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Welcome to the Shangri-La Shores Community!

We are stewards of our personal property as well as the community in which we are members. Knowing what we have and how to take care of them for future generations is why this information is being provided.

Use of community assets is a privilege for all members their guests, and / or renters. In the event a member and / or their guest and / or renter damages community property, they will be responsible to replace or repair damaged property per the discretion of the Board. The Board may also determine whether or not the member, guest and / or renter forfeit future use.

The following is an alphabetical list of pertinent information about Shangri-La Shores. Please share with your guests and / or renters. This ensures everyone understands expectations and guidelines that help our community function.

Annual Meeting & Luncheon/Picnic: Our annual community meeting is held on a Saturday each year in the late spring. During the meeting, the concerns, challenges, and celebrations related to the Shangri-La Shores community are discussed and whole community decisions are voted on. New board members are elected depending on terms or vacancies. Property Owners in good standing are eligible to vote. The meeting is usually followed by a luncheon or picnic.

Beach Fires are not allowed in Island County – unless it's a BBQ, or within an approved fire ring however, no fires where folks add driftwood (burning driftwood is illegal). There is too much of a chance for the fire to spread. A beach fire is like a forest fire to sea creatures. Also, by the time the weather is nice enough to have a fire, there is usually a burn ban in effect.

Board of Directors: The Board of Directors meets quarterly. The President usually sends an e-mail with an agenda to the membership asking if anyone has items they would like to add. Meeting notes are provided by e-mail and posted on the website shortly after each meeting. A current list of Directors and their contact information is posted on the website and at the Pump House. Members are welcome to attend quarterly meetings. If you see a task that needs to be done around the community, tell a board member.

Book Barn: A Book Barn is located at the top of the park, near the swings. Anyone can take a book or donate. A list of materials that are not acceptable is listed on the inside of the access door. Faye Magnusson currently serves as our library steward.

By-Laws, Covenants, Restrictions & Limitations (CCR'S) are posted on the website under the Information tab.

Community Buoy: The primary purpose of the buoy is to store the float in emergency situations. The float has priority at all times. At other times, the buoy is available to members and their guests for occasional, not regular, use and never for more than 24 hours at a time. This is on a first come first served basis. The buoy is located directly out in front of the pier and float.

Should the community buoy be in use, permission is needed to use any of the other buoys as those are privately owned by community members.

Community Common Areas: Living in Shangri-La Shores provides you the opportunity to enjoy community assets. For those who are part of the Shangri-La Shores community, we have a two-acre playground with a swing set and picnic tables, a boat launch, picnic area, pier / seasonal float, as well as access to the waterfront. What follows is a list of common areas:

- 1) Community Area Access Points:** There are two main entry points to the beach Shangri-La Shores owns. One way is to use the community road / boat launch and the other is to use the walking path north of the community park off Arbor Court. Please refer to the following map showing community versus private property. Properties to the north and south are private as well as the boathouse and adjacent property. Overnight camping or sleeping are not permitted in the beach areas and use of the common areas is at an owner's, guests', or renter's own risk.



- 2) Community Boat Launch:** Members of the Shangri-La Shores community have access to the boat launch. The current owner has graciously allowed us to use their property in front of the boathouse as an access / turn-around point for launching. No parking is allowed at the bottom of the boat launch and / or picnic area. It is suggested once you launch your boat; you take your vehicle and park it on your personal property.
- 3)** The chain on the **driveway** (S. Shore Drive) to the boat launch offers awareness of the access area and it is encouraged to hook it up at the end of each day.
- 4)** The Community **Float** is usually launched the end of May and removed in September each year. The float is for dinghies only on a short-term basis. Dinghies should not to exceed 14 feet. Space is limited. It is preferred boats use a bow line tie to maximize space. Use of the float is at a member's own risk which includes theft.

- 5) There is a community **path** from Shangri-La Circle to Arbor Drive providing easy access to the swings, picnic area and beach. Motorized vehicles of any kind are not allowed on the path. Note the location on the map.
- 6) **Trevor D. Roberts Pier:** In 2009 a new pier was constructed and christened to honor the gentleman who created our Shangri-La Shores paradise. It was a wonderful way to pay tribute to Trevor. At the time, Trevor was living and able to experience the tremendous outpouring of love for what he built and passed on to all of us during a pier dedication ceremony. (Click on the History tab of our website for more information.)
- 7) **Community Park:** Swings and a play area provide room for group activities. Remember this is in a residential area and respect the noise levels of those around you. Be sure to clean up and take away all garbage and recycle.
- 8) **Community Picnic Area Use:** There is a sign-up sheet at the picnic area from May through September. A member can place their name on the sign-up sheet yet it does not give exclusive rights to the picnic area. In addition to putting your name on the calendar you need to send an e-mail to rdigbyr@gmail.com. Signing up to use the picnic area lets others know you are having a special event so that they do not plan something on the same day. If you reserve the picnic area, you are responsible to clean-up and take away all your garbage and recycle.

If you plan to use the fire pit first check to see if there is a burn ban. If no burn ban exists, you are responsible for providing firewood. It is illegal to burn driftwood.

If you use the picnic area for an event, you must adhere to the Island County Public Disturbance Noise Control Ordinance (9.60.010). It is unlawful for any person(s) to emit frequent, repetitive or continuous yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling, or singing between the hours of 10 PM and 7 AM. Please respect neighbors and pets nearby. Many neighbors get up early to work the next day. Remember, sound travels near the water.

A donation for **firewood** at for the picnic area is a constant need and greatly appreciated.

- 9) **Ramp** at the end of the Trevor D. Roberts Pier: When the float is not in the water, the ramp stays secured at a horizontal level with the pier. A sign with a chain is hung to stop access during this time. The ramp stays down rising and falling with the tide from the end of May to September.

Community Common Areas Maintenance: A yard service is contracted to mow and trim bushes. They also maintain the sign area at the top of Arbor Drive. The time of year they begin and end service is driven by Mother Nature. They are on site every other week; from May – September.

Contact Information: Send an e-mail to the board President to ensure you are on the Shangri-La Shores e-mail distribution list. If your phone number and/or mailing address changes, then send that contact information to the Treasurer. This will ensure you receive current, up-to-date correspondence for community news, the water systems, updates, etc.

Dead or Dying Animals: If you hit a deer or another animal contact Island County Road Department at 360-678-4310. If the office is closed you can leave a message. Be sure and give the location to the best of your ability.

If you see a dead or dying sea animal on the beach, contact either the Orca Network at 1-866-672-2638 or the Central Puget Sound Marine Mammal Stranding Network at 360-678-3765.

Should you spot a living, baby harbor seal, leave it alone. Do not approach it. Contact the Central Puget Sound Marine Mammal Stranding Network at 360-678-3765. Provide the location so they know where one was spotted.

Directory: The community has a directory that is updated every other year. If you would like to be included, send an e-mail to Carol Green at clgreen25@comcast.net. Be sure and include names of those residing in your home as well as a physical mailing address and contact phone number as well.

Dogs: Two separate regulations combine to provide the guidelines for dogs in our community:

- 1) Island Country Code 6.08.130: Prohibited **Barking** AND Shangri-La Shores By-Laws Article XIII; Pets - Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person having the possession or custody of, or harboring or giving shelter or refuge to, any dog to allow, suffer, or permit the dog, by frequent or habitual howling, yelping, barking, or the making of similar noises, to annoy or disturb a neighborhood of three (3) or more persons separately domiciled
- 2) Island County Code 6.08.090: Control **Off Premises** AND Shangri-La Shores By-Laws Article XIII; Pets, Section 1. It is unlawful for the owner, or keeper having custody of any dog to cause, permit, or allow such dog to roam, run stray or be away from the premises of such person, unless such dog, while away from such premises, is controlled by a leash or similar device not more than 8 (eight) feet in length, such control to be exercised by the owner or custodian or other competent and authorized persons.
- 3) Note: **Pet Waste** - If we didn't clean up after our dogs, cats, and other domestic pets, more than 2.5 tons of raw sewage would be left on Camano and Whidbey backyards, sidewalks, parks, beaches and woods every day. But it is what we do with the pet waste after it is picked up that matter. The modern-day preferred disposal method is to scoop the poop, bag it, and place it in the trash. Picking it up protects water by moving waste to the landfill where it belongs. Otherwise, rainwater carries the disease – causing pathogens from pet waste to our roadside ditches and streams, and down to the Sound. Harmful organisms can be transmitted from animal waste to your family and pets; some can persist in the soil for weeks, even years. Anyone who then comes in contact with the soil runs the risk of contracting these diseases. *Source: Washington State University Extension Island County Shore Steward April 2010 Newsletter.*

Emergency Response Information: In case of an emergency within the Shangri-La Shores Community: Call 911. Other concerns or issues please notify a member of the Board. There is a list of Board members posted on the Pump House as well as posted on www.ShangriLaShores.com.

Electrical Emergency: Call 911 if there is an immediate threat to health or safety. Call PSE at 1-888-225-5773. Notify a Board member.

Firearms: Discharge or brandishing firearms are strictly prohibited in Shangri-La Shores.

Fireworks: Currently July 4 is the only day of the year Island County allows fireworks. The community usually has a no-host dessert and firework display get together at the picnic area July 4. Neighbors gather at dusk. Fireworks of any type are not allowed on Shangri-La Shores property at any time. The only exception, as adopted by our community via a survey in 2013, is that on July 4 legal fireworks are allowed at the beach area provided no ban is in effect. Remember, the area in front of the boat house is private property. Fireworks may not be used on private property.

Food Waste is considered garbage. Dumping it on the beach or over a bluff, etc. is illegal in Island County. No matter how someone might feel it is "organic", it is still illegal to dump it. Source: <http://islandcountyeoh.org/Page/158>.

History: Shangri-La Shores has a wealth of history. Former residents, Art and Betty Paulsen captured much of the timeline in *Whido-Isle Beach Resort to Shangri-La Shores – A Tale of History*. This can be viewed or downloaded from our website under the History tab on our website.

Be sure and read Remembering **Trevor Roberts** in the History section of our website. He lived an extraordinary life.

Homeowners Dues: An annual bill is usually sent in January for Homeowners Dues, which covers both your basic water and common area dues. All Shangri-La Shores properties pay the water dues regardless if there is a home or a water hookup. The water dues cover the operating and capital expenses necessary to provide fresh water to the community, and a few properties outside of Shangri-La Shores (water service area).

There is also a separate quarterly water fee that is determined based on consumption. For more information pertaining to water rates and charges, check the Information tab on the website.

Common area dues are only paid by properties within Shangri-La Shores. These dues cover expenses for the common areas including the playground, picnic area, pier, pathways, insurance, miscellaneous fees, etc. If you pay common area dues, then you and your residents/renters/guests have access to the common areas.

Hunting: No hunting by firearm or bow and arrow is allowed in Shangri-La Shores.

Island County Solid Waste (ICSW) is located at 20018 SR 20 (right at mile marker 20). They open at 9:30 AM daily. They are closed state and federal holidays. There are two sections: the actual dump and recycle. All recycle is sorted even the glass – by color. Ideally it should be washed if necessary. There are two recycle stores at this location.

Licensing: Proper licensing of boats and dinghies is required by Washington State. Adherence to all state regulations for fishing and shell fish collection is also required. Washington State Fish and Game patrols the area making periodic checks during fishing and crabbing seasons.

Shangri-La Shores Inc. **mailing** address is PO Box 296, Coupeville, WA 98239.

Motorized vehicles of any kind, **bicycles, skateboards,** and **scooters** of any sort are not allowed on the playground, trails or beach.

Outdoor Burning: Before having an outdoor burn be sure and check if a Burn Ban is in effect. If no Burn Ban exists, recreational fires 3 feet in diameter X 2 feet high or smaller are okay and do not need a permit. These fires are made from charcoal or firewood and are used for cooking or pleasure. Burning natural vegetation or firewood only is allowed. Paper is not allowed except the amount necessary to start a fire. You can only burn when winds are less than 7 mph. Burn barrels are prohibited statewide. Smoke, odor, or ash that unreasonably interferes with the use and enjoyment of neighboring properties is prohibited. Burning garbage is and has been illegal in the State of Washington since 1976. For more information go to:

<https://www.islandcountywa.gov/health/eh/burning/Pages/Home.as>.

Outdoor Lighting: Island County provides a brochure on acceptable outdoor lighting. It is titled Preserve rural character and the night sky. For more information access this website:

http://www.islandcounty.net/planning/pdf/lighting_brochure.pdf.

Parking is limited in community common areas. The boat house and adjacent property to the beach is privately owned. The current owner graciously allows boaters to use their private property to put in and take out boats. Remember, if you launch your boat, move your vehicle to a location that keeps the boat launch and driveway free.

Handy **Phone Numbers:** Sheriff (non-emergency) 360-678-4422, Department of Fish & Wildlife (hunting violations) 360-708-7254.

Pier or Float Emergency: Call 911 if there is an immediate threat to health or safety. If the float has broken loose attempt to secure it, but only if it can be done without jeopardizing your personal safety. Contact a Board member.

Puget Sound Energy: We either go years without power loss during heavy wind storms or have several power outages in a short period of time. Keep PSE's number handy so you can call and let them know you are without power. The more people that call, the higher our repair moves up the priority list. Be sure and have flashlights where everyone in your home knows the location.

PSE has done a great job cutting back trees around power lines. If you do lose power, contact PSE at 1-888-225-5773 and provide your physical address. They can usually provide an estimate of how it will take to get the power back.

Tree and Limb Emergency: Call 911 if there is an immediate threat to health or safety. Call PSE at 1-888-225-5773. Notify a Board member.

Volunteerism: While we have professional services maintain common areas, there are a myriad of projects that depend on volunteers. If you would like to volunteer time for a specific task such as sealing the picnic tables and benches once a year, cleaning the fire pit a couple times a year, weeding the ivy at the playground, coordinating the annual picnic, making signs, etc., please contact any Board Member.

Water Emergency: For emergencies relating to the community water system, such as the red light on at the Pump House, broken pipes, poor water quality, etc. contact the onsite Water Manager. Contact information is posted along with the Board Member contact information on the website and at the Pump House.

Water Leaks: As a homeowner, you are responsible for your water line from the meter to your home. If you notice a break in your line, contact King Water System and the onsite Water Manager ASAP so we are aware of the situation. Contact information is posted at the Pump House.

Water System: A water share is attached to each taxable lot within the community. It is non-transferable; the water share stays with each taxable lot. Shangri-La Shores Homeowners Corporation owns the Water System. Within the Homeowners Corporation, there is a Service Area Map that defines the geographical Service Area.

The Service Area is registered with Island County and Washington State Department of Health. In addition to the Shangri-La Shores community, there are five adjacent properties within the water Service Area. Those five properties are **not** part of the Shangri-La Shores community with access to common areas such as the playground, picnic area, beach, pier, and boat launch. They are part of the water Service Area only.

The water system was updated in 1992 to the present level. The well is located at the Pump House on the corner of Pullman and Arbor. A pump delivers the water uphill to the reservoir tank that is located on the other side of Race Road. The tank is located at that uphill location so that it can gravity feed all of the hookups. The water tank holds 79,000 gallons of water. The system is designed for 90 hookups. Presently there are about 75 water shares and 55 are actually hooked up.

We don't anticipate much growth beyond the 75 shares, or 75 possible hookups, as it's unlikely that any properties within our Service Area would be subdivided. The 90-hookup design capacity has to do with both the physical components of the system as well as the anticipated capacity of the aquifer that feeds our well. If

the freshwater aquifer gets low for any reason there would be evidence of saltwater contamination. This is monitored regularly. We have an approved Seawater Mitigation Plan (on the website under the Information tab) that would go into effect at various levels of contamination.

Water conservation is very important to us but at present we see no issue with normal household consumption rates. Our water is very drinkable and healthy. It is monitored regularly for many factors. The water is hard (has mineral content) and some of us prefer to have water softeners installed to preserve our pipes and appliances as well as to eliminate the cloudy calcium deposits on clear glass.

A local company monitors water quality monthly. If there is a need to flush the system, a chlorination process will occur. If this occurs, sandwich boards will be placed within the community to provide notice as well as an e-mail will be sent. (*Note: Be sure you are on the e-mail distribution list!*)

It is critical for you to know where your main water shut off valve is located. If you have a leak, burst pipe, knowing where the valve is located and how to turn it off will save you from property damage, a lower water usage bill and help with our continued water conservation.

Each property that is hooked up to the water system is allowed 3500 cubic feet of water, per quarter, covered by the annual fee, before extra charges go into effect. Effective July 1, 2015, a fee schedule was implemented for water usage beyond the 3500 cubic feet a quarter. Water usage and fees will be reviewed on a consistent basis and are subject to change.

Water meters are read quarterly. Billing takes place shortly after. It is the responsibility of each property in the water Service Area to maintain the area around their water meter to ease quarterly meter readings. Fees may be levied if the water meter is difficult to access (i.e. plants growing over making it difficult to locate).

Water Rates & Charges are available on the website under the Information tab. See Water Rates & Charges. Changes to the fee schedule may change as we track and compile more and more information. All fees are subject to change per the discretion of the Board of Directors. ***Regardless of water levels established for the fee schedule, it is important to remember water conservation is vital in order to be good stewards of our natural resources.***

Note: If you see the **red light** on at the Pump House please call the number for the on-site water manager. This individual is our community on-site water manager who interacts with our water manager. It is their duty to run point on issues with the Pump House and call upon any professional's to-do repairs if necessary.

All Water Service Documents including Water Service Policies, Seawater Mitigation Plan, Water Rates and Charges are all available on our website under the Information tab.

Website: The Shangri-La Shores **website** is maintained by a volunteer in the community. It is regularly updated and full of great information: www.ShangriLaShores.com.

Wildlife: (Deer in particular): While it is exciting to feed the deer, we highly discourage it. Our human food is unhealthy for the wildlife. Please see an e-mail conversation with a wildlife biologist from Washington State Fish and Game June 2015 located in the Information tab on the website.

Again, welcome to Shangri-La Shores. As you will find we are a small, quiet community. Introduce yourself to the neighbors so you know who they are as well as they know who you are.