

Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

SPORTS Calendar

Oct. 1

• SHS XC
HOSTS WOHINK INV.
12:30 P.M.
• MHS XC
AT WOHINK INV.
1:15 P.M.

Oct. 4

• SHS VOLLEYBALL
HOSTS MARSHFIELD
6:30 P.M.
• MHS VOLLEYBALL
AT MOHAWK
6 P.M.

Oct. 6

• SHS VOLLEYBALL
AT BROOKINGS
6:30 P.M.
• MHS VOLLEYBALL
AT EDDYVILLE
6 P.M.

Half marathon full of fun

BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News



When Florence Mayor Joe Henry blew the air horn to start the first-ever Florence Half-Marathon on Sept. 25, the sound of nearly 150 pairs of running shoes left the gated arch from Miller Park. Among them were a pair worn by 71-year-old local running legend Jim Archer, father to just about all-things-running in Florence — including the Cape Mountain Trail Run.

Appropriately, Archer wore running bib No. 1 as he embarked on what race organizer Piper Ruiz hopes will become a Florence tradition.

“We love coming here,” said Ruiz, whose company Pink Buffalo Racing puts on events all around Oregon. “We saw the potential here for something very special.”

Partnering with the Florence Chamber, Three Rivers Casino Resort and Siuslaw News, Ruiz was able to create an event that serves a purpose near and dear to her heart.

“We love to celebrate runners,” said Ruiz. “We want people to have the best experience possible. Not just in the running, but the sense of community that comes afterwards in sharing that common experience.”

That shared experience began with 49-year-old Craig Goodwin of Eugene, who was the first across the finish in 1 hour, 15 minutes and 53 seconds.

Goodwin, who suffered a heart attack in 2003, is easy to recognize because of his unique gate — the result of surgeries as a child to correct the positioning of his feet, which were at almost 90-degree angles.

“It looks a little odd when I run, but

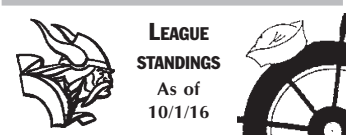


Approximately 150 runners participated in the first Florence Half-Marathon on Sunday, Sept. 25, with many locals in the lineup as well as runners from as far away as Myrtle Point. Siuslaw High School counselor Steve Moser (below, far right) finished fifth overall; after the race, runners enjoyed snacks, drinks and a beer garden.



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See **MARATHON 3B**



VOLLEYBALL			
FWL GIRLS		MWL GIRLS	
SIUSLAW	5-1	LOWELL	12-0
N. BEND	4-2	MCKENZIE	10-2
DOUGLAS	4-2	T. LAKE	10-3
MARSHFIELD	3-3	ALSEA	7-4
S. UMP.	2-4	SILETZ	6-7
BROOKINGS	0-6	MAPLETON	3-10

On the Bite

A WEEKLY
FISHING REPORT FOR
THE LOCAL REGION

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MID COAST LAKES:
Rainbow trout stocking is complete along the mid coast. Holdover trout will be available in most lakes through the summer.

Fishing for the various warm water fish species is good this time of year. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity.

SIUSLAW RIVER:
Cutthroat, Chinook

The Siuslaw River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is fair. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective technique. Eggs and bobber can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

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

See **FISHING 4B**

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide Low Tide

Oct. 1
1:39am / 6.1 7:52am / 0.7
1:52pm / 6.5 8:18pm / 0.3

Oct. 2
2:18am / 6.0 8:24am / 1.0
2:20pm / 6.5 8:53pm / 0.3

Oct. 3
2:56am / 5.9 8:56am / 1.4
2:49pm / 6.4 9:29pm / 0.3

Oct. 4
3:36am / 5.6 9:28am / 1.7
3:19pm / 6.3 10:06pm / 0.4

Oct. 5
4:18am / 5.4 10:01am / 2.1
3:51pm / 6.1 10:46pm / 0.5

Oct. 6
5:04am / 5.1 10:38am / 2.4
4:27pm / 5.9 11:31pm / 0.7

Oct. 7
5:59am / 4.9 11:23am / 2.7
5:11pm / 5.7

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Siuslaw's power hitters sophomore Makenzie York (left) and senior Elyssa Rose combined for more than 40 kills last week against North Bend and South Umpqua.



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Viks back on top in Far West

BY NED HICKSON
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After experiencing their first league loss last Tuesday at North Bend in four hard-fought sets, 25-22, 25-23, 25-27, 25-21, the Viking volleyball team quickly reclaimed the Far West League's top spot after emerging from South Umpqua High School with a 3-1 victory Thursday night.

Senior middle blocker and power hitter Elyssa Rose hammered the Lancers with 19 kills while sophomore spiker Makenzie York scored 13 kills for the Vikings in the 25-22, 21-25, 25-22, 25-23 win.

At 5-1 in league and 7-5 overall, Siuslaw is slowly building a gap from North Bend and Douglas, which are tied for second at 4-2.

Sharing setting duties between seniors Abby

See **VIKS 3B**

MAPLETON GOES 1-1 AT HOME, ENTERS FINAL MWL STRETCH

BY NED HICKSON
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During a two-night home stand last week, the Mapleton volleyball team went 1-1, opening with a three-set sweep of Oak Hill on Tuesday night,

25-14, 25-12, 25-11.

“We knew going into this game that Oak Hill wasn't as experienced as us,” said Lady Sailors coach Jesika Crook. “The challenge for us was playing up to our level — and I'm proud to say our girls played stellar.”

Key for the Sailors was sophomore Erin Michael, who delivered 18 aces in the match to go with 9 digs, 9 attacks and 7 kills. Mapleton also got several aces each from senior Josi Hays and sophomore Alyssa West.

Defensively, sophomore Haley

Wells had 6 digs, 7 attacks and 3 kills for the Sailors, along with 8 attacks, 4 digs and 4 kills from Hays.

“It was one of our best games of the season,” said Crook.

See **MAPLETON 3B**



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