



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2016 to JUNE 26, 2016

MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016- 1st Day of Summer!

WEEKLY MEETING: Due to the Firemen's Convention, the Monday meeting has been temporarily moved to Northside Park

OFFICERS' MEETING: Cancelled

CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS: 800hrs

FULL CREW CHIEF MEETING: 0815hrs

SEMAPHORE TEST: 0820hrs—REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE

CREW MEETING: 0830hrs (Turn in individual stats, get schedule, and assignments, and information from Crew Chief)

USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 0845hrs

GENERAL MEETING: 0850hrs

LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: Cancelled

Surf Rescue Academy II: Day 2- Dan Pogonowski- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Crew Organization, Rules of Conduct; Scan, Victim ID, Distressed Victim, & City Ordinances

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 5th / 73rd St

Tides: High: 0809hrs

Low: 1409hrs

Special Events: DPC Emergency Equipment Hospitality Event- 37th St.- 1500hrs to 2000hrs

Movies on the Beach- Tomorrowland- 27th St.- 2030hrs



	Monday 6/20/2016	Tuesday 6/21/2016	Wednesday 6/22/2016	Thursday 6/23/2016	Friday 6/24/2016	Saturday 6/25/2016	Sunday 6/26/2016	Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative actions								
First Aids								

Discover an ocean of fun!

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016

Surf Rescue Academy II: Day 3- Dan Pogonowski - Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Active & Passive Victims; Sand Holes

Evening Training: Red Cross First Aid Certification- 1630hrs- **Sgt. Jason Konyar**

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 3rd St. / 71st St.

Tides: High: 0852hrs

Low: 1451hrs

Special Events: Firemen Pipe & Drums- Boardwalk- N. Division to Wicomico- 0800hrs to 1000hrs

Beach Wedding- 48th St.- 1000hrs

Family Beach Olympics-27th St.- 1830hrs



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 4- Dan Pogonowski- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Neck/Back with Sgt. Uebel

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 1st St. / 69th St.

Tides: High: 0936hrs

Low: 1534hrs

Special Events: Firemen 5K- Boardwalk- N. Division to 27th St.- 0800hrs

Beach Wedding- 48th St.- 1000hrs

Firemen's Parade- Baltimore Ave. from 18th to 32nd St.- 1300hrs

Movies on the Beach- *Cinderella (2015)*- Carousel Hotel- 2030hrs

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2016

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 5- Dan Pogonowski: Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Coverage Scenarios; CPR; & Outside Agencies

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / Caroline St. / 67th St.

Tides: High: 1020hrs

Low: 1620hrs

Special Events: Beach Wedding- 123rd St.- 1800hrs

FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2016

Surf Rescue Academy I: Day 6- Dan Pogonowski- Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy

Featured Training: Rips, Rocks, & Rescues Review; DNR, EMS, OCPD, & Bomb Squad

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Rescue Board Certification- Dorchester St.- 0800hrs

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Public Education Outreach: Beach Safety Presentation- Children's Book Garden- Rte. 50- West O.C.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 66th St. / 146th St.

Tides: High: 1106hrs

Low: 1710hrs

Special Events: **ESA Endless Summer Surf Series- 37th St.- Dusk to Dawn**

Beach Wedding- 48th St.- 1500hrs

Beach Wedding- 13th St.- 1730hrs

Movies on the Beach- *Remember the Titans*- 27th St.- 2030hrs

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2016

Crew Chief Requalification- Inlet- 0830hrs- Required for all unless Special-Off

Surf Rescue Academy II: 1030hrs- Qualifying Test: Soft Sand Sprint and Ocean Swim Test

1100hrs- Beach Patrol Policies and Paperwork - Pay Scales - OCBPSRA Certifications

1200hrs- On the Job Training (OJT)

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: Iron Guard- 130th St- 1800hrs

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 64th St. / 144th St

Tides: High: 1155hrs

Low: 1804hrs

Special Events: ESA & Chauncey's Summer Surf Series- 30th St.- 0730hrs to 1700hrs

4x4 on the Shore LAX Tournament- N. Division to 1st St.- 0730hrs to 2000hrs

Beach Wedding- 73rd St.- 1800hrs

SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016

Surf Rescue Academy II: 1000hrs- OJT- Same location as previous day

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: None

Mandatory Daily Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet (Conditional) / 62nd St. / 142nd St.

Tides: High: 1248hrs

Low: 0645hrs

Special Events: ESA & Chauncey's Summer Surf Series- 30th St.- 0730hrs to 1700hrs

4x4 on the Shore LAX Tournament- N. Division to 1st St.- 0730hrs to 2000hrs

Beach Wedding- 48th St.- 1100hrs

OC Beach Lights Spectacular- N. Division St.- 2130hrs, 2200hrs, & 2230hrs

SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT CONVENTION CENTER MEETINGS

1. Do not park on Convention Center Drive
2. Do not park in the rear of Convention Center
3. Meetings begin promptly at 0830hrs
4. Always be in uniform
5. Clean up your trash before leaving
6. Drive carefully to your assignment

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016

WEEKLY MEETING: CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps

OFFICERS' MEETING: Cancelled

CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS: 800hrs

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Surf Rescue Academy II: Supervised Probation-Week 1-PSRTs Assigned to Crews

Assistant Crew Chief Re-Certification: OCBP Training Room- 1000hrs to 1730hrs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Quad Certification & Recert.- HQ- 1830hrs

Mandatory Daily Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Veteran Recertification- Starts tomorrow!

Opportunity to Compete: None

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 60th / 140th St

Tides: High: 1346hrs

Low: 0737hrs

Special Events: Movies on the Beach- *Dolphin Tale*- 27th St.- 2030hrs

Extra Hours Available

Staff is needed for Junior Beach Patrol, Camp Horizon, and Scamper Camp. See the sign-up sheet on page 9 for more information.



Keep your feet in the sand,
until the lifeguard's in the stand!



UPCOMING 2016 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 19	SRA II Registration-HQ-0900hrs
June 20-25	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 20	Weekly Meeting Moves to Mondays-(6/21/16 at Northside Park)
June 24	Rescue Board Certification- Dorchester St.- 0800hrs
June 25	Crew Chief Requalification Run & Swim- 0830hrs
June 25	Iron Guard- 130th St- 1800hrs
June 25	Assistant Crew Chief Re-Certification- HQ- 1000hrs
June 27	OCBPSRA Quad Certification & Recert- HQ- 1830hrs
June 28-July 2, July 5 & 9	Veteran Re-certification
June 30	Rookie Graduation- 0730hrs
July 2	SRA II Supper Seminar- Training Room-- 1830hrs
July 5-8	JBP Session A
July 9	OCBP Group Picture Day
July 9	Captain Craig Swim
July 12-15	JBP Session B
July 13	USLA Mid-Atlantics (noncrafts)-Rehoboth Beach, DE
July 19-22	JBP Session C
July 20	USLA Mid-Atlantics (crafts)-Spring Lake, NJ
July 23	OCBP Triathlon- 142nd St- 1830hrs
July 30	Crew Comps

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

MD Firemen's Parade	June 22	1300hrs	Inlet to 9 th St.
ESA Summer Surf Series- Chauncey's	June 25-26	0730hrs	30 th St.
4x4 LAX at the Shore	June 25-26	0730hrs	N. Division St.
Ocean Games/Swim Ocean City	July 16	0800hrs	Caroline St.
ESA Summer Surf Series-Malibu's Classic	July 16-17	0730hrs	8 th St.
USSSA World Series Beach Bash	July 25	1400hrs	Inlet
Jesus at the Beach	July 25	1830hrs	Caroline St.

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 3</u> 6/6/16 to 6/12/16	<u>Week 3</u> 6/1/15 to 6/7/15	<u>Week 3</u> 6/2/14 to 6/8/14
Action	2016	2015	2014
Preventions	1119	1355	2534
Rescues	8	33	165
Minor First Aid	59	9	53
Ambulance Calls	NA	2	3
Police Calls	NA	3	6
USCG/MDNRP	NA	0	2
Lost/Found Persons	NA	2	6
Beach Wheelchairs	NA	3	13
North Surf Beach	0	2	10
South Surf Beach	85	6	37
Inlet Surf Beach	3	3	0

Quad Certification

June 11, 2016

<u>Name</u>	<u>Crew</u>
Tyler Wojciechowski	6
Tyler Fink	9
Sasha Ratcliff	19
CJ LaCasse	17
Matt Marx	16
Zach Wyatt	8
Alex Siegel	3
Antoine Bernier	4
Mike Brockmeyer	15
Jared Sears	1

The following OCPD personnel also certified:
 Bob Trautman
 Mark Titanski
 Shawn Goddard

USLA / SCLA

2016 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

JULY

- 6 – SEA COLONY
- 13 - USLA REGIONALS (REHOBOTH)
- 18 – DEWEY BEACH (OCEAN SERIES)
- 20 – USLA REGIONALS (LONG BRANCH, N.J.)
- 21 – FENWICK ULTIMATE (OCEAN SERIES)
- 25 – BETHANY BEACH (OCEAN SERIES)
- 27 – ALL WOMEN'S (SANDY HOOK, N.J.)
- 28 – REHOBOTH LIFEGUARD OLYMPICS

AUGUST

- 3 – MIDDLESEX (OCEAN SERIES)
- 8 – REHOBOTH JUNIOR LIFEGUARD
- 11 – 13 – USLA NATIONALS (HERMOSA BEACH, CA)



Thank you to the sponsors
of the Ocean City Beach Patrol!



Pick Up Softball

Games will be played every Monday right after work. If you have your own glove, please bring it. If you have extra equipment please bring it.



Dive Team Orientation Class

Wednesday, June 22nd
OCBP Training Room

1830hrs

Sharkey's Panini & Ice Cream
Somerset St. (The old Pop's Joke Shop)

OCBP Specials:
\$1.00 off any sandwich
\$.50 off and ice cream



Swim Instructor Needed

Private swim instructor needed for lessons in the 100th St. area.
Call Lynn Wilcox- 410-877-5199



OCBP Question of the Week for The Worcester County Times

This Week's Question: I heard a lifeguard blowing his whistle and, when I looked toward him, he seemed to be waving flags at me, but I didn't understand what he was doing. There were people out in the water a lot farther than I was. Why would he want me to come in?

Members of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are trained to spot rip currents and many other hazards in the ocean that may cause a threat to the safety of swimmers. They are organized into crews of surf rescue technicians (SRT's), with each crew responsible for guarding a particular section of beach. These crews do not rotate or change areas. While the same guard may not be on the same stand every day, a guard who knows that area will be on the stand. One of the primary tasks of an SRT is to try to move swimmers away from dangerous areas before they become panicked or tired. Guards blow their whistles in the direction of the swimmers at risk and, after getting their attention; they try to direct the swimmers to a safe area. In this way, the SRT's are just like police officers directing traffic. They use one arm to point swimmers in a direction, and the other is used in some form of circular motion to encourage them to keep moving. Guards will continue the rotation motion until everyone is out of the hazardous area. Will sits the stand near the pier and often moves people away from the pilings by blowing his whistle and directing them back to a safer area. Many times we need to move people just a few feet, but other times we have to move them 5-15 yards. Sometimes swimmers think that we are trying to talk to them in our flag language (semaphore). We know most people can't read semaphore, just as we understand that most swimmers cannot identify a rip current when they are in one. It only follows naturally that most will not be able to tell when they are out of danger. It is important that swimmers continue moving in the direction that the guard is pointing until the guard stops motioning with the flags. If they stop before they are out of the rip current, they will be pulled farther from shore, quickly tire, and be in need of rescue. Our first priority is to keep all beach patrons safe, but we cannot control the ocean. When hazards exist where people are swimming, it is our job to guide them out of harms way or when necessary to swim out and assist them back to safety. Our job is made easier when we have their patience, understanding and assistance. Remember, if you hear a whistle take the time to stop what you are doing and look toward the SRT who is attempting to get someone's attention. It may be you and if you need help, wave your arms over your head indicating to the SRT you need their assistance. However, if you take our suggestion and check in with your SRT, they can explain the conditions of that beach on that day, and can even explain and point out any rip currents, so you can avoid that hazard. You may also notice that your SRT will periodically call everyone on the beach together at their stand to give a safety talk, that may also benefit you and your family (this is a very unique service compared to most beaches). Even if you think you may have heard the "TALK" before you should take the time to listen again, because they will be talking about current conditions and that may be different than the day you heard the "TALK" before... better to be safe than... sorry!

If you are interested in the "lifeguard flag language"(semaphore), you can learn about it by visiting our website at www.oceancitymd.gov/ocbp and click on the semaphore link on the left side. To get current information about the beach patrol as well as daily stats and current beach conditions, you can follow the beach patrol on Twitter., Instagram or "like us" on the Official OCBP Facebook page. We can't wait to be a part of your wonderful experiences in Ocean City, because we are glad you are here, and always remember to "Keep your feet in the sand until the lifeguard's in the stand!"

Meet the Lifeguard: Crew Chief Will Gray

Will Gray has been with the Beach Patrol for 4 years. He is the Crew Chief for Crew 1 and sits the stand just south of the Ocean City Pier in an area we call the Inlet beach. His crew of eight Surf Rescue Technicians is responsible for all water and beach safety from the rocks at the north inlet jetty to Talbot Street. He is an active member of the Ocean City Beach Patrol chapter of the United States Lifesaving Association. For recreation Will likes to run, read, cook and hang out with his friends. In the off season Will is working on finishing his Bachelors of Civil Engineering at the University of Delaware.

The lifeguard's of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions.





Ocean City Beach Patrol

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Order Your Ocean City Beach Patrol Jacket Today!!

Please fill out the form below if you are interested in ordering a Beach Patrol jacket. These forms MUST be turned into me NO LATER THAN Monday, June 6th. If you are unsure of what size you want, check with a veteran guard and see if you can try one on. They tend to run a little smaller in the arms.

Name: _____ **Crew #** _____

If you would like your name on the jacket, please specify what name: _____

Color: Red (SRT) _____ Yellow (SBF) _____

Size: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ XL _____ 2X (\$2.00 more) _____

Cost of the jacket is \$100.00. Checks can be made out to OCBPSRA.

Please check here if you would like to have this item payroll deducted from your paycheck: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

If you have any questions, please contact Sergeant Phillips, Unit 15

Thank you!

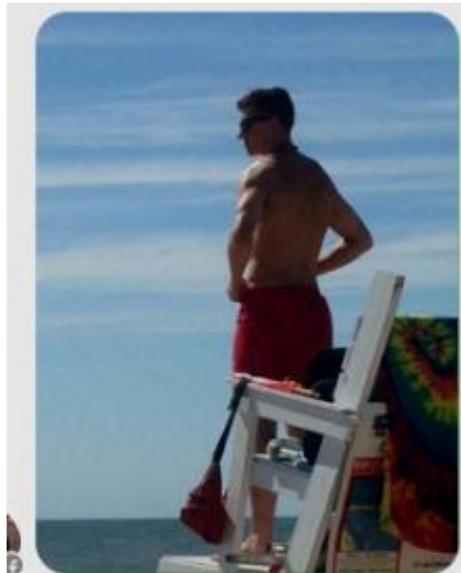
From: Town of Ocean City, Maryland [noreply@oceancitymd.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 8:01 AM

Dear OCBP,
 Hello, I'm emailing you to let you know how impressed I was with the female guard at the Carousel on Sunday, June 5th. I missed her name but she had a long blond ponytail and wore a thick purple headband. In the morning she called my kids over and educated them on rip currents. She was kind enough to let my 7 year old son wear her polarized glasses for a moment so he could see the currents better. Later that day, it thunder stormed and she had to clear the beach which was full of unruly high school grads. She never lost her professional attitude when they called her names when she informed them that the beach was closed for lightening. This little lady was awesome the whole day. I just want to send my thanks to this guard and all the guards of the OCBP and the great work they do everyday.

-Anita
 P.S. (I hope you can let her know I have 2 step sons her age that are single)

From: Town of Ocean City, Maryland
 [mailto:noreply@oceancitymd.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2016 2:08 PM
From: Gloria

Message: 1:50 pm- June 8: Watching the lifeguard in front of the Carousel going above and beyond by retrieving trash cans that the wind has blown down the beach and into the waves. After that he ran up and down the beach and into the water to get any trash that was blowing and floating. Well done sir! Thanks for caring about our beach!



I didn't get the name of this lifeguard, but I just wanted to let the beach patrol supervisors know that I think he did an extraordinary job working the beach during the air show on

Saturday the 18th. I was sitting behind him and I saw how hard he tried to keep people aware of the conditions of the water and how many times he had to either go in and pull someone in or run and cover other areas while the other guards were in the water pulling swimmers back in to shore. I used to teach kids to swim so I know how tough it is to get them to listen to the warning signs but this guard is to be commended for what I feel was a day where he definitely earned his pay. I just thought he deserved a little recognition from a grateful attendee who came 3 hours from Lancaster County PA to see the show for the 9th straight year. Thank you and I hope you pass my thanks along to him as well. Sincerely Dee



