



# Shelter Cove

Property Owners Association  
P.O. Box 246  
Whitethorn CA 95589

## A Note From Your SCPOA Board

Greetings from Shelter Cove! As we begin 2021, your Board has 4 Directors providing guidance to SCPOA. In addition, SCPOA Member Pam Brenner continues to maintain and update our web site. Thank you Pam and all who serve. Our Web Site can be found at <https://www.propertyownerssheltercove.com> Or another good source of information <http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov/>

## Meet your SCPOA Board

Although you may not be able to attend meetings, feel free to email any of the SCPOA directors with concerns or comments. Issues can be added to the agenda on your behalf.

Mike Caldwell, President [mcldwll@aol.com](mailto:mcldwll@aol.com)

Kenneth Klaas, VP & Secretary [kklaas@sacto.com](mailto:kklaas@sacto.com)

Mark Mitchell, Treasurer [mmitchelltravelor@yahoo.com](mailto:mmitchelltravelor@yahoo.com)

April Piercey, Director [april@aprilpiercey.com](mailto:april@aprilpiercey.com)

## Market Conditions & Real Estate 2020-2021

Home sales increased from 16 in 2019 to 28 in 2020.

Land sales increased from 19 in 2019 to 35 in 2020.

Home prices have increased from \$190.00 per sq. ft. in 2019 to just over \$240.00 per sq. ft. in 2020. Lot prices have stayed steady with the average lot value at \$30K.

California Association of Realtor's 2020 California Housing Market Forecast are as follows:

The average for 30-year, fixed mortgage interest rates will dip to 3.1 percent in 2021, down negligibly from 3.2 percent in 2020 and down from 3.9 percent in 2019, remaining low by historical standards.

Extremely favorable lending environment and a strong interest in homeownership will continue to motivate financially eligible buyers to enter the market. While the economy is expected to improve and interest rates will stay near historical lows, housing supply constraints will continue to be an issue next year and may put a cap on sales growth in 2021.

Note: Information provided by California Association of Realtors ("CAR"), Humboldt MLS (Shelter Cove Area) and April Piercey, CBRE#01476985 Realtor & Certified Paralegal (retired).

## From Our RID General Manager

Dear Shelter Cove Property Owners;

Over the last year, I have heard from many Shelter Cove property owners about specific problems and cove-wide issues that affect both the use and enjoyment of personal property and the quality of life within the community and its neighborhoods. Throughout the year the District took action to provide assistance to property owners by collaborating with residents & community leaders; identifying/sharing specific solutions & resources and by pressing the positive working relationships formed with Humboldt County leaders to increase service levels (Sheriff's Office, Dept of Public Works and Planning & Building Dept.)

Much of the District's actions would not have been possible without the work and leadership of Shelter Cove Fire Chief Nick Pape. Chief Nick was hired for the permanent District Fire Chief position back in November and his focus will be on leading/training volunteers & duty officers, maintaining the Department's fleet & equipment and increasing community resilience to wildfire and other natural disasters.

Some of the District's actions this past year have been challenging. The District assisted with efforts to evict individuals occupying a home on Eileen Road that they did not own and have met with Muskrat Circle property owners whose lands were bulldozed and ruined by trespassing individuals after multiple district attempts to prevent on-going damage to their property. These are some of the many challenges we face in a rural community, but with vigilance we will overcome.

The District will continue to work with the Shelter Cove Property Owners Association and other community groups like the Cove Road Appreciation Project (look for this group on Facebook) and work towards individual and community solutions in Shelter Cove.

Please contact Chief Nick to set up a wildfire risk assessment of your home or property by contacting him at [Nick@sheltercove-ca.gov](mailto:Nick@sheltercove-ca.gov)

Justin R Robbins

General Manager

Resort Improvement District No.1

Shelter Cove, Humboldt County, California

[gm@sheltercove-ca.gov](mailto:gm@sheltercove-ca.gov)

707-986-7015

The Shelter Cove Property Owners Association will hold regular meetings via ZOOM if COVID protocol continues or in the Sinkyone Room at the Inn of the Lost Coast for 2021 if restrictions are lifted. Meeting dates are all on Friday for 2021. The current tentative schedule dates are March 12<sup>th</sup> and October 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. If held in person, the address for the meetings is Inn of the Lost Coast, Sinkyone Room 205 Wave Drive Shelter Cove CA 95589. An Email reminder will be sent to our members with instructions for ZOOM meeting otherwise come and join us in person when restrictions are lifted.

## **Elections were held for the RID Board of Directors. Going into 2021 the current Directors are as follows:**

Susie Fox	Board1@sheltercove-ca.gov
Dave Sommer	Board2@sheltercove-ca.gov
Celeste Myers	Board3@sheltercove-ca.gov
Jack Hargrave	Board4@sheltercove-ca.gov
Michael Schad President	Board5@sheltercove-ca.gov

## **Golf Report**

The NCGA approved Shelter Cove Golf Course operates using the Kiosk “Iron Warden” located at the First Tee for Green Fees. Green Fees help offset the actual cost of operation. Cleaned water from our treatment plant also keep our greens alive during the dry months. Many volunteer hours are spent throughout the year to keep our course up to Par. (Pun Intended) As a community, we are so fortunate to have this asset within our community.

## **Fishing Report: Shelter Cove, CA**

Shelter Cove Fishing Preservation Inc. or SCFPI, formed by local charter fishing captains and concerned citizens, continue to maintain boat launch services in Shelter Cove. SCFPI can be found at <https://sheltercovefishingpreservationinc.org> or can be reached at 707-986-1400. Launching service operates 7 days a week on a first come first serve basis with the charter boats get priority launching.

According to Jake Mitchell, Captain of Sea Hawk Sport Fishing, this past season was great for Rock and CA Ling Cod as well as Tuna. Salmon and Crab seasons were mediocre at best. Expanded depth limits will go into effect this next year opening up more areas to Rock Fishing so there is high hope for a good season. Captain Jake who serves as the President of SCFPI can be reached at 1-707-223-1600 to book a Charter.

## **SCPOA Supports Lodging Alliance for South Humboldt County**

The Humboldt Lodging Alliance-Southern Humboldt will be introducing a new campaign in the first quarter of 2021...”DiscoverSouthernHumboldt.com” (web site under construction) to include a social media presence, events schedule, highlighting our beautiful diverse region of places to visit and things to do including a true treasure of our region Shelter Cove and the Lost Coast. We believe Southern Humboldt’s continued attraction to the Redwoods, Beaches, Mountains and Rivers will be even more desirable as the traveling public seek the remote wonders of Southern Humboldt County. In the past year the “Lost Coast Tourism Association” was formed as a 501-C3 nonprofit. See us at “visitlostcoast.com” promoting Southern Humboldt and Shelter Cove specifically. The Alliance also has a social media presence supported by a growing number of local and Southern Humboldt businesses. With organizations like the Shelter Cove Property Owners Association, Southern Humboldt Business and Visitors Bureau, the Redway-Garberville Chamber of Commerce and the Humboldt Lodging Alliance-Southern Humboldt all working to promote Southern Humboldt in common cause to showcase this truly beautiful, amazing place we call home. “Working together we all achieve more”.

## **New Deputy Sheriff Arrives in Shelter Cove**

After many years of petitioning the County, Shelter Cove finally will have a resident Deputy. Tom Allman who retired as the Mendocino County Sheriff was sworn in and will be on the job in early February. This has been a top priority of SCPOA and we are thrilled to report it has finally come to fruition.



**SHELTER COVE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION  
2021 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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**Member Name(s)**

**Please make payment by 4-15-2021**

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**Lot & Block No. or Street Address**

**Amount Due: \$25.00**

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**Mailing Address**

**Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**City**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**State**

**ZIP**

**Please make check payable to;  
SCPOA  
PO BOX 246  
WHITETHORN, CA 95589**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone Number**

**(Dues are considered delinquent 5/1/2021)**

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**E-Mail Address**

**Yes, I would consider being a Director**

**Your SCPOA Board is attempting to collect all of our members preferred email address for the purpose of getting information to our members throughout the year in a timely manner. The data base will remain sacred and used only for SCPOA activates.**

**THANK YOU !!!!!**

**The Association's continued commitment to our members is to protect your property values and speak with one voice. Our strength comes from your support and your membership.**

**Membership includes everyone in your household.**

**Note: If you have paid 2021 dues at one of our recent meetings please disregard notice.**

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**Your New SCPOA Web Site Address is**  
<https://www.propertyownerssheltercove.com>

**EMERGENCY AND SAFETY**

Resort Improvement District #1	707-986-7447
Resort Improvement District #1 Website	<a href="http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov/index.html">http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov/index.html</a>
Medical or Fire Emergency	911
Mercy Air Information	1-800-500-1260
California Department of Forestry	707-923-2645
Highway Patrol (Office)	707-923-2155
Hospital (Garberville)	707-923-3921
Humboldt County Sheriff (Office)	707-445-7251
Sheriff Hot Line (Eureka) for local Deputy	1-866-688-6160
California Highway Conditions	1-800-427-7623

**GOVERNMENT OFFICES**

Post Office (Whitethorn)	707-986-7532
Resort Improvement District #1 (RID)	707-986-7447
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	707-986-5400
Humboldt County Building Department	707-445-7245
Humboldt County Planning Department	707-445-7541
Humboldt County Department of Public Works	707-445-7421
Humboldt County Weed Abatement	707-445-7203

The Shelter Cove Property Owners Association  
**SCPOA**

Speaking for all property owners with a collective voice.

Who are we and why is **SCPOA important to you and our Community?**

**The Shelter Cove Property Owners Association** was formed to promote the right to private ownership and lawful use of property and the general welfare of the community. We are not a HOA but instead a 501c3, Non-profit, collective that speaks as one voice for all property owners in Shelter Cove.

As stated above, the purpose of the Association is to represent the property owners, collectively, in matters affecting the preservation and enhancement of their private property values and their rights to use and enjoyment thereof.

We propose to work within the moral and lawful confines of the citizens' participation form of government, and the by-laws of the SCPOA, including:

- To support all just laws and to utilize all necessary means to change those laws that are unjust
- To engage in those activities that the property owners of Shelter Cove deem necessary, within the framework of the SCPOA by-laws
- To speak as one voice for property owners within Shelter Cove.

Thank You for being a Member of SCPOA Our strength comes from our membership. Your \$25 per year dues offer great value to the citizens and property owners of Shelter Cove.

Find us on the Web at <https://www.propertyownerssheltercove.com>

**Shelter Cove Property Owners Association**

*Working to protect you property's value*

A California non-profit corporation

## **The Shelter Cove Arts and Recreation Foundation (SCARF) 2020**

2020 of course was a tough year for SCARF. Almost all events were cancelled due to the Corona Virus.

### ***Yet SCARF did have some significant accomplishments in 2020!***

The long awaited SCARF nature trail plant identification signs project was completed in December 2020. 51 new plant and tree metal signs were adopted by citizens of the community and designed and installed on both the SCARF Nature Trail and the Bill Franklin Nature Trail. SCARF worked with the Friends of the Lost Coast to bring this project to completion. Over 40 people adopted the signs and had their special message included on the sign, along with a picture of the plant and a description about it. In addition, many local businesses made generous donations to help make the project a reality. Early in 2021 trail guides will be posted on the trails with the names of each plant, the donor's name and the major donors both individual and corporate who contributed to the project. And working with Professor Kevin Kelley, SCARF helped sponsor the new Shelter Cove Wild Animals Guide, which can be found on line and soon to be on the Nature Trails.

SCARF did receive a major grant to expand the Labor of Love Quilt Show, but the show had to be cancelled due to Covid. However the grant was extended for another year and it is hoped that the Quilt Show will be back on for 2021.

The SCARF baseball field had some improvements made to it and some Tuesday afternoon exercise sessions were started, which we hope will expand in 2021.

The art gallery hosted 2 wine receptions before Covid restrictions took effect and many pieces of art were sold during the year. Several new artists have joined and we are always looking for more artists. During the year, SCARF launched an on line virtual gallery with all the gallery art displayed and for sale.

For 2021, SCARF hopes to once again be offering adult and children's classes, artist events and recreational activities. SCARF announced in late December, a matching grant program where local people and organizations can apply for funds related to arts and recreation. For more information visit [www. Sheltercoveartsfoundation.com](http://www.Sheltercoveartsfoundation.com)

The Shelter Cove Arts and Recreation Foundation was established in 2012 to improve the quality of life in the Cove, by offering art and recreational experiences and activities and developing recreation facilities, such as hiking trails and ballfields. SCARF has a 7 member Board of Directors and many volunteers who SCARF wishes to thank for all of their hard work and dedication. SCARF is a tax exempt, 501c3 California Non- profit foundation and all donations to it are fully tax deductible. SCPOA generously helps fund SCARF through purchasing a banner at the ballfield. If you or your business wants to help SCARF by purchasing a banner or make a donation please contact Mark Mitchell at 707-986-7120.