



Viking Nick Lutz is announced the 189-pound 3A state wrestling champion in 2005, the same year he graduated from Siuslaw. Lutz died from drowning in 2009.

Lutz from 1C

mats from the balcony, and over the railing down to the gym floor. It's a coordinated effort of muscle and teamwork that Wartnik says epitomizes the qualities of a good wrestling team.

"It takes everyone working together for it to work," Wartnik said. "Those mats are extremely heavy, and we've been doing it this way for two decades."

"It's a special event that has been passed down from

wrestler to wrestler."

Saturday at 9 a.m., following weigh-ins, the first matches will get underway as wrestlers begin a day-long journey toward the championships that evening.

"It's a long, grueling haul to reach the finals," said Wartnik. "Our objective is to make this invitational as close to a state-meet experience as possible."

Along with teams from Brookings, Cottage Grove, and the 2014 state champion Elmira Falcons, Reedsport will be competing for the first time in several years, along with

newcomer Amity from the 2A division.

"Essentially, just about every team from a two-hour radius in any direction will be here on Saturday," said Wartnik. "The invitational has come a long way over the years."

Finals are expected to begin between 5 and 5:30 p.m.

The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

Members of the Lil' Toads wrestling team will be admitted free.

The Vikings will enter into Saturday's invitational with solid momentum after coming

home with three tournament champions last weekend, each of whom was undefeated at the Central Four-Way Tournament at Central High School.

Ricky Huff, Jose DelaMora and Isaiah Burkhalter each brought home their division title.

"I am seeing constant improvement on our team," said Wartnik.

Hunters: Results due Jan. 31 to avoid fine

SALEM — Any hunter who purchased 2014 big game or turkey tags needs to report their hunt results by the Jan. 31 deadline for most tags.

Hunters are required to report on each deer, elk, cougar, bear, pronghorn and turkey tag purchased — even if they were not successful or did not hunt. Sports Pac license holders need to report on each big game or turkey tag issued.

Hunters have two ways to report:

- Online at www.odfw.com or at www.reportmyhunt.com, or by visiting an ODFW office with a computer available for hunter reporting in Corvallis, Bend, Clackamas, La Grande, Portland's Sauvie Island, Roseburg, or the Salem Headquarters.
- By telephone at 1-866-947-6339. Talk to a customer service representative. Hours are from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week.

Reporting deadlines are:

- Jan. 31, 2015, for all 2014 hunts that end by Dec. 31, 2014.

Hunters need the following pieces of information to report, which takes just a couple of minutes:

- Hunter/Angler ID number (located on ODFW licenses,

tags and applications; this is a permanent number that stays the same from year-to-year).

- The two-digit Wildlife Management unit (WMU) number of the unit you hunted in most and the unit you harvested an animal in if successful.
- The total number of days hunted (including mentoring youth), the number of days hunted in the WMU hunted most, and the number of days hunted in the WMU you harvested an animal in if successful.

There is a \$25 penalty for not reporting deer and elk tags.

Hunters who fail to report 2014 deer or elk tags on time will be penalized \$25 when they purchase a 2016 hunting license.

This penalty is assessed once, regardless of the number of unreported tags.

"The information is used when setting controlled hunt tag numbers and hunting seasons," said ODFW Game Program Manager Tom Thornton. "We really appreciate hunters taking a few minutes of their time to complete the report."

For more information on mandatory reporting visit www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/reporting/index.asp.

Apply for handgun safety class

A handgun safety class has been initiated due to the Oregon state law requiring the average citizen show a certificate of competence and safety to their county sheriff's department before applying for a concealed handgun license.

The Lane County Sheriff's Office set the minimal requirements for that application in Lane County, and the Siuslaw

handgun safety class has been structured to comply with the requirements set by the sheriff's department and State of Oregon.

After passing the class, most students can then apply for a concealed handgun license. Applications for the Siuslaw Handgun Safety Class are now available at the Florence Police Department.

Sailors from 1C

third period — with Alsea cutting that lead down to a single basket by the end of the quarter.

With Chris Free getting into foul trouble early in the game, the Sailors' offensive firepower was reduced in the second half just as the Wolverines began to rally. Freshman post Dominic Wells fouled out in the fourth quarter and was quickly joined by Free, leaving no relief from the bench and only four players on the hardwood for the Sailors as Alsea moved into the lead.

"Our guys played extremely hard," said Crook. "Once we got into foul trouble, our

options were limited and Alsea was able to use that to their advantage."

Ford led the Sailors in scoring with a season-high 28 points, 10 rebounds and two steals. Simington had 14 points, three rebounds and three steals. Daniel Collins had three points, two rebounds and two steals. Free had three points and seven rebounds.

Tyler Packebush, in his first career start, had a free throw and a rebound.

Wells had two points and two rebounds for the Sailors.

Last night's game against Eddyville was canceled.

Mapleton will be back on the hardwood this Friday at Mohawk, beginning at 7 p.m.

Viks from 1C

was on the court against Henley last Friday, with the Hornets coming out on top 45-39. But on Saturday, the Vikings got a shot at redemption against Phoenix, who they had lost to in December.

This time, Siuslaw sank the Pirates decisively, 52-38, to go 1-1 at the tournament.

The girls' team, meanwhile, posted a pair of losses, beginning with Klamath Falls on Friday, 63-24, then Hidden Valley on Saturday, 51-38.

This Friday, the girls will tip off the league season against Marshfield at 6 p.m., followed by the boys' game at 7:30 p.m.

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