



# OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

**Week of Monday, June 3, 2024 - Monday, June 10, 2024**

**Monday, June 3, 2024 – 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:** Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 35th Street / High Point - North (114)

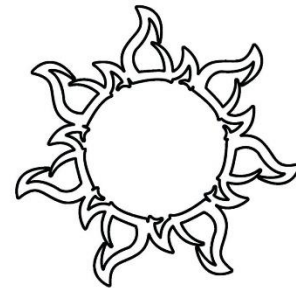
**Tides:** High: 5:51:00 PM

Low: 11:25:00 AM

**Special Events:** None

**Beach Weddings:** 59<sup>th</sup> St. 1800hrs

**Beach Bonfires:** 33<sup>rd</sup>, 138<sup>th</sup>



SRT Name	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	Crew #
	6/3/2024	6/4/2024	6/5/2024	6/6/2024	6/7/2024	6/8/2024	6/9/2024	
Daily Assignment								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								

**Tuesday, June 4, 2024 – OIC Lt. Stone**

**OCBPSRA Certification:** None

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 33rd Street / Capri (111)

**Tides:** High: 6:42:00 PM

Low: 12:16:00 PM

**Special Events:** None

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 120<sup>th</sup>

Share the photos you take this season with us. We need photos for our social media channels, our end of year celebration, and to help us remember the good times.

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**Wednesday, June 5, 2024 – OIC Lt. Kovacs**

**OCBPSRA Certification: None**

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 31st Street / Mid Atlantis (102)

**Tides:** High: 7:02:00 AM

Low: 1:05:00 PM

**Special Events:** Movies on the Beach-Carousel 117<sup>th</sup> St-Elemental-1900hrs

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** none

**Thursday, June 6, 2024 – OIC Lt. Kovacs**

**OCBPSRA Certification: None**

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 29th Street / Century I (99)

**Tides:** High: 7:52:00 AM

Low: 1:54:00 PM

**Special Events:** None

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:**110<sup>th</sup>

**Friday, June 7, 2024-PAY DAY – OIC Lt. Stone**

**OCBPSRA Certification: None**

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

FITNESS FRIDAY – 0800 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Workouts determined by Sgt. Wagner

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 27th Street / Flying Cloud (95)

**Tides:** High: 8:42:00 AM

Low: 2:41:00 PM

**Special Events:** RWO Boat Race, Scout Troop 399 Safety Presentation-10:30-11:00-N. Division

**Beach Weddings:** 10:00-59<sup>th</sup> St.

**Beach Bonfires:** 31<sup>st</sup>,117<sup>th</sup>,145<sup>th</sup>

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: None**

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 25th Street / 93rd Street

**Tides:** High: 9:30:00 AM

Low: 3:29:00 PM

**Special Events:** RWO Boat Race, Red Bull Foam Wreckers-39<sup>th</sup> St, Beach Bum Bash-1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Beach Lax-Northside Park, San Duels Beach Soccer-Wicomico to N. Division

**Beach Weddings:** 1500hrs 24<sup>th</sup> St.,1700hrs-Inlet, 1730hrs-59<sup>th</sup> St.

**Beach Bonfires** 31<sup>st</sup>,37<sup>th</sup>,41<sup>st</sup>,46<sup>th</sup>,55<sup>th</sup>,59<sup>th</sup>,60<sup>th</sup>,61<sup>st</sup>,82<sup>nd</sup>,84<sup>th</sup>,  
93<sup>rd</sup>,94<sup>th</sup>,112<sup>th</sup>,117<sup>th</sup>,118<sup>th</sup>,121<sup>st</sup>,123<sup>rd</sup>,128<sup>th</sup>,129<sup>th</sup>,136<sup>th</sup>,143<sup>rd</sup>

**How “Service Animal” Is Defined**

Service animals are defined as dogs that are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Examples of such work or tasks include guiding people who are blind, alerting people who are deaf, pulling a wheelchair, alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure, reminding a person with mental illness to take prescribed medications, calming a person with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) during an anxiety attack, or performing other duties.

**Inquiries Related to Service Animals**

When it is not obvious what service an animal provides, only limited inquiries are allowed. Beach Patrol staff may ask two questions:

(1) Is the dog a service animal required because of a disability?

(2) What work or task has the dog been trained to perform?

You may not ask about the person’s disability, require medical documentation, require a special identification card or training documentation for the dog, or ask that the dog demonstrate its ability to perform the work or task.



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**Sunday, June 9, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: None**

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 23rd Street / 91st Street

**Tides:** High: 10:17:00 AM  
Low: 4:17:00 PM

**Special Events:** Capt. Schoepf Relay 7<sup>th</sup> Street 1000hrs (prevailing current), RWO Boat Race, Beach Bum Bash-1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Beach Lax-Northside Park, San Duels Beach Soccer-Wicomico to N. Division, Sundaes in the Park-1900-2100hrs

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** None

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**OCBPSRA Certification:**

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

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 21st Street / 89th Street

**Tides:** High: 11:05:00 AM  
Low: 5:06:00 PM

**Special Events:** RWO Boat Race

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** None



**OCBP Summer Ocean Series**  
Monday, June 17, 2024  
130th Street & the beach

Registration begins at 17:30hrs  
Competition begins at 18:15hrs

Beach patrols may enter an A & B team per event. Only A team will be counted towards scoring.  
Top 6 places score in each race.



<u>Stats.</u>	Week 1 5/25 to 5/26	Week 1 5/27/23 to 5/28/23	Week 1 5/28/22 to 5/29/22
Action	2024	2023	2022
Preventions	2340	1929	2603
Rescues	2	25	107
Minor First Aid	7	16	23
EMS	1	0	2
Police Calls	1	0	1
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	12	1	9
Beach Wheelchairs	9	1	9
North Surf Beach	0	0	131
South Surf Beach	5	8	30
Inlet Surf Beach	N/A	N/A	NA



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## UPCOMING 2024 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 3	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center CC 0800 General Meeting 0830
June 7	<b>Pay Day</b>
June 9	Capt. Schoepf Relay 7 <sup>th</sup> Street 1000hrs (prevailing current)
June 10	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center CC 0800 General Meeting 0830
June 12	JBPAI Training
June 16-23	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 17	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- CC 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
June 17	OCBP Ocean Series 130 <sup>th</sup> Street - Registration begins -1730hrs. All are welcome!
June 21	<b>Pay Day</b>
June 22	Crew Chief Requalification Run & Swim - 08:30hrs Inlet Beach
June 22	0930 - SRA II - Run & Swim Qualification
June 22-23	Surf Rescue Academy II OJT
June 24	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
June 25	ACC Re-Cert - Inlet Beach 08:00
June 26-29	Veteran Recertification – Inlet Beach 10:00
June 26	Beach Patrol 5k Run
June 27	Rookie Graduation - 07:30hrs Inlet Beach
June 29	SRA I - Supper Seminar - Training Room 18:30
July 1	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
July 2-3	Veteran Recertification – Inlet Beach 10:00
<b>July 5</b>	<b>Pay Day</b>
July 5-6	Veteran Recertification – 10:00
July 8	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
July 13	Annual Patrol Pictures - 07:30 – Inlet Beach. Park in the Inlet Parking Lot using Code.
July 13	Veteran Recertification-Inlet Beach-10:00
July 13	Captain Craig Swim- 18:00hrs 14 <sup>th</sup> Street
July 15	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30

### Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

RWO Boat Race	June 7-10	All day	Ocean
Red Bull Foam Wreckers	June 8	All Day	39th St.
Beach Bum Bash	June 8-9	0730-1700	1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Street
Beach Lax Tournament	June 8-9	All Day	Northside Park
Sand Duels Beach Soccer	June 8-9	08:00-2000hrs	Wicomico to N. Division St.
Beach 5 Sand Soccer Tournament 1	June 15-16	0800hrs	Dorchester St.- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street
ESA Summer Surf Series	June 17-18	0800hrs	Location TBD
Fireman's Parade	June 19	1300	Baltimore Ave
Beach Bum Bash	June 22-24	0730-1700	1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street
ESA Summer Surf Series	June 29 or 30	0800hrs	Location TBD
ESA Summer Surf Series	July 13-14	0800hrs	Location TBD

## 2024 USLA/OCBP COMPETITION SCHEDULE

### JUNE

**June 17 – Ocean City – 130<sup>th</sup> St**  
**June 20 Fenwick**  
**June 24 – Sea Colony**  
**June 27 - Middlesex**

### JULY

**July 2-DE State Parks**  
**July 10-USLA Mid Atlantic Regionals**  
**July 12-Sea Colony Jr Lifeguards**  
**July 15-Dewey**  
**July 17 Mid Atlantic Regionals-Crafts-NJ**  
**July 18-North Shores**  
**July22-Bethany Beach**  
**July 23 USLA Mid Atlantic JR Regionals-NJ**  
**July 25-Rehoboth Beach Lifeguard Olympics**  
**July 29-Regoboth Beach JR Lifeguards**



### AUGUST

**Aug 1-Middlesex**  
**Aug 6-USLA Jr/U19 Nationals**  
**S. Padre Island, TX**  
**Aug 7-9-USLA Nationals**  
**S. Padre Island, TX**



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**Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay**  
**Sunday, June 9, 2024**  
**Run-Swim-Run Begins at 7<sup>th</sup> St. 10:00hrs**

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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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

**SRT II Basic (round 1)**  
**MUST BE OFF PROBATION**

\*\* All events will be held at Dorchester St. and the Beach beginning at 18:00 \*\*

- June 11 ... One Mile Run (18:00)
- June 12 ... One Mile Swim (18:00)
- June 13 ... Fins & Landline (18:00)
- June 14 ... Rescue Board (18:00)

Other Requirements: 100 days worked after probation, NIMS IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, & IS-800

**SRT III Advanced (round 1)**

\*\* All events will be held at Dorchester St. and the Beach beginning at 18:00 \*\*

- June 11 ... Two Mile Run & Managing Personnel(18:00)
- June 12 ... Quad Cert/Recert (18:00)
- June 13 ... Run/Swim/Run & Evaluating Personnel (18:00)
- June 14 ... 200 M Sprint & Operational Management (18:00)
- June 27 ... Rookie Graduation (Inlet 07:15)

Other Requirements: 200 days worked after probation, Assist with Rookie Graduation, Communications Training (set up w/ Lt. Stone), Successful ACC Appointment



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

### 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 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 (\$20.00 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 can 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, "Stop the Bleed", 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 and Sand Hole cave-ins. 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 do not think it is for you, locate the SRT to see what they may need. Do not 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 visit our website at [www.ococean.com/ocbp](http://www.ococean.com/ocbp). 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.JoinBeachPatrol.com](http://www.JoinBeachPatrol.com); or email [ocbp@ococean.com](mailto:ocbp@ococean.com). Testing for our 2025 season begins this August.

Remember our saying: "Keep Your Feet in the Sand until the Lifeguard's in the Stand." This is a reminder to never go in the ocean when the Beach Patrol is not on duty. As added protection for you and your family always locate the nearest stand with a guard and swim on that beach.

### Meet the Lifeguard: Rick Krause

SRT "FIT" Rick Krause has been a lifeguard starting in 1993 at the age of 17. He continued guarding in 1994. He served at 104th street and 88th street. Rick then left to serve in the us army, as a military policeman for 5 years. Rick then completed his service in the army and returned to the beach patrol and guarded full time in 2000 and part time in 2001. Those years he guarded in the area between the inlet and 5th street. Rick then left the beach patrol and pursued his career. First working in health clubs doing sales and ultimately finding his calling as a police officer. Rick became a Bel Air, md police officer in 2004, following in his dad's footsteps (Baltimore City PD). Rick currently is a 20-year police veteran. Rick then mentored some teens, as he was specifically assigned as a High School Resource Officer. Two of his mentees became lifeguards as well. At that point Rick decided to make a comeback! Rick, for the 3rd time, returned to OCBP in 2019. He is on our pull up competition team and an off-season recruiter and fitness liaison. Rick is a current guard, who loves the OCBP and vowed to come back every year until he "Can't get out of bed". Fitness is his passion and the OCBP family is exactly that ...family! Also, his wife Gina guards at the local water park in Fenwick, with two adult children. Life is good and it's even better at the beach!!!!

Rick Krause 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 Summer, ask any of our Surf Rescue Technicians or visit our website at [JoinBeachPatrol.com](http://JoinBeachPatrol.com). We pay (\$20.00 hr.) while we train you in our Surf Rescue Training Academy where all certifications will be provided and are offering a \$500.00 signing bonus. We are testing in August for our summer 2025 team!



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