



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week of August 3, 2020 to August 10, 2020

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020

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

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

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

***** All rookies must attend this meeting, even if they are off probation! *****

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps- August 8 - Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 44th St. / 124th St.

Tides: High: 07:53hrs
Low: 13:59hrs

Special Events: Beach Wedding -91st St. -18:30hrs & 88th St. -19:30hrs

Beach Bonfires -32nd, 46th, 51st, 53rd, 60th, 86th, 87th St., 100th St., 111th 118th, 120th St., 123rd, 140th 142nd, 143rd St. -18:00hrs

Please Note!

Completed stats are due each Monday by 18:00hrs.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

JBP Academy V: Morning Section E -Day 1- A.M.- 08:00hrs-11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs) / Afternoon Section C- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs

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Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps Saturday, Aug. 8 -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 42nd St. / 122ndSt.

Tides: High: 08:38hrs
Low: 14:43hrs

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

Beach Bonfires -30th, 39th, 42nd, 57th, 67th, 78th, 80th, 81st, 86th, 89th, 90th, 94th, 119th, 120th, 123rd, 133rd, 134th, 145th -18:00hrs

Crew Comps Next Saturday, August 8!!!

OCBP Floor Hockey

Aug. 4, 11, & 18

OC Bayside Tennis Courts 61st St. 18:30hrs
Free

*Wear Your Athletic Shoes.
No Blades!*



Additional Note About Stats!

All crew member names must be entered in the new stats' weekly spreadsheet by 18:00 each Tuesday.

S.R.T. Name:	Monday 8/3/2020	Tuesday 8/4/2020	Wednesday 8/5/2020	Thursday 8/6/2020	Friday 8/7/2020	Saturday 8/8/2020	Sunday 8/9/2020	CREW Crew
Daily Assignment								
								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								
Smoking Enforcement								



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020

OCBP 2020 Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation #2: Dorchester St. & Boardwalk- 09:00hrs

JBP Academy V: Day 2- A.M. Section E- 08:00hrs-11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs) / P.M. Section C- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps Saturday, Aug. 8 -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 40th St. / 120th St.

Tides: High: 09:22hrs
Low: 15:26hrs

Special Events: Beach Weddings- 118th St.- 15:30hrs

Movies on the Beach- *Frozen*- Carousel Hotel-118th St. -20:30hrs

Beach Bonfires: 30th St., 31st St., 35th St., 46th St., 83rd St., 84th St., 88th St., 93rd St., 94th St., 114th St., 125th St., 143rd St. -18:00hrs

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2020

JBP Academy V: Day 3- A.M. Section E- 08:00hrs-11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs) / P.M. Section C- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs

Camp Horizon: 127th St. beach -Two Groups: 10:30hrs-12:30hrs & 13:00hrs-15:00hrs (Instructors report at 10:00hrs)

JBP One-Day Clinic: 13:00hrs-17:00hrs

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps Saturday, Aug. 8 -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 38th St. / Carousel (118th St.)

Tides: High: 10:04hrs
Low: 16:09hrs

Special Events: Family Beach Olympics- Carousel Hotel-/118th St. -18:30hrs to 20:30hrs

Beach Bonfires: 71st, 74th, 88th, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 139th, 140th St. -18:00hrs

Sunset Park Party Night- *Saved By Zero*- S. Division St. Bayside- 19:00hrs

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2020-Pay Day!

JBP Academy V: Day 4- A.M. Section E- 08:00hrs-11:30hrs (Instructors report at 07:30hrs) / P.M. Session C- 13:00hrs-16:30hrs

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps tomorrow -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 36th St. / Sea Watch (116th St.)

Tides: High: 10:46hrs
Low: 16:53hrs

Special Events: Beach Bonfires: 30th St., 36th St., 51st St., 52nd St., 80th St., 85th St., 103rd St., 132nd St., 141st St. -18:00hrs


Movies on the Beach- *Coco* -27th St.- 20:30hrs

JBP One Day Clinic
Thursday afternoons
 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.

**Do what you are supposed to do...
 When you are supposed to do it...
 How it is supposed to be done!**



NO EXCUSES!!!

OCBPSRA Courses- 2020



SRT II Round 3 –(Final round this summer)
 Aug. 11, Aug. 12, Aug. 13, Aug. 14
 Dorchester St. 08:00hrs
Required for ACC next summer

Important Notice Regarding Leaving Early
 Anyone who leaves earlier than the date which he/she provided will be considered as quitting without notice and will be required to return ALL OCBP issued uniform and equipment items, including bathing suits, hats, whistles, ID cards, and all items included in the consumable bags. Any items not returned will be deducted from your final paycheck, and your direct deposit will be cancelled until we have verified that you have satisfied all debts with the OCBP and the Town of Ocean City.
Please follow through on what you told the Beach Patrol you would do.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2020

OCBP 2020 Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation #3: Dorchester St. & Boardwalk- 09:00hrs

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete: Crew Comps -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs

Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: 34th St. / Rainbow (112th St.)

Tides: High: 11:28hrs

Low: 17:39hrs

Special Events: Beach Wedding- 133rd St. -18:00hrs

Beach Bonfires: 85th St., 117th St., 121st St., 122nd St., 139th St. 143rd St., 145th St. -18:00hrs

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020

OCBPSRA: Session II/Round 3 begins August 11

Opportunity to Compete:

Workout: Run Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: 32nd St. / Quay (108th St.)

Tides: High: 12:12hrs

Low: 18:28hrs

Special Events: Sundaes in the Park Concert & Fireworks -Vertigo Red -Northside Park- 19:00hrs

Beach Bonfires: 39th St., 144th St. -18:00hrs

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 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!

***** All rookies must attend this meeting, even if they are off probation! *****

OCBPSRA: SRT II/Session III begins tomorrow, Aug. 11

Opportunity to Compete:

Workout: Swim Day- Crew Chief determines specific workouts.

Surfing Beaches: Inlet / 30th St. / Marigot Beach (101st St.)

Tides: High: 12:59hrs

Low: 06:46hrs

Special Events: Endless Summer Surf Camp -38th St. -17:30hrs

Beach Bonfires: 35th St., 123rd St., 133rd St. -18:00hrs

Travel Incentive
For Returning to Work

You may be eligible to receive a \$132.00 travel reimbursement check if you return to the OCBP after Sunday, August 16 and before Sunday, October 4, after leaving our full-time employ

Eligibility requirements include:
Must work at least two days
Must drive your personal vehicle
Must travel from at least 110 miles
Must present proof of travel
Must be scheduled to work

Completed stats are due today at 18:00hrs.

UPCOMING 2020 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

Aug. 4-7	JBP Camp Session V- A.M., P.M. & One-Day on Aug. 6
Aug. 5, 8, & 15	Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluations for 2021 -Dorchester St. -09:00hrs
August 7	Pay Day
Aug 8.	Crew Comps -Middle Inlet -18:30hrs
Aug. 11-14	JBP Session VI- A.M., P.M. & One-Day on Aug. 13
Aug. 11-14	OCBPSRA SRT 2 / Round 3- Dorchester St.- 08:00hrs
Aug. 21	OCBP Annual Awards Ceremony -TBA

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

White Marlin Open	August 3-9	OC Fishing Center	Daily
Movies on the Beach	Aug. 5	118 th St.	20:00hrs
Family Beach Olympics	Aug. 6	118 th St.	18:30hrs
Sunset Park Party Nights	Aug. 6	S. Division St.	19:00hrs
Camp Horizon- Two Groups	Aug. 6 & 13	127 th St.	10:30hrs & 13:00hrs
Thursday's Downtown Beach Fireworks	Aug. 6	Talbot St. beach	22:30hrs
Movies on the Beach	Aug. 7	27 th St.	20:00hrs
ESA Summer Surf Series	Aug. 8	40 th St	07:00hrs
Sundaes in the Park	August 9	Northside Park	19:00hrs
Endless Summer Surfing Camp	August 10-11	38 th St.	17:30hrs-19:30hrs
OC Air Show	August 15-16	14 th -17 th St.	10:00hrs
ESA Summer Surf Series	Aug. 22	36 th St	07:00hrs

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 10</u> 7/20/20 to 7/26/20	<u>Week 10</u> Year-To- Date 2020	<u>Week 10</u> 7/22/19 to 7/28/19	<u>Week 10</u> Year-To- Date 2019	<u>Week 10</u> 7/23/18 to 7/29/18	<u>Week 10</u> Year-To- Date 2018
Action						
Preventions	9390	94816	16191	85458	34410	163327
Rescues	43	2655	383	1371	443	3252
Minor First Aid	177	1099	178	6122	159	1285
Ambulance Calls	11	81	20	100	12	90
Police Calls	3	46	3	48	6	47
USCG/MDNRP	1	4	0	0	0	2
Lost/Found Persons	28	196	26	174	28	239
N. Surf Beach Population	247	1365	115	931	63	689
S. Surf Beach Population	271	1532	757	2492	442	1759
Inlet Surf Beach Population	5	170	121	412	210	647
Beach Wheelchair Usage	30	151	40	276	24	224
Smoking Enforcement	747	7802	719	7055	848	8819
Missed Work Days Due to Injury	7	13	6	34	9	43
Missed Days-Non Job Related	34	59	4	24	1	11

Attaboy!

Dear Captain Arbin:

I am writing to extend our appreciation for the excellent lifeguard staff that worked on the beach at 8th and 9th Street Lifeguard Stands and also the special Lifeguard staff that volunteered his service and drove the four wheeler to assist my sister in law on and off the beach for several days throughout the week of July 19 thru July 25, 2020. I don't remember his name, but we did get a picture of him which I have attached to this email. He was very professional and personable and extended his services to assist my sister in law that has MS and just recently had surgery for brain aneurysms prior to our vacation and could not walk down the beach to get to our umbrellas herself.

We had acquired the beach wheelchair the first day when it was available and pushed her down the beach to our umbrellas. The Lifeguard staff that drives the four wheeler came to our area to retrieve the four wheeler later that day for someone else who wanted to use it. At the time he came, she was just getting ready to leave the beach for the day and we said that to him that it was perfect timing. He was so kind to offer to take her to the boardwalk steps on the four wheeler and even further offered his services anytime we would need. He said to just go to the lifeguard and tell them and they would radio to him to pick her up at the steps on the boardwalk at 8th Street and again return to take her back to the steps when she was ready to depart for the day.

He was very pleasant and personable while also displaying very professional work ethics. He made her feel relaxed and comfortable and took very good care of her when he transported her. She appreciated his kindness and his offering of his service for her so much so that she could enjoy some time on the beach.

We just wanted to tell you how much we appreciated your staff and their hard work and extending services to help her. We would appreciate it if you could acknowledge him for his excellent service as beach patrol that displayed such care to us and please know that he is most definitely an asset to Ocean City Maryland's Beach Patrol.

Sincerely,
Kathy C

Please note the important end of the season information in the boxes below.

End of Season and Extended Employment Agreement

All employees are required to complete the "End of Season and Extended Employment Agreement" available online and handed out by your Crew Chief. You should have already turned in your last day documentation unless you are working full time until Sept. 27. This form is also required to apply for work after your last day or extended patrol and close down.

**This is not an opportunity to change your last day plans.
Please follow through on what you told the Beach Patrol you would do.**

DO NOT FORGET THE BEACH PATROL WHEN YOU MAKE CHANGES

If you make any changes in the contact information that you have on file with us, it is your responsibility to let us know. If this coming season is as we predict, we will not be allowing personnel to return who have missed deadlines. Having mail returned or lost in forwarding may cause you to miss an important deadline.

E-mail –We use e-mail to keep everyone informed of events and activities as well as confirming information and to get out quick updates. Free accounts and school accounts often change, so you need to let us know immediately if there are any changes.

Winter address – This is used to send U.S. mail such as newsletters, invitations to return, and other paperwork.

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

Question of the Week: What are you doing with those flags?

The surf rescue technician's (lifeguard's) flags serve two purposes. First, they are used in one of the three communications methods that the beach patrol uses to communicate with each other. This form of communication is called semaphore. Semaphore is a type of communication by which a person signals with two hand flags, moving his arms through various positions to represent letters, numerals and special signs. Semaphore is also used by the Scouts, Navy and Coast Guard to communicate over long distances (as long as you can see the other person). Although this method has been around for a long time, a major benefit to the beach patrol is that in an emergency or when a lifeguard is in the water, they do not need any electronics or technology to immediately update and communicate with each other. The majority of messages being sent between lifeguards are communications about lost and found individuals and potential dangers. Example:

LB N ADAM A ATE BLUE

Lost Boy Name Adam Age eight bathing suit color blue

Above is an example of one type of a message that SRTs send between adjoining stands. As you can see, to shorten the message we use many abbreviations, most letters also represent a full word (such as B = Boy, F=found, C= see, etc). This information is also transmitted by radio to the Town's communications center (911 center) for broadcast to other agencies and departments throughout Ocean City.

Note: We respond to approximately 1,000 cases of lost and found individuals in a typical season (this is a reduction over previous years due to our education of our beach users) with a 100 percent return rate. Ages have ranged from 1 year old (how can you lose a child that can't walk?) to 98 years old. With most between 4 – 10 years old. Once we are aware of a missing individual it usually takes under 10 minutes (60 – 70%) to reunite the family (98% are returned within 20 minutes). Please let children know that if they are lost, to immediately go to the nearest lifeguard and not to try and locate you on their own and as parents follow the same advice. To learn more about semaphore, visit the beach patrol website, www.ococean.com/ocbp; click on the semaphore alphabet link.

The other two communication methods used by the beach patrol are a whistle system and two-way radios. The whistle system uses 1, 2 or 3 blasts. One blast is used to get attention, so if you hear a whistle look to make sure they are not attempting to get your attention, even if you are sure it isn't you. If you hear 2 quick whistles that is an indication that the SRT is preparing to make a water rescue, watch and see what they do next. Three quick blasts is a signal to all other SRT's that they need immediate help, and is usually a life threatening emergency. One method you will never see being used is a cell phone. The Beach Patrol has a very strict policy that prohibits our personnel from even having a cell phone with them and turned on, so that they do not have any unnecessary distractions from their primary responsibilities.

The second use of the flags is to direct beach patrons out of harms way. Although we do not expect any of our beach patrons to understand this signaling system, we also use the flags to indicate and point to our visitors. The SRT may point at you and direct you to move in a particular direction or to stop an activity such as ball playing in the water. This gentle signaling may be all it takes to warn and move you out of potential danger, such as rip currents, dangerous shorebreak or even marine life such as we see with whale sightings and other aquatic life. So remember, when an SRT whistles and points, locate them and make sure they are not trying to tell you something.



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



SRT of the Week-SRT Maximilian Kasian

SRT Maximilian Kasian has been with the Beach Patrol for 2 years. He works in Crew 12 which covers the area from 82nd Street to 91st Street. In his free time he enjoys playing basketball and playing in the ocean. In the off season he attends Penn State University. SRT Kasian 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, ask any of our guards or visit our website at www.ococean.com/ocbp. We have our next Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluations for positions during the 2021 season, scheduled for August in Ocean City. Anyone can get a job... but with the Beach Patrol.. YOU can make a difference!

