



OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week of Monday, August 30, 2021 - Monday, September 6, 2021

Monday, August 30, 2021 – OIC – Lt. Stone

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OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training - Saturday, Sept. 4 – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 12th Street / 80th Street

Tides: High: 2:43 PM

Low: 8:40 PM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: NA

Beach Bonfires: 33rd 48th & 126th St. – 18:00 hrs

SRT Name	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	Crew #
	8/30/2021	8/31/21	9/1/21	9/2/21	9/3/21	9/4/21	9/5/21	
Daily Assignment								Totals
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								
Smoking Enforcement								

Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Nao Santa Maria	August 12-Sept 5	10:00-20:00hrs	3rd Street and the Bay
Jellyfish Festival	Sept. 4-5	Daily	North Division St.
OC Bikefest	Sept 15-19	Daily	Convention Center
Sunfest	Sept 30-Oct. 3	Daily	Inlet Parking Lot



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Tuesday, August 31, 2021 – OIC – Lt. Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training - Saturday, Sept. 4 – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 10th Street / 78th Street

Tides: High: 3:47 PM
Low: 8:38 AM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: NA

Beach Bonfires: 48th, 94th & 112nd St. 18:00 hrs

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – OIC – Lt. Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training - Saturday, Sept. 4 – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 8th Street / 76th Street

Tides: High: 4:47 PM
Low: 9:30 AM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: 43rd Street-17:30

Beach Bonfires: NA

Thursday, September 2, 2021 – OIC – Lt. Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training - Saturday, Sept. 4 – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 6th Street / 74th Street

Tides: High: 5:39 PM
Low: 10:26 AM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: NA

Beach Bonfires: 80th, 89th, 92nd & 115th St. 18:00 hrs

Friday, September 3, 2021 – OIC – Lt. Stone

OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training - tomorrow, Sept. 4 – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet OPEN / 4th Street / 72nd Street

Tides: High: 6:25 PM
Low: 11:21 AM

Special Events: Community Fridays Market - 1st St. - 09:00hrs-20:00hrs
Maryland Army National Guard Recruiting Event – 8th St - 12:00 – 18:00hrs

Beach Weddings: 59th Street-18:00

Beach Bonfires: 48th, 67th, 92nd, 115th, 116th, 119th, 136th, 145th & 146th St.
18:00 hrs

ACC Turner Attaguard!

Good afternoon,

I just wanted to say that this lifeguard is impressive. He was constantly alert and vigilant. He made sure swimmers didn't venture too far; and when unfortunately a dad and small child did so, they couldn't get back in. This guy went out and got them. How he recognized their struggle was beyond me. This kid deserves kudos!!!!

Susan D



**SUPPLEMENTAL
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**



Part time evening work available
at Anthony's at 33rd St.

Call 410-289-7853 and be sure
to tell them you are with OCBP



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Saturday, September 4, 2021

OCBPSRA Certification: JBP Training – tonight – Headquarters - 18:00hrs

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / 2nd Street / 70th Street

Tides: High: 7:09 PM

Low: 12:14 PM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: NA

Beach Bonfires: 34th, 41st, 42nd, 45th, 46th, 48th, 61st, 71st, 72nd, 81st, 89th, 91st, 92nd, 95th, 120th, 125th, 130th, 133rd, 139th, 142nd, 143rd, 145th & 146th St. 18:00 hrs

Sunday, September 5, 2021

OCBPSRA Certification: Ended for 2021

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

Surfing Beaches: Inlet Conditionally OPEN / North Division St / 68th Street

Tides: High: 7:50 PM

Low: 1:03 PM

Special Events: Sundaes in the Park Concert & Drone Show – *Guys in Thin Ties (GITT Your 80s On)* - Northside Park - 19:00hrs

Beach Weddings: 59th Street-10:00

Beach Bonfires: 28th, 30th, 39th, 47th, 53rd, 69th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 127th, 128th, 130th & 143rd St. 18:00 hrs

Monday, September 6, 2021 – OIC -

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Tides: High: 7:30 AM

Low: 1:50 PM

Special Events: NA

Beach Weddings: 59th Street-18:00

Beach Bonfires: 59th St. 18:00 hrs

Way to go, Rob Jett!



This is written to commend and express our appreciation for a lifeguard.

For the past two weeks I have been at the beach by 46th street. The young man who was stationed at this chair Monday and Tuesday of this week drew my attention. His professionalism, while being extremely approachable was evident. When beachgoers would approach the chair, his smile was genuine. He would make eye contact briefly, that was brief as his eyes were continuously taking in his surroundings. I did not witness any rescues; I simply witnessed a young man so attentive to everyone in the water.

Patti M

Lifeguard Appreciation Picnic

Monday, September 6th
17:30 following equipment return
Beach Patrol Headquarters Parking Lot

Food and drinks served by OC Baptist
All Beach Patrol employees are welcome



Funding for the food is generously provided by Austin Ament, former OCBP SRT (1997-2002) out of appreciation for the training, lessons, and skills he learned with the OCBP. Having served in the Navy and now enjoying an extensive professional career, Austin is currently working at US Special Operations Command in Tampa, FL. Thank you, Austin for your kind donation!



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

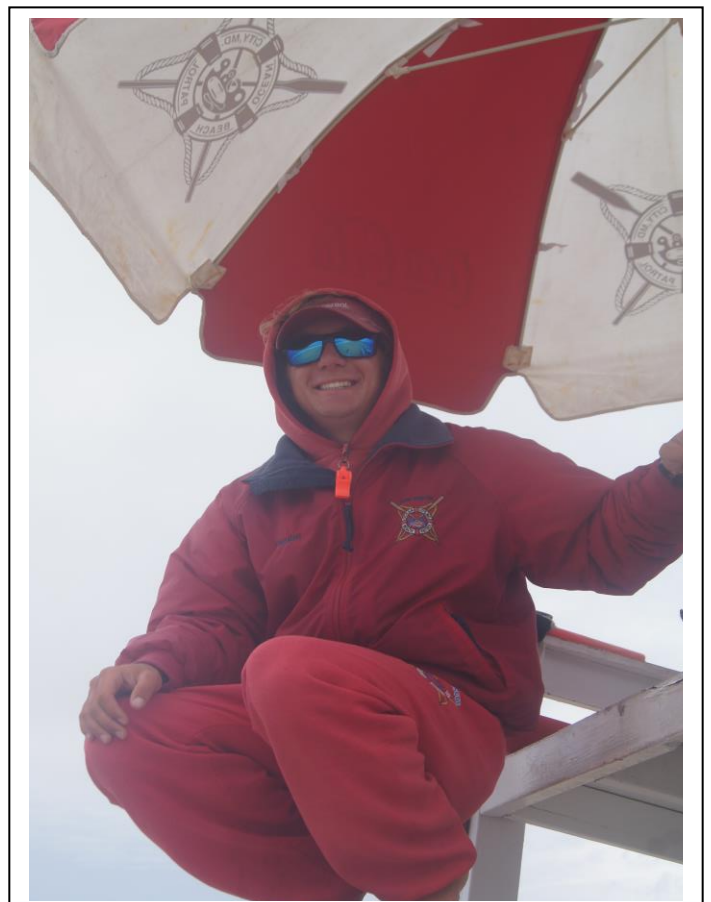
This Week's Question: Are we allowed to have tents or canopies on the Ocean City beach? I heard they are banned in Delaware?

Yes! You are allowed to have tents or canopies on the beach; however, they may not be fully enclosed. The health and safety of all beach patrons is the top priority of the Ocean City Beach Patrol, and protecting yourself from the sun is a big part of that. Renting or bringing your own portable covering to the beach creates a space where you are protected from harmful Ultra Violet radiation from the sun, not to mention a cool space on the hot sand to keep your feet from burning. In addition; Tents, Umbrellas, or other types of portable coverings are great for keeping all your family and beach gear together. However, there are some important rules to remember when using your beach accessories. In accordance with Ocean City Town Ordinance Section 106-93 part 1, '...No beach umbrellas or ball paying shall be permitted eastward of [the lifeguard stands], and any other beach accessories located east of said line shall be removed at the direction of the respective patrolman if, in said patrolman's opinion, the location of said other beach accessory is such as to interfere with the duties of said Beach Patrolman.' In other words, any beach accessories, other than a towel or blanket, are not allowed anywhere in front of the lifeguard stands. The reason this rule is important is because the lifeguards need to have a clear line of sight between each stand so they can see what the guard next to them is doing as well as a clear running path in case of a water rescue. It also creates a safe place at the water's edge for everyone to walk, run, and enjoy the beach. Sometimes the beach can become windy due to sudden changes in the weather. No matter what type of beach accessories you bring to the beach, they are your responsibility, so make sure they are well secured in the sand, so they don't blow away and injure someone. If you leave the beach, please collapse umbrellas and secure tents and canopies, and don't set up before you plan to use these items. A lifeguard can explain how best to secure your tent or umbrella to keep it from blowing away, however, the beach patron is responsible for all their beach gear and making sure the gear does not harm any other beach patron. Since we are talking about tents, it's important to note that there is no camping on the beach. In fact, Ocean City Town Ordinance Section 106-113 prohibits anyone from being on the beach between midnight and 5:00am. So, feel free to bring your umbrella, tent or canopy. But please, be a good beach neighbor and do not take up more space than your family needs and don't set up before you plan to occupy the space, so that others may also share a piece of the beach. Always remember to remove anything you bring to the beach, leaving only your footprints, so everyone can enjoy our clean safe beach.

SRT Paul Daube

SRT Paul Daube is in crew 1 and sits a stand in the inlet area of Ocean City. This is his third summer with the Beach Patrol. Paul likes to work out, hang out with friends, go outside, and play pickup basketball. He attends school at Penn State, Harrisburg and works at a grocery store.

SRT Paul Daube 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 Beach Patrol like Paul, ask any of our Surf Rescue Technicians or visit our website at www.ococean.com/ocbp. We will resume hiring for next summer at locations around the Baltimore-Washington Metropolitan area in March 2022. We provide all training and certifications during a paid Surf Rescue Academy.





Beach Patrol Appreciation

Editor

On Sunday July 18, 2021 we were on the beach in the late afternoon enjoying the weather and the end of another great week in Ocean City. At about 5p.m. we noticed the waves to be packing a bit more punch than earlier in the day and the current was really gaining strength. At this we noticed an unattended soccer ball in the ocean. With a somewhat sill reference to a famous scene in the movie "Castaway", my better half said "Oh no, somebody lost Wilson."

A couple of minutes after noticing "Wilson", we saw a swimmer who decided to swim out and attempt to retrieve the ball. With each stroke the guy took out east towards the sea, the ball managed to drift a bit further. We too notice of how very far out from shore he was and started to grow concerned. We looked up at the beach patrol stand and saw that the Surf Rescue Technician on duty notice the dangerous scene as well. Sure enough, the swimmer got tired, turned around with never getting the ball and started to swim back to shore. However, he was exhausted and could not make it. He panicked and waved his hands for assistance.

The SRT, bolted from his stand and hit the ocean waters like a horse breaking out of the starting gate. As he swam to rescue the swimmer from his post on Talbot Street, a female SRT from the stand just north of the pier left her perch and went to the scene with her buoy over her head. It was a well-trained team in action. We watched the SRT (Paul) assist the swimmer back to shore. Once on firm footing the swimmer who was once in danger of losing his life just sort of walked away a tad embarrassed. Meanwhile, we knew we just saw a life be saved.

It was very sad to learn that just two days earlier a swimmer was not so lucky and ended up drowning just a few blocks north from the site of the rescue we witnessed. We are forever thankful to have SRTs like Paul out there working miracles. The entire OCBP operation is amazing from top down. We residents and vacationers are very fortunate to have them. Please follow their advice and "keep your feet in the sand until the lifeguard is in the stand." The life you save could be your own.

M. Scott C



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<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 13</u> 8/16/21 to 8/22/21	<u>Week 13</u> Year-To- Date 2021	<u>Week 14</u> 8/17/20 to 8/23/20	<u>Week 14</u> Year-To- Date 2020	<u>Week 14</u> 8/19/19 to 8/25/19	<u>Week 14</u> Year-To- Date 2019
Action						
Preventions	12118	131158	14421	137938	9652	141037
Rescues	336	3481	453	3402	37	2000
Minor First Aid	258	2624	84	1535	168	2330
Ambulance Calls	21	131	5	123	8	189
Police Calls	1	39	2	56	4	67
USCG/MDNRP	0	3	1	8	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	14	345	32	279	23	274
N. Surf Beach Population	NA	NA	475	2095	41	1075
S. Surf Beach Population	NA	NA	96	2645	147	3411
Inlet Surf Beach Population	NA	NA	34	509	59	722
Beach Wheelchair Usage	0	240	6	218	26	409
Smoking Enforcement	481	7861	819	10318	447	9445
Missed Work Days Due to Injury	0	46	7	35	2	51
Missed Days-Non-Job Related	0	34	18	149	2	30

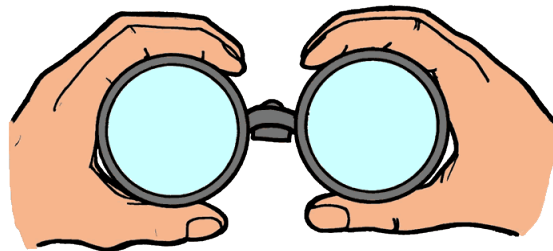
The Purpose and Proper Use of Binoculars

Binoculars are not useful for scanning since they have a very narrow field of vision, however, they do allow you to see a specific (something you spotted during your scan) distance object more clearly by making them look larger, as if you were seeing them from much closer.

Binoculars are only worthwhile if you can see the image in clear focus.

- Take your binoculars out of the case, and put the neck strap on.
- Remove the lens caps (all four) and if not tethered to your instrument, put them safely into the case. This way, when you put binoculars away, you will know where the lens caps are (which protects the coated lenses from scratching)!
- Choose a stationary object to focus on and lift the binoculars to your eyes.
- Bend the central pivot/hinge until it matches the distance between your eyes and you only see a single image.
- You will need to calibrate the binoculars to match any differences in vision between your eyes:
 1. Close your right eye and turn the main focus dial until the image you see with your left eye is sharp
 2. Close your left eye and this time instead of turning the focus wheel, turn the diopter dial instead (usually located near the right eye-piece) until the image is sharp
 3. Finally look through the binoculars with both eyes. The image should be perfectly clear.

From now on, all you need to do is turn the central focus wheel to focus on objects at different distances until the image is nice and sharp in your range of sight.



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