



Seahouses Lifeboat Station

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From Station Press Officer

LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report No 7/2003

WOMAN THROWS HERSELF FROM SEAHOUSES BREAKWATER INTO THE SEA FOR A SECOND TIME !.

Date: Thursday 08/05/03 **Callout time:** 12.08am **Launch time:** 12.12am
Wind speed: 3/4 **Wind direction:** S **Sea state:** 1m Swells
Weather: Clear **Visibility:** Clear **Casualty:** Possible suicidal female.
Recovery Time: 1.05am **Coastguard Incident No:** H.222
Location: Seahouses Harbour.

Crew: *Inshore Lifeboat* : John Hanvey, David Fordy, Paul Tennent.

Launchers: Sandy Straughan (Landrover), Ian Clayton, Ian Fisher.

Details: At 12.08am on Thursday, 8th May 2003, Humber Coastguard made an immediate request for the launch of the Seahouses Inshore Lifeboat to stand by, as Coastguard and police personnel were dealing with a disturbed female for a second time, who was threatening to throw herself again off the end of Seahouses Breakwater Pier. The Inshore Lifeboat launched at once and proceeded to stand by off the end of the breakwater. Paramedics were talking with the woman in an attempt to get her back to safety, when she jumped again into the harbour from the pier steps. This was the same woman who had been rescued by the inshore lifeboat on Saturday 3rd May, 2003. The inshore lifeboat was on the scene within seconds, and the woman was pulled from the water into the lifeboat. The woman was wet and cold and in a distressed condition. She was brought ashore, and handed over to an awaiting ambulance, which conveyed her to Alnwick Infirmary for assessment and treatment. Local coastguards used floodlights to illuminate the scene.

The woman who was believed to be in her 40's, and from the Cramlington area, was known to the authorities, and did not require resuscitation on this occasion. Once she was in the care of the ambulance crew, the Lifeboat returned to station at 1.05am.

Ends.

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