

# SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT STATION - **RNLI NEWS RELEASE**



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## LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report 26/2005

### **BROKEN DOWN DIVE RIB CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE DURING LIFEBOAT FETE**

Call Out No:	26	/ 2005			
Day:	Monday	Time:	2.13pm	Date:	29 <sup>th</sup> August 2005
Weather:	Fine	Wind Speed:	Force 5 gusting 7	Direction:	North West
Visibility:	Clear	Sea State:	Moderate/choppy		
Lifeboat(s) Launched :	All Weather Lifeboat	Crew: -	Michael Douglas, John Hanvey, Eric Stanwix, Zeddy Annison, Martin Malone, Neil Calvert Glen Annison, Paul Allison, Kerensa Airey	Landrover / Shore Crew:	n/a
Returned to Station:	Continued with Fete Display	Service Duration:	45 minutes	Coastguard Incident No:	026756

At 2.13pm on **Bank Holiday Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2005**, Seahouses RNLI All Weather Lifeboat and Inshore Lifeboat were carrying out displays for the public, at their annual Lifeboat Fete, which had been opened by TV Celebrity John Leslie, supported by Fish from pop group Merillion. They had just returned their VIP passengers to the harbour, when Humber Coastguard requested the immediate services of the Lifeboat, to assist a broken down dive RIB (Rigid inflatable boat), "Forum Diver". which gave its description as somewhere between the Farne Islands and Beadnell Point. As the RIB had called using a marine VHF radio, the lifeboat could quickly identify its exact position using direction finding equipment. The RIB had two males and two females aboard, from the Durham and Billingham areas. The women were taken aboard the Lifeboat, while the men stayed aboard the RIB which was towed to Seahouses and landed safely. The Lifeboat then made a speedy turn around, to rendezvous just off the harbour at Seahouses with the RAF Rescue Helicopter from Boulmer, for an excellent rescue demonstration, with Lifeboat Crewmen being winched from the Lifeboat and the water, while flares were fired simulating a distress situation. The display was very well received by the public attending the Fete. Information about the funds raised by the Fete, are not yet available.

Ends.

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