

JUST SHORT OF THE MONEY



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Charlie Acevedo of Florence came oh-so-close to making a 50-foot putt and pocketing \$5,000 at the Rotary Club's seventh annual Cool at the Coast Golf Tournament on Saturday at Ocean Dunes Golf Links. Some 140 area golfers competed in the event, which raises money to combat polio worldwide.

Low water means high vigilance for boaters

It's easy to see the exposed gravel bars and shoals that formed on area waterways as the water levels drop and the temperature steadily creeps up.

Many reservoirs, too, are showing previously submerged stumps. Low water levels can create specific challenges that boaters need to be aware of.

The dynamic landscape, especially in rivers, changes from week to week.

It's important for boaters to be aware that what wasn't visible or dangerous a week ago could be now, and to know how to alter their boat operation for a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

The Oregon State Marine

Board (OSMB) offers the following tips on how to have fun and stay safe:

- Boat with a buddy. Especially in paddlecraft. Have at least two boats and a plan if the party is separated.

Always let a friend or family member know where you're going, when you expect to return, what clothing you're wearing, and who's with you.

- Stand Up Paddleboards are considered boats in Oregon, and require having a properly fitting life jacket and a sound-producing device like a whistle, on board.

Better yet, wear the jacket and attach the whistle. If you use a leash, ensure it's the

appropriate leash for the waterway you're paddling.

- Keep a proper lookout and look what's ahead, not what's just in front of you.

- Scouting ahead is worth your time. Determine the safest course around boulders, gravel bars, or fallen trees/root wads.

- Read the water. Where is there whitewater? Where does the water eddy? How is the water riffing?

These water characteristics indicate what's below the surface, a sense of depth and gives key information on how to safely navigate.

- Go with your "gut feeling." If something doesn't feel right, listen to your gut. When in

doubt, portage (drag or carry) the boat over and around an obstruction.

Skill level and confidence can mean the difference between an easy run and a potentially dangerous one.

- Know your limits — Not when you're at your best, but at that specific moment. Stick to rivers with Class I or II rapids unless you have the skill and conditioning for advanced water levels.

- Use the right gear for the type of boating. When running Class III or higher rapids, a helmet, properly fitting life jacket, a throw bag and secured gear are incredibly important.

Coho from 1C

on wild Coho on the north and central coasts," said ODFW Ocean Salmon Resources Manager Christine Mallette. "Our decision to also not propose any coastal freshwater

fisheries in the Southwest Zone is responsive to concerns that the wild Coho run may be lower than anticipated."

Wild Coho seasons in Siltcoos and Tahkenitch lakes, as well as federally authorized ocean fisheries, are not impacted by this decision.



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First place gross winning team: Robert Arce-Torres, Dave Tweedy, Randy Wilson and Grant Forrest won golf for four at Juniper Golf Course.

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raise money in the organization's worldwide fight against polio. At the time, polio was alive and thriving in four countries — with nearly 700 cases reported in India, Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Today there are only 17 known cases: six in Afghanistan and 11 in

Pakistan.

And the Florence Rotary can claim a tiny slice of the credit for this dramatic improvement.

Each year's Cool at the Coast Golf Tournament sends a share of its proceeds to Rotary International in support of the worldwide End Polio Now campaign.

Rotary International has contributed more than \$1.5 billion to ending polio, including more than \$35,000 contributed by the Rotary Club of Florence.

Funds contributed to Rotary are tripled thanks to a 2:1 match by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Rotary and its partners in the polio eradication effort have administered 15 billion doses

of vaccine since 2000, immunizing 2.5 billion children.

So when golfers teed off Saturday, it wasn't just about playing golf — they were participating in a worldwide initiative that could eliminate polio from the planet by 2017.

Among the first place winners were Kevin McMullen, Mike Harrigan, Eric Hoberg and Justin Kramer, who won the Net Division and golfing for four at Bend Country Club.

The team of Robert Arce-Torres, Dave Tweedy, Randy Wilson and Grant Forrest won the Gross Division and golf for four at Juniper Course.

Other winners included:

- Longest drive (man and woman): VT Thattai and

Nancy Pearson

- Most accurate drive: Sam Johnson and Nancy Pearson

- KP#4: Mary Jean Flowerday

- KP#12: Bill Reinhard

- KP#8: Rob Kemper

- KP#16: Deb Deweese

- Longest putt: Toby Hanson
- Chipping contest: Tim Deweese

Cool at the Coast is presented by Three Rivers Casino Resort and Ocean Dunes Golf Links.

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Shiloh from 1C

"We had to make some changes, but it starts in the same place as it did," said Burke.

That place is the Mapleton High School track, where Sundstrom spent much time as both a high school athlete for the Sailors as well as an assistant track coach for his father, Johnny.

The route then loops up East

Mapleton Road before returning to the track.

"We weren't able to get a permit to have it end at the port like before," said Burke, "but we're still having a celebration."

Instead, it will take place at the Deadwood Tavern, where food, live music from KUSH and special limited edition Shiloh IPA beer will be available.

As with when the run was first established a decade ago, all

money raised will go to support SWC programs and the watershed that meant so much to Sundstrom.

"I think it's fantastic," Johnny Sundstrom said of re-establishing the tradition of the run. "Our family is tremendously honored to see this aspect of Shiloh's legacy being brought back to the community."

In addition to the 5K run, which will be officially timed by Eclectic Edge Racing, there will also be a 3K fun run/walk.

Cost is \$20 for the 3K or \$25 for the 5K event for those who preregister anytime before race day on Aug. 27.

Cost includes a commemorative T-shirt.

Registration fees on race day will increase by \$5 for both races.

Check-in is 8:30 a.m., with both races beginning at 9 a.m.

"We've gotten a five-year permit, so we are hoping this event will continue to grow and keep the tradition going," said Burke.

Which would only be fitting for Sundstrom's own giving spirit of the Siuslaw.

To preregister, visit www.EclecticEdgeRacing.com and click on the "Salmon Run 5K" link.

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Thur-Sat 8/11-8/13
8am-4pm
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9am-2pm
3450 E Myrtle Loop,
Household Electronics, Christmas Décor, Bike, Kids items, Misc.

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9am-4pm
1510 Willow Lp,
Furnishings, glassware, birdhouses, blue bottles, misc.

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