

# Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation



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Siuslaw's Ricky Huff went 5-0 during Thursday night's Far West League Round Robin meet at Siuslaw, with the Vikings placing fourth overall.

## THREE VIKS CLAIM TOURNNEY TITLES

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It may have been a new Far West League format for Siuslaw on Thursday night, but it was business as usual for three Viking wrestlers Ricky Huff, Matthew Morales and Dylan Jennings — each of whom went undefeated to take the crown in their weight classes.

"It was a new type of 'dual meet' format, run more like a tournament," said Siuslaw coach Neil Wartnik. "We had all six Far West schools on the mats here, with all the varsity wrestlers pitted against each other."

Because of that, some wrestlers had as many as five matches, depending on the number of participants in each bracket.

Huff and Morales were among those who had a full night on the mats, taking on five wrestlers in the 113-pound and 106-pound divisions, respectively.

Each went a perfect 5-0.

Jennings, wrestling at 285 pounds, went 3-0 to sweep the heavyweight bracket.

Wrestling at 160 pounds, Andrew Tupua had three matches and claimed victory in two, finishing the night with a second-place medal.

The Viks also got scoring from Patrick Hill at 120 pounds, Murray Bingham at 132 pounds and Justin Perkins at 220 pounds to help secure fourth place overall with 24 team points.

Marshfield, which had 12 wrestlers, including one for each weight bracket, easily won the team championship with 51 points. Douglas finished

See **VIKS 4B**

Dylan Jennings (far right) was 3-0 Thursday night to take the heavyweight bracket title for Siuslaw.



### SPORTS

### Calendar

#### Jan. 9

• SHS BOYS BB

AT PHOENIX HS

SKY-WEST

CROSSOVER

11 A.M.

• SHS GIRLS BB

AT DOUGLAS HS

SKY-WEST

CROSSOVER

12:45 P.M.

• SHS WRESTLING

AT BEND INV.

10 A.M.

#### Jan. 12

• MHS GIRLS BB

AT MOHAWK

5:30 P.M.

• MHS BOYS BB

AT MOHAWK

7 P.M.

## Siuslaw stops luck of Irish, 46-15

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It was a big night for Viking junior Abby Watkins, who was the main piston firing in Siuslaw's offense in a 31-point route over visiting Waldport.

Watkins had a season and team high 16 points, going 8-of-11 from the field and scooping up a third of the Vikings' 21 steals against the Irish with seven.

And for good measure, she threw in the team's only blocked shot.

But Watkins wasn't the only one contributing to the Viks' second win of



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Viking junior Abby Watkins went 8-for-11 and scored 16 points against Waldport on Tuesday.

the nonleague season.

Fellow junior Destinie Tatum was also busy, scoring a double-double 11 points and 11 rebounds. Meanwhile, senior Taylor Dotson was dominating the boards with 10 rebounds, along with eight boards from freshman Madison Reynolds.

Waldport received no mercy from

See **SIUSLAW 3B**

## Viking rally just short of win over Waldport

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SIUSLAW: 43 WALDPOR: 52

By the end of the first quarter against visiting Waldport on Tuesday night, the Vikings found themselves trailing 16-4. The Irish opened the second quarter with a pair of buckets and a free throw to extend their lead to 21-4 before Siuslaw got some offensive spark from sophomore Jake Hickson, who came in from the bench to deliver a 3-pointer and offensive rebound in less than a minute. By the end of the period,

Siuslaw had more than tripled its scoring from the opening quarter with scoring from senior Preston Mitchell, junior Reese Siegel and two more points from Hickson.

"We went into the half feeling like we could put it together," said Siegel, who also celebrated his birthday that night. "Coach Biggs told us plain and simple that we could get back into it."

See **VIKING 4B**

Preston Mitchell takes a fastbreak opportunity against Waldport. Mitchell had 11 points for Siuslaw.



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## 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 slow to fair. This time of year is typically the most productive. Recent rains and big tide should help to move new fish into the lakes.

The West Lake Boat Ramp at Siltcoos has been close for repairs but there is a neighboring private ramp that can be utilized. 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 warm water fish species tends to be slower during the winter months. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity and have both boat and bank access.

### SIUSLAW RIVER:

Chinook, steelhead

The fall Chinook fishery is very slow and basically over for the season. Any remaining fish are in spawning condition.

Look for small numbers of fish to be in the lower river above the head of tide this early in the season.

See **FISHING 5B**

## TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
<b>Jan. 9</b> 10:57am / 8.4	5:06am / 3.1 5:59pm / -0.9

<b>Jan. 10</b> 12:29am / 6.7 11:39am / 8.4	5:49am / 2.9 6:37pm / -1.1
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<b>Jan. 11</b> 1:08am / 7.0 12:21pm / 8.4	6:34am / 2.7 7:16pm / -1.1
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<b>Jan. 12</b> 1:47am / 7.2 1:06pm / 8.2	7:20am / 2.5 7:56pm / -0.9
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<b>Jan. 13</b> 2:28am / 7.3 1:55pm / 7.7	8:11am / 2.4 8:38pm / -0.4
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<b>Jan. 14</b> 3:11am / 7.5 2:49pm / 7.1	9:06am / 2.2 9:22pm / 0.2
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<b>Jan. 15</b> 3:57am / 7.6 3:51pm / 6.5	10:08am / 2.0 10:10pm / 0.9
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