



## Seahouses Lifeboat Station

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From Station Press Officer

### LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report No 13/2003

### CHILD WITH SUSPECTED BROKEN ANKLE ON STAPLE ISLAND (FARNES).

**Date:** Saturday 21/06/03    **Callout time:** 12.04pm    **Launch time:** 12.11pm  
**Wind speed:** 4    **Wind direction:** SW    **Sea state:** Moderate, 1.5m swells  
**Weather:** Cloudy    **Visibility:** Good    **Casualty:** Child with suspected ankle fracture  
**Recovery Time:** 3.10pm    **Coastguard Incident No:** DIN.371  
**Location:** Staple Island, Farnes.    **Lifeboat:** All Weather Lifeboat.  
**Crew:** Michael Douglas, Ian Fisher, Mick Hoyle, Edward Fordy, Paul Ternent, Stuart Patterson.  
**Launchers:** Scott Priestley, Eric Stanwix.

**Details:** At 12.04pm on Saturday, 21st June 2003, Humber Coastguard received a report that a female child had suffered a suspected fractured ankle, while visiting Staple Island, at the Farnes. Helicopters are not permitted over the islands, because of the risk of a bird strike, which could put the aircraft at risk. At the request of the Coastguard, the All Weather Lifeboat was launched, and on arrival at Staple Island, the girl was given First Aid by the lifeboat crew, and placed in a stretcher with her ankle strapped and padded. Together with her parents, she was brought to Seahouses and handed over to an awaiting ambulance, which took her to Wansbeck Hospital for treatment. The lifeboat returned to station and was ready for service by 3.36pm.

Ends.