



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week of Monday, June 5, 2023 - Monday, June 12, 2023

Monday, June 5, 2023 - 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)
USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS: 08:45hrs
GENERAL MEETING: 08:50hrs

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 17th Street / 85th Street

Tides: High: 9:06:00 AM
 Low: 3:04:00 PM

Special Events: None

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 68th, 127th

SRT Name	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	Crew #
	6/5/2023	6/6/2023	6/7/2023	6/8/2023	6/9/2023	6/10/2023	6/11/2023	
Daily Assignment								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								
Smoking Enforcement								

Tuesday, June 6, 2023- OIC Lt Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 15th Street / 83rd Street

Tides: High: 9:57:00 AM
 Low: 3:55:00 PM

Special Events: Paddleboard Safety Class for PSRT's 1730hrs.
 Report to 27th street immediately after work. See Training Officer Vassalotti with any questions. NOTE this is NOT the same as the OCBPSRA PB CERT needed for SRT II

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: None



Wednesday, June 7, 2023- OIC Lt Kovacs

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 13th Street / 81st Street

Tides: High: 10:50:00 AM
Low: 4:51:00 PM

Special Events: Movies on the Beach, 118th St. Starts at Dusk- Jungle Cruise

Beach Weddings: 9th St. 1700hrs

Beach Bonfires: None

Equipment issues? See Sgt Phillips Thursday June 8th, 1730-1900

Thursday, June 8, 2023- OIC Lt Kovacs

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 11th Street / 79th Street

Tides: High: 11:45:00 AM
Low: 5:51:00 PM

Special Events: Equipment manager Sgt. Phillips available in HQ 1730-1900

Beach Weddings: None

Beach Bonfires: 59th, 67th, 82nd



OCBP Summer Ocean Series
Monday, June 19, 2023
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.

Friday, June 9, 2023- OIC Lt Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 9th Street / 77th Street

Tides: High: 12:45:00 PM
Low: 6:54:00 PM

Special Events: PAY DAY, Airshow Practice Session

Beach Weddings: 59th St. 1800hrs

Beach Bonfires: 35th, 37th, 64th, 72nd, 91st



Thunderbirds in Action

Saturday, June 10, 2023

PEPSE #11 – Dorchester Street and the Boardwalk Registration at 9:00 AM

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 7th Street / 75th Street

Tides: High: 1:48:00 PM
Low: 7:46:00 AM

Special Events: OC Air Show, Sand Duals Beach Soccer

Beach Weddings: 59th St 1800hrs and 1930hrs, 92nd St. 1830hrs

Beach Bonfires: 30th(2), 31st, 32nd, 41st, 42nd, 52nd, 53rd, 67th, 92nd, 100th, 101st, 110th, 112th, 115th, 117th, 117th, 126th, 126th, 128th, 130th, 131st, 135th, 142nd, 143rd, 144th(2)



Sunday, June 11, 2023

OCBPSRA Certification: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 5th Street / 73rd Street

Tides: High: 2:53:00 PM
Low: 8:40:00 AM

Special Events: Capt. Schoepf Relay, OC Air Show, Sand Duals Beach Soccer

Beach Weddings: 59th St. 1730hrs

Beach Bonfires: 100th (2), 109th 136th, 141nd



Monday, June 12, 2023

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: See list of upcoming sessions on Page 4

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 3rd Street / 71st Street

Tides: High: 3:56:00 PM
Low: 9:33:00 AM

Special Events: None

Beach Weddings: 92nd St. 1830hrs

Beach Bonfires: 112th

<u>Stats.</u>	Week 1 5/27/23 to 5/28/23	Week 1 5/28/22 to 5/29/22	Week 1 5/29/21 to 5/30/21
Action	2023	2022	2021
Preventions	1929	2603	58
Rescues	25	107	1
Minor First Aid	16	23	1
Ambulance Calls	0	2	0
Police Calls	0	1	0
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	1	9	0
Beach Wheelchairs	1	9	0
North Surf Beach	0	131	0
South Surf Beach	8	30	0
Inlet Surf Beach	N/A	NA	0
Smoking Enforcement	116	198	4

Perk Alert:
Any OCBP employee with MD residency can now receive the \$40 discount on the Annual State Park and Trail Passport. Cost reduced for first responders and emergency workers to \$35. You must submit your city photo ID and note in the application what SRT stands for so it matches your title on the ID. Pass is valid for all state parks including Assateague State Park. Unlimited park entry for a single vehicle with up to 10 people. Valid for one year.



UPCOMING 2023 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 5	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center CC 0800 General Meeting 0830
June 9	Pay Day
June 10	Pre-Employment Physical Skills Evaluation, Ocean Test- Dorchester St.-1000hrs
June 11	Capt. Schoepf Relay 7 th Street 1000hrs
June 12	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- CC 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
June 18-25	Surf Rescue Academy II
June 19	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- CC 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
June 19	OCBP Ocean Series 130 th Street 1800hrs. All are welcome!
June 19	OCBPSRA1 MARP Training 17:30 MARP training 18:00 HQ
June 23	Pay Day
June 24	Crew Chief Requalification Run & Swim- 08:30hrs Inlet Beach 0930 - SRA II - Run & Swim Qualification
June 26	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
June 27	ACC Re-Cert-Inlet Beach 08:00
June 28-July 1	Veteran Re-certification 10:00
June 29	Rookie Graduation- 07:30hrs
July 1	SRA II Supper Seminar- Training Room- 18:00hrs
July 3	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00 General Meeting 08:30
July 5-8	Veteran Re-certification
July 7	Pay Day
July 8	Annual Patrol Pictures
July 8	Captain Craig Swim- 18:00hrs 14 th Street

SRT II Basic (round 1)

MUST BE OFF PROBATION

** All events will be held at Dorchester St. and the Beach beginning at 08:00 or 18:00 **

- June 13 ... Fins & Landline (18:00)
- June 14 ... One Mile Run (08:00)
- June 15 ... Rescue Board (08:00)
- June 16 ... One Mile Swim (08:00)

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 08:00 or 18:00 **

- June 13 ... Quad Recert (18:00)
- June 14 ... 2 Mile Run & Managing Personnel (08:00)
- June 15 ... Run/Swim/Run & Evaluating Personnel (08:00)
- June 16 ... 200 M Sprint & Operational Management (08:00)
- June 29 ... 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

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

OC Air Show	June 10-11	1200hrs	16 th St & Boardwalk
Sand Duels Beach Soccer	June 10-11	08:00-2000hrs	N. of Pier to N. Division St.
ESA Summer Surf Series	June 17-18	0800hrs	Street TBD
Beach 5 Sand Soccer Tournament 1	June 17-19	0800hrs	Dorchester St.- 3 rd Street
MD Firemen's Convention	June 17-22	Daily	Convention Center
OC Pride Parade	June 24	1100hrs	Boardwalk
Jellyfish Festival	June 30-July 3	Daily	Caroline Street



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USLA/OCBP 2023 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

June 2023

June 19 - Ocean Series - OCMD 130th St.
June 22 - Fenwick
June 26 - Sea Colony
June 28 - Middlesex –All Women's

August 2023

Aug 2 - Lido Beach, NY-All Women's
Aug 3 - Middlesex
Aug 7 - Rehoboth Beach Jr Lifeguards
Aug 10-12- USLA Nationals-Virginia Beach, VA



July 2023

July 6 - DE State Parks
July 7 - Sea Colony Jr Lifeguards
July 12-USLA Mid Atlantic Regionals-Rehoboth
July 17- Dewey
July 18- USLA Mid Atlantic Regionals-Crafts NJ
July 24 - Bethany Beach
July 25 - USLA Mid Atlantic Regionals-NJ
July 27 - Rehoboth Lifeguard Olympics



Annual Captain George A. Schoepf Memorial Relay

Sunday, June 11, 2023

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



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We are pleased to announce that the Coastal Fitness FREE gym membership is again up and running. We had the honor of speaking with the Assistant Manager yesterday morning and dropping off our official 2023 Roster for them to use to verify your affiliation with the Beach Patrol. Feel free to begin using your membership as soon as you want.

Here are a couple of guiding principles in the relationship we have with Jayna and Coastal Fitness:

1. Coastal Fitness is our Fitness Home away from Home. Tell others to use Coastal if they ask where you work out when you are not on the beach – Rates Apply
2. You are granted admission WITH your Beach Patrol ID. It will take a week or two for them to recognize you and verify who you are so please be patient – especially if you go in as a group. Our FREE membership is not extended to friends and family. Sorry.
3. Leave the facility better than you found it. Wipe surfaces off after use and put equipment away when finished.
4. Let paying customers have first access to machines and equipment. Courtesy and grace are appreciated.
5. Please park behind Gold Coast Mall and use the west entrance leaving the spaces on the east side of the mall for paying customers.
6. At the end of the summer, Fit Rick and I want to hear Jayna say it was the best experience she's ever had with a large group like ours.

We are excited to offer this opportunity. Please recognize the generosity that Jayna and her team have extended to us by patronizing their snack bar, drinks, and tchotchkes. Put a sticker on your car or bike advertising the Gym and always express your appreciation. Enjoy your Summer!

Want to earn some extra income this season?

Please see an officer or a CC to learn about the eligibility requirements so YOU can earn a \$500 Bounty!



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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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 D 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

By Mail with a check to:

OCBPM D USLA President
c/o Ocean City Beach Patrol
109 Dorchester St.
Ocean City, MD 21842

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- Paid
- Entered



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 (\$18.44 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. 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; or email ocbp@ococean.com. We still have opening in our June 18th paid (\$18.44) Surf Rescue Training Academy and are offering a \$500.00 signing bonus. Testing for our 2024 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: SRT Julie Rosenberg

SRT Julie Rosenberg has been with the Beach Patrol for 2 years. She is a member of Crew 1 and sits the stand north of the pier. In her free time, Julie likes to workout at the gym, snowboard, travel and hang out with friends. In the off season she attends the University of Maryland in College Park.

SRT Julie Rosenberg 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 Julie, ask any of our Surf Rescue Technicians or visit our website at JoinBeachPatrol.com. We have one more test on June 10th to work this summer. We pay (\$18.44) while we train you in our Surf Rescue Training Academy where all certifications will be provided and are offering a \$500.00 signing bonus. It's not too late to join our team.

