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DUTCH YACHT PUTS OUT DISTRESS CALL

DATE/TIME LAUNCHED	RETURNED TO STATION	LIFEBOAT(S) LAUNCHED	WEATHER	WIND	SEA STATE	VISIBILITY
Tue 27th July 2010 03.32hr	06.05hr	Both Lifeboats	Fine	S Force 3	Calm	Good

Shortly before **03.30hr** on **Tuesday 27th July, 2010**, **Humber Coastguard** received a distress call from the 11mtr Dutch Yacht "**Fast Jodocus**", with two persons on board. There were some language problems, but it was believed that the yacht was in some difficulty with its anchor, and in danger of grounding. Humber Coastguard immediately alerted the Seahouses Lifeboat Launch Authority, and both Seahouses Lifeboat Crews were paged for immediate launch. On arrival, the Lifeboats found that the yacht's anchor rope had become wrapped around its propeller, disabling the yacht which was in danger of going aground. The **Inshore Lifeboat "Peter Downes"** was first on scene, and its crew attempted unsuccessfully to free the rope. They then attached a tow to keep the yacht out of danger, till the arrival soon after of the bigger **All Weather Lifeboat "Grace Darling"**. The yacht skipper and his wife, both Belgian nationals, accepted a tow and the yacht was brought to the safety of Seahouses Harbour, so that the yacht could dry out at low tide, and the rope problem could be resolved. The yacht was not otherwise damaged during the incident. A very grateful Belgian couple were safely berthed at Seahouses at 06.05hr, and both Lifeboats returned to station. Ends.



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