ACTIVITY: Swimming
CASE: GSAF 2015.05.07
DATE: Thursday May 7, 2015
LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at Cocoa Beach, Brevard County Florida, USA.

NAME: Josh Green
DESCRIPTION: He is a University of Central Florida student.

Josh Green

BACKGROUND
WEATHER: At 14h58, the sky was clear with 10 mile visibility. The air temperature was 80.8°F, dew point 62.2°F, humidity 53%, sea level pressure 30.01 inches and wind direction was NE at 12.7 mph.
MOON PHASE: Waning Gibbous, 87% of the Moon was illuminated. Full Moon, May 3, 2015. Last Quarter, May 11, 2015.
TIME: 15h00

NARRATIVE: Josh Green was at the beach with a group of friends but was alone in the water when he was bitten. "Everybody wanted to tan so I just went out by myself. I was riding with the waves and body surfing when out of nowhere I feel something grab my leg and yank," Green said. That's when Green says he punched the shark and was able to get free and head to safety. "When I hit it, my foot was sort of released and I just swam to shore as fast as possible."

INJURY: Lacerations to lower right leg, ankle and foot

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: "I limped out over to my friends and they brought me up to the lifeguard," Green said. The lifeguard drove me to my friends car and they drove me to the clinic where he received a total of 18 stitches in his calf, foot and ankle.

SPECIES: Green said he never actually saw the shark, but the lifeguard told him that based on the injuries, the bites looked to be from what was most likely a 4-5 foot black tip shark.

SOURCES: Jacob Sadowsky, KnightNews.com, May 9, 2015,
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