

Annual state park permits on sale through December

Give the gift of the great outdoors this holiday season with an annual Oregon State Parks day-use parking permit.

From Dec. 1 through 31, visitors and holiday shoppers can buy park passes for only \$25, which is \$5 off the regular price. Passes can easily be purchased online at www.store.oregonstateparks.org, along with branded holiday gift gear, such as portable coolers, water

bottles and baseball caps.

Parking costs \$5 a day at 26 Oregon State Parks unless you have a 12- or 24-month parking permit or a same-day camping receipt.

The 24-month pass is \$50 and permits are transferable from vehicle to vehicle.

"Our December sale is the only time we discount the annual parking permit," said Lisa Sumption, Oregon Parks

and Recreation Department (OPRD) Director. "These make a great gift. Your family and friends will thank you for a year of unlimited playing, hiking and picnicking."

The Oregon Coast Passport is also discounted \$5 in December. The passport is a multi-agency product, valid at Oregon State Parks, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and National Park

Service sites along the Oregon coast.

The coastal passports are on sale for \$30 — regularly \$35 — in December.

The OPRD parking permits and Oregon Coast Passport can be purchased at major Oregon State Parks offices, some state park friends' group stores and local businesses throughout the state.

For a complete list of ven-

dors, visit www.oregonstateparks.org. First-time members of the nonprofit Oregon State Parks Foundation receive a free 12-month permit at the \$45 membership level or above.

Visitors are the single largest source of funding for Oregon's state parks. Revenue from RV registrations and the Oregon Lottery, dedicated by voters in 1998 and 2010, make up the rest.

Fishing from 1B

floating device upstream from Mill Creek.

SALMON RIVER: Chinook

The Salmon River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. The run is near the end but a few fish are still entering the system.

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.

Parking can be limited at Knight Park during the fall salmon return. Anglers are reminded that from Knight Park boat ramp to Sulphur Creek is restricted to single-point hook metal lures, fly angling or salmon bobber angling.

SILETZ RIVER: Steelhead, Chinook

The Siletz 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 or drifting eggs can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

Consult the regulations for changes in deadline locations through the season.

Steelhead fishing is slow. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective. For cutthroat trout, casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective.

WILSON RIVER: Chinook

Fall Chinook fishing is fair on the Wilson River.

The Wilson has fished well

for fall Chinook this season, and although things will probably start to slow down toward the end of the month, there are still some good fish coming in.

Keep an eye on the weather and River conditions.

All of the usual techniques, such as bobber fishing, divers and bait, and back bouncing should be effective.

Although it's still a little early, Thanksgiving is time to start thinking about winter steelhead on the lower Wilson.

This basin has some early returning hatchery fish and they should start trickling in towards the end of the month.

YAQUINA RIVER: Chinook

The Yaquina River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. 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.

COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS: Trout

Rainbow trout were stocked in Upper Empire, Bradley, Saunders, Powers and Butterfield lakes last month.

Anglers have been catching lots of trout on Powerbait, flies, or by trolling spinners. This was the last stocking of these lakes until the spring.

Trout anglers are also catching trout in Eel and Tenmile lakes.

Trolling wedding ring spinners tipped with a nightcrawler has been really effective.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: CLOSED

The South Umpqua is closed through Nov. 30 to protect spawning fall Chinook salmon.

WINCHESTER BAY:

Bottomfish, perch

Fishing for bottom fish in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful.

TENMILE BASIN: Trout, bass, yellow perch, coho

Trout fishing in the streams of the Tenmile Basin are now closed until May 22, 2017.

Trout fishing in Tenmile Lakes is open all year.

There is no wild coho fishery in Tenmile Lakes this fall.

Largemouth bass fishing has been decent over the past couple weeks. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using spinner baits, jigs, or rubber worms.

Fishing for yellow perch has picked up in Tenmile Lakes. Anglers have been catching a few yellow perch measuring 14 to 15-inches long.

Worms fished near the lake bottom work very well for catching yellow perch. Anglers should fish in water depths of 15 feet or deeper to consistently find the bigger yellow perch.

PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES: Bottomfish, surf perch, salmon

The ocean season reopened to Dungeness crabbing Dec. 1. Recreational harvest of crabs is closed from Tillamook Head to the California Boarder.

Recreational harvest of razor clams is closed on the entire Oregon coast due to elevated levels of domoic acid.

Harvest of mussels is open on the entire Oregon Coast. Before any shellfish harvest trip, make sure to check the Oregon Department of Agriculture website for any updates.

Recreational ocean salmon

fishing from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. is closed for salmon fishing, except the Elk River Chinook Terminal Season is open through Nov. 30.

Both the All Depth and the Nearshore Halibut seasons are now closed.

As of Oct. 1, fishing for bottom fish opened back up to all depths.

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. Anglers may harvest 1 cabezon per day.

BOTTOM FISHING:

Fishing for bottomfish was limited last week due to weather conditions. For those few who did venture out, there was some success with lingcod and rockfish.

The recreational groundfish fishery is open at all depths through March.

ODFW encourages anglers to release all prohibited rockfish by using a descending device to safely return fish to a depth of 60 feet or more. Even fish that are severely bloated can survive after being released at depth. For more information and videos, please see the rockfish recompression webpage.

There's a new rockfish in town: the Deacon rockfish. Deacon rockfish is a newly identified species that was for-

merly referred to as the solid version of blue rockfish. What does that mean for anglers?

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.

PACIFIC HALIBUT:

Recreational halibut fishing in all Oregon subareas are now closed for the remainder of 2016. This year, anglers were able to catch approximately 95 percent of the Oregon recreational quota of just over 220,000 pounds.

The 2017 quota will be determined in early January 2017.

MUSSELS

NOTICE: Mussels harvesting is closed along the entire Oregon coast due to elevated levels of biotoxins.

Razor Clams:

NOTICE: Razor clam harvesting is closed along the entire Oregon coast due to elevated levels of domoic acid.

This includes all beaches and bays.

BAY CLAMS:

Bay clamming is open along the entire Oregon Coast from the Columbia River to the California border.

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

CRABBING:

The last day of the ocean crabbing season was Oct. 15. However, bays, estuaries and piers are still open to crabbing year-round.

Grapplers from 1B

by pin at 120 pounds by Huff. Reedsport went on to win the next two matches, at 126 pounds and 132 pounds — with Simmons pinning Dennis Magee in 55 seconds for his second pin of the night that came in less than a minute.

But once again, the Braves rallied, winning at 152 pounds and 160 pounds to take the lead

in team scoring.

Steinman evened the score with a pin against Clayton Lent at 170 pounds, mid way through the second round.

A forfeit at 182 pounds to Siuslaw's Clark Hooper put the Viks on top, only to have the match essentially tied after a forfeit by Siuslaw at 220 pounds.

In the final match, Reedsport was able to come out on top with a pin at 285

pounds, to win the match in team scoring, 36-30. Reedsport went on to defeat North Bend in team scoring, 51-6.

Today, the Vikings are back on the mats for the Perry Burlison Invitational at Cascade High School in Turner, Ore.

Matches begin at 9 a.m.

The Viks only other home meet will be the annual Nick Lutz Memorial Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 14.

Siuslaw from 1B

defense that was still mindful of foul trouble.

In spite of that, the Vikings held the Bulldogs down the stretch, with Reavis and King

each scoring 12 of their 14 points in the second half.

In the end, solid freethrow shooting made the difference as Siuslaw pulled away while making 13 of 16 charity shots to outscore Creswell 24-11 in the fourth period.

The final score of Wednesday night's game was 18 points higher than Siuslaw's top-scoring game from last season (47), and the win matches their win total from last season — which came in the final game of league play against Douglas.

Vikings from 1B

Long had 2 assists for the Vikings.

Siuslaw managed to stay within reach of a win despite having 21 turnovers and 19 fouls working against them.

Last night, the Vikings hosted Elmira (after press deadlines) in another non-league, preseason matchup.

Tuesday, Siuslaw will host Newport, beginning at 6 p.m.

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