

On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

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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

The cutthroat trout fishery is fair for sea runs in the lower reaches of the river and in upper tide water. Fishing during the early mornings or near the larger tributaries is the most productive.

ALSEA RIVER:
Chinook, coho, cutthroat trout

Trolling, casting lures or bobber fishing are all producing depending on the section and conditions.

Bank fishing near the Hwy. 101 bridge or up at the newly opened Don Lindly Park (MP 7 on Hwy. 34) can be good for both Chinook and coho.

Cutthroat trout fishing is fair in the lower mainstem below the confluence with Five Rivers.

With the low and warm river conditions the best opportunities will be in the early morning when water temperatures are the coolest. Small spinners are typically productive as wells as small spoons or fly fishing with nymphs or streamers.

SALMON RIVER:
Chinook, cutthroat trout

Cutthroat trout fishing from upper tide water through the lower river can be effective during the early mornings with sea runs moving through this time of year.

SILETZ RIVER:
Chinook, coho, steelhead, cutthroat trout

The fall Chinook fishery has been producing fair to good results in the lower bay up to the Chinook Bend area.

Chinook can be found through the head of tide but still in small numbers. Trolling or bobber fishing through the high slack seems to be the most productive.

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.)

Viks 2-1 at Marshfield Inv., prepare for postseason

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Even with a narrow, three-game sweep of North Bend last Thursday in the final round of Far West League competition (25-15, 26-17, 25-22), the Vikings are continuing to prepare for postseason play next week.

This past Saturday, Siuslaw was on the courts at Marshfield, competing against Myrtle Point, North Valley and Coquille. The Viks swept the Bobcats in two games, 25-22, 25-12, before moving on to

take North Valley in three games, 25-11, 18-25, 16-14, to reach the finals in pool play.

Junior spiker Elyssa Rose led with 14 kills in the series, with freshman Makenzie York contributing six kills and three blocks.

In the finals, Siuslaw faced a hard-hitting and scrappy Coquille team, losing to the Red Devils in two sets, 26-24 and 25-20.

Host Marshfield went on to win the tournament title with a 25-15, 25-20 win over Ashland in the championship — retaining its undefeated status (21-0).



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Freshman Makenzie York had six kills and three blocks in consolation play against Myrtle Point and North Valley in the Marshfield Invitational on Saturday.

The Pirates are currently the only undefeated team in the state's 4A division and ranked No. 3.

Siuslaw, ranked 14th in the 4A, will host a state 4A play-in match on Saturday, Oct. 31.

Opponent and time are to be announced.

Elusive marbled murrelets focus of recent forest field trip

WALDPORT — Recently, a group of scientists, forest managers from multiple agencies and representatives of environmental groups, the timber industry and forest stewardship groups spent a day in the woods talking about marbled murrelets, the elusive seabird that nests in coastal forests and whose population is declining along the west coast.

Marbled murrelets, which have been listed as threatened since 1992, nest on large branches of old-growth or mature trees.

While efforts have been made in Oregon to protect existing nesting habitat and accelerate the development of habitat through forest restoration projects, scientists suspect that high numbers of predators like jays, crows, and ravens (known as corvids) may be one of the primary reasons murrelet populations are not recovering.

The recent field trip was an opportunity for individuals and groups involved in forest management to learn about the latest murrelet research and to discuss related management opportunities and challenges.

“There is no simple solution to the marbled murrelet challenge, but field trips like this one, where we have agency staff, scientists, industry folks, and environmental groups all engaging in constructive, positive dialogue about how to address the problem, inspire



COURTESY PHOTO

Representatives from multiple forest and ecological agencies take a field trip in an area where murrelets nest.

me,” said Jerry Ingersoll, Siuslaw National Forest supervisor.

Topics that were discussed include how thinning may influence the ability of corvids to prey on murrelet nests; if forested buffers are a good tool to reduce the risk of predators to murrelet nests; what other actions, such as covering

dumpsites and lidding dumpsters, are needed in neighboring communities to reduce the local corvid population; and, how does human activity and recreation impact murrelets.

While no management decisions were made on the field trip, the conversations and networking it facilitated is a great step forward for a complex

management challenge.
“Improving murrelet habitat

Take steps to be earthquake prepared

Earthquake preparation:

- Anchor and secure heavy appliances and furniture to wall studs.
- Move pictures, mirrors and glass objects away from beds.
- Learn how to turn off water, gas and electricity.
- Keep hard-soled shoes and a flashlight under bed.

Earthquake response

- When the ground begins to shake, “Drop, Cover and Hold On”
- If indoors, get under a sturdy table. If in bed, protect your head with a pillow.

- If outdoors, find a clear spot away from buildings and trees and stay until the shaking stops.
- If in a vehicle, pull over to a clear location until shaking stops.
- If you smell gas, leave your home and notify the gas company.
- Only turn off gas as a last

resort, if you can do so safely.

- Assume downed power lines are live and stay away.
- Use phones *only* for life-threatening emergencies.
- Expect and be ready for aftershocks.

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