



**RNLI PRESS RELEASE**

**REPORT No: 8/99**

**Fishing vessel in distress - rope around propeller  
and taking water.**

At 10.33pm on Tuesday 1st June, 1999, Tyne Tees Coastguard requested the immediate launch of the Seahouses All Weather Lifeboat, to go to the aid of the fishing boat "Bright Ray", which had picked up a rope around its propeller, and was taking water through its propshaft. The vessel is in the fishing grounds known as the Farn Deeps, approximately 18 miles offshore east of Seahouses. The Lifeboat under the command of Coxswain David Shiel, launched at once and is proceeding at full speed to the casualty. It is expected that the lifeboat should reach the vessel at about 12.30am. At this time, it is presumed that the Coxswain will take the casualty in tow back to Seahouses, where it is expected to arrive at about 4am. The latest information from the Coastguard is that there are three persons on board the fishing boat, and the water leak is now under control. At this time, the vessel is not in any immediate danger.

11.30pm 1/06/99.

Ends.

Seahouses Lifeboat Crew.

