

PORTSMOUTH & SOUTHSEA VOLUNTARY LIFEGUARDS
INCIDENT REPORTS FOR SEASON MAY – SEPTEMBER 2002



DATE	NATURE OF INCIDENT	ACTION TAKEN
16/3/02	First Aid – cut hand	Treated
04/5/02	Broken down speed boat	Towed into harbour by rescue boat
05/5/02	First Aid – cut fingers	Treated
05/5/02	First Aid – grazed knee	Treated
05/5/02	Overdue sailing dinghy	Searched with Lifeguards on shore. Casualty found safe
06/5/02	Broken down sailing vessel	Towed into harbour by rescue boat
01/6/02	First Aid – grazed knee	Treated
02/6/02	First Aid – bruised and swollen leg	Treated
03/6/02	Fire ravaging motor cruiser in harbour	Rescue boat removed casualties and dog to shore
04/6/02	First Aid – cut knee	Treated
04/6/02	First Aid after assault – bleeding nose	Refused treatment
08/6/02	Broken down motor cruiser	Towed into harbour by rescue boat
15/6/02	Exhausted windsurfer	Returned to shore by rescue boat
23/6/02	First Aid – grazed knee	Treated
23/6/02	First Aid – grazed elbow	Treated
23/6/02	First Aid – glass in foot	Treated
23/6/02	First Aid – cut knee	Treated
23/6/02	Broken down sailing vessel impeding shipping	Towed into harbour by rescue boat, escorted by MOD
23/6/02	Broken down fishing vessel and seasickness of boy	Towed into harbour by rescue boat and treated sickness
25/6/02	First Aid – bleeding head injury after assault	Treated and hospitalised by ambulance
25/6/02	First Aid – trapped and bruised thumb	Treated
29/6/02	Capsized dinghy twice in choppy seas	Lifeguards assisted with rescue skis until arrival of L/B
30/6/02	Sailing vessel with broken rudder	Towed into harbour by rescue boat
10/7/02	Missing female reported by police	Lifeguards searched Piers above and below water
20/7/02	First Aid – grazed knee	Treated
20/7/02	First Aid – grazing and bruising to skateboarder	Treated
20/7/02	Swimmer trapped by tide	Assisted to shore by rescue boat
21/7/02	Sailing vessel with fouled propeller (lobster pot)	Propeller freed by Lifeguard diver
21/7/02	Youth stuck under pier after climbing structure	Youth rescued by Lifeguard rescue skis
21/7/02	Inflatable blown off shore with 2 children aboard	Inflatable and children returned to shore by rescue boat
24/7/02	First Aid – cut leg	Treated
27/7/02	First Aid – cut foot	Treated
27/7/02	First Aid – face injuries after assault	Treated, ambulance and police called.
27/7/02	First Aid – cuts to hand and pain in ribs	Treated and advised visit to hospital
27/7/02	First Aid – head injury due to stone throwing	Treated and advise medical treatment if sick
28/7/02	First Aid – cut foot	Treated
28/7/02	First Aid – elderly man collapsed due to heat	Treated and hospitalised by ambulance
28/7/02	Lost child	Lifeguards searched, found and reunited with guardian
01/8/02	First Aid – cut foot	Treated
02/8/02	First Aid – elderly woman fell and grazed head/hand	Treated
04/8/02	First Aid – cut knees	Treated
04/8/02	First Aid – insect sting on hand	Treated
05/8/02	First Aid – child bang on head	Treated and advise medical assistance with concussion
05/8/02	First Aid – cut toe	Treated
05/8/02	First Aid – insect sting on hand	Treated
05/8/02	First Aid – insect sting on hand	Treated
06/8/02	First Aid – wasp sting on knee	Treated
08/8/02	First Aid – debris in eye	Treated
10/8/02	First Aid – epileptic fit	Treated
10/8/02	First Aid – grazing after bicycle accident	Treated
13/8/02	First Aid – wasp sting on hand	Treated
13/8/02	First Aid – cut foot	Treated
14/8/02	First Aid – head injury due to stone throwing	Treated – advised medical assistance if required
15/8/02	First Aid – cut head	Treated
15/8/02	Lost Child	Lifeguards searched, found and reunited with guardian
15/8/02	First Aid – toenail problem	Treated
15/8/02	First Aid – reaction to suncream	Treated/washed
16/8/02	First Aid – cut toe	Treated
16/8/02	First Aid – grazing to leg	Treated
17/8/02	First Aid – cut feet	Treated
17/8/02	First Aid – cut toe	Treated
17/8/02	Lost children x 2	Lifeguards searched, found and reunited with parents
18/8/02	Seasick crew member on board yacht	Removed casualty and returned to shore by rescue boat
18/8/02	First Aid – cut knee	Treated

18/8/02	First Aid – grazed body after fall on promenade	Treated
18/8/02	Lost/confused elderly man on promenade	Returned man to care home nearby
18/8/02	Broken down sailing vessel	Towed to point of safety by rescue boat
21/8/02	First aid – grazed body to skateboarder	Treated
21/8/02	First Aid – cut forehead to fallen child	Treated
22/8/02	First Aid – bang to child’s forehead	Treated and taken to hospital
23/8/02	First Aid – cut head due to stone throwing	Treated and advised medical treatment
24/8/02	First Aid – grazed body after skating and fall	Treated
25/8/02	First Aid – cut foot from sea by pier	Treated
26/8/02	First Aid – bite to tongue	Treated
01/9/02	First Aid – cut hand	Treated
02/9/02	First Aid – grazed leg	Treated
02/9/02	First Aid – broken ankle	Taken to hospital by ambulance
03/9/02	First Aid – grazed wrists	Treated
04/9/02	First Aid – cut knee after skateboarding fall	Treated
14/9/02	First Aid – wasp sting on neck	Treated
21/9/02	First Aid – cut hand	Treated
21/9/02	Fire due to arson on a bush by pyramids	Attended, fire extinguished by Lifeguards
22/9/02	First Aid – debris in eye	Treated
29/9/02	First Aid – cut knee after skateboard fall	Treated

Total incidents	84	“109”	99	(83)	57	2002 figures
SSRO rescue boat incidents	13	“11”	26	(20)	20	“2001 figures”
Small patrol boat or rescue skis incidents	3	“7”	-	-	-	2000 figures
Other Lifeguard incidents	2	“6”	-	-	-	(1999 figures)
First Aids	62	“80”	59	(51)	21	1998 figures
Lost Children	4	“5”	7	(5)	11	
Persons assisted or rescued at sea	47	“38”	80	(71)	65	
Lives lost	0	“1”	0	(1)	0	
Land based incidents	66	-	-	-	-	
Water based incidents	18	-	-	-	-	

FIRST AID TRENDS	
Minor abrasions or bruising	18
Cuts or lacerations	27
Broken bones	1
Head injuries	5
Medical condition	3
Resuscitation required	0
Insect stings	6
Eye injuries	2
Burns	0
Involving stone throwing impact	3
Involving skateboarding injury	5
Involving assault/fighting/alcohol	3
Involving glass or needles	1
Injuries requiring hospital attendance	6

MONTHLY INCIDENT BREAKDOWN	
MAY	5
JUNE	17
JULY	15
AUGUST	36
SEPTEMBER	10

Honorary Secretary
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