

ACTIVITY: Free diving
CASE: **GSAF 2016.12.14**
DATE: Wednesday December 14, 2016
LOCATION: Trigg beach, Western Australia

NAME: Tim Roberts
DESCRIPTION: A 61-year-old male from Scarborough.

BACKGROUND

ENVIRONMENT: Tim Roberts said he had noticed a big increase in the number of sharks and other dangerous sea life, including stingrays, because of the fish tails and guts that wash out to sea after fishermen gut them on shore.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 100 metres

TIME: Just before 09h30

NARRATIVE: Roberts believes a shark bit his foot through his swim fin. "I swam like crazy after I felt that," he said. "I was waiting for the inevitable big bite, but it never happened." He said he will never forget the fear of a shark attack while swimming to shore. "That was the worst part, that feeling like your legs are going like jelly," he said.

INJURY: Punctures to left foot / ankle.

FIRST AID/ TREATMENT: When Roberts reached the shore he bound his foot with duct tape, then rode his motorcycle home where he applied a bandage.

SPECIES: Not identified

SOURCES: Perth Now, December 15, 2016

<http://www.perthnow.com.au/news/western-australia/perth-diver-bitten-on-ankle-by-shark-at-trigg-beach/news-story/25a55ce0fbcebb1826b11751ebef0fb8>

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