

SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT STATION - *RNLI NEWS RELEASE*

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Lifeboats

LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report 29 & 30 / 2008

PERSONS REPORTED IN DIFFICULTY IN THE WATER - FATALITY

DATE/TIME LAUNCHED	RETURNED TO STATION	LIFEBOAT(S) LAUNCHED	WEATHER	WIND	SEA STATE	VISIBILITY
Tuesday 2 nd Sept 2008	19.38hr	Both Lifeboats	Part Cloudy	SE Force 4	Slight	Good

At **19.38pm** on **Tuesday 26th August 2008**, Humber Coastguard requested the immediate launch of both Seahouses Lifeboats, to a report of persons in difficulty in the water at Beadnell. The Deputy Launch Authority paged both Lifeboats, and just as the boats were about to launch, Humber Coastguard reported that all persons were safely ashore, but one was still outstanding. Both Lifeboats launched and the ILB was on scene, and located the missing person off the shore at Beadnell. The casualty was pulled aboard the Inshore Lifeboat, where the crew gave emergency resuscitation as they brought him ashore. The All Weather Lifeboat went straight to the harbour at Beadnell, and several crew went ashore to assist the ILB Crew, who were doing all possible to resuscitate the casualty. An RAF helicopter then attended and the casualty, a male approx 40yr, was airlifted and flown directly to hospital, while being treated by the helicopter crew. The Lifeboats meanwhile returned to station.

It was later established that the casualty had been pronounced dead at hospital. ***Our deepest condolences go to the relatives and friends of the deceased.*** It is believed that the deceased may have taken ill while snorkelling off the shore at Beadnell.

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