

shelter bay community, inc. ™

June 2025

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

PROCLAMATION

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June 24, 2025

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY

In deep appreciation for the dedicated service that all of the Shelter Bay volunteers provide to the Community.



<u>Monte Hicks</u> Board President

<u>Wendy Poulton</u> Board Secretary

Community Town Hall

Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 7 p.m. at the Shelter Bay Clubhouse. Send questions to <u>board@shelterbay.net</u>. Watch for website reminders.

Martha's Beach Hours

(Note change of seasonal hours.) April 1 – September 30 The Beach gate hours are 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.

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Newsletter Editor Needed

The Communications Committee seeks a member with newsletter development experience to serve as Shelter Bay's newsletter editor. If you might be interested in supporting Shelter Bay by editing the monthly newsletter, the Communications Committee would like to talk to you. Contact Jim Barrett at jim@barrettmarine.com

Committee Volunteers

Watch your emails for details about our Volunteer Appreciation Day celebration on June 24, 2025. Please R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend.

Volunteer Appreciation Poem

Thank you to all the Shelter Bay Community volunteers who make this a better place to live!

The key to our success rests in the people like you, who embody the spirit of greatness by saying, "Yes, I can, and you can, too!"



Monte Dean Levaque March 20, 2025 There will be a Celebration of Life on June 7, 2025, at 2 p.m. in the Shelter Bay Clubhouse.

Nick P. ParritzMay 21, 1943 - April 12, 2025Survived by Judith Paulovic.

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Community Manager's Message



Pool Update –We received our operating permit and, as you may know, the pool is now open! Big thanks to our Project Manager, Lawson Earl, for keeping this important project on track and the Maintenance Team for handling several items related to the project and for getting the area cleaned up in anticipation of opening. I also thank all the vendors that worked on the project, doing a great job to ensure it turned out as planned. The Maintenance Team will once again be doing the daily cleaning, equipment checks, and routine maintenance to keep the pool clean and looking good.



Playground—We have been interacting with the planning department, providing the information they requested and continuing to work with them to come up with a plan that will allow us to keep the playground in the same location while replacing all the equipment with the new equipment that we have currently stored next to the tennis courts. We hope to have an updated timeline very soon.

Marina—The Marina operation continues to have very high occupancy and to come in better than budget, month after month. Harbormaster Derek, along with Steve, diligently works to ensure the Marina is kept in top-notch

condition. They also work closely with Kendra to ensure we fill any available slips as quickly as possible. We are still swapping out keys for the Boat Launch lock. Please contact the office if you have not yet swapped out your old key.

Maintenance Department – The Maintenance Department continues to stay busy working on various maintenance issues throughout the community, including the ongoing installation of the drive-by water meter tops, and they will soon begin the installation of the full drive-by meters. They recently finished cleaning up the pickleball courts and have been working on the tennis courts. There is a variety of other projects that the team will be working on as we move into the summer months.

Roads/Pavement—As mentioned last month, paving is done for this fiscal year, and we will ramp back up in July and August. We encourage you to report any potholes or other road-related issues to the office so we can review and address them.

Golf Course—The course is starting to look much better now that we are into warmer months. The Maintenance Team has been spending additional time cleaning it and trimming around the benches. They will also install new cups, flags, and tee area mats. We are also looking into having the greens plugged and sanded sometime soon. We will continue to address irrigation issues on an ongoing basis.

Coquille Park Building—The remodel of the old pool building at Coquille Park continues. The majority of the interior work has been completed. The bathroom still needs to be completed, and we anticipate the walkways being poured sometime soon. We appreciate all the time and effort our volunteers put into this project. Once completed, this will be a great amenity for meetings and various family and social gatherings.

If you are interested in volunteering on any of the SBC Committees or on other community projects, please contact our committee Secretary, Renata McCauley at 360-466-3805 Ext 8 or via email at <u>rmccauley@shelterbay.net</u>

As always, my sincere thanks to all our hard-working Shelter Bay Staff members. The team continues to work diligently to accomplish a wide variety of projects, and we look forward to continuing that moving forward.

Board President's Message



SPLASH!! The pool opened on May 24th with rave reviews. The additional concrete work consisting of new sidewalks around the pool area should be done in the near future. We are considering replacing all the old decking and handrails at the office complex with new composite decking and new code compliant railings.

The FY26 budget was approved at the Annual Meeting. Jack Galbraith, Nancy Shimeall, and Mike Shannon were re-elected for another 3-year term. Congratulations to these very capable community members for stepping up and serving on your board!

Lots of construction activity is happening in Shelter Bay. There will be major paving and utility work being done this summer that will affect our roads. The water main relocation project will also affect streets in Shelter Bay. <u>Please be</u> patient and treat the workers with respect until the work is finished.

June 24th has been designated as the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day. Volunteers, please put this on your calendar as we always have great food and an enjoyable afternoon with all the committee volunteers.

There is a lot of work happening in the greenbelt areas. The maintenance department encountered problems with tree roots causing damage and flow problems to the sewer lines in those areas. Hence, there will be the removal of some trees.

The remodeling of the building at Coquille Park is nearing completion, and the concrete walkways and patio will be completed shortly.

At this time, I want to extend a huge thank you to all the members of Shelter Bay who volunteer for the Board, Committees, and all the work that is accomplished because of caring community members.

Monte Hicks, Board President



Garden Club News

May was a productive but wet month for the Garden club so lots of work in between rain showers.

Berit, Diane, and Linda planted the blue clubhouse pots with lots of color on May 2nd. Primrose and daffodils went into the lighthouse garden and bench area around Docks B/C.

On May 5th, they cleaned up the triangle garden at the entrance to the Marina.

Greg and Barb created a dry creek at driftwood tree garden on May 9th. Thanks for the hard work and purchase of rocks for the design.



Suggested June gardening tasks for your flower garden:

- Deadhead any spent blooms to encourage new growth.
- Pinch back any leggy stems to promote bushier growth.
- Add a layer of mulch to help plants retain moisture during hotter months.

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May 17, 2025 Annual Membership Meeting/Election Results							
Voter Turnout Results: 42%			Directors' Ballot				
Quorum Present (20% of Members Eligible to Vote			Votes	Results			
Total Possible Member Votes in the Community:	871	Nancy Shime	eall	316	Elected		
Members Eligible to Vote:	863	Jack Galbraith		311	Elected		
Total Number of Members Voting:	360	Mike Shannon		310	Elected		
		Julie Ped	ldy	1	Currently Seated		
		Jennifer Johnst	on	1			
	Jan Pau		aul	1			
		Steve Klein Stuart Gustafson		1			
				1			
	Deirdre Rubicam						
Ballot Issues				i No	Results		
#1 – Approve the Annual Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2024			346	5 13	Approved		
#2 – Amendment to the Covenants – Article IV, Sect	305	5 55	Approved				
#3 – Ratify FY 2025-2026 Operating and Capital Projects Budget				L 72	Ratified		



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

Regular Board MeetingMay 21, 20251) Ratified the Teller's Report and Certified the results of the Annual Membership

- Meeting/Election held on May 17, 2025
- 2) Adopted Resolution 25-09 FY25-26 Revising Rules & Regs Part II Administrative, Chapter 20 Committees to include clarifying wording regarding mediation
- 3) Adopted Resolution 25-10 Revising Rules & Regs Part I House ID#'s
- 4) Approved Proclamation June 24th Volunteer Appreciation Day & hold Volunteer Appreciation BBQ

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Company Board Meeting

No Actions Taken

May 21, 2025



Fire District 13 April 16—May 15, 2025 Shelter Bay Response Summary Rescue & Emergency Medical Services 15 Service Calls 6 Total Responses 21

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.

Simply complete a <u>Police Vacation Check Request</u>. This form is found on the Shelter Bay website by going to Committees on the Governance tab and scrolling down to Safety Committee.

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

Dock Notes



WA State Vessel Registration Renewals: The 2025 decal expires at the end of June. Washington State law and our moorage leases require that current decals be displayed on our boats and registration forms be provided for tenant files. Staff will conduct checks in July to ensure tenants have performed this annual task. This is also a good time to check to make sure your emergency contact card is visible and up to date with the correct phone numbers.

Navigational Hazard: Located in the fairway between A and B docks, it seems to be a large concrete barrier block. We anchored a large red buoy to mark where it is. Be cautious in that area on minus tides or if you have a deep draft. The red X on the map below is a rough estimate of where it is located.

Fishing and Shrimping is Now Open: The boat ramp and parking lot are seeing a lot of activity, and we'd like to remind you to please follow our parking lot rules and be mindful of others. If you haven't turned in your boat launch key to be rekeyed you still can. Bring it into the main office to get swapped out.

Boat Launch Rinse Station: Feel free to flush your motor and rinse your boat at our rinse station located near the boat launch. This station is for rinsing your boat and trailer. NO soap or pressure washing is allowed. Thank you for your cooperation!

BBQ. Brews, and Ocean Views: The Shelter Bay Yacht Club will be taking a cruise to Friday Harbor from June 16-18th. Register now at <u>https://sbyclc.clubexpress.com/</u>!

See you at the Marina! Your harbor team, Kendra Emerson – Harbor Administrator Derek Woods & Steve Shipley – Marina Staff

Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two Spirit Peoples



Red Dress Day, held every May 5th, is a National Day of remembrance and activism honoring the lives of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirited People (MMIWG2S+). It began with the <u>REDress</u> Project, created by Métis artist Jaime Black in 2010.

You may have noticed the red dresses posted around the Swinomish Village in early May. Perhaps, you felt sensitivity or curiosity about what they might have meant. They signify and honor the lives of those who have disappeared or have even been murdered. On May 5, 2025, the Swinomish Indian Tribe came together for a healing dinner to honor families and people directly affected by this human rights crisis all over North America. It is called Red Dress Day. Many of the missing people have been taken from Alaska and brought to Seattle, WA. They are forced into a life of drugs and violence. This affects indigenous people at an astoundingly high rate. Much of the community advocacy that highlights awareness can eventually lead to a change in policy. It can also bring attention to the crisis in the hopes of preventing more Native people from ever having to be affected by this again. Sadly, it is

still under-documented, which means that there are many more thousands of cases that are not officially recorded. That is just one of many reasons why awareness is so crucial. Unfortunately, this is still an ongoing crisis. *By: Lisa Versteegh*

First Salmon Ceremony



The First Salmon Ceremony occurred this year on May 15, 2025, at the Boys and Girls Club. It is an elaborate and beautiful festivity. Hands go up for the many volunteers who make it possible and to the long-standing traditions of the Swinomish People, which give the utmost respect to the salmon, which nourishes their people. Blessings and songs ask for safety during the upcoming fishing season, and that it may bring abundance while keeping balance with Mother Nature.

Honored Elders, Senate Members past and current, those about to embark on the water, members from La Conner proper, such as Mayor Marna Hanneman, the La Conner Community News, and Fire District 13, were recognized. Many children came center stage to proudly share their lineages in Lushootseed and English. Uncle Joe



McCoy, who led the ceremony, also turned eighty-five. He shared his great sense of humor and sentiments for all.

To learn more about this long-standing tradition, 'First Salmon Ceremony', by Raymond Mitchell, is a great read, especially for the young ones.

By: Lisa Versteegh

Shelter Bay Happenings

Save the Dates

Early July Work Party Volunteer Opportunity

After July 4, the Safety Committee seeks volunteers to paint the Disaster Assistance Center (DAC), and complete the interior inventory. All paint, equipment, refreshments, and beverages will be provided. If you want to volunteer for an early July work party, please get in touch with Bernard Robinson at <u>bnbrobinson@yahoo.com</u> or 360-728-9287.

> Communiversity – Bulletproof Aging Tuesday, July 8 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Shelter Bay Community Shredding Day Saturday, July 19 Watch this newsletter and our website for more information! Sponsored by the Shelter Bay Community Office.

Music on the Green *By BroHamm* Saturday, August 16 *4 - 6 p.m. More details are coming soon! Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

Shelter Bay Men's Fireside Gathering

At Rainbow Park (at end of Chinook Place)

Thursday, June 5 at 4 p.m. Light snacks provided BYOB and a lawn chair

Sponsored by the Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee

Shelter Bay Women's Monthly Breakfast

It's a wonderful time meeting and connecting with fellow neighbors. Please feel free to bring a dish to share, if you'd like, (but not required). Coffee, tea, cocoa, paper supplies, and utensils provided.

When: Second Tuesday of each month (June 10) Time: 9-10:30 am. Where: Shelter Bay Clubhouse

> *Sponsored by the Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

Shelter Bay Garage Sale Registration

The garage sale is on **Saturday**, **June 28**, beginning at 9 a.m. As of June 1st, registration forms will be available online at <u>https://forms.gle/Mfog1wJE8paJvzfT6</u> or in the office.

Registration deadline is **JUNE 20.** If using a paper form, please return your completed registration to the office or the mail slot outside.

SRC needs your name, address and email or phone number to be able to contact you if there is an issue. Your address is required for the Garage Sale Map, which will be available for buyers to find your home.

If you wish to advertise the types of items you will sell, mark the types on the list.

The maps and item lists will be handed out at the front gate on June 28, and will be available in the office a few days prior.

- Accessories/Jewelry
- Books/Magazines
- CDs/DVDs/Vinyls
- Clothing/Shoes
- Collectibles
- Dishes/Small appliances
- Furniture/Home decor
- Games/Toys/Puzzles
- Sheets/Linens
- Sports/Recreational Equipment
- Tools/Garden Items
- Vehicles

Two lists--one by address and one by items--will be available in the office a few days prior and will be handed out at the front gate on the 28th.

Sponsored by the Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee

Conversation with your Fire District #13

Wednesday, June 11, 2025 5-8 p.m. Shelter Bay Clubhouse

FREE hamburgers, hot dogs, and salads are provided by Fire District 13.

They will have fire engines, and an ambulance. The Fire Commissioners will be there, along with firefighters, to tell the Community what services they provide to all residents and to answer questions.

This event is sponsored by the Shelter Bay Safety Committee.

Shelter Bay Ham Radio Club Meet & Greet

The club will hold its first meeting on **Tuesday**, June 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Shelter Bay Clubhouse to start training for the volunteer roster, set up revolving duty for the weekly Tuesday morning Swinomish Emergency Operations Net, prepare for June/July safety exercises with Fire District 13 and Swinomish Emergency Management, and set up coordination with other local HAM nets such as Anacortes, Mt. Vernon, etc. If you have an interest in volunteering, please get in touch with Bernard Robinson, KK6ICV,

Area Happenings

La Conner Free Concert Series, Gilkey Square, Sundays through Labor Day weekend, 1-4 p.m.

Anacortes Waterfront Festival, June 7-8, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

https://business.anacortes.org/events/details/2025-anacortes-waterfront-festival-22983

Includes children's toy boat building, free boat rides, team boat building, a carnival slide, a Corvette and classic car show, commercial and arts vendors, food trucks, and live music performances.

MoNA Art Auction, June 7, 12 noon, www.monamuseum.org/2025-art-auction

La Conner Pride Events https://www.laconnerpride.org/events

Lots of events to check out this Pride Month, including a month-long library display, a drag show, art walk, cruise, boat parade, and Pride Prom. People of <u>all</u> genders and orientations are encouraged to come have a great time! Sponsored by La Conner Thrives Association.

Skagit County Historical Museum, https://www.skagitcounty.net/museum

La Conner Swinomish Library, https://www.laconnerswinomishlibrary.org/

Interested in hiking? Try some of these Skagit County hikes:

https://www.visitskagitvalley.com/blog/discover/off-road-adventures/spring-into-skagit-hiking-trails/

Did You Know?



Did you know that removing any tree might get you a fine?

"No trees with a trunk in excess of 6 inches in diameter, at 5 feet above ground level, will be removed or pruned, without the written permission of the committee responsible. Removal or pruning of any tree located within a regulated Shoreline or Sensitive Area requires a permit from the committee responsible."

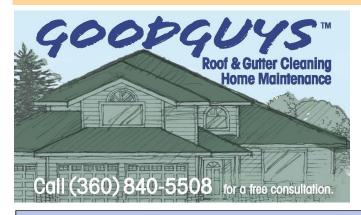
For any questions on this regulation, contact the Compliance Officer, rkovalcheck@shelterbay.net.

Lost... and (Hopefully) Found

Several items in the office's Lost and Found include water bottles, eyeglasses, wallets, car keys, beanies, and hats. Additionally, many coats and jackets have been abandoned and left hanging in the clubhouse. If you believe you own any of these items, please stop by the office to claim your prize. Any item unclaimed by the end of the fiscal year (June 30) will be donated or properly destroyed. You can view pictures of the items at: https:// shelterbay.net/lost-found/. Don't forget to use the Next link on the lower right to see all three pages of items.

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360.466.3300 Art, Marcie & Tony

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
1	2 10am CERT Rescheduled 3pm Safety Committee Meeting	3 9am Architectural Compliance Committee Meeting 2pm Rules Committee Meeting	4 3pm Finance Committee	5 9am Facilities and Amenities Committee Meeting 4pm SRC Men's Fireside Gathering	6	7		
8	9	10 9am SRC SB Women's Breakfast 3pm Harbor Committee Meeting	11 2pm Social & Recreation Committee Meeting 5pm Conversation with Your Fire District #13	12 1:30pm Communications Committee Meeting	13	14		
15	16 4pm (Canceled) Communiversity Committee Meeting	17 9am Architectural Compliance Committee Meeting 6:30pm HAM Operators Meet & Greet	18 4pm Shelter Bay Board of Directors Meetings	19 Holiday—Office Closed Juneteenth National Independence Day	20 Deadline SRC Garage Sale Registration	21		
22 7pm Town Hall	23	24 Volunteer Appreciation Day!	25	26	27	28 9am Chorus Bake Sale 9am Community Garage Sale		
29	30							
Clubs, Groups (classes), and agendas are posted at the Website. Shelter Bay residents are encouraged to attend. Please visit the Calendar page at <u>shelterbay.net</u> for updates.								



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