



The Avalon Home and Land Owners Association

MARCH 2011 – MURRAY WOLF, CAPTAIN, AVALON BEACH PATROL.

Mr. Wolf indicated that he tries to ensure the Beach Patrol stayed in the background; that the people on the beach are the most important. There is a high degree of cooperation between the departments.

There are 172 members of the patrol. Three are Class I officers licensed through the Avalon Police Department. They take care of disturbances, disputes and beach tag infractions.

The combined salaries of the patrol are \$915,000. Beach tags raised \$1.125 million, which pays salaries and equipment.

There will be taggers on the beach on Memorial Day weekend.ors in the Borough. The lifeguard tests will be on the first Saturday in June. Rookies get five days hard training.

Lifeguards do a 1 1/2 hour work out on the beach every day. There is one person per stand from 10a.m. until 5p.m. (5:30p.m. at the weekends). The guards have to be prepared for storms that can spring up at any time. At the end of the season (from August 15 until Labor Day) there is a shortage of guards because of school. The number of guards drops to 27 by mid-August. An attempt is made to keep every beach open.

There are lifeguard races every Friday from July 4, and in some cases there might be 2 or 3 in one week.

The guards have received a lot of support from the community.