



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2020 to JUNE 15, 2020

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020- End of the Pay Period!

WEEKLY MEETING FOR OFFICERS, CREW CHIEFS, & ACCs- Masks & Social Distancing Required
 CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps- 08:00hrs

Surf Rescue Academy I: 09:45hrs-OJT- Same location as previous day unless otherwise advised

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II begins Tuesday, June 9; see p. 6 for details

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -Next Sunday, June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: 22nd St. / 90th St.

Tides: High: 09:21hrs

Low: 15:22hrs

Special Events None

Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay
Sunday, June 14, 2020

Run-Swim-Run
 Begins at 7th St.-10:00hrs
 Run South to Inlet rock pile
 Swim North to 146th St*.
 Run South to 7th St.

***Direction depends
 on the current
 See p. 7 for details**



	Monday 6/8/2020	Tuesday 6/9/2020	Wednesday 6/10/2020	Thursday 6/11/2020	Friday 6/12/2020	Saturday 6/13/2020	Sunday 6/14/2020	Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								
Smoking Enforcement								



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MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II begins tomorrow; see p. 6 for details.

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 20th St. / 88th St.

Tides: High: 10:11hrs

Low: 16:11hrs

Special Events: None

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II begins. See p. 6 for details

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 18th St. / 86th St.

Tides: High: 11:00hrs

Low: 17:02hrs

Special Events: None

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II continues; SRT III begins. See p.6 for details.

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 16th St. / 84th St.

Tides: High: 11:50hrs

Low: 17:55hrs

Special Events: None

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2020- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II & SRT III continue; Quad Recert -Dorchester St. beach -18:00hrs

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 14th St. / 82nd St.

Tides: High: 12:41hrs

Low: 06:53hrs

Special Events: None

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2020- PAY DAY!- OIC: Lt. Ward Kovacs

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: SRT II & SRT III

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 12th St. / 80th St

Tides: High: 13:36hrs

Low: 07:41hrs

Special Events: None



2020 OCBP Officers

- Unit 2- Captain Butch Arbin- 9102
- Unit 3- Lt. Mike Stone- 9103
- Unit 5- 1st Lt. Skip Lee- 9105
- Unit 6- Lt. Ward Kovacs- 9106
- Unit 8- Sgt. Tim Uebel- 9108
- Unit 9- Sgt. Steve DeKemper- 9109
- Unit 11- Sgt. Travis Wagner- 9111
- Unit 12- Sgt. Brent Weingard- 9112
- Unit 13- Sgt. Jamie Falcon- 9113
- Unit 15- Sgt. Colby Phillips-9115
- Unit 16- Sgt. Damien Sanzotti- 9116
- Unit 17- Sgt. Jeff Brabitz- 9117
- Unit 18- Sgt. Ben Davis- 9118
- Unit 19- Sgt. Mat Postell- 9119
- Unit 20- Sgt. Jason Konyar-9120
- Training Officer- Dan Pogonowski- 9114

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of the Ocean City Beach Patrol!**

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2020

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

SRA I Supper Seminar -Location to be announced -18:30hrs

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Jet Drive Cert & Recert tomorrow; see p. 6 for details

Veteran Recertification- Starts on Wednesday, June 24th!

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -Tomorrow, June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: 10th St. / 78th St.

Tides: High: 14:32hrs

Low: 08:28hrs

Special Events: Beach Wedding -Clarion -18:00hrs

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020- Father's Day!

WEEKLY MEETING FOR OFFICERS, CREW CHIEFS, & ACCs- Masks & Social Distancing Required

CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps- 08:00hrs

Rookie Meeting & Semaphore Test -Convention Center -08:30hrs -Mandatory!

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

Surf Rescue Academy II: Orientation- Drug Test; Registration; Policies & Procedures; Equipment Issue

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: Jet Drive Cert & Recert -HQ Training Room -18:00hrs; see p.6 for details.

Veteran Recertification- Starts on Wednesday, June 24th!

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Schoepf Memorial Relay -June 14, 2020

Surfing Beaches: 8th St. / 76th St.

Tides: High: 15:28hrs

Low: 09:12hrs

Special Events: Beach Wedding -66th St. – St. -18:00hrs

Sundaes in the Park -Northside Park -19:00hrs

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020

Surf Rescue Academy I: Supervised Probation-Week 2-Assigned to Crews

Surf Rescue Academy II: Day 1- T.O. Pogonowski- **Coordinator of Surf Rescue Academy**

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

OCBPSRA CERTIFICATION: More opportunities in July; see p. 6 for details.

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

Opportunity to Compete: Annual Captain Craig Swim -July 11th- 14th St. -18:00hrs

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 6th / 74th St

Tides: High: 16:19hrs

Low: 09:56hrs

Special Events: OC Drive in Movies – Convention Ctr -20:00hrs



OCBP Jacket Order
Available for any veteran who would like a new jacket. See Lt. Stone or check your email for an order form

The OCBP weekly morning meeting will move to Monday, starting June 22 until Labor Day, September 7.

Summer 2020 Medical Facility Information

<i>Location</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Insurance</i>	<i>X-Ray</i>	<i>Hours</i>
10 th St. (Townsend) Medical Center	410-289-0065	Major Insurance	Yes	Mon –Sat 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M
West OC Injury & Illness Center	410-213-0119	Yes	Yes	Mon-Fri 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Sat-Sun 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Your Doc's In	877-222-4934	Yes	Yes	Mon-Fri 8:00 am – 8:00 pm Sat-Sun 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
75 th Street Medical Center	410-524-0075	Major Insurance	Yes	Mon –Sat 8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M

UPCOMING 2020 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 12	Pay Day
June 13	SRA I Supper Seminar- Location TBA -18:30hrs
June 14	SRA II Registration-HQ- 11:00hrs
June 14	Annual Captain Schoepf Relay Swim –10:00hrs
June 15-20	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 17	Story Time with a Lifeguard -Clarion (101 st St.) -10:30hrs
June 24 -July 3	Veteran Recerification
June 25	Rookie Graduation
June 26	Pay Day
June 27	SRA II Supper Seminar- Location TBA -18:00hrs

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

MD Firemen's Convention (Modified)	June 22-24	Convention Center	Daily
Sundaes in the Park	June 14 -Sept. 6	Northside Park	19:00hrs
OC Drive-in Movies (New)	June 15 -Aug. 31	Convention Ctr	20:00hrs
Thursday's Downtown Beach Fireworks	June 18 -Sept. 3	Talbot St. beach	22:30hrs

Each week, Lt. Stone schedules the OCBP. The data below shows the number of guards who are in the schedule but were unable to work.

Lost Work Days

Injured -On the Job Related- 0
Sick/Injured -Non-Job Related -3

Year-to-Date Lost Work Days

Injured -On the Job Related- 0
Sick/Injured -Non-Job Related -8

<u>Stats.</u>	Week 2 5/25/20 to 5/31/20	Week 2 5/27/19 to 6/2/19	Week 2 5/28/18 to 6/3/18
Action	2020	2019	2018
Preventions	2713	4657	1773
Rescues	52	101	48
Minor First Aid	26	79	43
Ambulance Calls	4	3	0
Police Calls	2	2	2
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	3	2	1
Beach Wheelchairs	0	8	2
North Surf Beach	NA	12	12
South Surf Beach	NA	114	44
Inlet Surf Beach	NA	15	0
Smoking Enforcement	281	710	422

Crew	Street	Radio	2020 Crew Chiefs	2020 Assistant Crew Chiefs
1	S. Pier	9201	Greg Gordon	JD Rogers
2	2.5	9202	Adam Payne	Zach Bennett
3	10	9203	Josh Wilder	Hannah Cope
4	17.5	9204	Alex Siegel	Kali Dawson
5	25	9205	Paul Vassalotti	Connor Mull
6	32.5	9206	Tom Lurie	Grady DiPeso
7	40	9207	RJ Hayman	Aaron Abrams
8	47.5	9208	CJ LaCasse	Andrew Rath
9	56	9209	Bryan Clark	Olivia North
10	66	9210	Christian Becker	Garrett Bavosa
11	76	9211	Dustin Whittles	Donald Medtart
12	86	9212	Matt Wojciechowski	Luke Bunke
13	Pyramid	9213	Jon Clouser	Luke Ramina
14	G. Sands	9214	Rob Flynn	Chris Sanders
15	Carousel	9215	Sam Bingaman	Tyler Khounsacknarath
16	127	9216	Tim Jackson	Alex Hufnagel
17	134.5	9217	Dan Curry	George Schreiner
18	142	9318	Jake Foy	Nicholas Monteferrante
19	Surf Beach	9218	Alysha Holmes	Kiernan Furness
SRA			AJ Smith & Emily Stang	



This Week's Question of the Week: What exactly is an SRT? Are they like pool lifeguards?

SRT stands for Surf Rescue Technician. Ocean/surf rescue is significantly more challenging than pool or lake guarding. The job has far more responsibility and entails much more than a regular lifeguard. Because of the unique demands of the job, the Beach Patrol does not require or recognize certification or past experience with other agencies. All individuals seeking employment with the Ocean City Beach Patrol must successfully complete all aspects of a 10 phase pre-employment physical skills evaluation. Successful candidates for the Ocean City Beach Patrol will receive an appointment to a Surf Rescue Academy, where they receive specialized testing, training and certifications. Only after they have successfully completed a paid (\$15.25 hr) Surf Rescue Academy (much like a police officer or fire fighter) and have passed all certification requirements will they begin safeguarding your family and receive certification as an SRT. The SRT is an important part of the beach environment. They are strong swimmers, familiar with their areas, and are able to respond if someone is in danger. Additionally, every SRT is drug tested, meets annual re-qualification standards, participates in weekly in-service training, is currently certified in First Aid, CPR and use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED), and has current information on tides and local events. They also receive training in enforcement of laws and local ordinances, search and recovery as well as perfecting their skills in management of suspected head or neck injuries. Beginning this season each SRT has received additional protocols and PPE equipment to deal with potential Covid-19 exposure. It is important that you cooperate with the SRT in the performance of his/her duties. **IMPORTANT:** Whenever you hear a whistle blast, even if you don't think it is for you, locate the SRT to see what they may need. Don't be afraid to ask for help and remember to wave your arms when in danger.

To get current information about the Beach Patrol as well as daily stats and current beach conditions, you can follow the Beach Patrol on Instagram or "like us" on the Official OCBP Facebook page. We also encourage everyone to check-in with your SRT each day to learn about the conditions on your beach (they can change rapidly) and introduce your family to the SRT, especially children, so they realize this is a safe person who can help them, if they need anything.

We encourage anyone interested in becoming a lifeguard to call Beach Patrol Headquarters at 410-289-7556. For specifics on requirements, test locations, dates and times or to register for a test, please refer to OCBP's website at www.ococean.com/ocbp; click on the JOBS button or email ocbp@ococean.com. Testing for our 2021 season begins in August 2020.

Meet the lifeguard: SRT Grace Stang

SRT Grace Stang has been with the Beach Patrol for 4 years. She is in Crew 13 in the north area of Ocean City, which covers the beach from 93rd Street to the Golden Sands. Grace is a USLA member and helps out with our Junior Beach Patrol Program. In her free time she enjoys hanging out with family and friends, going to the beach, and playing lacrosse. In the off-season she is in her senior year at Bridgewater College. She plays Lacrosse there. She spent last semester studying abroad in Cypress. SRT Grace Stang and the other lifeguards of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions. If you think you would like a position with the Patrol like Grace's, ask any of our guards or visit our website at www.ococean.com/ocbp. We begin testing for positions for summer 2021 this August.



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Upcoming Training Opportunities

Take the Next Step in Your Career with the OCBP



SRT II - Required for ACC Next Summer

Open to second year and above SRTs. If planning to attend, contact SGT Davis at bdavis@oceancitymd.gov, or text 410-603-9998, so that appropriate resources can be brought.

Will meet every morning 8:00 – 9:00am from Tuesday, June 9 thru Friday, June 12. Bring buoy and fins to the first session. Additional rounds held later this summer.

Tuesday, June 9th-Dorchester St./beach -08:00: Fins and Landline (Bring buoy and fins)

Wednesday, June 10th-Dorchester St./beach -08:00: Rescue Board

Thursday, June 11th-Dorchester St./beach -08:00: One Mile Swim

Friday, June 12th -Dorchester St./beach -08:00: One Mile Run, Beach Safety Presentation

SRT III – Required for CC Next Summer

Open to current and past ACCs. If planning to attend, contact SGT Sanzotti at DSanzotti@oceancitymd.gov, so that appropriate resources can be brought.

Will meet every morning 8:00 – 9:00am from Wednesday, June 10th thru Friday, June 12th
One additional round held later this summer.

Wednesday, June 10th -Dorchester St./beach -08:00

Thursday, June 11th -Dorchester St./beach -08:00

Friday, June 12th -Dorchester St./beach -08:00: Two mile run, Beach Safety Presentation

Jet Drive Cert/Recert

Open to 2nd year and above SRTs. Safe boaters course must be completed and on file with OCBP. (<https://www.boat-ed.com/maryland/>). Recert required yearly.

Initial Cert: Sunday, June 14th or Wednesday, July 8th -OCBP HQ Training Room -18:00hrs

Recert: Sunday, June 14th or Wednesday July 8th -Meet at OCBP HQ Garage -18:00hrs

Quad Recert

Yearly recertification required for current quad operators.

Thursday, June 11th -Dorchester St / beach -18:00hrs

Tuesday, July 7th -65th St / beach. -18:00hrs





Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay

Sunday, June 14, 2020

Run-Swim-Run Begins at 7th St. 10:00hrs

Run South to Inlet Rockpile

Swim North to 146th St.

Run South to 7th St.

Captain Schoepf served as Captain of the Ocean City Beach Patrol from 1987-1996, although his leadership role on the beach patrol was quite extensive, beginning with his appointment as "Assistant" to Captain Craig in the late 1960s. Every year in June, in honor of his many years of service to the OCBP a relay is held where a classic steel rescue buoy is passed along by alumni guards and current lifeguards. The relay begins at 7th Street, Captain Schoepf's old stand and street, with a run to the end of Ocean City followed by a swim the entire length of Ocean City where it is swum back into the beach and run back to the starting point at 7th Street. The direction of the relay is contingent on the direction of the ocean current on the morning of the relay. Sergeants and crew chiefs on quads cover each stand as each SRT takes a turn running or swimming the buoy along the beach toward the Inlet or the Delaware line (depending on the current that day). This honorary relay begins with a prayer and has been led off by various people that have been influenced by Captain Schoepf such as his daughter, his wife, as well as former beach patrol members who served under him. This relay is open to the Ocean City Beach Patrol as well as anyone who has worked for the beach patrol in the past or has a personal connection to Captain Schoepf. The relay takes place during the regular workday beginning at 10:00 am. Visitors to Ocean City have enjoyed watching this relay as the vintage buoy travels up the beach and then back down in the ocean with the many exchanges along the way. It usually takes approximately 5 hours for the buoy to make the full circle from 7th Street and back.

Background Information on Captain Schoepf:

In 1950 George Schoepf applied for a job and was tested thoroughly by Captain Craig. After serving admirably for a couple of years, he was advanced to Sergeant, then to Lieutenant. Ocean City had grown by expanding the city limits from 15th Street to 24th Street, then to 41st Street and finally to the Delaware State line, a distance of ten miles. Obviously, the Patrol had to be increased to cover the additional distances and greater influx of visitors. Additional supervision was also needed. With the approval of the Mayor and City Council, a new position was created to be designated "Assistant to the Captain." It was his idea to divide the Patrol into crews. The idea of an annual crew competition was also Captain Schoepf's. The competition was good public relations with the visitors who had a chance to see the various abilities of the guards in running and swimming. In 1980 the Ocean City Beach Patrol formed a local chapter of the United States Life Saving Association. Three years later under the direction of chapter president George Schoepf, the Ocean City chapter began hosting regional life guarding competitions. Captain Schoepf was given the complete responsibility for setting up and running the USLA Mid-Atlantic Championships and he did the job extremely well. When Craig retired in 1987, Schoepf was appointed Captain by the Mayor and City Council. He served the Town of Ocean City well for over 40 years.

Total Time for Relay in 2018- 6:08.3 & in 2017- 5:34.09

Physical Distancing Required

Remember the 6-Foot Rule

We all need to keep safe and it starts with you!



**Don't forget to complete your
Daily Wellness Checks!**



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL MARYLAND CHAPTER OF THE UNITED STATES LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION

The United States Lifesaving Association (USLA) is America's nonprofit, professional association of beach lifeguards and open water rescuers. The USLA works to reduce the incidence of death and injury in the aquatic environment through public education, national lifeguard standards, training programs, promotion of high levels of lifeguard readiness and other means.

BENEFITS TO MEMBERS OF THE USLA INCLUDE:

- A one-year subscription to *American Lifeguard Magazine*... A \$12.00 value.
- Eligibility to compete in USLA Regional, National and World Lifeguard Competitions.
- Eligibility for USLA Regional, National, and International Lifeguard Exchange Programs.
- Membership in the only United States open water lifeguard association.
- Access to USLA regional and national programs and conferences.
- Access to USLA MD OCBP Chapter, USLA Regional and National Board of Directors meetings.
- Access to free USLA public educational materials, i.e. posters, bookmarks, stickers, etc.
- All members of the chapter can vote in annual chapter elections and professional members can run for office.
- Membership kit, including T-Shirt, Patch, and other items.
- Discounts at major USLA sponsors. See <http://www.usla.org> for a complete list.

The cost of membership is \$30.00.
Make checks payable to **OCBPM USLA Chapter**.

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Permanent _____
Address: _____

Male / Female _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

E-mail: _____@_____

Membership: (circle one) PROFESSIONAL* ALUMNI ASSOCIATE JUNIOR
(circle one) RENEWAL or INITIAL

Agency: **Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland**
Chapter: **Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland**
Region: **Middle Atlantic**



A PROFESSIONAL member is an employee of the Ocean City Beach Patrol and has worked a minimum of eight hours with the Ocean City Beach Patrol in the calendar year.

Payment Options

<p><u>Current OC Beach Patrol employees:</u></p> <p>_____ (Initial) Yes, I would like to have \$30 deducted from my pay so that I may join the Ocean City Beach Patrol Maryland Chapter of the United States Lifesaving Association.</p>	<p><u>By Mail with a check to:</u></p> <p>OCBPM USLA President c/o Ocean City Beach Patrol 109 Dorchester St. Ocean City, MD 21842</p>	<p>Office Use</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paid</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Entered</p>
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