

**ACTIVITY:** Walking

**CASE:** GSAF 2016.04.09

**DATE:** Saturday April 9, 2016

**LOCATION:** The incident took place in the lagoon at Poé, near Bourail on the west coast of New Caledonia.

**NAME:** Nicole Malignon

**DESCRIPTION:** She was a 69-year-old female

**BACKGROUND**

**MOON PHASE:** Waxing Crescent, 4% of the Moon was illuminated. New Moon, April 7, 2016.

**DEPTH OF WATER:** 1.5 metres

**TIME:** 10h45

**NARRATIVE:** Nicole Malignon was bathing her dog when she was severely injured by the shark. Thierry Chanson, who was teaching his five-year-old son to sail board 50 metres seaward of the woman, heard her scream. He told his son to remain on his board and go to the beach as he swam toward the injured woman. Chason grabbed her under her arms and brought her to the beach.

**INJURY:** Fatal

**FIRST AID / TREATMENT:** Two towels were fashioned as tourniquets, a blanket was fetched, and CPR was applied until firefighters arrived, but the patient succumbed to her injuries an hour after the attack.

**SPECIES:** The incident involved a tiger shark 2.5 metres in length.

**SOURCES:** Benin Monde Infos, April 9, 2016

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Photo by Thierry Perron

*The beach at Poé after the attack. A SAMU helicopter flies overhead.*