

CASE: GSAF 2015.06.25.R

DATE: Reported Thursday June 25, 1915

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Indian Ocean at Rottnest Island, Western Australia, Australia.

NAME: Stephen

DESCRIPTION: He is a 19-year-old university student.

NARRATIVE: The shark was swimming along the beach when Stephen picked the shark up by its tail. The fish whipped around and bit his arm. The shark was returned to the water.

INJURY: Minor shallow lacerations to left forearm

SPECIES: Wobbegong shark

SOURCES: West Australian Police, June 25, 2015

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<http://www.watoday.com.au/wa-news/rotnest-shark-catcher-not-the-smartest-bear-in-the-woods-20150626-ghyiw4.html>

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<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-3149625/Man-left-bloodied-red-faced-police-post-Facebook-picture-bitten-shark-tried-pick.up.html#ixzz3eBTuBUOX>

NOTE: This was a provoked incident.



Photo by W.A. Police

Stephen, with wobbegong shark that bit his arm when he picked it up by the tail.