

SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT STATION - *RNLI NEWS RELEASE*

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Lifeboats

LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

YACHT IN DANGER OF BEING CARRIED ONTO ROCKS RESCUED BY SEAHOUSES LIFEBOAT

Call Out No:	07 / 2004				
Day:	Friday	Time:	2.20PM	Date:	04 th June 2004
Weather:	Fine	Wind Speed:	Force 4	Direction:	North/West
Visibility:	Clear	Sea State:	Slight		
Lifeboat(s) Launched :	Mersey Lifeboat	Crew:	Micahel Douglas (Cox), Ian Fisher, Ian Clayton, Neil Calvert, Jonathon Shiel		
Returned to Station:	4.05pm	Service Duration:	1hr 45mins	Coastguard Incident No:	322

At **2.20pm**, on Friday 4th June, 2004, Humber Coastguard received a VHF radio call from the skipper of the 9 metre yacht "Favonia", reporting that the yacht's propeller had been fouled by a rope, and although he had put down an anchor, the anchor was dragging and the boat was in danger of being blown onto rocky shore at Holy Island. He requested immediate assistance. Seahouses Lifeboat crew were paged for immediate launch, and Holy Island Coastguards were called out. The Lifeboat reached the yacht within approximately 20 minutes of launching, which was lying in the channel below the old Coastguard Look-out. There was a gusty breeze, and a slightly choppy sea. A crewman was put aboard, and a tow line was passed. After discussion with the skipper, the Coxswain took the yacht in tow to Holy Island Haven, where it was met by local Coastguards, and safely moored. An inspection would be carried out at low tide, to remove the rope and check for any damage.

The Lifeboat returned to station, once the yacht was safely moored at Holy Island, and after the yacht skipper had expressed his thanks to the Lifeboat Crew for their assistance.

Ends.

Photographs to follow.