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CHERRY POINT'S SINGLE MARINE PROGRAM

# SEPTEMBER



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>OUTER BANKS WILDLIFE SHELTER</b> 7 DAYS A WEEK</p>	<p><b>Craven County Habitat for Humanity</b> TUES-SAT</p> <p>Normandy Military Museum on-going</p>	<p><b>YOUTH SPORTS COACHES NEEDED</b></p>	<p><b>SMP POOL PARTY</b> 1600-1900</p> <p>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</p>	<p><b>POKER NIGHT</b></p>	<p><b>TGIF KARAOKE NIGHT</b></p> <p>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</p> <p><b>VOLUNTEER AT AN ANIMAL SHELTER</b></p>	<p><b>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</b></p> <p><b>VOLUNTEER AT AN ANIMAL SHELTER</b></p>
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<p>MS Society Bike Event</p>		<p>Bible Discussion Group @ 1900</p>	<p>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</p>	<p><b>POKER NIGHT</b></p>	<p><b>TGIF KARAOKE NIGHT</b></p> <p>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</p> <p><b>VOLUNTEER AT AN ANIMAL SHELTER</b></p>	<p><b>MS Society Bike Event</b></p> <p>Military Appreciation Deep Sea Fishing FREE!</p> <p>Veteran's Organic Garden Volunteering</p> <p><b>VOLUNTEER AT AN ANIMAL SHELTER</b></p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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26	27	28	29	30	<p><b>SMP DAYS OF SERVICE 12-18 SEPT</b></p> <p>CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR VOLUNTEER EVENTS <a href="http://SMP.CHERRYPOINT.COM">SMP.CHERRYPOINT.COM</a></p>	
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# SMP SEPTEMBER 2021 CALENDAR INFORMATION SHEET

Please visit <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com> or call (252) 720-7351 for more information and to sign up!!

Authorized Patrons of ALL abilities are welcomed. Please contact SMP Coordinator if reasonable accommodations are necessary or with any questions.

## IMPORTANT SMP VOLUNTEER NOTES:

### SMP Important Volunteer Notes!!!

- Thank you for your generous donation of time and support to our Community! ☺
- SMP Volunteer Events are open to ALL Active Duty, Dependents, DoD, and their guests.
- LOA's are typically available for all SMP Volunteers within 10 business days of turning in paperwork, at the SMP Coordinator Office, building 3383, behind Mainside Pool.
- The SMP website is updated often with additional volunteer opportunities that are not on this calendar! Please also ensure to check our website for any changes in event details.
- Please pick up an SMP POV Volunteer Log at the SMP Coordinator Office OR you can also access the Volunteer Log at [smp.mccscherrypoint.com](http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com) on the volunteer page, at the very top! Please turn in your completed SMP POV Log to the SMP Coordinator's Office or you can email to [MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org) within 14 days, so I can start processing your LOAs. LOAs will be processed once confirmed. SMP is transitioning to providing transportation after COVID, and will update the SMP website ([smp.mccscherrypoint.com](http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com)) as transportation is scheduled.
- Please dress for weather and please bring a water source or any sun protection needed!
- Please check our website for any specific instructions for each event you are interested in. Please note that depending on the event, registration on our website is highly encouraged or required. Due to the ever changing COVID-19 environment, the Cherry Point Single Marine Program is committed to the welfare and morale of our Service Members. With current state restrictions and other safety measures in place, those wishing to volunteer are still encouraged to do so and may contact the SMP Coordinator at 252-720-7351 or our website at [smp.mccscherrypoint.com](http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com). If participating in volunteer events promoted by the SMP, please take note that our program does not and will not assume any liability or responsibility for potential to COVID-19 hazards.
- No USMC, Federal or SMP endorsement implied.

## ANNUAL SMP DAYS OF SERVICE! (12 SEPTEMBER THROUGH 18 SEPTEMBER). Please see our website for additional details and to register! Please register for chow purposes ☺! <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com>

- **Sunday, 12 September:** MS Bike New Bern and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Monday, 13 September:** Tryon Palace and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Tuesday, 14 September:** Tryon Palace and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Wednesday, 15 September:** Croatan National Forest, Habitat for Humanity, Outer Banks Wildlife Shelter, and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Thursday, 16 September:** Croatan National Forest, Habitat for Humanity, Outer Banks Wildlife Shelter, and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Friday, 17 September:** Fort Macon State Park Special Projects and Beach Clean Up and Base Clean Up (individual Command)
- **Saturday, 18 September:** Animal Shelter, Veterans Organic Garden, Embrace Recovery Rally, Autocross, and Base Clean Up (individual Command)

## SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

### SMP Featured Volunteer Events of the Month!!!

- Additional Volunteer Opportunities are available on our website! <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com>. Details subject to change. Registration is encouraged, please so I can contact you if there are any changes ☺
- **MCAS Cherry Point Airshow SMP Volunteering (Saturday, 25 September and Sunday 26 September)** Support the SMP Council and volunteer with SMP in the Chalets! Please note that times may shift slightly. LOA's will be provided for each date you volunteer and we appreciate your support! Please register in advance on our SMP website to secure your spot. THANK YOU! ☺ (IT IS THE BEST PLACE TO SEE THE AIRSHOW TOO)
  - **Saturday, 9/25; 0730-1630 (32 volunteers to assist in the Chalets)**
  - **Sunday, 9/26; 0730-1630 (24 volunteers to assist in the Chalets)**
- **Multiple Sclerosis Society Bike Event Volunteering (9/11 and 9/12).** POV only. Assist the MS Society with their Bike Benefit. Assist with set-up, distribution of snacks and water, event break down, and many other activities! Variety of times and activities available. Registration details will be listed on our SMP website. POV only.
- **Embrace Recovery Rally (9/18).** POV only. Assist the Craven County Community Collaborative for Children Children with the Annual Embrace Recovery Rally! Meet at Union Point Park in New Bern at 1100. Volunteer event will conclude at approximately 1600. Assist with event set-up, water stations, booths, and tear down. POC is Christopher Devone. They are requesting 5 volunteers, please! ☺ Thank you!
- **Autocross (9/18 and 9/19).** Assist with set-up, tear down, course operations, event monitoring! Please meet at the Roadhouse on September 18 (0645-1630) and/or September 19 (0700-1500). (Autocross will take place on Foxtrot Taxiway, off Access Road).
- **Veterans Organic Garden (every Wednesday and Saturday, weather permitting; POV only unless noted differently on website).** Volunteer to assist the Veterans Organic Garden in New Bern with a variety of planting and special projects! Veterans Organic Garden assists our homeless and disadvantaged Veterans. Please wear long pants, closed toed shoes/boots, and weather appropriate civilian attire. Please bring hat, sunscreen, bug spray, and water source. POV only. Meet at 1235 Pollock St. New Bern NC 28560 at 0900. Will conclude approximately at 1200. If it's raining, event will be cancelled.
- **Animal Shelter (every Saturday; POV only unless noted differently on website).** Assist with walking the dogs, special projects, and cleaning. POV only. Meet at the Carteret County Humane Society Animal Shelter located at 853 Hibbs Rd, Newport NC 28570 at 0800; will conclude around 1130, but you can also volunteer longer if desired! Other days of the week available to volunteer as well.
- **Outer Banks Wildlife Shelter (available 7 days a week!).** Assist with a variety of projects a daily tasks at the Outer Banks Wildlife Shelter, which include cleaning and feeding the wildlife residents! Available 7 days a week: Volunteer shifts are 0900-1300 or 1300-1700. (Or as much time as you are able to give, even if it's a couple of hours!). Please call the shelter in advance to let them know you're coming; 252-240-1200. Thank you!
- **Craven County Habitat for Humanity (any day Tuesday through Saturday; POV only unless noted differently on website).** Assist with Habitat's newest builds and projects in New Bern! For all details, meeting locations, and times, please visit <https://cravencountyhabitat.charityproud.org/VolunteerRegistration/Calendar>. Preregistration on Habitat's website required ☺ Please wear closed toed shoes, and weather appropriate civilian attire. All PPE will be provided. Home builds will resume mid-September!
- **Normandy Military Museum Restoration (on-going; typically Saturdays).** Love history? Want to help save our WWII history and other military history?! Learn how to restore some of the coolest artifacts and VEHICLES at the Newport Normandy Military Museum. POV only; please contact Frank at [Normandy@ec.rr.com](mailto:Normandy@ec.rr.com) for questions or to register.
- **SMP Base Clean-ups.** Information on unit SMP base clean-ups is available; please see SMP Website: <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com>
- **SMP Virtual Volunteering (any day/time).** Shoot a short video or pic with a positive message to residents at our local Skilled Nursing facilities. Keep video to 5 MB or less (resize with free app such as Compress). Email video/photo, rank, name, unit to [MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org). You can keep it simple or get creative (with signs or props too) and please keep OPSEC in mind. Thank you for all of your support and time! Have questions or need assistance? Contact Jen Merlo at [MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org). All instruction and details can be found on our website: <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com>
- **MCCS Youth Sports Coaching (on-going).** Volunteer on base as a Youth Sports Coach! Currently needing volunteers for Cheer Coaching; other sports are right around the corner too! Please contact David or Cassie (Youth Sports) at 252-466-5493. Volunteering is typically 3 to 5 hours per week.

## UPCOMING TRIPS AND SPECIAL EVENTS:

### SMP Featured Trips and Events!!!

- Other trips are currently being scheduled, so please check back on our SMP website ([smp.mccscherrypoint.com](http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com))! Please call or email SMP Coordinator at 252-720-7351 or [MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:MerloJL@usmc-mccs.org) if you have any recommendations or call 252-720-7351 with any questions!
- **SMP Pool Party! (Wednesday, 1 September from 1600-1900!)** Join us at Hancock Pool with pool time, free chow, games, drinks, music and friends! Free for single and unaccompanied Service Members. SMP will be providing transportation (shuttle) for pick up and drop off between 1545-1915. Please register on the SMP website so we get enough chow! Shuttle details are on the SMP website.
- **Autocross! POV only. (Saturday, 18 September and/or Sunday, 19 September 2021).** Enjoy this fast-paced event on Foxtrot Taxiway! Open to all active duty, retired, dependents, DoD, and properly vetted civilians! Drivers and spectators welcomed! Volunteer opportunities will be available. Drivers - Pre-registration required online at [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) by 0700 on Monday, 13 September. Authorized patrons can also register day of, with a \$10 late fee. OPEN TO ALL (Active Duty, Retired, dependents, DoD, and properly vetted civilians). Please see links on our SMP website for descriptions and all additional registration details. \*\*\*Saturday's event is regular Autocross and Sunday's event is Novice School. (Novices are welcome to attend both days!).
- **Military Appreciation Day Deep Sea Fishing Trip! (Saturday, 11 September 2021 - Free!)** Enjoy an amazing day out to sea with the Military Appreciation Day Deep Sea Fishing Trip, out of Southport! All gear and tackle/bait provided for free!! You do NOT need a fishing license. Open to all Active Duty, Guard, and Reservists. For additional information, please visit: <http://militaryappreciationday.net/mad-chapters-southport-nc>. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED ON THE FOLLOWING SITE! Please register at <http://militaryappreciationday.net/southport-chapter-trip-sign-up> at your earliest convenience to complete your registration to ensure your spot.** Please let me know if you have any questions. POV ONLY!! Due to COVID guidelines at MCB Camp Lejeune, Camp Lejeune SMP transportation is no longer available. We apologize for any inconvenience.
- **Cypress Landing Military Appreciation Day Golf Outing (Saturday, 25 September 2021. Free).** Please register ASAP, space is very limited. Due to Airshow Operations, transportation will not be available.
- **UFC 266 Fight Night! (Saturday, 25 September 2021. Roadhouse).** Free pizza, wings, and beverages will be served at 2000 while supplies last! Volkanovski vs Ortega, Shevchenko vs Murphy, Diaz vs Lawler, Blaydes vs Rozenstruik, Andrade vs Calvillo, and many more! Prelims kick off at 2000; main event is at 2200.
- **SMP Council Meeting (Thursday, 30 September at 1400. Station Theatre).** SMP is YOUR program, so come fill us in on your recreation ideas, volunteering ideas, and QOL concerns.
- **E-Sports Competition!** Through September and October, the USO will host a series of virtual competitions! The POC is Carrie Barrow, Semper Fit Director. [Carrie.L.Simonson@usmc-mccs.org](mailto:Carrie.L.Simonson@usmc-mccs.org) or 252-466-6433.
- **Bible Discussion Group!** Every Tuesday at 1900 in the Roadhouse reading room.
- **Thursday Poker Nights at the Roadhouse at 1900!** Prizes awarded! No buy-in needed ☺
- **Fridays! Karaoke!** Starts at 1900 at the Roadhouse!

Website: <http://smp.mccscherrypoint.com> Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/smpcherrypoint> Facebook: [www.facebook.com/SMPCherryPoint](http://www.facebook.com/SMPCherryPoint)

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