

Boating, alcohol deadly mix, says Coast Guard

According to the U.S. Coast Guard, alcohol is a major factor in 50 percent of recreational boating fatalities nationwide. Passengers are just as likely to be injured or killed because the majority of incidents occur from falling overboard.

Operator inattention is also a primary contributing factor in crashes and other boating incidents.

Boat operators are considered to be Boating Under the Influence of Intoxicants (BUII) if they are impaired by drugs or have a blood alcohol content of

.08 percent or more.

The law also applies to operators of motorized boats and non-motorized crafts such as rafts, kayaks and canoes.

Penalties can include:

- Fines of up to \$6,250
- Up to one year in jail
- Loss of boating privileges for one year

• Boat registration suspension for up to three years

• Mandatory completion of a boating safety education class

Fact: Alcohol impairs your balance, coordination, vision, judgment and reaction time.

Fact: The motion of the boat, the glare of the sun, the noise of the motor and the wind compound the effects of alcohol.

Fact: Alcohol is absorbed directly into the blood stream. Its effects are usually apparent within minutes.

Drinking Alcohol faster than the body can burn it off will increase blood alcohol levels.

Fact: It is okay for passengers to drink, however drinking passengers greatly increase their risks of falling overboard and drowning.

Boat owners may be held liable and sued for the injuries or deaths of their intoxicated passengers.

The fact is that impairment by alcohol consumption is amplified on the water.

Environmental factors, such as wind, sun, noise and motion can magnify the affects of alcohol and make it difficult for someone to assist themselves in their own rescue in a cold water event like falling overboard.

— Lincoln County Sheriffs

Field rangers to provide camping tips Sunday

CORVALLIS — Curious about camping, but not sure how to get started? Are you a camping expert wanting to share the knowledge you've acquired throughout the years? Campers and campers-to-be

are invited to join Siuslaw National Forest field rangers for the Great American Campout Day, four miles north of Florence off Highway 101.

Field rangers will be giving camping advice and demon-

strating camping skills, leading kids' activities and preparing an evening campfire with campfire activities.

Field ranger programs are free and open to the public, regardless of whether they are

camping in the campground. Program participants who aren't camping overnight should park in front of the main campground pavilion. Pavilion parking is free, but space is limited.

Fishing from 1B

fish up in the shallows this time of year.

SIUSLAW RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

The cutthroat trout season is now open for the season. The main stem of the Siuslaw and Lake Creek can be good fishing as well as the larger tributaries entering these systems. Bait is not allowed above the head of tide but small spinners, spoons and fly fishing can be very productive.

ALSEA RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

The cutthroat trout season is now open for the season and anglers should have fair to good results in most of the larger tributaries and mainstem. Small spinners are typically productive as wells as small spoons or fly fishing with nymphs or streamers.

SALMON RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

Cutthroat trout are now open to harvest. Typically good fishing can be had during the early part of the season. Using small lures like spinners, spoons or various flies can be productive.

SILETZ RIVER: *Steelhead*

Summer steelhead fishing is slowly starting to pick up. New fish will continually be moving into the river over the next few months with the peak numbers typically in July. River flows are much lower than normal for this time of year so think small and subtle presentations.

Typical steelhead tactics apply such as bobber and jig / bait, or casting spoons or spinners. Cutthroat trout are now also open to harvest and can be found throughout the main stem river and many large tributaries.

WILSON RIVER: *Steelhead, Chinook, cutthroat*

Spring Chinook fishing is slow in the low clear water. A few more fish are showing in the river. Summer steelhead angling is slow also. Angling for cutthroat trout should be fair. Use lighter gear for best results.

YAQUINA RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

The cutthroat trout season is open and anglers can expect to have fair to good fishing. The mainstem Yaquina and Big Elk Creek are good places to try casting small spinners or spoons as well as bait fishing near the head of tide.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: *Steelhead*

The mainstem South Umpqua upstream to Jackson Creek Bridge is open to fishing, with trout fishing being strictly catch and release.

Catch and release trout fishing in South Umpqua tributaries below Jackson Creek Bridge is also open, with fishing restricted to the use of artificial flies and lures.

Smallmouth bass fishing should be productive with

warming water temperatures.

COOS RIVER BASIN: *Dungeness crab, bay clams, rockfish, trout*

Anglers are still catching a few rockfish inside lower Coos Bay around the jetties.

The best fishing has been around the slack tides. The marine fish daily bag limit (which includes fishing in estuaries) is seven fish and a separate daily limit for lingcod (two). Anglers will be able to keep only three blue rockfish and one canary rockfish as part of their daily limit and there will be no harvest of China, quillback or copper rockfish.

• Crabbing has been good in the lower bay with crabbers catching mostly hard shell crab with a couple soft shell crabs in the mix. The best crabbing will be near the jetties and close to slack tides.

• Clamming is excellent during low tides near Charleston, off Cape Arago Highway, and Clam Island. There are also good places to dig clams even on positive low tides in Coos Bay.

• Recreational harvest of razor clams is closed for the entire Oregon coastline from the Columbia River to the California border due to elevated levels of domoic acid. This includes all beaches and all bays. Before any shellfish harvest trip, make sure to check the Oregon Department of Agriculture website for any updates.

TENMILE BASIN: *Trout, largemouth bass, yellow perch*

Streams in the Tenmile Basin are open for trout fishing. Fishing is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams above tidewater.

Anglers should have good suc-

cess catching trout in the deeper pools and riffles using spinners or flies.

Tenmile Lakes is open all year for trout and anglers have been catching trout trolling wedding ring spinners tipped with a worm in the main part of Tenmile Lakes.

Bass anglers have been catching several largemouth bass in Tenmile Lakes. Bass can be found this time of the year in shallow water near structure-like logs or weed lines.

A few anglers have been catching yellow perch from the fishing dock at the County Boat Ramp and near the edge of the weedlines. A worm or piece of cut bait fished near the bottom works well for catching yellow perch.

WINCHESTER BAY: *Bottomfish, perch*

Fishing for bottomfish in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful. Perch fishing has been productive in the bay, and it was reported that good size striped perch were being caught along the jetty.

Crabbing has picking up with some limits reported. PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES: *Bottomfish, salmon, Dungeness crab, surf perch*

The ocean is open for harvest of Dungeness crab.

Anglers continue to catch surf perch from the beaches near Winchester, Bandon and Coos Bay. The best fishing is usually on the incoming tide. Sand shrimp is one of the best baits to use when fishing for surf perch.

Recreational ocean salmon season from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. is open.

The season is open for all

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Florence Bridge Club

Thursday Afternoon Swiss Pairs Session June 18, 2015

No	Name	Points	Name	Points	Wins	Score
1	Doreen MacNeil	0.42	K. Hampsten	0.42	3	45.00
2	Lloyd Little	0.14	M. Buchanan	0.14	1	23.00
3	David Gustafson	0.14	Marian Weiss	0.14	1	35.00
4	Lois Hundtoft	0.14	B. Rozaire-Brown	0.14	1	17.00

WOMEN'S GOLF

Ocean Dunes Ladies

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015

9 - HOLE COMPETITION LOW NET: LORRAINE GRAHAM
GAME: ODDS
LOW GROSS: KAY BUTLER

MEN'S GOLF

Ocean Dunes Men

TUESDAY JUNE 16, 2015

INDIVIDUAL PLAY 2ND: BRIAN HOLMES
NET: GROSS: DICK SHORES
1ST: LUKE MARSHALL KP#8: RICK WIDLUND

THURSDAY JUNE 18

BLUE/RED BETTER BALL NOEL
NET: 4TH: BILL SPIVEY, KEITH NELSON
1ST: CAM WARD, RICHARD KAPRIELIAN
2ND: RICK WIDLUND, JIMMIE KAPRIELIAN
3RD: JERRY MULVEY, WAYNE ZINN
KP#4: RICHARD KAPRIELIAN
KP#8: DAVE RIPLEY
KP#12: LONNIE IHOLTS
KP#16: PAUL RUNGE

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

INDIVIDUAL PLAY 2ND: DICK SHORES
GROSS: 3RD: DAVE RIPLEY
1ST: BILL SPIVEY 4TH: BEN HOLDER
2ND: JOHN SUTTER
NET: KP#4: JEFF NOONAN
1ST: LONNIE IHOLTS KP#12: LUKE MARSHALL

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