

# Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

## Annual Dunes Triathlon, Duathlon nears

DUNES CITY — Dunes City is making plans to host its annual Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon on Saturday, May 7.

Though the city's signature event is several weeks away, organizers are recruiting volunteers to help staff the event.

Volunteers provide invaluable assistance to ensure that the races and venues run smoothly and safely.

Volunteers also play a vital support role for all of the participating athletes by providing encouragement and hospitality. Many of the athletes have returned to the Tri/Du each year because they appreciate the enthusiastic volunteers.

The commitment is for only half a day and all volunteers will receive a free T-shirt.

Again this year, Dunes City will award a \$250 donation to the organization that provides the most volunteers. The organization can be a civic club, athletic club, homeowners association or similar type of group.

Be sure to include your organization's name when registering to volunteer. If your group has the most volunteers present on race day, your group will be awarded with a \$250 check.

Volunteers are needed between about 6 a.m. and 1 p.m. on race day.

Anyone who has a few hours to spare and wants to

See **TRIATHLON 2B**



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Viking junior guard Brogan Cornish drives to the paint against a Marshfield defender Tuesday night in Coos Bay.

## VIKS ENDING SEASON STRONG

BY NED HICKSON  
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SHS: 36 MHS: 48

Despite their 19-2 record and ranking as the 4A's No. 1 team in the state, the Pirates found the waters a little choppy Tuesday night against a scrappy Viking team that gave Marshfield

trouble when they met earlier this season.

In fact, of all the teams the Pirates faced so far this season, Siuslaw is the only team to stay within 12 points or less.

And they did it twice.

Tuesday night in Coos Bay, the Vikings proved that their near upset over the top-ranked Pirates the first

time they met wasn't a fluke. Which for a Viking team that is 1-18 overall and 1-6 in league, is an important moral victory that the Pirates surely would like to have squelched on their home court Tuesday.

The two teams traded baskets throughout the first period, with

See **VIKS 2B**

## Lady Viks lose hard-fought battle to Pirates

BY NED HICKSON  
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SHS: 28 MHS: 43

With only four games remaining in the league season and a narrow one-game advantage of North Bend, the Lady Pirates came into Tuesday's game taking no chances against a scrappy Viking team capable of threatening Marshfield's grip on second place in the Far West.

The Vikings began to make good on that threat after remaining within 1



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Junior guard Claire Waggoner returned to the Vikings' lineup after being out with an injury.

point of the Pirates with 3 minutes to go before the half.

But an 11-point run by Marshfield in those final 3 minutes left Siuslaw trailing 25-13 by halftime — and with a deficit the Vikings would carry for the remainder of the game. In spite of outscoring the Pirates 7-4 in the third quarter, Marshfield still carried an 11-point lead to start the fourth period.

See **SIUSLAW 3B**

## Lady Sailors reach playoffs

BY NED HICKSON  
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MHS: 23 LHS: 46  
MHS: 13 McHS: 56

The Lady Sailors finished the regular season by facing two of the Mountain West League's toughest teams this week, beginning with league-leading Lowell (13-1) Tuesday night in Mapleton.

See **LADY SAILORS 2B**

Freshman post Alyssa Richards led the Lady Sailors with 8 points against Lowell.



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## Sailors host Eagles today in playoff bid

BY NED HICKSON  
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MHS: 29 LHS: 73  
MHS: 32 McHS: 36

Though they opened the week with a tough loss to the Mountain West League's second-place Red Devils (10-2), then were narrowly edged out 36-32 at McKenzie Thursday night, the Sailors' bid for a league playoff spot will go up for grabs today in a rematch with the Eagles.

The winner will advance into next week's MWL playoffs.

Tipoff is at noon, with the Sailors hosting McKenzie in what will surely be another nailbiter between two evenly matched teams.



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Mapleton junior post Nick Smith had 5 points, 3 rebounds and a steal against the Red Devils.

## On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

[www.dfw.state.or.us/RR](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/RR)

**MID COAST LAKES**  
Stocking of rainbow trout will begin soon in many mid coast water bodies. Look at the stocking report to see the full stocking season.

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

See **FISHING 4B**

## TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide Low Tide

**Feb. 13**  
3:21am / 8.0 9:48am / 1.0  
3:45pm / 6.5 9:46pm / 1.3

**Jan. 14**  
4:10am / 7.9 10:53am / 1.0  
4:56am / 5.9 10:40pm / 2.1

**Feb. 15**  
5:06am / 7.8 12:04am / 0.9  
6:17pm / 5.6 11:46pm / 2.7

**Feb. 16**  
6:08am / 7.6 1:18am / 0.7  
7:43pm / 5.5

**Feb. 17**  
7:14am / 7.6 1:01am / 3.1  
8:59pm / 5.8 2:27pm / 0.4

**Feb. 18**  
8:19am / 7.6 2:16am / 3.2  
9:59pm / 6.1 3:27pm / 0.1

**Feb. 19**  
9:17am / 7.7 3:21am / 3.0  
10:46pm / 6.4 4:17pm / -0.1

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## SPORTS Calendar

### Feb. 13

• SHS CHEER SQUAD AT STATE IN PORTLAND 9:35 A.M.

### Feb. 16

• MHS GIRLS BB LEAGUE PLAYOFFS AT MCKENZIE 7:15 P.M.

### Feb. 19-20

• SHS WRESTLING REGIONAL MEET AT HENLEY HS TBA