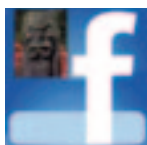


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UPCOMING COLONY SURF CLUB EVENTS

- Colony Surf Club Card Club – 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of month 6:00 p.m. at Clubhouse
- **January 20th Board Meeting – 9:00 a.m. @ Clubhouse
PUBLIC WELCOME**
- January Potluck – January 20th at 5:30 at Clubhouse
- **February 17th Board Meeting – 9:00 a.m. @ Clubhouse
PUBLIC WELCOME**
- February Potluck – February 17th, 5:30 at Clubhouse

*For more information on events,
please turn to Page 12*

MEMBERS' NEWS

New Members:

Susan Walker
21 Napilikai Drive

Stephen & Donna Greer

Tony Koepfick
1691 N. Colony Surf Drive



COLONY SURF PET RULES – ATTENTION ALL PET OWNERS

- Household pets are **not permitted to run loose** on Colony Surf property. **They must be under leash control at all times, except at the Lake**, where they must be under voice control. **They are not allowed to wander onto someone else's property.**
- Pet owners must **remove all feces** deposited by their pet on all properties within Colony Surf.
- Dogs are not permitted on the Hood Canal Beach Tidelands. They are allowed only on the grassy area above the beach.
- **Aggressive animals will not be tolerated** on any Colony Surf property.
- **The owner of a dog that bites will be fined \$100 on the first offense, without warning letter.**
- Pets are not allowed in the Clubhouse or swimming pool area.

COLONY SURF APPAREL AVAILABLE TO ORDER



Dear Members;

We are going to run the Colony Surf Apparel differently now. People will go onto a website and place orders through a company. I wanted to let you know in case anyone asks.

The website is <https://lilliwaup-shop.printify.me/>

There will be flyers available in the Clubhouse for those of you who need or want them.

PS. The website is in progress. More clothing items to be added soon.

Thank You, Kim Eikum

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From the Board . . .

The Board of Trustees hope that everyone had a great Holiday Season with family and friends. We have been busy with a few projects. Firstly, Allen Johnson has implemented an SMS texting system to keep everyone aware of happenings in and around Lilliwaup. Secondly, we have a new television installed in the clubhouse.

Winter has made it here and I hope everyone is ready. The clubhouse has the automatic generator in case of power outages and will always be a place to get warm.

We look forward to the coming year and hope to see you at our monthly board meetings.

Karen Gilbert
President
Colony Surf Club, Inc

NEW **Clubhouse Hours**

8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Closed
Wednesday & Sunday

Community Activities Needs You!

We are looking for members who can direct or assist the Community Activities Chairperson with what can feel like a myriad of activities for just one person to handle here at Colony Surf. Please inquire with Office at (360) 877-5434.



Water Commissioner:
Derrick Madison

WATER COMMISSIONER'S REPORT



Members,

A friendly reminder on the hill water main replacement project. The paint and flag markings are part of the locating process to map and avoid any existing utilities. This project is to replace 1/4 mile of old water main and service lines from the mailboxes to the hairpin.

The roughing-in phase has begun but weather, manpower, and other emergency duties from our contractor may affect scheduling. Please be patient with the team performing the work as it is challenging and important. One can appreciate the stark contrast between production in untouched ground, and work such as ours which must avoid many existing in-ground obstacles. We are taking some extra headache, time, and cost up front to “do it right once and be done with it” for many decades into the future.

Thank you for your understanding.

Derrick Madison
Water Commissioner
Colony Surf Club
360-223-0745

PATROL AND NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

It has been pretty quiet around here during the holidays. Please be prepared for snow and ice as temperatures drop. Remember to call me if you see something suspicious.

Larry Swihart
(360) 229-6260

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

As instructed by the Sheriff's Office,
call 911 first!

Then, if appropriate, call and report it
to Larry Swihart, our Facilities Patrol
Officer at (360) 229-6260.

911-Help Them Help You!

Make your street number address sign
with large, reflective numbers in a
very obvious place so that first
responders can easily locate
and help you.

We Now Have 2 Office Managers

We have a new face in the office. Her name is Doris Needles and she is helping Diane Ganey in keeping the office open. If you have time, stop by the office and introduce yourself. Along with Doris, we have new office hours also. They are:

Monday-Tuesday:	8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	Closed
Thursday-Saturday:	8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Sunday:	Closed

What would you like to see in your Surf Writer? If there is something you would like to see highlighted just drop me an email at:

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and I will be happy to include it in the next issue.



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“To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment.”

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

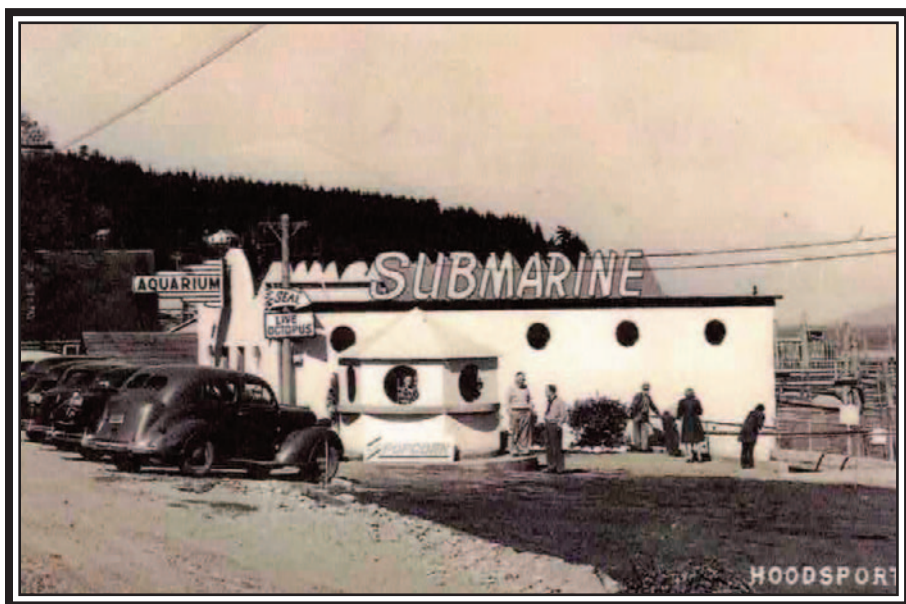
Colony Surf SMS Alert System has Launched...

On December 1, Colony Surf began operation of the new SMS (text) Alert System, which allows us to send you a text message to your cell phone about incidents at Colony Surf that may impact your ability to access your property or to notify you of events at Colony Surf. We intend to use the system sparingly to not overwhelm you with needless texts. The system behaves like those used by healthcare providers, banks and other businesses; it is NOT a group text.

At our September board meeting, a member proposed that we should send out text messages to notify members of weather and road conditions. We felt the proposal had merit and began following up. In November, we sent out an email to members to discover how many would participate; the response was quite promising. After reading tons of reviews and articles, we selected a provider with reasonable rates, good ease of use, and good technical support. A few days before we started, we sent out a follow up email to those who replied to the first message and gave them further details on how the system would work. On December 1, we sent out a Welcome text to those who had signed up. As of December 11th, we have 120 members signed up.

To join the system, please text your first name and last name and the word JOIN, e.g., Don Smith JOIN, to 1 (844) 855-5456. If you are successful, you will receive a reply from the system thanking you for joining. To those that signed up initially, notice we've streamlined the sign-up process. If you save the number in your contacts as Colony Surf SMS, you are unlikely to miss the text or mistake it for something else. If you are on the system and want to leave, text STOP to the above number. Membership in the system is strictly voluntary; we will never add you without your permission.

Allen Johnson
Vice President / Tech Support



Aquarium, Hoodspoint

**Circa 1940s
Building was next
to Mexican
Restaurant**

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For Your Information ... Please Read



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COLONY SURF CLUB INC
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LILLIWAUP, WA 98555

December 14, 2023

Dear COLONY SURF CLUB INC :

This letter is to inform you that one of our DNR survey crews will be working near your property to establish state land boundaries in Section 9 of Township 23 North, Range 3 West, W.M. It is our policy to notify local property owners in advance of starting our field work. The survey crew personnel will start their work by searching for controlling corners and monuments. The DNR survey crew vehicle is a red truck with a canopy. Crew members are usually wearing bright orange survey vests. As they conduct the preliminary survey work they understand the need for notification to the local residents and to be respectful of private property rights. If you have any concerns about our survey work near your property please let us know.

The purpose of the survey work is to mark the boundaries of the state land ownership. You may see our DNR survey crew in areas where there is no state ownership. This is because we often need to find and measure to several controlling corner monuments which may not be close to state land. At the completion of field work, we will record our survey map with the County Auditor and the map will be available to the general public.

Any knowledge or information you have concerning previous surveys, the location of property corner monuments or of court cases establishing property boundaries in the vicinity could be important to us. Unrecorded documents with corner monument information are of particular interest. We already have copies of all recorded surveys on file with the County Auditor, but we may not have maps that are from unrecorded survey work. Survey work done prior to 1973 was not required to be recorded. Let us know if you have any old and unrecorded survey maps you can share, they are important evidence we need in order to make our boundary survey as accurate as possible.

Please feel free to contact us at the address and phone number shown below.

Sincerely,

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FIREWISE NEWS

Leah O'Brien, Colony Surf Coordinator
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NEW 2024 VOLUNTEER HOURS AND CONTRACTED HOURS/FUNDS SPENT FORMS will be available soon. Watch your emails and the Colony Surf website.

COMMUNITY WILDFIRE RISK ASSESSMENT Our five-year assessment was completed, signed, and submitted to FIREWISE© USA. One typo was found after the fact and will be rectified. Thank you to Washington State DNR, Mason Conservation District, and Trudy Johnson for their assistance in completing the assessment.

2024 FIREWISE© USA Our renewal has been approved by Firewise© USA. Thank you to everyone who submitted their forms and participated in the chipper project in 2023. Thank you to Trudy Johnson for completing the submission of the application as I traveled to an area with limited internet access.

BURNING: When burning brush, follow the Mason County regulations of four feet maximum, someone in attendance, and a charged water hose at the ready. Be sure to also have a cleared area around your brush pile of non-flammable material. Informational flyers are available at the clubhouse for your reference.

Wintertime Meatball Soup

2 cans (16 oz.) chili beans, undrained
2 cans (14-1/2 oz.) beef broth
1 jar (26 oz.) spaghetti sauce
1/4 cup chopped onion
3 garlic cloves, minced

1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
1 pkg. (32 oz.) frozen fully cooked Italian meatballs
1 pkg. (16 oz.) frozen mixed vegetables
4 cups chopped cabbage

In a 6-quart slow cooker, combine the beans, broth, spaghetti sauce, onion, garlic, Worcestershire sauce and seasoning. Stir in the meatballs, mixed vegetables and cabbage. Cover and cook on low for 6-8 hours or until vegetables are tender. If you like, you can vary the vegetables in this soup. I sometimes add 1 jalapeno chopped for some heat and this soup is delicious served with corn bread.

Yield: 15 servings (3-3/4 quarts)



Fire Safety during Winter Storms

Winter storms can happen almost anywhere. They can cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- »»» Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- »»» Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveway and front walk of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- »»» Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters will be able to find you.
- »»» Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery-powered lighting and fresh batteries. Never use candles.
- »»» Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.
- »»» Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- »»» Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage, even if the door is open.
- »»» Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to authorities.
- »»» Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away.
- »»» Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to bed.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!



Fact

Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.

Colony Surf Club Inc

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Your Source for SAFETY Information

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**L2023 FIREWISE USA Volunteer Hours and Money Spent Record
November 2022-October 2023**

Each time you work outdoors, please complete a Firewise timesheet. Return to the Colony Surf Clubhouse mailbox or email to lobrien73@gmail.com

Cutting brush, reducing fire fuels around your home, keeping branches from your roof or outbuildings, keeping a clean fire zone around your home and property, are a few examples. See the reverse side of this form for a more detailed list of volunteer time and expenses that can be included. Maintaining your property and structures contributes to all of us at Colony Surf being FIRE SAFE.

Name: _____ Date Worked (include year)

Colony Surf Address: _____ Phone Number:

Hours Worked:

_____ House examples: fire-resistant roofing, cleaning debris from roof and gutters, chimney cleaning, adding chimney spark arrestors, enclose eaves and soffits, installing screen vents, replace vinyl gutters with metal gutters. Cleaning up flammables on and under decks and porches.

_____ 0-100 feet from home examples: removing needles, leaves, brush, litter, and other debris, tree thinning, Trimming back overhanging branches, moving firewood away from home.

_____ Common Areas (Colony Surf Property) examples: anything in the above two sections plus grass maintenance, fire break construction or maintenance.

Money Spent:

\$_____ Chipper Costs purchase/rental, fuel/oil, disposal fees, etc.

\$_____ Other Equipment Costs chain saw purchase/rental, other equipment purchase/rental, Hand tools, protective equipment, etc.

\$_____ Contractor Costs arborists, landscapers, forestry services, debris removal, etc.

\$_____ Home Improvement Costs roofs, decks, windows, vent screening, retrofits, etc.

\$_____ Landscaping Project Costs material

If you need additional forms or information, contact the office or:

Leah O'Brien
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Pictures of Past Events





Colony Surf Coming Events



JANUARY



New Year's Eve Party

Sunday, December 31, 2023, 7 p.m. with toast at 9 p.m. (Clubhouse)

Join your Colony Surf neighbors in welcoming the 2024 New Year with the dropping of the ball in New York! Champagne toast at midnight (eastern standard time – 9 p.m. for all of us that don't often see midnight). Bring your favorite appetizer to share and your own beverage. Please RSVP at activities@colonysurfclub.org.

Colony Surf Card Club

1st & 3rd Wednesday of The Month, 6 p.m. (Clubhouse) STARTING January 3, 2024

Come play card games with us! Bring your own snacks and drinks. For more information contact Donna Dilger at 360-731-2488 or dilger0300@aol.com.

January Potluck: Soup's ON!

Saturday, January 20, 2024, 5:30 p.m. (Clubhouse)

Gather with your Colony Surf community on a cold winter evening and enjoy some homemade soups! A variety of soups will be provided by community members Art Domer, Tom O'Conner, Donna Dilger, and Jodi Anderson. Please bring an appetizer, side dish, bread, or dessert to share, as well as your own beverage and place setting.

FEBRUARY

February Potluck: Chili Competition

Saturday, February 17, 2024, 5:30 p.m. (Clubhouse)

The competition's ON! For all our Colony Surf chefs - bring your prize-winning chili to be shared (prizes awarded). Colony Surf Activities will provide assorted chili toppings and bowls. Others, please bring a salad or dessert and participate in judging our community chefs' chili creations. Please bring your own beverage and place setting.

Do you have an ad you would like to place in the Surf Writer? Please contact Diane at the Office or call (360) 877-5434



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17th Annual Colony Surf Trout Fishing Derby

Sunday, May 26, 2024, 8:00 am to 11:00 am



The Club will be stocking the lake with trout (some big ones) prior to the derby. If you would like to donate for the purchase of more fish, please drop off your donation at the office and make sure to specify that it is for the Derby.

Derby entry fee for the 26th will be:

\$5.00 per person

\$15.00 per family

Children under 5 free

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