

ACTIVITY: Surfing

CASE: GSAF 2015.11.16

DATE: Monday November 16, 2015

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean off Playalinda Beach, Brevard County, Florida, USA.

NAME: Aaron Conti

DESCRIPTION:

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Waxing Crescent, 24% of the Moon was illuminated. First Quarter, November 19, 2015.

SEA CONDITIONS: Strong surf

ENVIRONMENT: Playalinda is located at the southern tip of the Canaveral National Seashore.

TIME: Early Afternoon

NARRATIVE: Aaron Conti said he was out for a day of surfing to clear his mind and relax. "I like nature. It's God's creation. You see stuff," he said. He was on his board early Monday afternoon when a shark grabbed his right foot. "This is the first time I had a shark bite, but wasn't too bad. (It) felt like an electric shock hitting my heel," Conti said.

INJURY: Right heel injured

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: Conti said he rushed out of the water, called 911, and used Gatorade as an antiseptic. Emergency responders tended to his injury, then the surfer elected to drive himself to the hospital for further treatment.

SPECIES: Not identified. Conti said the incident has left him less fearful of sharks. "As soon as this thing heals up I'm going back."

SOURCE: WFTV, November 17, 2015

<http://www.wftv.com/news/news/local/surfer-bitten-shark-playalinda-beach/npPMF/>



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