

Know Your Shells

Lots of different types of mollusk live in the Long Island Sound and call Silver Sands their home.

- Channel Welks and egg cases
 Oyster drill
- 2. Soft Shelled Clam
- 3. Razor Clam
- 4. Jingle Shells
- 5. Eastern Oyster
- 6. Slipper Snail
- 7. Hard Shelled Clam, (Quahog Clam)
- 8. Periwinkle Snail
- 9. Ribbed Mussel
- 10. Atlantic Sea Scallop

Clams, scallops and welks are important commercial foods for humans and wildlife. These animals could face challenges in survival due to changes in water pH- (ocean acidification) from climate change.

Climate change has also impacted the population of Slipper Snails. These animals tolerate warmer waters and have experienced large population growth over the past decade.