, Diana Cozzan, watched him from shore and realized something was wrong. "I saw something," she said. "He is jumping around and I thought, something is happening. I saw the fish jumping on top of him and I thought, no way." She ran into the water, but by the time she got there, her son had taken care of things.

"I just kicked the shark inside the mouth and he just got hurt I think," Sebastian said. The



Sebastian Cozzen



Sebastian and his mother examine the surfboard

shark swam off, and Sebastian made it out of the water.

INJURY: The boy sustained lacerations to the toes and heel of his right foot.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: The injuries required more than 80 stitches to repair.

SPECIES: Sebastian said he didn't get a good look at the shark, but he doesn't blame him for the bite. "Don't be scared, they won't try and bite you," Sebastian said. "They are just trying to look for fish, this barely ever happens."

NOTE: Dave Cozzen, Sebastian's father, was bitten by a shark off Ocean Reef on Singer Island when he was 19-years old.

SOURCE: Erin Guy, WPBF, March 26, 2014
<http://www.wpbf.com/news/boy-9-recovering-with-more-than-80-stitches-after-shark-bite/25179804?tru=ByOs6#mid=18632294>