

News

shelter bay community, inc. ™

July 2024



Shelter Bay Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 8am—5pm

Community Town Hall

Sunday, July 21, 2024, at **7 p.m.** at the Shelter Bay Clubhouse. Send questions to board@shelterbay.net. Watch for follow-up emails and website reminders.



Diana Lola Caple June 2024 Shelter Bay Yacht Club member

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Martha's Beach Hours

April 1 - September 30 The Beach gate closes at 10 p.m.

REMINDER



NO FIREWORKS

Permitted in Shelter Bay

Have a Safe & Fun 4th of July!

See Something, Say Something

Residents and Marina tenants, please report ALL criminal activity to the Swinomish Police Department by calling 9-1-1.

Planning a vacation? The Swinomish Police Department offers a FREE vacation service designed to keep your home safe while you're away.

Go to https://shelterbay.net.



Click on Governance, then Committees; scroll to Safety Committee, and finally, click Police-Vacation-Check-Request.

You can email, fax, or drop it off at the Swinomish Police Department.



Mark Your Calendars! Annual Community Shredding Day

- Saturday, July 20
- 9 am to 11:30 am
- Event will take place in the parking lot next to the Shelter Bay clubhouse/office
- Paper only. No plastics, metal
 binder clips, or 3-ring binders

President's Message



First, I'd like to welcome our newest board member, **Lois Watson**. Lois will fill the remaining term for Jan Paul, who was the treasurer. **Pat McGarry** has been elected as Treasurer.

Now that summer has arrived, activities are happening all over Shelter Bay. It's especially nice to see the pool full of very happy kids and adults doing water aerobics. The Clubhouse and Barbeque Pavilion are great places for events. Summer is also the time for road work such as paving and striping. So, watch out for the orange cones. The marina is very busy with boaters working on their boats and loading up for summer cruises.

July is the beginning of our 2025 fiscal year. Please see Bill Palmer's Community Manager's Message for some of this year's projects. We are in good financial shape and look forward to seeing more improvement projects in Shelter Bay.

The progress toward a new lease has moved forward after receiving a response from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to some of the questions on a new lease's structure. We are encouraged enough to proceed with drafting some sections of a new lease using the structure we proposed. We have met with the Swinomish Senators working on the lease and with the Swinomish legal team. Shelter Bay's attorney and Swinomish attorneys are meeting to discuss some of the more technical details. We are also working on details of the appraisal process. I can still say we are moving forward and have not gone backward in our negotiations.

Finally, I'd like to invite our community members to volunteer and join a committee. There is no better way to meet new people and understand our community's operations. Your volunteer work keeps our HOA fees down and helps us focus on what is important to those who live here.

Community Manager's Message



Compliance—We are currently looking to fill the Compliance Office position. We plan on taking a more proactive approach to this important area. While we will continue to follow up on any concerns and complaints that are brought to our attention, we will also conduct daily drives through the community to identify any areas that need attention, and follow up accordingly. We ask that all members of the community please abide by the Shelter Bay rules and regulations.

Pool Update—We will continue to operate seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the rest of the summer. We will notify you if hours are adjusted. We are looking for part-time pool attendants, and ask anyone interested in applying to please contact the office and speak with Kendra or Jennifer. As a reminder, no animals in the pool area, **please!**

Playground update – Permitting is still pending environmental review. We just received an updated wetland report and botanical survey for the Shelter Bay Playground that was requested by the permitting department. We will submit this new report by early July and will follow up with a conversation with them to determine what additional steps need to be taken to move this project forward. Playground equipment is still covered and stored next to the tennis courts. We've confirmed with the manufacturer that the warranty period won't start until the equipment is unpacked.

Coquille Park—Permit applications for the board-approved plans for renovating the old pool building have been submitted to the Planning department. The Maintenance department is reconnecting the water service at the building so the pickleball court can be washed.

Roads/Pavement—Permits have been filed for various areas, including the Golf Course parking lot, Marina parking lot, Haida Place, Nootka Place, and Cowichan Place. These were rated as the worst surfaces in the community, with the identified roads and parking lots experiencing significant graveling. Patching of water system repairs on Muckleshoot Circle and a few other areas will also take place when the paving project is mobilized.

Roadway Line Painting – We are waiting for warmer and dryer conditions, ready to paint all center lines, fog lines, stop lines, parking lot lines, and no parking/fire lane areas. All equipment and supplies are on hand and ready to go. Roadway lines will have reflective material applied to increase visibility at night.

By the time this article is published, we should also have completed the replacement of all the Clubhouse gutters and downspouts.

As always, I want to thank all our dedicated Staff members, the Board, and all our committee members for their ongoing efforts to ensure Shelter Bay is a great place to live.

Warm Regards
Bill Palmer
Community Manager



shelter bay community, inc. ™ Board of Directors - Action Items

Special Board Meeting June 13, 2024

1) Appointed Lois Watson to the seat vacated by Jan Paul through June 30, 2026.

Regular Board Meeting June 20, 2024

- 1) Ratified the Teller's Report and Certified the Results of the Annual Membership Meeting/Election held on May 18, 2024.
- 2) Authorized the Facilities Committee to engage Gray & Osborn Engineering for the estimated cost of \$149,300 to design and engineer the relocation of the water main from its current location along the channel to straight up the hill within the utility easement of Lots 97 & 98 to Samish Place and the upgrading of the existing water main from the Wastewater Treatment Plant to the intersection of Swinomish and Lummi.
- 3) Approved the Facilities Committee request to reallocate the previously approved funds for HVAC in the Harbormaster's office to the Marina Restrooms, not to exceed an additional \$5k.
- 4) Adopted Resolution 24-10 Revising the Fees and Fines Schedule in accordance to the Member Ratified FY 2024-2025 Operating and Capital Improvement Projects Budget.
- 5) Adopted Resolution 24-11 RR Part II, Chapter 40 Code of Conduct Rewrite
- 6) Adopted Resolution 24-12 RR Part II, Chapter 20 Committees Update with New By-Law changes.
- 7) Approved change in compensation for the Executive Secretary staff position.

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Company Board Meeting June 20, 2024

1) Appointed Directors to be the same as those of the Shelter Bay Community, Inc.

Dock Notes



Parking update for the Marina's Main Basin: Parking areas at A – B docks and C – E docks are expected to be repaved this summer. The A-B parking area will be repaved first. While we don't yet have a start date for the paving project, it could begin at short notice. Boaters who will be out cruising for longer than a few days are requested to contact marina staff before departing, to arrange for moving vehicles when paving work begins. Vehicles left overnight in **any** marina parking area are required to display a parking permit. Of

additional concern: boat trailers left unattached from a vehicle will receive a violation and may be treated as abandoned, resulting in impoundment at owners' risk and expense. Please contact marina staff for parking permits and arrange for vehicle moving while cruising.

Garden Club News



The Garden Club has had another busy month, completing 2 new garden designs. We added a lighthouse to the Triangle Garden. Fred Robinson found the lighthouse and fixed it up, and it turned out fantastic. Diane, Fred, and Linda did the design and weeded.

We had some space by the Anchor Garden, so Fred located a little boat and fixed it up. We placed it in the Garden with driftwood, a crab pot, buoys, life rings, and shells. Thank you, Fred Robinson, Kenny Woods, and Diane Berglund, for your donations. Thank you, Diane and Fred, for helping to put it together.

The dedicated efforts of our Gardeners, Diane Berglund, Patty Mueller, Berit Kenin, Janel Nelson, Mary Deitz, Katie Lucas, and Linda Shipley, have contributed 95 hours to our Gardens. If you share our passion for gardening and community, we invite you to join the Garden Club. Simply email me at lrshipley@wavecable.com to get started on this rewarding journey.

Happy Gardening, Linda Shipley



Fire District 13 May 16 - June 15, 2024 Response Summary

Total Responses	38
Special Incident	1
Good Intent Call	1
Service Call	9
Hazardous Condition	1
Medical Calls	25

Just a Reminder About



Per Shelter Bay Rules and Regulations Part 1, General XI. Signs – "Except as provided for in this section, no signs of any kind may be displayed to public view on any tract, parcel, or community property

without the written approval of the community manager or committee responsible." For a complete list of signs that are pre-approved, read the complete Rule.

A Word from our Safety Committee and Fire District 13 – Burn Ban in Effect

Due to the current and forecasted weather conditions in Skagit County, a burn ban went into effect on Saturday, June 15, and will most likely remain in effect until September.

When the relative humidity is low, trees, grasses, or other combustibles become very dry. Coupled with hot and/or dry weather for an extended period, this can pose a significant risk to our woodlands, public safety, and the environment. That's why, in the interest of our community's safety, officials have implemented this Burn Ban.

Per Article IV of our Covenants, Section 27 – Outdoor burning of any kind is prohibited within the survey of Shelter Bay. Barbecuing on a member's property or a community barbecue facility is not considered outdoor burning.

Shelter Bay Rules & Regulations Part 1 General states:

- 2.2 All outdoor burning, including the use of weed-burning equipment, is prohibited. Supervised use of propane or charcoal appliances such as barbecues, patio heaters, and fire pits for recreational purposes is permitted. Supervised and controlled fires are permitted only at community-approved and installed fire rings in park and beach areas, **except when a burn ban is in effect.**
- 5.9 Only fires in the firepit at Martha's Beach and the permanent BBQ facility at Rainbow Park are allowed. (No open fires are allowed during burn bans. Charcoal briquettes and/or propane use in barbeques is allowed during a burn ban.) Fires must be attended at all times and extinguished before leaving.

CERT Training



Hybrid CERT Training allows access via your mobile device or computer. Complete it at your own pace and convenience. The estimated online time is 12 hours, and the in-person practical time is 16 hours.

The basic CERT Training is not just a program, it's a crucial step towards equipping yourself with basic disaster response skills. You will learn how to protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community, making it an essential part of your preparedness.

What You Learn: 1. Disaster Preparedness, 2. CERT Organization. 3. Disaster Medical Part 1, 4. Disaster Medical Part 2, 5. Disaster Psychology, 6. Fire Safety & Utility Controls, 7. Light Search and Rescue, 8. Terrorism & Hazmat Safety, and 9. Review & Disaster Simulation. The next two-day practical hands-on portion is to be held on September 21 and 22, 2024, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Register at https://forms.gle/AQvbgPtqK13YpSku8

A word from your **GREEN** Committee

The Swinomish Department of Environmental Protection provides workshops to assist those living on tribal land with understanding our natural resources and the values of the People who have lived here for millennia. This year's learning series covers topics within the Shoreline Sensitive Areas Code, an essential part of our permitting process and, more importantly, one way our natural resources are protected. Please consider attending via Zoom or in person at the Northwest Indian College building. Upcoming workshops are:



July 9 - Geohazards

August 13 – Sea Level Rise at Swinomish **September 10** – Protecting Our Aquifers

RSVP is appreciated but not required: https://swincommunications.typeform.com/to/jt04BBC1

Zoom available: https://sitcgov.us/ELS2024

See you there!

More from your **GREEN** Committee



If you missed the Wildfire Preparedness Seminar on May 16, find the video here:

https://shelterbay.net/shelter-bay-firewise-information/

Communiversity – Water, Water Everywhere: A Maritime History of Skagit County



When: Tuesday, July 23, 2024
Where: Clubhouse and Zoom
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Water, a constant presence in our county from Skagit Bay to the Upper Skagit, has shaped our history from its earliest days. This presentation is a captivating overview of the profound impact water, and those who worked on it had on Skagit County's history.

Presenter Jo Wolfe, Director of Skagit County Historical Museum, has Skagit roots dating back to 1916, and presenter Mari Densmore, Archivist at the Skagit County Historical Museum, has even deeper roots beginning in 1895.

Register at: https://forms.gle/DiJM3LYyAs5WfejK7

Pool Attendants Needed!

The business office is accepting applications for Pool Attendants for the upcoming pool season. The Pool Attendant will monitor swimmers, oversee safety, assist persons within the pool area, prepare the pool for opening and closing, and perform limited pool maintenance. Pick up an application for a fun summer job!

Pool Schedule

The pool will be open until September 2, 2024, with extended hours, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., with the following schedule:

Adult Swim - Daily 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Water Aerobics – Monday & Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Open Swim -Daily 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Go to www.shelterbay.net for complete details.

Area Happenings



Northern State Hospital History Day, Saturday, July 27, 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., https://skagitcounty.net/Departments/HistoricalSociety/main.htm

La Conner Polo Club, Constitution Cup Polo Tournament, Saturday, July 13 at 10 a.m. to Sunday, July 14 at 4 p.m., 16278 La Conner-Whitney Road.

What's happening in La Conner?
Go to https://www.lovelaconner.com for events.

Museum of Northwest Art, https://www.monamuseum.org

Are you looking for forest hikes? There are over 50 miles of multiple-use trails in the forest lands. Hikes for children and families, as well as a monthly senior stroll, in the Anacortes Community Forestlands.

https://www.friendsoftheacfl.org



Shelter Bay (created by ChatGPT)

In Shelter Bay, where waters gently meet, La Conner's heart, a tranquil retreat. Mount Baker watches with snowy grace, A haven where nature and community embrace.

Swinomish Channel, a liquid mirror, Reflects the whispers, crystal clear. Majestic peaks, a sentinel divine, In Shelter Bay, where sunsets entwine.

Marina whispers tales of the sea, As boats dance in symphony. Golf course greens, a verdant delight, In La Conner's embrace, every day is bright.

Neighborly bonds in Shelter Bay grow, A tapestry of friendships, a vibrant flow. Parks invite laughter, nature's gentle call, In this Washington haven, where joys enthrall.

From tulip blooms to the sky's soft hue, La Conner's embrace, forever true. In Shelter Bay's arms, dreams take flight, A Pacific Northwest haven, bathed in light.

Fire District 13 and Swinomish Emergency Operations Center (EOC)



Skagit County personnel came to participate in a two-part drill. Part One assumed a fast-growing wildland fire with a Red Flag forecast. Reports from the field were evaluated, and

requests were made for additional resources, requiring expanding the Incident Command System to manage additional resources. This was held at the EOC at FD13's Station 2. Part 2 assumed that the rapidly moving and expanding fire threatened the wooded areas of the Swinomish Village, Shelter Bay, and other areas on the Reservation. Level 1, 2, and 3 Evacuation Warnings were ordered and delivered to residents as the fire expanded and moved. Traffic control personnel were mobilized, briefed on the situation, and directed to their duty stations. Pre-planned evacuation routes and evacuee destinations were implemented. Plan B was prepared, which assumed that no road exits were usable, and evacuees were directed to safe zones. This was a tabletop exercise at FD13's Station 2. When the drill was over, this group evaluated the exercise, commenting on what went well and how it could be improved. Some members drove to John K. Bob Field in the Swinomish Village for a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) helicopter landing and discussion of its operation during a wildland fire. This exercise highlighted the focus on clear communication between the various organizations required to run a smooth emergency operation under chaotic conditions to save lives and property.

Shelter Bay Happenings

HAM License Training

Do you have an interest in HAM radio operation?



I am working with the amateur group in Anacortes (SARECC) to arrange for technical-level ham license training and testing to be brought to Shelter Bay. You can sign up through carolyncaporgno@gmail.com. Once we have your contact information, we will notify you as soon as the classes become available. To accommodate vacation schedules, I am looking to have these classes available in September when residents are home from summer adventures.

Shelter Bay Clubs & Groups

Shelter Bay's calendar will no longer include club and group events that occur on a fixed schedule.

Residents who wish to participate in group activities are encouraged to check for meeting times and places on each group's web page by clicking the links below.

(If you receive this newsletter in print form or the links aren't working, enter https://shelter-bay.net/shelter-bay/shelter-bay-clubs/ in your browser.)

HOBBIES & GAMES	SPORT & FITNESS	COMMUNITY	
Billiards Club	Cycling Group	Book Club	
Liar's Dice Club	Dance Mix	CERT	
Mah Jongg Club	Exercise Group	Chorus Group	
Scrapbooking Club	Golf Club	Garden Club	
	Hiking Club	Healthy Cooking Club	
	Paddling Club	Shelter Bay Ladies	
	Pickleball Club	Sports Car Club	
	Tennis Club	Ukelele Club	
		Volunteers	
		Yacht Club	

If your group is not listed above or if you would like to see a new club in Shelter Bay, contact Peter Volum at pv@innomm.com.

Mark Your Calendar—Music on the Green



You won't want to miss Music on the Green, featuring BroHamM! Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 11, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The coals will be hot and ready for grillin' as you get your dance on. Please bring something for yourself to grill on the bar-b-que, a lawn chair, and a side dish or dessert to share.

BYOB. Picnic utensils and paper products will be provided.

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Jackie Stone

I am retiring after many wonderful years & want to express how grateful I am to have worked with so many of you.

I'd like to introduce, Kristi Gabrielse. She is experienced with the Shelter Bay community and I think you will enjoy working with her.

Windermere

Windermere You may reach her at (360)420-3119



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July 2024

	1 1pm Special Board Meeting 3pm Safety Committee Meeting	2 9am Architectural Compliance Committee 2pm Rules Committee Meeting	3	4 Happy 4th of July! Office closed all day.	5	6
7	8 10am Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Annex	9 9am Facilities and Amenities Committee Meeting 12pm Finance Committee	10 2pm Social & Recreation Committee Meeting	11 9am Green Committee Meeting 1:30pm Communications Committee Meeting	12	13
14	15 4pm Communiversity Committee	16 9am Architectural Compliance Committee	17 4pm Shelter Bay Board of Directors Meeting	18	19	20 9am Community Shredding at Office Parking Lot
21 7pm Town Hall Meeting	22	23 6:30pm Communiversity— Maritime History of Skagit Co.	24	25 9am Green Committee Meeting	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Clubs, Groups (classes), and agendas are posted at the Website. Members must log-in. Shelter Bay residents are encouraged to attend.

Please visit the Calendar page at www.shelterbay.net for updates.



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