

# Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

## On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

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### NORTH COAST LAKES:

Lost Lake received some surplus trout last week. Most other district lakes were stocked the first week of June. Trout fishing should be fair to good. Due to warm conditions, concentrate on early morning hours when fish are likely to be the most active.

Warm water fishing is fair to good. Coffenbury, Cullaby, Sunset, Lytle, Cape Meares, and Town lakes, and Vernonia Pond all offer opportunity for largemouth bass. Weed growth and water quality may be a problem in some areas.

The latest trout stocking schedule.

### MID COAST LAKES:

Fishing for the various warm water fish species is fair to good during the summer months.

There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity and have boat

See **FISHING 4B**

## Sand master



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Florence-based champion Bekah Austen will return to the dune slopes for the 19th annual competition.

## BOARDERS TO HIT SAND FOR 'MASTER JAM' SATURDAY

BY NED HICKSON  
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The sandboard rails at Sand Master Park, as well as the dunes overlook above Cleawox Lake in Honeyman State Park, will be alive with competition this Saturday, July 18, as sandboarders, both professional and amateur, gather for the 19th annual Sand Master Jam — the longest-running sandboarding competition in the world.

The competition will begin at Sand Master Park with the rail slide event,

where 'boarders slide their sandboards down steel rails while performing tricks before landing — all of which are scored by judges.

The drags competition, where sandboarders are "dragged" behind dune buggies and scored on speed and agility, will also take place at Sand Master Park before heading to the dunes at Cleawox Lake for the slalom competition.

Events will begin at 2 p.m. and wrap up about 5:30 p.m.

The next Dune Riders International competition will take place Aug. 15,

when sandboarders take to the air for the X-West Huck Fest Pro-Am "Big Air" competition.

Jumps begin at 2 p.m. at Sand Master Park.

That same day, Sand Master Park will host a free sand-sculpting workshop from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information about Saturday's competition or the upcoming X-West Huck Fest, call Sand Master Park at 541-997-6006, or visit [www.sandmasterpark.com](http://www.sandmasterpark.com)

Sand Master Park is at 5351 Highway 101, just north of Florence.

## Coastwide advisory issued for soft-shell clams

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has issued a health advisory for the length of the Oregon coast for soft-shell clams because they contain high levels of naturally occurring arsenic.

The advisory is most important for people who dig their own clams and target the specific species *Mya arenaria*, since these clams are not commercially available in markets or restaurants.

The advisory recommends remov-

ing the skin from the siphon, or "neck," of soft-shell clams before eating them. Soft-shell clams are found primarily in estuary and intertidal regions of the Oregon coast. This advisory stems from tests the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) performed on a variety of shellfish species collected along the Oregon coast as part of its Water Quality Toxics Monitoring Program.

DEQ's tests found that when analyzed whole without the shell, soft-

shell clams contained unusually high levels of inorganic arsenic.

Most of the arsenic was concentrated in the skin covering the clam's siphon. Researchers found that by removing the skin covering the siphon before eating, the arsenic can be greatly reduced, to levels that are not harmful.

Arsenic levels varied along the Oregon coast: Clams on the north

See **ADVISORY 2B**

## 'Blasters return with win from Roseburg

BY NED HICKSON  
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The Three Rivers Sandblasters, Florence's American Legion Triple-A baseball team, swung the bats well in Roseburg over the weekend, stringing together nine hits in a 7-6 non-league victory against Doc Stewart's on Sunday.

On the mound for Florence, Kyle Springer dominated the plate, allowing only two hits after coming in for four innings of relief.

Springer's pitching performance, coupled with an aggressive Sandblasters offense and a pair of Roseburg errors created a scoring tri-ecta for Florence.

In addition to earning the win on the mound, Springer also contributed at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs to help secure the victory.

Yesterday, the Sandblasters were in Eugene for more nonleague action, taking on the Eugene Challengers for a double-header (after deadlines).

Saturday, Florence will be at Regis High School to take on the Canyon Crushers for a nine-inning game at 2 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
<b>July 15</b> 1:07am / 6.0	6:37am / -1.3 6:30pm / 2.2

<b>July 16</b> 12:20am / 7.6 1:46pm / 6.2	7:16am / -1.2 7:14pm / 2.1
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<b>July 17</b> 1:01am / 7.4 2:22pm / 6.2	7:53am / -1.2 7:57pm / 2.0
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<b>July 18</b> 1:41am / 7.1 2:57pm / 6.3	8:29am / -0.9 8:38pm / 2.0
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<b>July 19</b> 2:21am / 6.7 3:32am / 6.2	9:03am / -0.5 9:21pm / 2.0
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<b>July 20</b> 3:01am / 6.2 4:07pm / 6.2	9:37am / 0.0 10:06pm / 1.9
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<b>July 21</b> 3:44am / 5.8 4:44pm / 6.2	10:12am / 0.5 10:56pm / 1.9
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## SPORTS Calendar

### July 15

• FLORENCE SOFTBALL AT MILLER PARK 5:30 AND 7 P.M.

### July 16

• FLORENCE SOFTBALL AT MILLER PARK 5:30 AND 7 P.M.

### July 18

• TRC BASEBALL SANDBLASTERS VS CANYON CRUSHERS AT REGIS H.S. 2 P.M. (9 INN.)

### July 19

• TRC BASEBALL SANDBLASTERS VS CANYON CRUSHERS AT SIUSLAW H.S. 2 AND 5 P.M.



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