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LAUNCH REPORT No: 1/2002.

THREE MALES TRAPPED ON HOLY ISLAND CAUSEWAY.



DATE: Saturday, 12th January, 2002. TIME: 3.04 pm.

LIFEBOATS LAUNCHED : Inshore Lifeboat "Martin, John and Ann" .

Humber Coastguard received a report that a car was trapped by the rising tide on Holy Island Causeway. It was established that three men in their twenties, possibly oriental, who had been visiting the area in a hire car, were trapped with their vehicle by the very high tide, while trying to cross the flooded causeway in contravention of the safe crossing times displayed. They had become wet while trying to push their car, and could have been at risk of hypothermia, so at 3.04pm the Coastguard requested the Seahouses ILB to launch. The Inshore Lifeboat proceeded by sea, arriving at 3.37pm, where the crew joined Berwick Coastguards on the causeway. The three men were given assistance, and were found not to require medical assistance. The tide was falling, so the coastguard unit remained with the casualties, until a recovery vehicle arrived to recover their vehicle from the side of the causeway. The Inshore Lifeboat was then released, and was returned to station by road trailer, towed by the station Landrover.

High tide at Seahouses was at 1.58pm that day.

Weather conditions at the time were bright, with good visibility and wind force 2/3, with only a slight sea. Coastguard personnel from Berwick, and Northumbria Police also attended.

Coastguard Incident No H.18 of 2002 refers.

Ends.