



ACTIVITY: Fishing

CASE: [GSAF 2014.04.12](#)

DATE: Saturday April 12, 2014

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Indian ocean near Rufane's River northeast of Port Alfred, Eastern Cape Province, South Africa.

NAME: Lionel McDougall

DESCRIPTION: He is a 42-year-old male.

BACKGROUND

TIME: Morning

NARRATIVE: McDougall was taking part in a rock and surf angling competition and had foul-hooked (hooked one of the shark's fins). While attempting to recover the shark, by grabbing it by the tail...the shark turned around and bit his left leg, As the angler was attempting to pry the shark's jaw open to prevent it from doing further damage to his leg, he sustained lacerations and puncture wound bites to his hand and fingers.

INJURY: The fisherman sustained lacerations to the left leg, lacerations and puncture wound bites to the left hand and puncture wounds to two fingers.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: Fellow anglers came to his assistance, bandaged and applied a tourniquet to his leg. When the National Sea Rescue Institute arrived, they found

McDougall in a stable condition. The crew redressed some of the wounds and took the injured fisherman to a hospital in Port Alfred for further treatment. A shark tooth found embedded in his left knee was to be surgically removed

SPECIES: The incident involved a male raggedtooth shark more than two metres in length. The shark was measured and released safely back into the ocean.

NOTE: This was a provoked incident. The angler had hooked the shark before it bit him.