

POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

'How do you feel about Astoria's sea lions?'



"I think it's time for a conductor to get them to come together and sing a really nice song. Maybe some Beatles covers. I love them."
Mary de la Salandra, Astoria



"They may be noisy, but they don't bother me. They are God's creatures. Maybe they should do something to move them, but not kill them."
Omar Guerrero, Astoria



"I think that we should respect their presence here because they are native — but at the same time, I understand the threat they pose to the piers and docks."
Lizzie Stoesz, Astoria

Fisherman falls into Youngs River

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The Clatsop County Sheriff's Office continued its search of Youngs River Wednesday for the body of a recreational fisherman who fell off a boat Tuesday.

The Sheriff's Office was dispatched downriver from the Youngs River's confluence with the Klaskanine River Tuesday morning after a report of a boat circling in

the river at full throttle without an operator.

According to the Sheriff's Office, the person reporting said they had talked with the boat's operator, left and returned shortly thereafter to find the boat circling with nobody on board.

Deputies arrived shortly thereafter by land and boat, and began searching the river and shoreline, assisted by the Lewis and Clark Fire Depart-

ment and members of the Sheriff's Office dive team. The U.S. Coast Guard sent a helicopter and searched the area for two hours before standing down.

The circumstances of the incident are unknown, and the Sheriff's Office has not released the name of the missing fisherman. Members of the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office dive team have been brought in to help search for the body.

Officials sign Klamath River pact

By JONATHAN J. COOPER
 Associated Press

SACRAMENTO — Officials from Oregon, California and the Obama administration have signed a pact agreeing to seek permission to tear down four hydroelectric dams that are blamed for killing fish and blocking their migration.

They also agreed to protect farmers and ranchers from rising power and water prices as they work on a broader pact to bring peace to long-running water wars in the Klamath River basin, which straddles the Oregon-California border.

The landmark agreement revives a dormant, six-year-old settlement process that Congress failed to approve last year. In addition to removing dams, that original settlement would have restored tribal lands and provided more water for farmers and ranchers.

By removing the dams without congressional approval, and providing price assurances to farmers in exchange, the advocates hope to make the larger deal more palatable for Congress.

"Now we're regrouping, trying to figure out what's our path to solve those problems," said Tricia Hill, treasurer of the Klamath Water Users Association, which advocates for farmers and ranchers. "We've got rural communities that rely on the water for jobs ... and that hasn't changed."

The latest deal is spelled out in two agreements. One or both of them will be signed by Oregon Gov. Kate Brown, California Gov. Jerry Brown, high-ranking federal officials, tribal leaders, conservation groups, large-scale water users and dam-owner PacifiCorp.

Dams alter water flows and contribute to fish diseases and

algae bloom problems. Three tribes depend on the fish for subsistence and ceremonial needs, and a fourth hopes fish will return once the dams are removed.

"They will recolonize the river immediately," said Brian Johnson, California director for Trout Unlimited, a conservation group that plans to sign the agreement. "They're there at the dam every year. So they'll start going back right away."

Not everyone is celebrating. Dam removal is a major improvement, but the guarantees for farmers and ranchers don't belong in the agreement, said Jim McCarthy of the conservation group WaterWatch.

"There's a bunch of little sweetheart deals that the irrigators want to maintain, and they're trying to caboose it on this dam-removal train," McCarthy said.

Warrenton Police to wear body cameras

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Starting this week, Warrenton Police began wearing body cameras.

The department is using WatchGuard Video equipment, the same system used by Astoria, Seaside, and Cannon Beach police departments.

Last year, Police Chief Mathew Workman requested

13 body cameras for himself, the sworn officers and reserve officers and six mobile video systems for patrol cars.

The equipment cost \$52,411 for the fiscal year 2015-16.

The Warrenton City Commission approved the purchase in December.

Workman has said body cameras in law enforcement "cut down on frivo-

lous complaints" and "provide an extra level of video evidence and audio evidence when we're performing our duties and investigating our cases."

"We're looking forward to the extra video evidence that the cameras provide, and to be able to review footage for officer development," the department wrote on its Facebook page.

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Tonight
 Mainly clear
 49°

Thursday
 Mostly sunny
 71° 49°

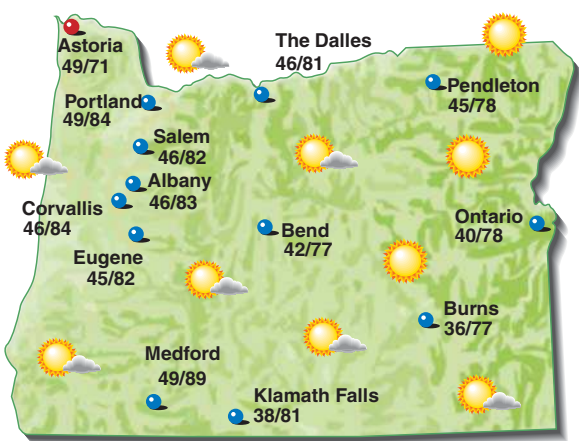
Saturday
 Partly sunny
 59° 44°

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs

Friday
 Cooler with times of clouds and sun
 63° 46°

Sunday
 Intervals of clouds and sunshine
 58° 44°

Oregon Weather



Almanac

Astoria through Tuesday.

Temperatures	
High	59°
Low	42°
Normal high	55°
Normal low	40°
Precipitation	
Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.24"
Normal month to date	1.04"
Year to date	34.62"
Normal year to date	26.13"

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight	7:51 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday	6:43 a.m.
Moonrise today	6:31 a.m.
Moonsset today	7:14 p.m.



Regional Cities

City	Today	Thu.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Baker City	70 31 s	75 35 s
Bend	75 42 s	77 41 s
Brookings	75 53 s	68 50 s
Eugene	74 45 s	82 50 s
Ilwaco	63 51 pc	70 50 s
Klamath Falls	78 38 s	81 44 s
Medford	89 49 s	89 55 s
Newport	66 50 s	69 48 s
North Bend	71 50 s	69 50 s

City	Today	Thu.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Olympia	67 42 pc	79 46 s
Pendleton	73 45 s	78 46 s
Portland	76 49 s	84 53 s
Roseburg	82 50 s	87 54 s
Salem	74 46 s	82 50 s
Seaside	64 50 pc	72 49 s
Spokane	64 41 s	72 46 s
Vancouver	75 49 s	84 51 s
Yakima	77 45 pc	81 47 s

Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: Low above the southern horizon around midnight is Hydra the Sea Serpent.

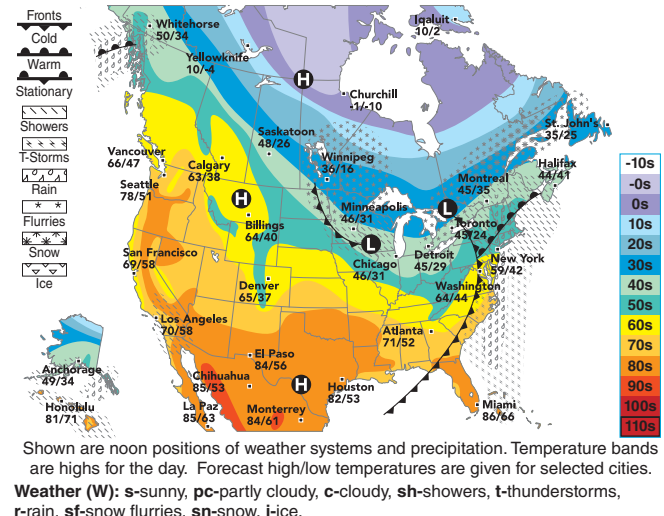
Tomorrow's Tides

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Time	Low
	1:49 a.m.	9.3 ft.	8:15 a.m.	-0.4 ft.
	2:18 p.m.	8.9 ft.	8:25 p.m.	0.3 ft.

National Cities

City	Today	Thu.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Atlanta	70 54 pc	71 52 pc
Boston	40 36 pc	57 44 r
Chicago	54 36 r	46 31 c
Denver	67 38 s	65 37 s
Des Moines	58 38 sh	57 34 pc
Detroit	56 37 r	45 29 c
El Paso	80 51 pc	84 56 c
Fairbanks	47 24 s	50 27 pc
Honolulu	79 69 c	81 71 pc
Indianapolis	60 40 t	48 30 sh
Kansas City	63 44 pc	65 34 pc
Las Vegas	87 63 pc	83 59 c
Los Angeles	86 59 pc	70 58 sh
Memphis	72 49 t	75 47 pc
Miami	80 69 sh	86 66 pc
Nashville	68 47 t	67 43 c
New Orleans	80 60 pc	79 60 s
New York	46 43 pc	59 42 r
Oklahoma City	75 46 s	83 44 s
Philadelphia	54 47 pc	61 42 r
St. Louis	64 45 t	61 41 c
Salt Lake City	63 41 s	71 45 s
San Francisco	85 57 s	69 58 pc
Seattle	67 49 pc	78 51 s
Washington, DC	59 51 pc	64 44 r

Tomorrow's National Weather



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities. **Weather (W):** s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Motorcycle safety training coming to Astoria this month

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Motorcycle safety courses are returning to Astoria on April 15.

The courses are sponsored by Team Oregon, the state's approved motorcycle safety program, and provided at the Port of Astoria (classroom) and the Warrenton-Astoria Regional Airport (practice riding).

Oregon law requires all new riders to take an approved safety course. Anyone younger than 21 must complete Basic Rider Training to earn a motor-

cycle endorsement. Riders 21 and older can take basic or Intermediate Rider Training to meet state requirements.

The basic training is a 15-hour course that combines classroom learning with on-cycle instruction and practice on a closed course. Students get training and practice time in the critical areas of cornering, emergency braking and evasive maneuvers.

Training motorcycles and helmets are provided. The intermediate training is an eight-hour course designed for riders who are self-taught, or who haven't

ridden in some time and are getting back into motorcycling.

Riders of any age who successfully complete basic rider training will have their motorcycle knowledge and skill tests waived by the Department of Motor Vehicles; DMV waives the skill test for riders who successfully complete the intermediate course. Riders are required follow up at a DMV office to have the motorcycle endorsement added to their driver's license.

For more information, or to register, go to <http://team-oregon.org> or call 800-545-9944.

Seaside team in bird-a-thon fundraiser

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SEASIDE — Team Seaside Eagles is participating in the North Oregon Coast Bird-a-thon Saturday.

This event has raised nearly \$10,000 for the Wildlife Center of the North Coast in the three previous years. Friends and community members are asked to pledge 25 cents or more for every species the team identifies; the group then spends 12 hours identifying as many bird species as they can find.

"I love being a part of this fundraiser," Mitzi York said in a statement. "It's the fourth annual this year, and the Wildlife Center is grateful for our efforts."

To sponsor the team,



Submitted Photo
 From left, Mitzi York, Terry Finlayson and Susan Boac, Team Seaside Eagles, are seeking pledges for the North Oregon Coast Bird-a-thon fundraiser Saturday.

email mitziyork@gmail.com or seasidesusan@gmail.com. For information about the event, or a link to donate

directly to the wildlife center, look for "North Oregon Coast Bird-a-thon" on Facebook.

LOTTERIES

OREGON
Tuesday's Pick 4:
 1 p.m.: 6-5-8-7
 4 p.m.: 3-1-5-7
 7 p.m.: 0-4-0-9
 10 p.m.: 4-9-2-8

WASHINGTON
Tuesday's Daily Game:
 8-4-7
Tuesday's Keno: 01-02-07-12-16-17-18-20-22-23-24-25-37-41-44-52-54-66-75-76
Tuesday's Match 4: 07-08-09-13
Tuesday's Mega Millions: 13-45-52-53-57, Mega Ball: 105
 Estimated jackpot: \$57 million

PUBLIC MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 6 p.m., special meeting, Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St., Astoria.
Seaside Improvement Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.
Gearhart City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 698 Pacific Way.
THURSDAY
Northwest Oregon Housing

Authority Board, 10 a.m., NOHA office, 147 S. Main Ave., Warrenton.
Clatsop Community College Board, 6:30 p.m., executive session (closed to public) to consider new employee, possible public session afterward, Columbia Hall Room 219, 1651 Lexington Ave.
Seaside Parks Advisory Committee, 7 p.m., City Hall.

DEATH

April 5, 2016
MILLER, Marvin K., 71, of Westport, died in Westport. Ocean View Funeral & Cremation Service in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

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