

Siuslaw News

Sports & Recreation

On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

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MID COAST LAKES

The coho salmon fisheries in **Siltcoos** and **Tahkenitch** lakes are just getting going. With some recent rain and big tide series fresh coho should be migrating into the lakes. Look to fish near the lake outlet and by the major tributaries that enter the lakes.

Casting or trolling spinners or various plugs can be effective.

Fishing for the various warmwater fish species is fair to good. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity and have both boat and bank access.

SIUSLAW RIVER:

Chinook, cutthroat trout

Fall Chinook fishing is producing fair results with a lot of fish moving to the upper tide water reaches and above. Trolling herring, spinners or bobber fishing can all be productive.

The wild coho fishery is closed for the season.

ALSEA RIVER:

Chinook, cutthroat trout

See **FISHING 3B**

SPORTS

Calendar

Dec. 12

• WRESTLING

VIKINGS

AT SPRINGFIELD

10 A.M.

Dec. 15

• MHS GIRLS BB

AT T. LAKE

5:30 P.M.

• MHS BOYS BB

AT T. LAKE

7 P.M.

• SHS BOYS BB

AT SUTHERLIN

7 P.M.

Dec. 17

• MHS GIRLS BB

AT SILETZ

5:30 P.M.

• MHS BOYS BB

AT SILETZ

7 P.M.

Dec. 18

• SHS GIRLS BB

HOST C. GROVE

6 P.M.

• SHS BOYS BB

HOST C. GROVE

7:30 P.M.

Lane closure



PHOTOS BY NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Siuslaw senior Kenneth Thrall works for an opening against a Junction City defender Thursday night.

VIKS SCRATCHED BY TIGERS

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Siuslaw: 26 Newport: 53
Siuslaw: 24 J. City: 40

It’s been a busy week for the Viking boys, with extreme weather earlier in the week causing Tuesday’s match-up with Newport to be moved to Wednesday and creating back-to-back games through Friday.

Against the Cubs Wednesday night, Siuslaw couldn’t find its offensive rhythm against Newport’s ability to drop back and score from the perimeter. While the Vikings had a solid effort in the paint, it wasn’t enough to keep the Cubs from pulling away by 14 on a third-quarter run that left the Viks trailing for the remainder of the



Reese Siegel (left) leaps for the tip-off against Junction City.

game — and handed them a 27-point loss.

Thursday, Siuslaw once again played host, this time to the high-pressure defense of Junction City.

After going scoreless and falling behind 10-0 in the first three minutes, senior point guard Preston Mitchell scored on a short jumper inside, then a pair of free throws a short time later to close the gap to six points.

An offensive rebound from senior guard Kenneth Thrall kept Siuslaw’s offensive momentum going with 29 seconds left in the period. Mitchell

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Viking senior Taylor Dotson brings the ball down after a defensive rebound.

Siuslaw stumped by J. City

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SIUSLAW: 36 NEWPORT: 67
SIUSLAW: 39 J. CITY: 62

The Vikings girls spent their week on the road, fighting extreme weather and extreme defenses at Newport and Junction City.

Wednesday, in a game rescheduled from Tuesday due to weather conditions, Siuslaw had one of its highest-scoring games of the preseason, posting 36 points against the Cubs’ high-pressure defense.

Unfortunately, the Vikings’ defense wasn’t as effective against

the hot-shooting Cubs, who won the game going away, 67-36.

Senior point guard Sierra Potter led scoring with eight points, followed by fellow senior Taylor Dotson with seven, and six points from freshman Annabel Tupua.

Junior Abby Watkins led rebounding with six boards for the Viks.

Thursday, Siuslaw was back on the road in a matchup against Junction City.

With junior Destinie Tatum back in the lineup, Siuslaw had an extra spark in its offense, with Tatum posting a double-double with 16

See **SIUSLAW 3B**

SAILORS

UNABLE TO

LAND EAGLES

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MAPLETON BOYS: 32
YONCALLA BOYS: 81

MAPLETON GIRLS: 15
YONCALLA GIRLS: 45

The Sailors girls and boys basketball teams were on the road at Yoncalla Thursday night, with the Lady Sailors opening the night in a tough loss to the Eagles.

“We came out flat and they capitalized on our weaknesses,” said Mapleton coach Jesika Crook. “We never found our rhythm.”

Though Mapleton had balanced scoring, with buckets from senior Desitny Weber and freshmen Gabrielle Gibney, Alyssa Richards and Alyssa West, it wasn’t enough to outpace the Eagles, who landed a 45-15 win.

Weber had five points and two steals, with two points each from Gibney, Richards and West.

Off the boards, junior Josi Hays had four rebounds, senior Hannah Rodet had three and sophomore Alexis Gierke had two.

“We learned a lot about where we need to improve and continue to get better,” said Crook.

Afterward, the boys faced off with the Eagles, with similar results in spite of posting one of its highest-scoring games of the preseason.

“Yoncalla is a high-quality opponent,” Sailor coach Will

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TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide Low Tide

Dec. 12
12:49pm / 6.6 6:07am / 3.1
11:54pm / 8.2 6:55pm / -0.8

Dec. 13
1:29am / 6.7 6:48am / 3.1
12:33pm / 8.1 7:34pm / -0.8

Dec. 14
2:10pm / 6.8 7:33am / 3.1
1:15pm / 7.8 8:14pm / -0.6

Dec. 15
2:53am / 6.8 8:23am / 3.1
2:02pm / 7.5 8:57pm / -0.3

Dec. 16
3:39am / 6.9 9:21am / 3.0
2:56pm / 6.9 9:44pm / 0.2

Dec. 17
4:28am / 7.1 10:27am / 2.8
4:00pm / 6.4 10:35pm / 0.7

Dec. 18
5:20am / 7.3 11:40am / 2.4
5:16pm / 6.0 11:32pm / 1.2

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