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# The CRTC Announces the Launch of the World's First Sports Bench Made with Recycled Carbon Fiber

**Port Angeles, WA—November 19, 2020** - The Composite Recycling Technology Center (CRTC) has launched the Trident Bench™, which is the world's first sports bench made with recycled aerospace grade carbon fiber. The bench was launched as a part of the \$20M remodel project that was done by the Shore Aquatic Center (SAC) in Port Angeles, WA. SAC purchased over 400 lineal feet of the Trident Bench™ for crowd seating in the pool area as well as in all the locker rooms.

"The CRTC did a superb job of listening to our needs and designed and developed a bench that perfectly fit our aquatic center", said Steven Burke, Executive Director of the Shore Aquatic Center. "The carbon fiber is extremely strong and will never rot or degrade. This bench is still going to look great 10 years from now. The CRTC team was also super easy to work with and the installation was trouble free."

"We were honored to be selected by the Shore Aquatic Center to be a part of this amazing remodel project" said David Walter, CEO of the Composite Recycling Technology Center. "It was a fantastic project and we are extremely excited about launching the Trident Bench™ as we believe it will be a great fit for other sports complexes and aquatic centers. Our CarbonCoat™ thermally fused polymeric coating provides the Center with a highly durable finish even in a chlorine environment. The nonporous surface is also really easy to clean, which was very important to the Center as they adhere to rigorous wipe down procedures in light of the COVID virus."

For more information on the Trident Bench™ please go to [www.tridentbench.com](http://www.tridentbench.com)

For more information on the Shore Aquatic Center please go to [www.sacpa.org](http://www.sacpa.org)

To see a 90 second video of the Shore Aquatic Center with the Trident Bench™, please go to <https://youtu.be/m733HHySars>



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**About the Composite Recycling Technology Center (CRTC):**

Founded in 2015, the Composite Recycling Technology Center (CRTC) is an innovative 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, whose mission is to inspire and grow the global composite recycling community through innovation in technology and manufacturing and transform carbon fiber scrap into products that positively impact people's lives and the environment. There are about 50 million pounds of carbon fiber scrap that go into landfill globally each year. This space age material is as strong as steel at one third the weight and has a great fit in in segments like transportation, energy, furniture, building materials and high performance sporting goods. By designing and manufacturing products that use carbon fiber scrap, the CRTC is able to provide employment to those who need a hand up.

Find out more about the Trident Bench™ at [www.tridentbench.com](http://www.tridentbench.com)

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**About the Shore Aquatic Center:**

The Shore Aquatic Center is operated by the Shore Metro Park District, which was formed in 2009 by a vote of the residents to operate the William Shore Pool. Prior to 2009, the pool facility was operated by the City of Port Angeles since 1961. In 2019, the William Shore Pool was closed for a \$20 million expansion project and was renamed the Shore Aquatic Center. It was reopened in Oct of 2020 with a mission to provide high quality, safe and accessible aquatic programs, services and facilities that enhance the quality of life for all ages, cultures and abilities, which encourage health, wellness, learning and fun.

Find out more about the Shore Aquatic Center at <https://www.sacpa.org>