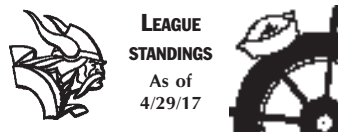


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LEAGUE STANDINGS
As of 4/29/17

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

FWL BOYS		FWL GIRLS	
N. BEND	6-0	DOUGLAS	5-0
DOUGLAS	4-2	S. UMP.	5-2
MARSHFIELD	3-3	N. BEND	4-2
S. UMP.	3-3	MARSHFIELD	3-3
BROOKINGS	1-5	SIUSLAW	1-6
SIUSLAW	1-5	BROOKINGS	0-5

SPORTS Calendar

- APRIL 29**
SOCCER
 AT MILLER PARK
 9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.
SHS TRACK
 GRANTS PASS INV.
 11 A.M.
- MAY 1**
SHS BASEBALL
 HOSTS S. UMPQUA
 3 AND 5 P.M.
SHS SOFTBALL
 AT S. UMPQUA
 3 AND 5 P.M.
- MAY 2**
SHS BASEBALL
 HOSTS BROOKINGS
 5 P.M.
SHS SOFTBALL
 AT BROOKINGS
 5 P.M.
- MAY 5**
SHS BASEBALL
 AT BROOKINGS
 3 AND 5 P.M.
SHS SOFTBALL
 HOSTS BROOKINGS
 3 AND 5 P.M.

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
April 29 2:20am / 8.4 3:43pm / 6.7	9:14am / -1.5 9:15pm / 2.1
April 30 3:08am / 8.0 4:43pm / 6.4	10:07am / -1.2 10:12pm / 2.5
May 1 4:02am / 7.5 5:47pm / 6.2	11:04am / -0.9 11:18pm / 2.8
May 2 5:05am / 6.8 6:54pm / 6.1	12:07am / -0.4
May 3 6:17am / 6.3 7:59pm / 6.2	12:36am / 2.8 1:12pm / 0.1
May 4 7:35am / 6.0 8:57pm / 6.4	1:57am / 2.5 2:17pm / 0.5
May 5 8:51am / 5.9 9:46pm / 6.7	3:09am / 2.0 3:16pm / 0.7

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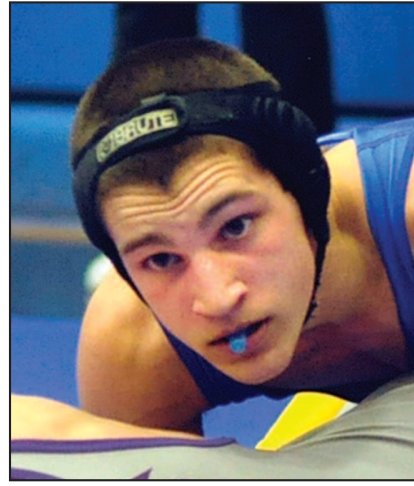
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Huff picked to wrestle on Russian mats this summer

BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Siuslaw junior Richard Huff placed second in the Oregon State Junior Freestyle wrestling competition in Cottage Grove on April 22, then went on to place third in the Oregon Junior Greco-Style competition the next day — high achievements in two fields of the nation’s best wrestlers from all classifications.

“It was literally some of the best competition in the nation, wrestling each other regardless of classifica-



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Siuslaw junior Richard Huff will wrestle this summer in Russia as part of a cultural exchange program.

tion,” said Siuslaw wrestling coach Neil Wartnik. “Ricky mowed through the competition on his way to the top two and three.”

In the freestyle competition, Huff opened the 120-pound competition with a 17-6 win by technical fall over Gavin Sherrill, then beat Jacob Whitehead of Silverton High School

in just 2:13 by fall. That advanced Huff into the championship round against 6A state champion Hunter Sparks of Roseburg. “Richard met his match there,” said Wartnik. “He took some risks that he couldn’t capitalize on.” Huff lost 10-0 for second place overall. The next day, he returned to the mats for the Greco-Style competition, a style Huff hadn’t competed in since he was 10 years old.

See **HUFF 2B**

Clear sailing



PHOTOS BY NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Mapleton senior Tyler Packebush had a season-best vault to win Thursday’s competition at 11 feet.

SAILORS LAND WIN AT HOME

BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

The Mapleton track team had seven personal records Thursday during the first — and likely only — LLO (Lane Lines Optional) Invitational, which brought the visiting Alsea Wolverines to town.

The Sailors had a total of 13 wins on the day, with senior Tyler Packebush wrapping up the meet with a dramatic 11-foot vault for a season-best mark and first place overall.

Packebush also won the long jump at 16 feet, 5 inches.

Junior Tanner Wilson was also a multiple winner for the boys, taking first in the javelin at 129-4, and in the discus with a PR throw of 109-7. Cole Spencer, a junior, had wins in the high jump (5-0) and triple jump (30-4.75).

Freshman Nathaniel Neece also had a win for the boys team with a time of 5:32 in the 1,500 meters.

Personal records came from freshman Dylan Rodgers in the discus (76-



Mapleton sophomore Brittany Wilson leaps 9-06.25 for fourth place.

06) and hammer throw (64-11), senior Zachery Croson in the javelin (93-9), freshman Richy Gastelum in the pole vault (6-0), and freshman Nathan Roane in the triple jump (25-7.25).

For the girls, senior Josi Hays continued to dominate the throws with wins in the shot put (29-4.5), discus (85-2), javelin (87-0) and the hammer throw with a PR at 73-4.

Sophomore Bailey Messick PRd in the triple jump for first place at 23-8.

Other scorers for the Lady Sailors included sophomore Brittany Wilson with a throw

See **SAILORS 3B**

On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

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NORTH COAST LAKES:

Most of the North Coast lakes were stocked with trout this week. Water temps are great and fish should be hungry.

So far this season, **Town Lake** near Pacific City has been stocked with nearly 200 surplus summer steelhead from **Cedar Creek Hatchery**. In addition, 66 early run winter steelhead were released there on Jan. 11. **Nehalem Hatchery** released 200 surplus winter steelhead into **Vernonia pond**, 57 into **Lost Lake** and 60 into **Lake Lytle**. These fish get fairly active in the lake and offer a unique fishing experience, especially when the rivers are blown out. Once in the lake they are considered “trout” and do not require a Combined Angling Tag.

Anglers are reminded, however, that only one trout per day over 20 inches may be retained, and these fish will almost all be in that size range.

The 2017 trout stocking schedule is available online.

MID COAST LAKES: Mid coast lakes have been stocked and are fishing well. The 2017 trout stocking schedule is available online.

ALSEA RIVER AND BAY: Steelhead Steelhead fishing is open on the Alsea River and listed tributaries until April 30. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

SALMON RIVER: Steelhead The Salmon River

See **FISHING 3B**

Beachgoers: remember that springtime seal pups need space

BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

It’s that time of year again, when seal pups begin appearing on beaches along the Oregon coast and beachgoers are asked to stifle their desire to assist these animals in some way, and instead give them space.

For those familiar with the cuteness of a newborn pup, the advice can be hard to swallow. But it’s for the best

— for people and wildlife alike.

Every spring, harbor seals give birth to pups on secluded beaches or reefs up and down the Pacific coast. The pups are born ready to swim but cannot tread water for long; they need ample time on shore to rest and stay warm, and can remain there for days while their mothers forage at sea.

Concerned observers often report “abandoned” seal pups on the beach, not realizing that the mother might be

foraging nearby, or swimming just offshore to maintain distance from curious humans and their dogs.

“This is a perennial springtime issue for us all,” said Jim Rice, Stranding Coordinator at the Oregon Marine Mammal Stranding Network. “It’s helpful to remind people that it’s normal for pups to come ashore to rest, that their mothers often leave them unattended while they forage for food, and that interfering with this

natural process is not only illegal but will likely be very detrimental to the pup.”

In other words, humans approaching or otherwise trying to “help” these unattended pups may inadvertently cause them harm, as the presence of people may deter mother seals from coming ashore to nurse.

Seal pups are vulnerable and they

See **PUPS 3B**