

SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT STATION - RNLI NEWS RELEASE

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From Local Station Press Officer:



Lifeboats

LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report 47 & 48 / 2010

TWO YOUNG BOYS REPORTED IN THE WATER, POSSIBLY WASHED OFF SEAHOUSES BREAKWATER

DATE/TIME LAUNCHED	RETURNED TO STATION	LIFEBOAT(S) LAUNCHED	WEATHER	WIND	SEA STATE	VISIBILITY
Sun 29th August 2010 18. 25hr	18.50hr	Both Lifeboats	Squally	NNW Force 7	Rough	Moderate

At 18.25hr on **Saturday 28th August, 2010**, Humber Coastguard requested the urgent launch of Seahouses Inshore Lifeboat, to go to the assistance of two boys who were reported as being in the water, possibly washed off the outer Seahouses Breakwater, by the rough seas which were breaking over the piers. The Inshore Lifeboat was quickly launched and it was decided that due to the rough seas, and the fact that the two boys were reported to be on the seaward side of the breakwater, it was decided to also launch the All Weather Lifeboat to act as a safety boat for the Inshore Lifeboat. As the All Weather Lifeboat was launching on the slip into the harbour, further reports were received that the boys had safely scrambled ashore and climbed a cliff. Due to the confused communications, the Lifeboat Operations Manager located the first informant to verify the information, before the lifeboats were stood down and returned to station.

Lifeboat Operations Manager Ian Clayton later issued a warning to children playing in the area “***The recent tragedy at Whitby is still fresh in our minds, and today the very rough seas were bursting over the piers at Seahouses, and could easily wash people off into the sea where their chances of survival would be very minimal. I would urge people to use common sense, and treat the sea with respect. We do not want another tragedy on this coastline.***”

Ends.