



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week of Monday, August 22, 2022 - Monday, August 29, 2022

Monday, August 22, 2022 – OIC Lt Stone

- WEEKLY MEETING:** CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps
CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS: 08:00hrs
FULL CREW CHIEF MEETING: 08:15hrs
SEMAPHORE TEST: 08:15hrs- REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE
CREW MEETING: 08:30hrs (Turn in individual stats, get schedule, and assignments, and information from Crew Chief)
OFFICERS' MEETING: 08:30hrs
USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 08:45hrs
GENERAL MEETING: 08:50hrs
LIEUTENANTS' MEETING: 09:45hrs

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 48th Street / 128th Street

Tides: High: 5:09:00 PM
 Low: 10:28:00 AM

Special Events: OC Dance Party-Caroline St. Stage-19:30hrs; Drone Show-Dorchester St.-21:30hrs

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 56th, 63rd

SRT Name	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	Crew #
	8/22/2022	8/23/22	8/24/22	8/25/22	8/26/22	8/27/22	8/28/22	
Daily Assignment								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								
Smoking Enforcement								

Tuesday, August 23, 2022– OIC Lt Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

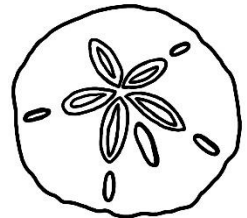
Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 46th Street / 126th Street

Tides: High: 5:57:00 PM
 Low: 11:21:00 AM

Special Events: Lifesaving Museum 10:00hrs

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 30th, 112th, 119th



Wednesday, August 24, 2022– OIC Lt Kovacs

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 44th Street / 124th Street

Tides: High: 6:40:00 PM
Low: 12:10:00 PM

Special Events: Storytime on the Beach-Caroline St 11:30hrs

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 33rd,35th,38th,82nd,98th,112th,117th,120th,121st

Thursday, August 25, 2022– OIC Lt Kovacs

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 42nd Street / 122nd Street

Tides: High: 7:21:00 PM
Low: 12:55:00 PM

Special Events: Jeep Week- 30th Street Beach Crawl and Inlet Lot

Beach Weddings: 124th St. 6pm

Beach Bonfires: 56th,72nd,87th,89th,124th

Friday, August 26, 2022– OIC Lt Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 40th Street / 120th Street

Tides: High: 7:33:00 AM
Low: 1:37:00 PM

Special Events: Jeep Week-30th Street Beach Crawl and Inlet Lot

Beach Weddings: 47th St 6pm, 59th St. 6pm

Beach Bonfires: 70th,140th

Saturday, August 27, 2022

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 38th Street / Carousel (118)

Tides: High: 8:13:00 AM
Low: 2:17:00 PM

Special Events: Jeep Week-30th Street Beach Crawl and Inlet Lot

Beach Weddings: N. Division 4pm, 59th St. 6pm and 7pm

Beach Bonfires: 58th,67th,80th,98th,112th,136th,139th

Sunday, August 28, 2022 (Pay Period Ends)

OCBPSRA Certification: None

Work-out: Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 36th Street / Sea Watch (116)

Tides: High: 8:54:00 AM
Low: 2:58:00 PM

THIS FORM IS REQUIRED TO BE ON FILE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES

Important Last Day Info

The End of Season/Extended Employment Agreement form is available online on the OCBP website under "Employee Forms." It is due to Lt. Stone two weeks before your last day.

In this time of our season, it is greatly appreciated when SRTs can stay as long as possible and continue working – even beyond what may have originally been indicated on forms back in the spring.



Quad Drivers Needed!



Sunday, August 28, 2022 Continued (Pay Period Ends)

Special Events: Jeep Week-30th Street Beach Crawl and Inlet Lot

Beach Weddings: None

Monday, August 29, 2022– OIC Lt Stone

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Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 34th Street / Rainbow (112)

Tides: High: 9:34:00 AM

Low: 3:40:00 PM

Special Events: Drone Show-Dorchester St.-21:30hrs, OC Dance Party-Caroline St. Stage-19:30hrs

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 92nd ,107th

After Season Loyalty Bonus

As of Monday, August 15th, each employee will now earn \$1.00 for every hour worked through Sunday, September 25th. This will be added after your final paycheck as a one-time loyalty bonus!



Notification of Status for Next Season

An email will be sent to the address that you have provided (make sure it is up to date and you are checking it), letting you know that you have received an "A" rating and are being offered a position for the coming season.

This email will also contain a link to an on-line form that you will need to respond to giving us some preliminary information on availability so we may continue planning and know how many candidates we still need to appoint to Surf Rescue Academy from our remaining tests.

You can expect this email in late January. If you do not receive this email you need to contact Captain Arbin to inquire about your status.

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 12</u> 8/8/22 to 8/14/22	<u>Week 12</u> 8/9/21 to 8/15/21	<u>Week 13</u> 8/10/20 to 8/16/20
Action			
Preventions	5336	9155	7389
Rescues	8	67	68
Minor First Aid	99	191	77
Ambulance Calls	8	11	7
Police Calls	0	5	5
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	2
Lost/Found Persons	42	33	11
N. Surf Beach Population	163	29	42
S. Surf Beach Population	97	97	192
Inlet Surf Beach Population	96	11	6
Beach Wheelchair Usage	27	30	27
Smoking Enforcement	265	607	566



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



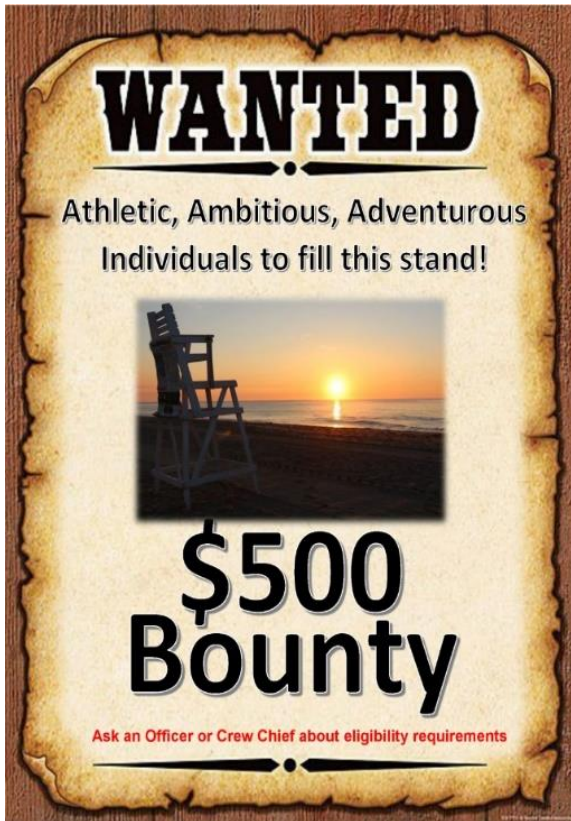
UPCOMING 2022 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

October 1

PEPSE # 4 for 2023

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Jeep Week	Aug 25-28	Daily	Beach and Inlet Lot
Walk for Recovery	Sept 10	0900-1100hrs	Inlet-27 th Street Boardwalk
Bay to Beach Drive	Sept 10	1700-1800hrs	Boardwalk 27th to N. Division Sts.
Wine on the Beach	Sept 9-10	Daily	Inlet Lot
ESA Surf Series #4	Sept 10-11	Daily	34.5-36 th Street Beach
Beach Volleyball Series	Sept 10-11	Daily	Talbot St-N. Division St.
OC Bikefest	Sept 14-17	Daily	Inlet Lot
Fall Car Event	Sept 21-25	Daily	Inlet Lot
Beach Tennis MD Open	Sept 29-Oct 2	Daily	Beach between 4th-8th Sts.
Sunfest Kite Festival	Sept 29-Oct 2	Daily	Beach from 4th-6th Sts.
C-3's Ocean's Calling	Sept 30-Oct 2	Daily	Inlet Lot and beach from the Inlet to Dorchester St.



**Travel Incentive
For Returning to Work**

After fulfilling your employment agreement and leaving full time with us this season, you may be eligible to receive a travel reimbursement of \$140 added to your paycheck if you return to the OCBP after August 14, 2022.

Eligibility requirements include:

- Must commit to work at least two days
- Must drive your personal vehicle
- Must travel from at least 110 miles away
- Must present proof of travel
- Must be on the schedule and scheduled to work



We still have the Bounty!! Please continue to recruit for 2023 season! Remember, recruiting is everyone's responsibility!

We have added the October 1 test for the strategic purpose of affording friends, classmates, and family members the opportunity to test for the 2023 Season while the ocean temp is still comfortable. After leaving Ocean City this summer, please share this opportunity and bring five people back to the beach for Ocean's Calling and the PEPSE on October 1.

End of Season and Post Season Special

Assignments: The Town has packed the fall with a number of large Special events and needs our support.

Jeep Fest –Beach Crawl Aug 25 – Aug 28 We need Quad operators to escort a Jeep parade from 30th street to the pier

Oceans Calling Festival Sept 30 – Oct 2

We need SRTs and Quad operators to patrol the beaches

SunFest Oct 20 – Oct 23

We need SRTs for security

**Volunteer Opportunity- International Ironman
Cambridge, Maryland
Saturday, September 17
See Sgt. Jamie Falcon**

OCBP Question-of-the-Week for The Worcester County Times

I visited Ocean City this summer and saw a horseshoe crab on the edge of the surf. People were touching it and picking it up. Can horseshoe crabs sting you?

No. Horseshoe crabs cannot sting you. That sharp tail you are thinking of is called a telson. The horseshoe crab uses its telson to flip itself back on its feet. Horseshoe crabs are fascinating creatures that could very well save the human race. *Limulus Polyphemus*, as they are called in the scientific community, are actually a chelicerate arthropod which means they are much more closely related to spiders, scorpions, and ticks than they are to crabs. But that's not why they are important to humans. It's the blood of this prehistoric creature that scientists are most interested in because horseshoe crabs use hemocyanin to carry oxygen through their blood stream. Hemocyanin is very heavy with copper, this makes the horseshoe crabs blood blue. Their blood contains [amebocytes](#), which play a similar role to the white blood cells of vertebrates in defending the organism against pathogens. Which means that horseshoe crabs are practically immune to all bacteria, viruses, and cancers. This is why they are so valuable to humans and their copper rich blood has been valued as high as \$15,000 per quart. Scientists use their blood to detect bacterial endotoxins in medical applications. Horseshoe crab blood is considered an irreplaceable medical marvel and it is estimated that the biomedical industry is bleeding 500,000 of these horseshoe crabs each year. The blood is used to create an indicating agent that can detect bacteria that can withstand high heat and harsh conditions under which drugs and medical devices are sterilized and tested, like *Escherichia coli* ("E. coli"). We humans owe a debt to this odd looking, ancient creature and its blue blood. A special compound in the crab's blood quickly clots in the presence of endotoxins, microbial byproducts that can be harmful, supplying a perfect natural test for purity. In the race to find a COVID-19 vaccine, horseshoe crab blood became even more important. Horseshoe crab blood was used to test the safety of potential COVID-19 vaccines, before any coronavirus vaccine was FDA approved for clinical use in human beings. The horseshoe crab test is required to make sure it is safe to inject into the human body.

In the future scientists continue to try to find a cure for cancer with the beautiful blue blood of the horseshoe crab. However, there's also a growing concern among scientists who study these magnificent creatures that the bleeding of these crabs may be endangering a creature that's been around since dinosaur days. So next time you see a horseshoe crab on the beach, be nice to it because it might just save us all one day. If you do see one on the beach and it is alive, do not pick it up by the tail. Instead lift it by the edge of its shell and release it into the deeper water so it doesn't end up beached again. The only time you will see our staff carrying it by its tail is if it is dead and they are disposing of it. You may also notice a "tag" on a dead horseshoe crab, which you should mail back following the instructions on the tag.

Meet the Lifeguard: Nick Thompson

SRT Nick Thompson is in crew 18 and sits a stand in the north area of Ocean City. This is his 14th summer with the Beach Patrol. Nick works part-time but managed to spend almost seventy days on the beach last summer, mostly working in Crew 18. Nick enjoys being involved with every aspect of the Beach Patrol. He is a USLA member. He has helped with all educational youth and adult programs, CPR, First Aid Training Instructor, Surf Rescue Academy Instructor, supervised personnel and Areas of the beach as a sergeant in the early 2000's. After a several year separation from the patrol, Nick was inspired to return last season and went through Surf Rescue Training Academy along with our newest rookies and impressed them all. Nick enjoys spending time with his wife and 2 children repairing surfboard and paddle boards, running, swimming, reading, playing guitar and writing music, playing sports, and catching up with friends. When Nick is not working on the beach, he is a Supervisor of Physical Education, Health, Family & Consumer Sciences for Wicomico County Public Schools.

If you think you would like a position with the Patrol like Nick, ask any of our guards or visit our website at JoinBeachPatrol.com. Testing for our 2023 season has already started this August. Anyone can get a job... But with the Ocean City Beach Patrol, YOU can make a difference!

