



# OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week of July 6, 2020 to July 13, 2020

### MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020

#### 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 II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews  
PSRT Week 2 Evaluations due at 09:30hrs *Find the Week 3 evaluations in your crew packs.*

**OCBPSRA:** SRT II & III/Round 2 start Wednesday, July 8

**Opportunity to Compete:** Annual Captain Craig Swim -July 11<sup>th</sup> at 14<sup>th</sup> St. -18:30hrs

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 31<sup>st</sup> St. / Mid Atlantis (102<sup>nd</sup> St.)

**Tides:** High: 09:00hrs

Low: 15:02hrs

**Special Events:** TOC Rec & Parks Surf Camp- 38<sup>th</sup> St.- 17:30hrs

Beach Bonfires- 90<sup>th</sup> St., 101<sup>st</sup> St. & 107<sup>th</sup> St., 116<sup>th</sup> St., 123<sup>rd</sup> St., 131<sup>st</sup> St., 133<sup>rd</sup> St., & 142<sup>nd</sup> St. - 18:00hrs

OCBP Dive Team -HQ -18:30hrs

#### Save \$\$\$

Don't forget to preregister for the Captain Craig Swim by Wednesday, July 8.

[www.ococean.com/ocbp](http://www.ococean.com/ocbp)  
Click on "Competitions"

### TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**JBP Academy I:** Day 1- 08:00hrs to 11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs)

**OCBPSRA:** Quad Recert. -Dorchester St. -18:00hrs

SRT II & III/Round 2 start tomorrow, July 8 -70<sup>th</sup> St. -08:00hrs

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Annual Captain Craig Swim -July 11<sup>th</sup> at 14<sup>th</sup> St. -18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 29<sup>th</sup> St. / Century (99<sup>th</sup> St.)

**Tides:** High: 09:47hrs

Low: 15:49hrs

**Special Events:** OCBP Beach Safety Presentation: OC Lifesaving Museum- 10:00hrs

TOC Rec & Parks Surf Camp- 38<sup>th</sup> St.- 17:30hrs

Beach Bonfires- 30<sup>th</sup> St., 46<sup>th</sup> St. 60<sup>th</sup> St., 73<sup>rd</sup> St., 116<sup>th</sup> St., 120<sup>th</sup> St., & 143<sup>rd</sup> St. - 18:00hrs

Family Beach Olympics: 27<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:30hrs to 20:30hrs

#### OCBP Floor Hockey

Tuesdays, July 7, 14, & 21  
OC Bayside Tennis Courts  
18:30hrs Free!  
Wear Your Athletic Shoes.  
No Blades



See Sgt. Weingard for more details.

	Monday 7/6/2020	Tuesday 7/7/2020	Wednesday 7/8/2020	Thursday 7/9/2020	Friday 7/10/2020	Saturday 7/11/2020	Sunday 7/12/2020	Crew
<b>Daily Assignment</b>								
								Totals
<b>Rescues</b>								
<b>Preventative Actions</b>								
<b>First Aids</b>								
<b>Smoking Enforcement</b>								



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## WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**OCBPSRA:** SRT II/ SRT III Round 2 -Day 1 -70<sup>th</sup> St. -08:00hrs

Jet Drive Cert/Recert. -HQ -18:00hrs

**JBP Academy I:** Day 2- 08:00hrs to 11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs)

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Annual Captain Craig Swim -July 11<sup>th</sup> at 14<sup>th</sup> St. -18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 27<sup>th</sup> St. / Flying Cloud (95<sup>th</sup> St.)

**Tides:** High: 10:33hrs

Low: 16:36hrs

**Special Events:** TOC Jr. Fire Camp -15<sup>th</sup> St. -09:00hrs

Beach Bonfires- 30<sup>th</sup> St., 48<sup>th</sup> St., 116<sup>th</sup> St., & 123<sup>rd</sup> St. -18:00hrs

Beach Wedding- 59<sup>th</sup> St.- 19:30hrs

Movies on the Beach -118<sup>th</sup> St. -20:30hrs

**Note: Current certification expires the day following the final recert, which was July 8. No more opportunities this season.**



## THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**OCBPSRA:** SRT II/ SRT III Round 2 -Day 2 -70<sup>th</sup> St. -08:00hrs

**JBP Academy I:** Day 3- 08:00hrs to 11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs)

**JBP One-Day Clinic:** 13:00hrs- 16:30hrs- **Tell the kids on your beach well before today so they can register for the clinic!**

**Camp Horizon:** 127<sup>th</sup> St. beach -Two Groups: 10:30hrs-12:30hrs & 13:00hrs-15:00hrs (Instructors report to HQ at 10:00hrs)

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Annual Captain Craig Swim -July 11<sup>th</sup> at 14<sup>th</sup> St. -18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 25<sup>th</sup> St. / 93<sup>rd</sup> St.

**Tides:** High: 11:19hrs

Low: 17:24hrs

**Special Events:** Beach Bonfires- 101<sup>st</sup> St. & 146<sup>th</sup> St. -18:00hrs

OCBP Dive Team -HQ -18:30hrs

Family Beach Olympics- 118<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:30hrs to 20:30hrs

Sunset Park Party Nights: *Randy Lee Ashcraft & the Saltwater Cowboys* -S. Division St- 19:00hrs

Thursday Night Fireworks -Talbot St. -22:30hrs

**JBP One Day Clinic**  
**Thursday afternoons**  
July 9, 16, 23, 30 & August 6, 8, 13  
13:00hrs to 16:30hrs  
Spread the word to kids ages 10-17 who go to the beach near you. This weekly one-day activity is perfect for kids who are interested in having fun and learning about lifeguarding.



Participants receive an official OCBP t-shirt, whistle, and sunscreen.

## FRIDAY, JULY 10, 2020- PAY DAY!

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**OCBPSRA:** SRT II/ SRT III Round 2 -Day 3 -70<sup>th</sup> St. -08:00hrs

**JBP Academy I:** Day 4- 08:00hrs to 11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs)

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Captain Craig swim tomorrow! **Last day to preregister for a \$5.00 discount; 18:30 start!**

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 23<sup>rd</sup> St. / 91<sup>st</sup> St.

**Tides:** High: 12:05hrs

Low: 18:15hrs

**Special Events:** Beach Wedding- 52<sup>nd</sup> St. -18:30hrs

Movies on the Beach -27<sup>th</sup> St. -20:30hrs

### Communications Protocol Per Sgt. Ben Davis

When calling Ocean City, begin the conversation on the first call this way: **Unit : Nature: Location**

- Crew 3 to Ocean City: Lost boy from 10<sup>th</sup> St. (break)
- Crew 18 to Ocean City: Found girl at 143<sup>rd</sup> St. (break)  
*Give rest of description when they say "Go ahead"*
- Crew 8 to Ocean City: Start EMS to 47<sup>th</sup> St. for a laceration (break)  
*Then state your plan, or patient information when they say "Go ahead"*
- 9107 to Ocean City: Wheelchair 109 in service.
- North quad out of service

All direct calls must be initiated by area supervisor.

Do not ask for a time check to remind Ocean City that it is 5:25; they already know what time it is.

## SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2020

**OCBP Group Photos- Cambria 1<sup>st</sup> St. Bayside 07:30hrs- Mandatory if working!** SRTs & SBFs: Wear your best (clean) Red or Yellow Shirt; CCs: Wear your newest CC polo shirt; ACCs: Wear your best grey ACC polo shirt.  
**FACE MASKS AQND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED WEAR YOUR GATOR!**

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**Veteran Recertification: Last One This Season!** Session VIII -Inlet -10:00hrs -17:30hrs -Participants will be notified. Minimal equipment includes buoy, flags, whistle, goggles, and first aid kit. Bring your fins if you have them. Syllabus includes run, swim, physical skills review, special topics, First Aid certification, and spinal cord management. *Do not park at OCBP headquarters. The training room will be open from 09:30hrs to 09:45hrs to secure your belongings. Use code OCBP20 to park in the Inlet lot.*

**Captain Craig One Mile Swim- 14<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:30hrs**

**OCBPSRA:** SRT II Round 2 -Day 4 -14<sup>th</sup> St. (Captain Craig Mile Swim) -18:30hrs

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Captain Craig Swim- 14<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** 21<sup>st</sup> St. / 89<sup>th</sup> St.

**Tides:** High: 12:53hrs

Low: 06:54hrs

**Special Events:** Beach Bonfires- 68<sup>th</sup> St., 119<sup>th</sup> St., 139<sup>th</sup> St., & 146<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:00hrs

Beach Weddings -66<sup>th</sup> St. -09:30hrs; 32<sup>nd</sup> St. -10:00hrs; 42<sup>nd</sup> St.- 18:30hrs; Inlet -19:15hrs; & 59<sup>th</sup> St. -19:30hrs



## SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020

**Surf Rescue Academy II:** Supervised Probation-Week 3- PSRTs Assigned to Crews

**OCBPSRA:** Finished for the season

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Crew Comps- August 8 -Caroline St. -18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** 19<sup>th</sup> St. / 87<sup>th</sup> St.

**Tides:** High: 13:44hrs

Low: 07:36hrs

**Special Events:** Beach Wedding- 48<sup>th</sup> St.- 17:30hrs

Beach Bonfires 56<sup>th</sup> St., 63<sup>rd</sup> St., & 121<sup>st</sup> St. - 63<sup>rd</sup> St. -18:00hrs

Sundaes in the Park -Northside Park -125<sup>th</sup> St. -19:00hrs



## MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020- P.M.

### 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!**

**OCBPSRA:** Finished for the season

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

**Opportunity to Compete:** Crew Comps- August 8 -Caroline St. -18:30hrs

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet / 17<sup>th</sup> St. / 85<sup>th</sup> St.

**Tides:** High: 14:38hrs

Low: 08:20hrs

**Special Events:** Beach Bonfires- 32<sup>nd</sup> St., 47<sup>th</sup> St., 77<sup>th</sup> St. 107<sup>th</sup> St. & 140<sup>th</sup> St.- 18:00hrs

OCBP Dive Team -HQ -18:30hrs

### UPCOMING 2020 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

July 6, 9, 13, & 16	OCBP Dive Team -HQ -18:30hrs
July 7-10	JBP Camp Session I
July 8	TOC Jr. Fire Camp -15 <sup>th</sup> St.
July 11	OCBP Group Picture -Cambria -1 <sup>st</sup> St. & the Bay -07:30hrs
July 11	Veteran Recertification
July 11	Annual Captain Craig Swim -14 <sup>th</sup> St. -18:00hrs
July 14-17	JBP Camp Session II
July 15	Little Lambs Learning Center New Wave – N. Division St. -10:00hrs
July 18-20	OCBP Dive Team Check-out Dive
July 21-24	JBP Camp Session II
Aug 8.	Crew Comps -Caroline St. -18:45hrs



## Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Movies on the Beach	July 1, 8,	118 <sup>th</sup> St.	20:00hrs
Thursday's Downtown Beach Fireworks	July 2, 9	Talbot St. beach	22:30hrs
Movies on the Beach	July 3,10	27 <sup>th</sup> St.	20:00hrs
Endless Summer Surfing Camp	July 6-7	38 <sup>th</sup> St.	17:30hrs-19:30hrs
Jr. Fire Camp -	July 8	15 <sup>th</sup> St.	09:00hrs
Sunset Park Party Nights	July 9-	S. Division St.	19:00hrs
Sundaes in the Park	July 12	Northside Park	19:00hrs
Endless Summer Boogie Board Camp	July 13-14	38 <sup>th</sup> St.	17:30hrs-19:30hrs
Endless Summer Surfing Camp	July 20-21	38 <sup>th</sup> St.	17:30hrs-19:30hrs

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 6</u> 6/22/20 to 6/28/20	<u>Year-To-Date</u> 2020	<u>Week 6</u> 6/24/19 to6/30/19	<u>Year-To-Date</u> 2018	<u>Week 6</u> 6/25/18 to 7/1/18	<u>Year-To-Date</u> 2018
<b>Action</b>						
Preventions	9940	31551	5125	34981	20879	49642
Rescues	227	886	9	373	659	1125
Minor First Aid	110	457	140	2617	94	501
Ambulance Calls	13	37	8	33	6	28
Police Calls	5	26	7	22	6	23
USCG/MDNRP	0	2	0	0	0	1
Lost/Found Persons	34	82	8	51	25	80
N. Surf Beach Population	171	434	6	217	93	259
S. Surf Beach Population	375	493	266	971	175	814
Inlet Surf Beach Population	48	99	9	171	185	219
Beach Wheelchair Usage	28	63	46	115	40	108
Smoking Enforcements	828	3388	547	3550	1049	4004
Missed Work Days Due to Injury			2	24	11	28
Missed Days-Non Job Related			0	15	0	6

<b>OCBPSRA Paddleboard Safety Certification</b>	<b>June 23, 2020 18:00hrs</b>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Crew</b>
Jacob Commodori	8
Brendan McLaughlin	9
Andrew Norris	18
Colt Merrifield	10
Sunny Trivits	16
Tom Powell	3
Kris Schueller	1
Teddy Standish	2
Will Gough	10
Torey Hurst	5
Ethan Griffith	7
Timmy Sullivan	13
Nicholas Adams	15
Nicholas Perkins	6
Anthony Basore	14
Ryan Burroughs	4
Ryan Coalson	17
Sydney Stebenne	15
Jeromy Green	15




# THANK YOU

## Ocean City Beach Patrol

➔ Recover
➔ Relax
➔ Regenerate

**Monthly Membership includes:**  
 60 minute Float session  
 45 minute Salt Room session  
 20 minute Infrared Sauna session  
 20 minute Personal Music Journey session  
 15 minute Shiatsu Foot Massage









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### Part time Work Available

Many Ocean City businesses are having trouble due to lack of employees since the J-1 students that they depend on will not be coming this summer. If you are interested in a part-time job in the evenings, please let one of the officers or secretaries know and we will put you in touch with a potential employer.

### Captain Craig Swim History

The Annual Captain Craig Swim is named for Robert S. Craig who served as the captain of the Ocean City Beach Patrol for forty years, from 1946 to 1986.

Bob Craig was born and reared in Wilmington, Delaware. Ocean City has always been an important part of his life. His father was a schoolteacher, and the family spent the summers in a cottage at the beach. He married a young woman from nearby Berlin, Virginia Lee Mason.

After attending the University of Pennsylvania, receiving an undergraduate degree with a major in languages and a master's degree in education, he still returned every summer to Ocean City to be on the Beach Patrol.

Craig's teaching career was in St. Louis, where he taught languages and mathematics to high school students and coached football, basketball, tennis, and golf. He and his wife settled into a year-round home in, of course, Ocean City. He remained Captain of the Beach Patrol, and once described himself as "probably the longest-term temporary employee the city ever has ever had."

Since Bob Craig started on the Patrol, it has grown to about 200 members. The guard towers continued their advance up the beach as the resort developed. Today, the Patrol covers ten miles of beach, from the Inlet rocks to the Maryland-Delaware line. It is equipped with 4-wheel drive vehicles, rescue watercrafts, Honda quads, walkie-talkies, and the familiar semaphore flags. Written by 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Skip Lee, OCBP (c) 1998.



**From:** nspina80@  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 12:31 PM  
**To:** Edward Kovacs; Butch Arbin  
**Subject:** Message from the Town website

Just wanted to acknowledge 1 of your lifeguards at the 46th and Coastal beach. Kyle, on 6/30. He is very focused on his job. And has made several runs already. He is truly an asset to the beach patrol. From a NJ visitor

### 2020-2021 OCBP Testing Opportunities Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation (testing) for the 2021 Season

August 1, 2020 (Saturday)- Ocean City, MD  
August 5, 2020 (Wednesday)- Ocean City, MD  
August 8, 2020 (Saturday)- Ocean City, MD  
August 15, 2020 (Saturday)- Ocean City, MD  
Registration at 09:00hrs; test begins at 10:00hrs



**The OCBP Dive Team**  
**meets at HQ**  
**Monday, July 6 & 13**  
**&**  
**Thursdays, July 9 & 16**  
**18:30hrs**



## 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. An example of this are the stands on both the north and south side of the pier which often requires the SRT's to move people away from the pilings by blowing their whistle and directing them back to a safer area. Another, hidden hazard that comes and goes are large boulders that were part of a system of jetties in the 70's and 80's but have since been covered by sand until a strong current uncovers these underwater obstructions. Many times we need to move people just a few feet, but other times we have to move them 5-15 yards. This actually the second part of the Beach Patrol mission which is prevention.

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. Although, whenever a Surf Rescue Technician (Lifeguard) goes into the ocean for someone, it is called a rescue, in reality most are preventative in nature before the victim is in fear or panics. When an SRT actually enters the water to assist someone they are performing the third part of our mission which is intervention. 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. You can feel confident knowing that the SRT's eyes are on you and will be at your side quickly, unless you have made the unfortunate decision to swim before or after the "guards" are on-duty (when 98% of all drowning deaths occur). 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 and is the first aspect of our mission, Education). 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](http://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 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: SRT Cierra Kopecky

SRT Cierra Kopecky has been with the Beach Patrol for 5 years. She is in Crew 13 in the north area of Ocean City which covers the beach from 93rd Street to the Golden Sands. Cierra is a USLA member and competes on our women's sprint team. She has also completed her diving certification. In her free time she enjoys playing soccer and going to the gym. In the off season she attends Towson University and is a nanny for 2 girls in Annapolis. SRT Cierra Kopecky 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 Cierra's, ask any of our guards or visit our website at [www.ococean.com/ocbp](http://www.ococean.com/ocbp). We begin testing for positions in a paid Surf Rescue Academy (\$15.25) for the 2021 season this August.



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Package 1 - Crew 5x7, 8x12: **\$30**

Package 2 - Crew 5x7, 8x12, 10x15: **\$65**

5x7 Crew: **\$10**

8x12 Crew: **\$25**

10x15 Crew: **\$40**

20x20 Group Shot: **\$55**

12x12 Group Shot: **\$30**

8x12 SBF: **\$25**

8x12 Women: **\$25**

8x12 Comp Team: **\$25**

8x12 Officer: **\$25**

8x12 Crew Chief: **\$25**

8x12 Rookie Class: **\$25**

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