



Shelter Bay Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 8 a.m.—5 p.m. | Closed on Monday, October 13

## Breaking News Disc Golf Now Open in Shelter Bay



Come and try it out! A few discs are provided, but you're encouraged to bring your own.

The rules of disc golf and how you play are similar to traditional golf, but using discs instead of balls and clubs. Here are a few simple instructions to get you started:

- One stroke is counted each time the disc is thrown.
- The goal is to play each hole in the fewest strokes possible.
- The player with the lowest total strokes for the entire course wins.
- On our course, each hole is par 3.
- The distance to the next basket is on nearby park benches, sometimes including directions for the basket location.
- Each of the nine holes begins with a tee throw. This is done from the current tee boxes that golfers use.
- The player with the least number of strokes on the previous hole is the first to tee off on the next hole.
- After everyone has teed off, the player whose disc is farthest from the basket always throws first.
- A disc that comes to rest in the disc basket or suspended in the chains constitutes the successful completion of that hole.

**The most important rule: "The one who has the most fun wins."**

A BIG thank you to the volunteers, together with Shelter Bay maintenance, who installed this fun addition!

## Martha's Beach Hours

*(Note change of seasonal hours.)*

October 1 - March 31

The beach gate hours are 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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## Community Town Hall

The Community Town Hall will be held

**Sunday, October 19, at 7 p.m.**

Send questions to [board@shelterbay.net](mailto:board@shelterbay.net).

Watch for website reminders.

## Gentle Reminder

When you want to use amenities such as the clubhouse or the BBQ area for an event, you need to reserve that area with the office. There was a recent conflict between a group that had reserved the BBQ and one that had not, both showing up at the same time expecting to use the area themselves. In that case a compromise was reached between the two groups, but that may not always be possible. Please remember to reserve your spot.

## A Word from Our Shelter Bay Library

Our shelves are **full up** with great reading for the coming months! Come browse. Currently there is **no room** for any new books. Please remember this is a **fiction-only library**. We take neither cookbooks nor books about politics, history, or religion. Drop those other books off at the secondhand stores. Happy fall reading!

It is located within Shelter Bay annex building.

Open Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Sat-Sun 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

*Carol Yaw and Kasey Jensen*



Richard Okonek August 14, 2025

Claire Swedberg August 28, 2025

Thomas Rosadiuk August 28, 2025

## Community Manager's Message



**Pool** – We hope everyone enjoyed using the pool this past summer. As previously mentioned, there are still a few items left to be done surrounding the pool area; those items will be taken care of well before we get into the next pool season.

**Playground** — The board has approved the revised plan to install the new equipment in a part of the playground that sits outside the enlarged buffer. We still need to submit this updated plan to the permitting department and hope they will approve so we can get started sometime soon.

**Marina** – Occupancy continues to be high, coming in at 93% for August. Derek and Steve continue to tackle various jobs related to the ramps and docks. The marina bathroom roof was recently completed; we are now creating the scope of work for the interior renovation and will be soliciting bids soon. We are also working on cleaning up the parking lot area.

**Maintenance Department** – Congratulations to staff members Larry and Caleb who recently passed the sewer certification test and are now certified. This allows us to discontinue the use of an outside company to fill that need, which will save the community several thousand dollars per year. Work on the drive-by water meters continues. In late August we had an onsite meeting with representatives from Badger and Beacon to learn more about performing the drive-by water meter reads. After the meeting, the Badger and Beacon reps, along with a few maintenance team members, did a test read of the approximately 180 meters that are fully installed. They were able to do the reads in about 15 to 20 minutes. This will be a huge time-saver, and will allow those hours to be used working on other items.

**Roads/Pavement**— Many paving projects were completed over the last few months. We are winding down for the season; we will start back up in spring. We encourage you to report any road issues to the office so we can review and address them. We will be sweeping the roads and repainting the lines very soon.

**Coquille Park Building** – With the building remodel completed, we are in the process of getting furnishings, AV equipment, and signage.

**Golf Course** – As reported by our project manager Lawson Earl at the September Board meeting, plans are coming together for various turf improvements to the golf course greens during the off-season. These will include aerating, sanding, compacting, and seeding. Additionally, you may have noticed there are now disc golf baskets located on each of the nine holes. This should increase utilization of the golf course. The disc golf installation completed under budget with volunteer labor and some assistance from the maintenance department.

**Volunteers** – As always, we recognize all the time and effort that SBC volunteers put in on committees, working on projects such as the Coquille Park building, and various other things. Our sincere thanks for all you do. Shelter Bay Community is fortunate to have so many folks that are dedicated to making Shelter Bay Community a wonderful place to live. If you are interested in being part of this, please reach out to Committee Secretary, Renata McCauley at 360-466-3805, Ext. 8, or via email at [rmccauley@shelterbay.net](mailto:rmccauley@shelterbay.net).

Bill Palmer



### Board of Directors Action Items

#### **shelter bay community, inc.™**

##### **Regular Board Meeting September 17, 2025**

- 1) Approved Facilities Committee Request to create a new play area with some of the new playground equipment in Lummi Circle and to move forward with permitting and drawings to modify the existing playground to incorporate the new play structures outside the wetland buffer.
- 2) Moved to refer the Coquille Park signage request back to the Facilities Committee and task the committee to formulate a wayfinding plan for Shelter Bay Community utilizing standardized signage in keeping with Shelter Bay esthetics.
- 3) Adopted Resolution 25-18 – Revising the Social & Recreation Committee Guidelines to include the Coquille Park Building Rental Agreement.
- 4) Adopted Resolution 25-19 – Revising the Fines Schedule to allow for an increase in the fine for violations of the Protective Covenants under Unkempt Lots from \$100 for 1st Offense to \$100-\$500 and from \$200 for 2nd Offense to \$200-\$1000.
- 5) Approved new member of the Facilities Committee.
- 6) Sanctioned a Committee Member for Violation of the Code of Conduct by removal from the Committee.

#### **shelter bay company™**

##### **Company Board Meeting September 17, 2025**

- 1) Approved the Job Description for a Company Lease Admin Assistant position.



Fire District 13	
August 16 - September 15, 2025	
Shelter Bay Response Summary	
Rescue & Emergency Medical Services	15
Service Calls	3
Good Intent Call	1
<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>19</b>

## Board President's Message



Greetings from the President. It has been another great month of improvements to the beauty of Shelter Bay. The pool was a huge success this summer, and we lengthened the pool season through September. We are looking forward to opening the pool sooner next spring, depending on weather patterns. The view from Shelter Bay drive of the pool area, the marina, and surrounding areas is impressive. These will be all my remarks on projects as they are being well covered in the newsletter.

A big shout out to all the committees for their excellent volunteer work. Thanks to the staff for all their hard work.

Just a reminder we are actively looking for volunteers to serve on committees. This is a good way to learn about the inner workings of Shelter Bay and to meet new people.

Let's discuss the lease situation. There have been two meetings held recently with more scheduled. Both parties are committed to finding a solution to a new long-term lease.

My remarks are short and sweet this month.

Until next time,  
Monte Hicks, President

## Fire District 13 News

The upcoming November ballot will have Fire District Proposition 1, specifically designed to fund fire protection and emergency services. An increase is needed in property tax funds in order to:

- Purchase new firefighting apparatus to replace aging and outdated vehicles (36-year-old fire engines), thus improving effectiveness and safety for our firefighters and community.
- Maintain staffing for our 24/7 system.
- Increase staffing across our whole district for high-acuity calls (fires, car accidents, CPRs, and overlapping calls) by placing a second crew at the northern part of our district (Summit station 1).
- Stabilize operations by ensuring we have a balanced taxable base with our "not guaranteed" contributions. This allows us to continue as a fiscally conservative district with minimal to no finance debt.

Property tax dollars from Shelter Bay are paid to the Swinomish Tribal Tax Authority. Funding for the Good Morning and CARES program

(<https://skagitfire13.net/community-outreach-programs>), unique across the nation to FD 13, has come from the Swinomish. Those tribal contributions are not guaranteed, and, for the **first time in Fire District 13 history**, the department is going to the voters for a levy lift. Because Shelter Bay property taxes aren't paid to Skagit County, your November vote on Proposition 1 is important, because that count potentially provides the Swinomish with direction on where Shelter Bay residents place priority.

<https://voter.votewa.gov/GenericVoterGuide.aspx?e=894&c=29#/measure/6861>

Please call Chief Weiss on his cell at (360) 941-5607 if you have questions, or if you would like the chief to attend any group gatherings.

## International ShakeOut Day

At 10:16 a.m. (local time) on 10/16, you can join millions of people across the world practicing earthquake safety with drills at work, school, and home.

Two good resources are

<https://DisasterReadyWashington.com>,

and Prepare in One Year:

<https://www.townoflaconner.org/documentcenter/view/2024> (particularly Chapter 10 for earthquakes).

## Garden Club News

With the last of the summer temperatures the Garden Crew continues to water and weed all over our lovely community. Check out the new beds beyond the clubhouse added this month. They add finishing touches to the pool revamp work.

This month's hard work:

August 27: Weeding party occurred at Christina's garden.—Thanks, David, Berit, Donna, Diane, Janel, and Linda.

September 5: Ellen weeded the triangle garden and berm areas by the clubhouse BBQ.

Ongoing: Janel Nelson took care of watering the new garden at Coquille Park.

September: New garden area project around the club house was completed.—Thanks, Berit, Fred, Janel, Ellen, and Linda for constructing. Christine and Mindy handled the watering.

September: Watering the plants at Shelter Bay entrance, thanks to Heather London.

**Fall has begun.** Start pulling out those wilting spring/summer plantings and start planting those lovely cold-tolerant mums and ornamental kale to enjoy as winter approaches. Enjoy the changing leaves!

Kati Lucas





## Compliance Corner

Happy Fall, Shelter Bay! I hope all of you are as excited for the change in season as I am. Throughout the summer, we accomplished a ton of projects throughout the community greenbelts. As those projects slow down, I intend to work with the Swinomish Tribe to obtain SSA (Shoreline & Sensitive Area) permits so we can begin Firewise work in areas that have been neglected. Please feel free to notify me of any greenbelt areas you think need Firewise work.

Through the end of the summer, we did have several violations that escalated to levying a fine. Those fines were levied due to unkempt lots, short-term rental listings on Airbnb, dogs being off-leash, and trees being cut without the necessary permits.

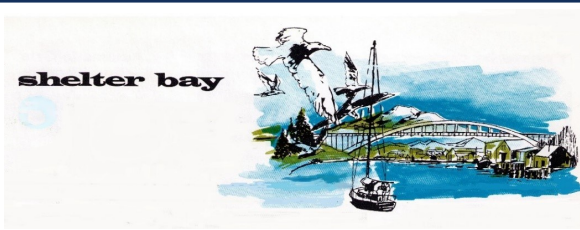
The issue of feeding wildlife has also been brought to my attention recently. It is important that all residents are aware that we do not encourage the feeding of any wildlife, nor does the Swinomish Tribe. It is not helpful to the animals, and can cause disease, malnutrition, and other issues for these animals. The Swinomish Tribe's Wildlife Program strongly encourages the following actions to minimize wildlife disease transmission in Shelter Bay:

1. Secure all garbage from access by wildlife.
2. Avoid feeding pets outdoors.
3. Minimize wildlife attractants on property (fallen fruit, garden access, etc.).
4. Locate bird feeders so that mammals cannot access the feeders, and avoid excessive bird feed spillage.

Following the above recommendations discourages unnaturally high concentrations of animals that promote transmission among wildlife of diseases such as Adenovirus Hemorrhagic Disease and Chronic Wasting Disease. Feeding wildlife is also problematic because it can lead to wildlife malnutrition, wildlife disease transmission to people, and habituated animals that become aggressive towards people and domestic animals.

Riley Reynolds, [RReynolds@shelterbay.net](mailto:RReynolds@shelterbay.net), 360-466-3805, ext. 7

## Dock Notes



As the air gets crisper and the days grow shorter, we find ourselves at a special time of year on the water. October is here, bringing with it the stunning colors of autumn and a chance to reflect on another fantastic boating season.

**Boat Watch Services:** For owners who live a long distance from the marina or plan to be away for an extended period, hiring a boat

watch service is a wise investment. While marina staff regularly monitor mooring lines, a professional boat watch service can provide a more comprehensive inspection of your vessel. These services ensure that your dehumidifiers or heaters are functioning correctly, your boat's power supply is maintained, and critical equipment such as bilge pumps are operating properly. This provides peace of mind by protecting your boat from potential damage, especially during the fall and winter months. Stop by the harbor shed for recommendations.

**A Bright Idea:** One of the many smart ideas our former harbormaster Vanessa had was to put a lamp in your vessel's window so that, during dock walks, marina staff will be able to make sure your vessel is getting shore power by seeing the lamp is on.

**Shore Power Cords:** As Steve Shipley states, "The most overlooked maintenance item on a boat is the shore power cord." Neglecting to keep your cords clean can cause resistance at the connection, which generates heat and damages the receptacle over time. This winter, marina staff will be performing checks to identify and address any overheated receptacles, but it is important for every boater to inspect their own shore power equipment regularly. Please check your cord ends for any signs of heat damage or corrosion, and ensure a tight, clean connection to prevent electrical issues.

**Marina Parking Lot Garden Beds:** Beginning in early October, our team will be clearing the garden beds in the center of the parking lot. This project involves leveling the beds and removing tree stumps that are currently buried beneath the beauty bark, ensuring a smoother and more visually appealing space.

"We wish you a memorable and enjoyable season of fall boating!"

Your Marina Team: Kendra Emerson, Derek Woods, and Steve Shipley

## Shelter Bay Happenings

### Shelter Bay Men's Fireside Gathering

At Rainbow Park (end of Chinook Place)  
Enjoy an evening of meeting with your neighbors!

**Thursday, October 2 at 4 p.m.**

Light snacks provided. BYOB and a lawn chair.

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

### Shelter Bay Women's Monthly Breakfast

It's a wonderful time of meeting and connecting with fellow neighbors, and also enjoying a delicious breakfast! Each month we have first-timers. We'd love to have you join us! 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 (**October 14**)

Time: 9-10:30 a.m.

Where: Shelter Bay Clubhouse

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### Shelter Bay Chorus is turning 40!

Instead of feeling old, we feel young at heart, and we love to sing about it. If you love to sing, come and join us.

**Shelter Bay Chorus rehearsals are every Thursday 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

**At the Shelter Bay Clubhouse** (1000 Shoshone Dr).

We have two concert seasons a year, with the first one in spring and the second one in the fall. We break during the summer months.

The choir is filled with members who think of each other more like a family. In addition to our practice time, we have several activities outside of our rehearsals where we meet and get to know each other even better. We typically have a potluck get-together after each concert season as well as a picnic sometime in the summer. This camaraderie makes for a very cohesive group. Why don't you stop by and see for yourself?

Need more information or have questions?

Contact Joyce Nugent

[joyce.a.nugent@comcast.net](mailto:joyce.a.nugent@comcast.net)

### 3rd Annual Shelter Bay Witches Paddle



Saturday, October 25  
11 a.m. — 1 p.m.

At the boat launch

Open to the community.

**MUST HAVE PFD!**

Witches' garb preferred.

No matter the weather.

### Community Soup Supper

Back by popular demand!

**Sunday, October 12 at 5 to 7 p.m.**

Shelter Bay Clubhouse

We are inviting all of our wonderful Shelter Bay cooks and bakers to share your delicious soup, bread or dessert with us!

**Please sign up in the office by October 8!**

All paper plates, bowls, and silverware will be provided.

BYOB please!

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

### Skagit Brass Quintet Happy Hour



Enjoy an evening of beautiful music with your neighbors! These talented musicians are a part of the Skagit Community Band.

**Saturday, October 25 at 5:30 to 7 p.m.**

Shelter Bay Clubhouse

Please bring an appetizer to share and BYOB!

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

### Shelter Bay's 4th Annual Community Trunk or Treat

**Friday, October 31 at 4 to 6 p.m.**

at the marina parking lot

Come one, come all! Let's make a fun evening for children, families, and everyone else!

Please decorate your car, your trunk, your bike, or whatever you have.

Fun costumes are encouraged but not required.

Hand out candy and maybe have a game for kids to play.

**Most of all...HAVE FUN!**

Hot drinks of chocolate, cider, and coffee, plus kettle corn, will be provided.

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

## CPR/First Aid/AED Class

**Saturday, October 11, 2025, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

Shelter Bay Community Clubhouse, 1000 Shoshone Drive

Instructors: Chief Wood Weiss, Fire District 13, and others if needed

Do you need to certify or recertify your CPR skills for work or your Emergency Worker Card? Are you a Shelter Bay or Swinomish community member who wants **CPR/First Aid/AED** training to help your family members?

To register for this event, contact Carolyn Caporgno, Safety Committee Vice Chairperson and CERT Advisory Team Chairperson, at [carolyncaporgno@gmail.com](mailto:carolyncaporgno@gmail.com). Additional information will be provided following sign-up. Students must be at least 12-13 years old (based on body strength).

**\$30/person**

**Registration closes Monday, October 6, at 5 p.m.**

All Shelter Bay Community/Eagle's Nest members and staff, and the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community members are encouraged to sign up.

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Safety Committee*

## Communiversi—Agriculture in Skagit County



**When:** Tuesday, October 14, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Where:** Clubhouse (In-person only)

**Presenter:** WSU County Extension Director for Skagit County, Donald W. McMoran

Learn about farming in our valley with \$300 million worth of agricultural products produced annually. Skagit County has a variety of crops, livestock, and seeds that makes it one of the most productive farming regions in our country. Hear about the diversity and technical excellence that exists within our county.

This is a free class open to Swinomish tribal members and residents of Shelter Bay. Registration is required so we can provide adequate refreshments. You can register online at the community website under Resources/Communiversi, or at <https://forms.gle/8BR2v9bEzUbH98Ct8>.

## Communiversi—Looking for Storytellers!



**Tuesday, October 28, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

Clubhouse (In-person only)

Back by overwhelming demand, it's the **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Shelter Bay Storytelling Evening**. Last year we were held spellbound as members of our community shared stories from their lives. We are looking for people willing to stand up and spin us a tale from their life. There will be a timer; each story will be a **maximum of 10 minutes long**. Even if you don't want to tell a story yet, come join us to hear some fascinating tales.

The event is open to anyone in the Shelter Bay or Swinomish tribal community of any age.

Email [michaelbadenow@gmail.com](mailto:michaelbadenow@gmail.com) to sign up to tell your story.

Registration is required so we can provide adequate refreshments. You can register online at the community website under Resources/Communiversi, or at <https://forms.gle/>



## LC School District Renewable Energy Project



### Community Presentation Invitation

**When:** Tuesday, October 7

**Time:** 5:00 p.m.

**Where:** La Conner Middle School  
Library

The La Conner School District received a grant to install solar panels with battery storage. This presentation will give the school community and local residents an opportunity to **learn about the science, technology, and safety mechanisms** behind the battery energy storage system component of the school district's renewable energy project.

We encourage all interested community members to attend, ask questions, and learn how these systems will support both sustainability and safety for our schools and the greater La Conner community. Please plan to attend and, if you have any specific questions you would like to see addressed, please feel free to [SUBMIT HERE](#) or use the QR code provided. Thank you!

## Save the Dates

### Bitters Sweet

Friday, November 7, 1 - 3 p.m.—Shelter Bay Clubhouse

A bitters making demonstration. Bitters can be used in cooking and help with digestion. By Anastasia Brencick, an experienced herbalist.

Please sign up in the office by October 31.

This fun event is limited to 30.

Everyone will take home their own jar of bitters!

### Apple Cider Squeeze

Saturday, November 15, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—clubhouse greens area.

Hosted by David Anderson, a resident of Shelter Bay, who is generously supplying the apples and equipment for this fun event! You are welcome to bring your own apples, but there will be plenty of apples provided.

Bring enough empty sealable gallon-size juice containers for all the delicious apple cider you intend to bring home.

Chili and cornbread will be provided.

### Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Thursday, November 27

Social hour at 2 p.m., Dinner served at 3 p.m.—Shelter Bay Clubhouse

A wonderful Shelter Bay tradition!

Plan to join our community for a catered traditional meal. Watch for more details to come in the November newsletter and on the website.

*Sponsored by Shelter Bay Social & Recreation Committee*

## Area Happenings

Skagit Valley Festival of Family Farms, **October 4 & 5, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** On this weekend, you can have a hands-on experience learning what it takes to run a farm, from growing crops to feeding animals. <https://festivaloffamilyfarms.com/>

Wild and Scenic Film Festival 2025, **October 9, 6 - 9 p.m.** The Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group is excited to bring the Wild & Scenic Film Festival back to Lincoln Theater for one night only on Thursday, October 9. There will be a reception with live music by local artist Oli May beginning at 6 p.m., complete with a raffle, and beer and wine service. <https://www.skagitfisheries.org/event/wsff25>

Fables Faire, **Saturday, October 11, noon to 6 p.m.**, at Morris & 1<sup>st</sup> Streets in La Conner. Join the Mythic Celebration with the Washington Shakespearean Festival. A festival of myth, legend, performances, crafts, and community fun - all free to attend. All are welcomed & come as you are, OR as your favorite Fable/Myth/Legend! <https://www.washakespeare.org/fablesfaire>

Brew on the Slough, **Saturday, October 11, 4 - 7 p.m.**, Maple Hall, 104 Commercial St, La Conner. An evening filled with local craft beer, cider, a silent auction, food for purchase, and live music. For more information, to register, or to buy tickets, visit: <https://allevents.in/la-conner/brew-on-the-slough-2025/200028655966238>

Goat Island and the Army - Lecture. **Sunday, October 12, 2 - 4 p.m.**, Skagit City School, 17508 Moore St, Mt Vernon; \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, members free. Goat Island has a rich history yielding many questions. What were the miners looking for? Were torpedoes really fired from the Island during World War II? Get answers to these questions and more. <https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/HistoricalSociety>

Ghouls & Fools, **Saturday, October 25, 6 - 8 p.m.**, O'Neil's Confectionery, 713 1st St, La Conner. Enjoy a costume contest, scary snacks, witch's brew, and ghost stories. <https://laconnerthrivesevents.org/>

Arts Alive 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, **October 24 - 27**, Maple Hall, 104 Commercial Street, La Conner. Invitational and Open Fine Arts Show. <http://www.artsalivelaconner.com/>

October Pumpkin Patches at a variety of local farms. Here are some links for more details.

<https://www.gordonskagitfarms.com/> , <https://schuhfarmswa.com/> , <https://www.valleyviewfarmstand.com/pumpkin-patch> , <https://www.pleasantridgefarmstand.com/> , <https://www.hedlinfarms.com/>

## Did You Know? - Understanding Shelter Bay's Covenants



**What is a Covenant?** In plain language, a covenant is an agreement.

**Why should I care about the Covenants?** Shelter Bay is a covenant-governed community. These covenants provide for the control of structures, improvements, and land use through the establishment of restrictions that are binding upon owners, as evidenced by their signing a property sublease with the Shelter Bay Company. As such, the covenants are a legally binding and enforceable document for residents.

**Why are the Covenants necessary?** Our covenants were created to preserve Shelter Bay's natural beauty, ensure high-quality improvements, and maintain or increase the value of property investments for lot owners. Many people complain about the restrictions placed on their property by the covenants, but these covenants do protect you from adverse impacts on the enjoyment of your property caused by prohibited or controlled activities on neighboring properties.

**What should I do to ensure compliance with the Covenants?** It is highly recommended that you read and understand the governing documents that you have agreed to be bound by, including the covenants, the rules and regulations, and other guidance documents such as committee guidelines.

**Where can I find the Covenants?** You can easily access the covenants online at [shelterbay.net](http://shelterbay.net). To access a PDF of the covenants that you can either print or save, first navigate to the main page, and select the "Governance" tab. From the drop-down menu, choose "[Governing Documents](#)" then click the "View Document" button for Covenants.

**Are you expected to be able to remember everything included in these documents?** No, but, at a minimum, you should be aware of their existence and know where to find them for reference. Knowledge of the covenants can be helpful in avoiding or managing disputes with neighbors, and in avoiding fines for violations of the rules.

Future columns will address understanding Rules & Regs Part I, Rules & Regs Part II, members' responsibilities, and the committee guidelines for Architectural Compliance, Green Committee, and Lot Compliance – areas where residents most often interface with staff and committee members. Common issues faced when contemplating new construction, sitework, renovations, improvements (including exterior light fixtures), or repairs on your property will also be presented. Additionally, the difference between a Shelter Bay Certificate of Compliance and a Permit from the Swinomish Tribe will be discussed.

*Mike Shannon, Board Member and Acting Chair of Architectural Compliance Committee*

### Local Services

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## MEET & GREET WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD

Shelter Bay Clubhouse 1000 Shoshone Drive, La Conner, WA 98257

1:00—2:00 PM—First Meet & Greet  
5:00—6:00 PM—School Board Meeting  
6:00—7:00 PM—Second Meet & Greet

This is an opportunity for Shelter Bay residents to meet district leadership, ask questions, share comments, and attend a formal School Board Meeting close to home.

# October 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 3 p.m. Finance Committee	2 9 a.m. Facilities and Amenities Committee Meeting 4 p.m. Men's Fireside Gathering	3	4
5	6 10 a.m. CERT Annex 3 p.m. Safety Committee Meeting	7 9 a.m. Architectural Compliance Committee Meeting 2 p.m. Rules Committee Meeting	8 2 p.m. Social & Recreation Committee Meeting	9 1:30 p.m. Communications Committee Meeting	10	11 9 a.m. CPR/ Basic First Aid/AED
12 5 p.m. SRC Community Soup Supper	13 Office Closed— <b>Holiday</b>	14 9 a.m. SRC SB Women's Breakfast 3 p.m. Harbor Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m. Communiversity— Skagit Agriculture	15 4 p.m. Shelter Bay Board of Directors Meetings 6:30 p.m. CERT Basic Training— Coquille Park	16	17	18
19 7 p.m. Town Hall	20 4 p.m. Communiversity Committee Meeting	21 9 a.m. Architectural Compliance Committee Meeting	22 6:30 p.m. CERT Basic Training	23 9 a.m. Green Task Force	24	25 5:30 p.m. SRC Skagit Brass Quintet Happy Hour
26	27	28 6:30 p.m. Communiversity— Storytelling	29 6:30 p.m. CERT Basic Training	30	31 4 p.m. SRC Trunk or Treat	

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





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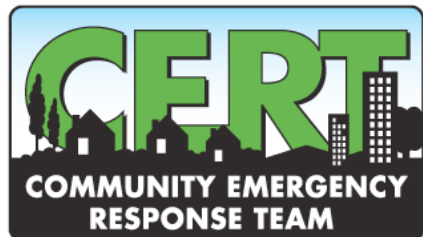
**Social & Recreation:** Katie Reading

**Committee Secretary:** Renata McCauley

# Skagit Community Emergency Response Team

## Basic Training in Shelter Bay

Starts Wednesday October 15th 2025



Classes are held on six Wednesday evenings  
and one full Saturday

Date	Session
October 15, 6:30-9:30	Overview: Disaster Preparedness
October 22, 6:30-9:30	Fire Suppression/ Utility Controls
October 29, 6:30-9:30	CERT Organization / Disaster Psychology
November 5, 6:30-9:30	Disaster Medical Operations - I
November 12, 6:30-9:30	Light Search and Rescue
November 19, 6:30-9:30	Disaster Medical Operations - II
November 22, 9:00-noon	Terrorism, Table Top Exercise/ Final Test Review
November 22, 1:00-5:00	Disaster Final Exercises, Graduation



[Registration Link](#)



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