Sports & Recreation

SPORTS

Calendar

Sept. 25

7 P.M.

• SHS FOOTBALL
HOSTS S. UMPQUA

• MHS FOOTBALL

AT MCKENZIE

7 P.M.

Sept. 26

• SHS XC

HOST WOAHINK INV.
HONEYMAN PARK
10:30 A.M.

Three-way Inv. AT HIDDEN VALLEY NOON

• SHS V-BALL

Sept. 29

• SHS V-BALL HOSTS N. BEND 6 P.M.

• MHS V-BALL HOSTS T. LAKE

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide Low Tide

Sept. 23 9:08am / 5.6 2:31am / 0.6

8:35pm / 6.6 2:42pm / 2.9

 Sept. 24

 9:59am / 6.1
 3:30am / 0.3

 9:40pm/ 6.6
 3:46pm / 2.2

Sept. 25 10:44m 6.7 4:22am / 0.0 10:38pm / 7.3 4:42pm / 1.4

Sept. 26 11:26am / 7.3 5:10am / -0.2 11:33am / 7.6 5:33am / 0.6

Sept. 27 12:06am / 7.8 5:55am / -0.3 6:22pm / -0.1

Sept. 28 12:26am / 7.8 6:38am / -0.1

Sept. 29

12:46pm/ 8.2 7:10pm / -0.7

1:18m / 7.7 7:22am / 0.2 1:27pm / 8.4 7:58pm / -1.0



NEWS

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Viks find win in Hidden Valley

By NED HICKSON Siuslaw News

SHS: 00 14 14 07 — 35 HVHS: 07 00 00 06 — 13

It may have been the Mustangs who came out on top after the first quarter of Friday's match-up at Hidden Valley, but it was the Vikings who came away with the win and on top of the Mustangs in the OSAA 4A rankings following their 35-13 road win,

Ranked fourth coming into the game, it was no surprise when Hidden Valley opened with a six-play, 55-yard drive that ended in a 11-yard touchdown pass less than three minutes into the game.



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEW

Siuslaw runningback Kenneth Thrall had a 30-yard touchdown run and five PATs in Friday's match-up on the road at Hidden Valley.

But much like they did against Pleasant Hill a week earlier, the Vikings not only got even — they got better. They also quickly read Hidden Valley's defense and regrouped to launch an offense that would be more effective.

In this case, quarterback Preston Mitchell turned his attention from launching an air attack with wide receiver Scott Gordon to a ground assault with runningback Kenneth Thrall — averaging a first down on

every other carry.

Halfway through the second quarter, Siuslaw tied the game at 7-7 on a punishing 30-yard grind up the middle by Thrall. On the ensuing kickoff by Thrall, the ball bounced off the helmet of Hidden Valley's intended receiver, with sophomoire Trent Reavis recovering the ball for the Viks — who then scored on a 3-yard quarterback keeper by Mitchell with 55 second remaining before the half.

The Mustangs battled back, breaching Siuslaw's 15-yard line and threatening to score. But Mitchell, switching to defense, managed the first of two picks on the night, denying the

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Siuslaw sets fast pace at 'Pre'

By NED HICKSON Siuslaw News

Siuslaw's Lady Vikings cross country team continues to climb up the OSAA's 4A polls, thanks to performances like in Saturday's Prefontaine Memorial Run in Coos Bay, where the girls team finished second in its division — including second place individually for junior harrier Celie Mans.

Leading the varsity race was returning champion and senior Marissa Dobry of St. Mary's, who finished the 5,000-meter course along legendary Steve Prefontaine's old running route in 18:03.7.

Mans was a less than a minute behind in 18:58.3, completing the hilly course and moving into second with a strong finish that closed the gap between her and Dobry, who finished second last season in the state 3A/2A/1A state championship race in Eugene.

Helping Siuslaw to clinch the second-place spot in the 14-team varsity girls division were talented newcomer Morgan Bingham (19:45.4) in seventh overall, freshman Kaeli Ramos (21:35.5) in 21st, senior Mikaela Siegel (21:59.3) in 27th, senior Sierra Potter (22:27.3) in 34th. Other finishes included junior Destinie Tatum (23:10.4) in 48th, sophomore Laney Goss (23:54.9) in 56th, and sophomore Hayleigh Middleton (25:51.6) in 89th out of 153 runners.

St. Mary's won the team title with 52 points, followed by Siuslaw (72). Other Far West team finishes included Marshfield in sixth place (200), followed closely by North Bend in seventh place (203).

In the varsity boys race, Siuslaw

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Saturday's Prefontain

Siuslaw's Celie Mans led the Viking girls at Saturday's Prefontaine Memorial Run in Coos Bay, finishing second individually.

On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

www.dfw.state.or.us/RR

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 and bank access.

SIUSLAW RIVER:

Chinook, coho, cutthroat trout
Fall Chinook fishing has

been producing fair results so far this season with anglers trolling the lower bay up to Cushman having the best results through the high slack tide. Cooler temperatures and forecasted rain will likely move some fish up to the head of tide section.

The wild coho fishery continues through Nov. 30, with a daily bag limit of 1 adult coho and seasonal limit of 2 adult coho (in aggregate with other areas with the same bag limit). The bay and lower tide water sections typically produce the best results early in the season.

See FISHING 5B

Oregon razor clamming season on indefinite delay

ASTORIA — Razor clamming at Oregon's popular and productive Clatsop County beaches will not open Oct. 1 as scheduled.

Razor clamming along the entire Oregon coast has been closed since May 14 due to elevated levels of domoic acid in the clams. The most recent test results, released Sept. 18, show levels too high for the season to

open next Thursday, said Matt Hunter, ODFW shellfish biologist.

Hunter said Oregon beaches will reopen to razor clamming only after two consecutive samples show domoic acid is below the alert level. Exactly when that might happen is impossible to predict because the clams are very slow to eliminate the toxin.

"The only way for razor clams to

reduce the level of domoic acid is through spawning or growth," Hunter said. "We saw a big reduction in domoic acid levels after spawning in June, but we haven't seen much growth in adult clams since then that would bring the levels down even

While razor clamming will remain closed for the entire Oregon coast, the

harvest of bay clams and mussels is now open on all Oregon beaches.

The harvest of Dungeness crab also remains open in Oregon.

Harvesters can visit the ODA shell-fish closures webpage at www.ore-gon.gov/ODA/programs/FoodSafety/Shellfish/Pages/ShellfishClosure for the latest closure information.

