

State from 1B

quickly became evident that the Vikings had come to play like they had never played before.

"It's been a long time since Siuslaw hosted a state playoff game," said Siuslaw coach Dylan Perry, "so our guys came into the game wanting to make a deep run into the post season."

Though the Bulldogs were the first to score on a pair of charity shots, Siuslaw rallied quickly with an offensive rebound by junior post Trent Reavis, who then scored on a 3-point play to give the Viks a 5-2 advantage.

North Bend sank a short jumper to pull within 1 point, with junior wing Jake Hickson dishing the ball to junior Kyle King for a quick bucket.

The Bulldogs answered at the other end of the court, but a long 3-pointer by Hickson put Siuslaw ahead by 4. Hickson the added a pair of freethrows with 13 seconds left for an 11-6 lead heading into the second quarter.

The last time the two teams faced each other, at North Bend, the Vikings entered the half with a slim lead over the Bulldogs, who came back to outscore the Viks by double digits in the third quarter — and create a deficit Siuslaw was unable to overcome.

This time, it was North Bend's turn to hold the lead at halftime, 25-21.

But unlike the last time, there was no third-quarter blitz by the Bulldogs, who were held to just 9 points by Siuslaw's solid defensive efforts. Meanwhile, the Vikings tacked on 10 points to stay within 3 points, 34-31, to start the fourth quarter.

"These types of games are extremely valuable, win or lose," Perry said. "The intensity and pressure are what build confidence and an understanding of what needs to be done to

win games like that."

The Vikings, with scoring from junior Jared Brandt, freshman Sam Myers, Reavis, King and Hickson, were within 2 points, 41-43, with just over 1 minute to go when foul trouble for the Vikings put the Bulldogs at the charity line three times in the last 45 seconds.

During that time, North Bend was able to extend its lead to 6 and hold out for the win, 47-41.

"If we could have executed and stay focused down the stretch, I believe the outcome would have been in our favor," said Perry.

That same night, the Viks got a little help from rival Douglas, which hosted Marshfield for an upset that shifted standings in the Far West League.

The win by the Trojans bumped them up into a tie for second place with Siuslaw, with Marshfield dropping into fourth place. Since the Vikings had defeated Douglas twice this season, Siuslaw automatically won the tie for second place in league, dropping the Trojans into third place.

As a result, Douglas will open the state play-in on the road; Siuslaw will host a game this Friday, most likely against Newport or Cascade.

"I hope to see the gym packed to capacity on Friday night," said Perry.

North Bend (10-0) will get a bye in round one. Marshfield could still potentially make the state playoffs, depending on their final ranking, which was determined last night (after press deadlines.)

Friday's play-in game at Siuslaw will tip off at 7 p.m.

Siuslaw junior wing Jake Hickson had a trio of 3-pointers against North Bend on Friday night. The Viks will host either Newport or Cascade this Friday in the opening round of the state 4A basketball play-in.



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Bowlers from 1B

strong district performance with a narrow second-place finish.

For the girls, Abby Coday,

Maxine Jones, Teryn Larson, Dixie Dyess and Elissa Hurley will represent Siuslaw, which is coached by Holiday Bowl manager Dusty Anderson.

On Saturday, teams will bowl

24 baker-style games, in which each team member bowls two frames per game.

There will be six additional qualifying games Sunday morning, with a two-game double

elimination finals. The top three teams will bring home hardware.

The tournament will take place at KingPins Family Entertainment Center, 3550 S.E. 92nd Ave. in Portland.

Fishing from 3B

Bradley, Saunders, Powers and Butterfield lakes in October. Fishing for these stocked fish has slowed down. Coos County lakes and ponds will not be stocked again until the spring.

COOS RIVER BASIN: Dungeness crab, bay clams, rockfish, steelhead

Trout fishing in streams is closed until May 22.

A few steelhead have been caught the past few weeks in the **West Fork Millicoma, East Fork Millicoma, and South Fork Coos** rivers.

The West Fork Millicoma was the only river in the basin that was fishable over the past weekend.

Anglers are drifting eggs or corkies along the stream bottom or using a jig suspended under a bobber. Anglers fishing the South Fork Coos River above Dellwood will need a permit from Weyerhaeuser, which they can pick up at the Dellwood office.

In the Coos Basin 1 additional hatchery steelhead may be retained per day for a total aggregate of 3 adult fish harvested daily.

Anglers have been catching a few rockfish and surfperch along the jetties and submerged rock piles. Fishing for rockfish in the bay has been spotty. The marine fish daily bag limit for bottom fish (rockfish) is 7 fish and a separate daily limit for lingcod (2).

The 7 fish marine bag limit will remain in place, with

these adjustments for 2017: Create a sub-bag limit of 6 black rockfish, remove the sub-bag limit for canary rockfish, add China/quillback/copper rockfishes to the sub-bag limit with blue/Deacon rockfish and change the limit from 3 to 4.

Finally remove the 10-inch minimum size for kelp greenling.

Retention of cabezon is not allowed until July 1.

Recreational crabbing is now open in all Oregon waters. Crabbing was decent over the weekend in Coos Bay.

Crabbing from a boat has been better than crabbing from the dock but dock crabbers are picking up a few legal crabs.

Recreational harvest of bay clams remains open along the entire Oregon coast. Clamming is excellent during low tides near Charleston, off Cape Arago Highway, and Clam Island.

There are also good places to dig clams even on positive low tides in Coos Bay.

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

This includes all beaches and all bays. Before any shellfish harvest trip, make sure to check the Oregon Department of Agriculture website for any updates.

COQUILLE RIVER BASIN: Crab, steelhead, salmon

Trout fishing in streams is closed until May 22.

Steelhead anglers have

reported catching a few steelhead in the North Fork Coquille at LaVerne Park and the South Fork Coquille rivers. Anglers have had success drifting eggs or corkies.

Recreational crabbing is now open in all Oregon waters.

Crabbing is very slow in the lower Coquille River due to the large amounts of freshwater coming downstream.

TENMILE BASIN: Trout, bass, yellow perch, steelhead

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

fishing in Tenmile Lakes is open all year.

A few steelhead have been reported in Tenmile Creek. Anglers will have success plunking near the acclimation sites or fishing a jig under a bobber. Eel Creek is now open to steelhead fishing.

Largemouth bass fishing has slowed down over the past few weeks. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using jigs or rubber worms.

Fishing for yellow perch has picked up in Tenmile Lakes.

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