

Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

SPORTS

Calendar

Winter sports openers: Nov. 30

• SHS GIRLS BB
HOSTS CRESWELL
6 P.M.

• SHS BOYS BB
HOSTS CRESWELL
7:30 P.M.

Dec. 1

• SHS WRESTLING
HOSTS REEDSPORT
6 P.M.

Dec. 9

• MHS GIRLS BB
AT FALLS CITY
5:30 P.M.

• MHS BOYS BB
AT FALLS CITY
7 P.M.

Camping sites for total eclipse opening soon

Beginning Thursday, Nov. 17, state park campers can make reservations for campsites, yurts and cabins to enjoy the Aug. 21, 2017 total solar eclipse.

The normal advance campsite reservation window opens nine months before the first night of a visitor's stay, but a temporary change to the reservation system will affect people who want to make a 14-night reservation, the maximum allowed in Oregon's State Park system.

The state park system accepts reservations nine months in advance, but it would normally be possible to get a reservation for Aug. 21 by booking the maximum 14-night stay on Nov. 17, 2016.

Given the expected high demand for sites around the eclipse, and to prevent overbooking that could interfere with

The eclipse will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. on Aug. 21, 2017.

other visitors' summer vacation plans, state parks along and near the eclipse path will not accept reservations for Aug. 17-21, until Nov. 17.

This is 10 days after OPRD's standard rolling nine-month reservation window would normally allow a camper to make a long reservation.

On Nov. 17, the normal rolling nine-month window will resume for all sites

that accept reservations at parks along and near the eclipse path.

"We made this change to accommodate all visitors, both those planning for the eclipse and those who are planning an unrelated camping trip," said Chris Havel, OPRD spokesperson. "We encourage eclipse campers to extend their stay with us for a day or more before and after the eclipse to reduce the congestion on the roads."

The Nov. 17 reservation opening date applies to the following campgrounds inside the path of totality: Devil's Lake, Beverly Beach, South Beach, Silver Falls, Detroit Lake, The Cove Palisades and Farewell Bend.

Campgrounds that are up to 30 miles outside the path of totality are also affected by the temporary change to reservation rules: Beachside, Cape Lookout, Washburne (yurts only),

Honeyman, Nehalem Bay, Stub Stewart, Champoeg, Milo McIver, Ainsworth, Memaloose, Viento, Deschutes River, Tumalo, LaPine, Prineville Reservoir, Lake Owyhee and Wallowa Lake.

OPRD is making plans to temporarily convert first-come, first-served state park campgrounds to reservation-only for the eclipse, so additional campsites will be made available at a later date.

"We are also working on ways to open more state park areas to camping for the event," Havel said. "We want to make sure people can make solid plans well in advance to avoid congestion."

Customers can make reservations for any stay that includes Aug. 17-21 beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Nov. 17 at

See **ECLIPSE 3B**

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
Nov. 5 5:38am / 5.3 4:32pm / 5.9	10:59am / 3.0 11:47pm / 0.5

Nov. 6 5:33am / 5.2 4:26pm / 5.6	10:59am / 3.1 11:40pm / 0.7
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Nov. 7 6:31am / 5.3 5:35pm / 5.3	12:12am / 3.0
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Nov. 8 7:28am / 5.6 6:54pm / 5.2	12:40am / 0.8 1:29pm / 2.7
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Nov. 9 8:18am / 5.4 8:11pm / 5.3	1:41am / 0.9 2:37pm / 2.1
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Nov. 10 9:05am / 6.4 9:21pm / 5.6	2:39am / 0.1 3:35pm / 1.3
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Nov. 11 9:48am / 6.3 10:23pm / 6.0	3:33am / 1.0 4:27pm / 0.5
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VIKS AT STATE XC TODAY

By NED HICKSON
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After finishing second at last week's Far West League district meet, the Lady Vikings cross country team will be on the course

at Lane Community College in Eugene today, running for a shot at retaining the 4A state title.

For Viking senior Celie Mans, who won the league title again this

See **STATE 3B**



The Viking girls team will be running for a chance at the 4A crown, including Kaeli Ramos (top left) and Destinie Tatum (top right), and Jack Pickell (above) running solo for the Siuslaw boys.

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. Fishing for the various warm water fish species will slow as water temperatures cool. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity.

SIUSLAW RIVER:
Chinook
The Siuslaw River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. Fish are throughout the bay and river. 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.

ALSEA RIVER: *Chinook*
The Alsea River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. Fish are throughout the bay and river. Eggs and bobber can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

Steelhead fishing opens on the Alsea River Nov. 1

See **FISHING 3B**

Fishery managers reopen Columbia to coho, steelhead angling

Recreational coho salmon and steelhead fishing reopened at 12:01 a.m. this morning on the mainstem Columbia River from the mouth at Buoy 10 upstream to the Highway 395 Bridge at Pasco Wash., under rules adopted Thursday by fishery managers

from Oregon and Washington. Fishery managers opted to reopen the coho and steelhead fisheries, which were closed along with Chinook salmon retention on Oct. 22 to allow wild Snake River Chinook to move upstream.

Recent fish passage data at Bonneville and Ice Harbor dams indicate the Chinook migration is now essentially complete.

Chinook retention remains closed through Dec. 31.

The Columbia River coho and steel-

head fisheries are expected to proceed without any significant impact on remaining Chinook returns.

The bag limit under the new rules is up to two adult salmonids, and may include one hatchery steelhead.



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