

SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT STATION - *RNLI NEWS RELEASE*

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LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report 38 / 2010

DIVER WITH POSSIBLE BENDS

DATE/TIME LAUNCHED	RETURNED TO STATION	LIFEBOAT(S) LAUNCHED	WEATHER	WIND	SEA STATE	VISIBILITY
Sat 7th August 2010 14.20hr	14.45hr	Inshore Lifeboat	Fine	NE Force 3	Calm	Good

At 14.20hr on **Saturday 7th August, 2010**, **Humber Coastguard** received a report from the Dive Support vessel "Farne Diver 1", that one of their party of divers, a 50yr old male from the St Helens area of Lancashire, was displaying symptoms of the bends. The vessel was over a mile off Seahouses, and heading for the harbour. The diver was being given oxygen. The Lifeboat Crew were on station for an exercise, and the deputy Launch Authority contacted Humber Coastguard, who requested the Inshore Lifeboat to launch and carry additional oxygen to the casualty vessel. This was done, and Lifeboat crew boarded the casualty boat, but the diver was being adequately supervised, with a sufficient supply of oxygen. The ILB escorted the boat into Seahouses, where an ambulance had been called, and the Rescue Helicopter from RAF Boulmer attended and flew the ill diver to the decompression chamber at Hull.

The Inshore Lifeboat then returned to station. Ends.