COMEBACK KIDS



The Siuslaw Rookies baseball team, which was winless on Saturday and seeded last in its pool, battled back on Sunday to win four consecutive games — two in extra innings — to claim the championship in the final tournament of the season.

Sign up for matsutake mushroom permit

CORVALLIS - Annual permits for matsutake mushrooms go on sale from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, at the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area office, 855 Highway 101, in Reedsport.

Anyone gathering matsutake mushrooms within the Siuslaw National Forest for the purpose of selling must carry a commercial-use permit while picking.

One hundred permits will be available for sale at \$250 a permit. There will be one permit issued per person and permits will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

To purchase a permit, the following information must be provided:

• Valid identification card issued by a state or U.S. federal government

license plate number Permits can be purchased

• Vehicle make, model and

using cash, check or credit card.

After Aug. 16, unsold permits can be purchased out of the Siuslaw National Forest headquarters in Corvallis, the Central Coast Ranger Station in Waldport and the ODNRA office in Reedsport.

No permits are needed if gathering matsutakes for per-

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sonal use. Personal use restrictions are six matsutakes per person a day, and the mushroom must be cut in half length-wise immediately upon harvesting to remove its commercial value.

Be aware that similarly looking poisonous mushrooms exist in the same area as matsutakes. Do not disturb topsoil when searching for matsutakes by digging or raking. Upon harvesting a matsutake, return soil or debris attached to the stem back into the cavity created by the removed mushroom and cover the hole.

For more information, contact the Oregon Dunes NRA office at 541-271-6000.

Fishing

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be effective. Cover water and fish small and simple as the river conditions are low and clear. For cutthroat trout, casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective.

WILSON RIVER: Steelhead, Chinook, cutthroat

Fishing for steelhead and spring Chinook is slow. The water is low and clear, so use lighter gear and target the deeper holding areas. Trout angling should be fair.

YAQUINA RIVER: Cutthroat

For cutthroat trout casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective. Angling for all species in streams above tidewater is restricted to artificial flies and lures until Sept. 1.

COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS: Trout, warmwater fish

Legal and trophy size trout were released earlier this month in Empire Lakes, and legal-size trout were put into Tenmile Lakes. This was the last trout stocking until fall.

Anglers that catch a tagged trout in Empire Lakes can report the tag number to ODFW by stopping by the Charleston Office, calling 541-888-5515, or report tags online.

A few of these tags are worth a \$50 gift card. Fishing in the area lakes for trout has been ok with anglers having the best success using small spinners, spoons, or garlic flavored Powerbait.

The daily trout bag limit in these lakes is five trout per day with only one trout over 20 inches.

TENMILE BASIN: Trout, steelhead, bass

Angling is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams and rivers above tidewater. Tenmile Lakes is open all year for trout. Anglers have been catching rainbow trout trolling wedding ring spinners. Use of bait is allowed in lakes year round.

Largemouth bass fishing has been good over the past month. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using spinner baits, jigs, or rubber worms. Top water lures have been effective in the early mornings or evenings.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: Bass, trout

Trout fishing should remain viable in cold water areas. Trout fishing is catch-andrelease only in the South Umpqua and tributaries. Bass fishing should be good with warming water temperatures.

WINCHESTER BAY: Bottomfish, perch

Fishing for bottom fish in the Triangle and South jetty

has been successful.

PACIFIC OCEAN AND BEACHES: Bottomfish, Dungeness crab, surf perch, salmon, halibut

Recreational harvest of crab is open along the entire Oregon Coast. It is still recommended you discard the crab viscera (guts/butter) before cooking.

Anglers fishing the beaches from Coos Bay to Bandon have been catching redtail surf perch. Sand shrimp or Berkley Gulp sand worms have been working the best for bait. Surf perch fishing is usually best on the incoming tide.

Recreational ocean salmon fishing from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. is open for all salmon except coho salmon. Anglers are allowed two salmon per day with a minimum size for Chinook at 24 inches or larger. The selective coho (fin-clipped) season will open June 25 with a quota of 26,000 coho.

The Nearshore Halibut season is open seven days a week from Cape Falcon to Humbug

Fishing for bottom fish is now closed outside of a line approximating the 30-fathom curve.

Fishing for black rockfish has been good from Coos Bay south to Bandon. Fishing for ling cod has been decent.

The marine fish daily bag

limit is seven fish and a separate daily limit for lingcod (2). Anglers can only keep 3 blue rockfish and 1 canary rockfish as part of their daily limit and there will be no harvest of China, quillback, or copper rockfish.

• OCEAN SALMON

The Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. Chinook salmon recreational fishing season continues through Oct. 31. This season is open for all salmon except coho salmon, with a bag limit of two salmon per day, and minimum sizes for Chinook at 24 inches or larger, and steelhead at 20 inches or larger.

Ocean Chinook fishing so far this season has been relatively slow, due to overall low effort levels. Most anglers are concentrating on bottomfish for now.

Just a reminder: Anglers are restricted to no more than two single point barbless hooks when fishing for salmon, and when fishing for any other species if a salmon is on board the vessel.

• BOTTOM FISHING

Bottom fishing is good on both the north and south coasts last week. Anglers out of Garibaldi averaged over five fish per angler and south coast catches averaged 3-5 fish per angler on private trips, and limits on charter trips.

Lingcod has dropped off

somewhat along the majority of the coast, but Garibaldi anglers averaged one lingcod per angler and Depoe Bay anglers brought in nearly two lings per angler.

There were also some lingcod landed on the south coast, averaging one lincod per angler out of Charleston.

Lingcod move closer to shore in spring to lay large egg masses, which are guarded by

To catch lingcod, try a white plastic grub on a lead jig head in rocky areas when the tide is not running fast. There's a new rockfish in

town - the Deacon rockfish. Deacon rockfish is a newly identified species that was formerly referred to as the solid version of blue rockfish. What does that mean for

you? Nothing in 2016. Every rule that refers to blue rockfish (like the daily bag limit of 3) now applies to blue rockfish and deacon rockfish combined.

• Surfperch

South coast surf perch fishing has been excellent, with lots of limits! Surfperch are a diverse group of fish that provide a variety of angling opportunities.

Striped Seaperch are found year-round in rocky areas like jetties; and ocean surf is the place to find Redtail Surfperch and Silver Perch.

• RAZOR CLAMS

NOTICE: Razor clams are Closed from the north jetty of the Siuslaw River to the California border due to domoic acid. Razor clamming Open from the Columbia River to the north jetty of the Siuslaw River.

The Oregon Department of Agriculture is continuing to test for shellfish toxins.

CLAMS

Both razor clamming and bay clamming have been excellent all along the coast.

Check the ODFW Shellfish website for where and when to harvest your favorite bivalves. Updated maps on where to clam

Some recommended areas to go are the Charleston Triangle in Coos Bay for gaper clams and Netarts Bay for butter clams.

• CRABBING

Ocean crabbing has been slow on the south coast, and good on the central coast. Estuary crab catch has been picking up as male crab molt, grow into legal size, and move into estuaries.

Red rock crab are caught using the same gear as Dungeness crab but have a larger daily limit (24), and, unlike Dungeness crab, any size or sex of red rock crab may be retained (although most crabbers keep only the largest crabs, which have a lot more meat than small ones).



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