

# Summer programs begin at Cape Perpetua

WALDPOR — It's starting to feel like summer at Cape Perpetua and Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area (ODNRA), where a variety of free family events are being held throughout June.

In addition to the camping, hiking, tidepooling, and picnicking always on tap, visitors can choose from any of the activities below to experience this special place in a new way. Additional details on events are available online or at the visitor center.

• **Saturday, June 10:** PAWN

Trail celebration with special guided hike at 1p.m.

Named for four families who were early residents of the area, the PAWN Trail features impressive old growth forest. Enjoyed the guided hike or go on your own with recently updated interpretive trail guide developed by local students.

Meet at the trailhead near Florence.

• **Saturday, June 17:** Join us for Family Ocean/Forest Exploration Day at the Cape with forest and tidepool family programs, activities, and guid-

ed hikes.

The event is free and takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the visitor center.

• **Thursday, June 22:** Curious about the total solar eclipse coming to Oregon this summer?

Join local astronomer Tom Carrico for a free presentation covering the science behind the event, how to view it safely, and everything else you need to know to enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime event. At the visitor center 4p.m.

Throughout the summer:

Starting June 7, rangers will lead programs and guided hikes most days at the Oregon Dunes Day Use Area and Cape Perpetua Scenic Area, with longer programs and guided hikes at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

For more information on these events, contact the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center at 541-547-3289.

To learn more about family-friendly activities on the forest, visit [go.usa.gov/x5Xrq](http://go.usa.gov/x5Xrq).

# STEP to discuss how to catch Dungeness crab

Salmon Trout Enhancement Program (STEP) member and crabbing master Mike Frankhouser will explain how and where to catch Dungeness crab in the Siuslaw River during tonight's STEP meeting.

He will show how to assemble and bait crab pots, as well as offer advice on the best bait to use, how to protect your bait

against seals, how often to check crab pots and where to place them for the best results. Frankhouser will answer these questions and many more.

STEP meetings are held in the back room of the Florence Elks Club at 7 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

## SCORES & STANDINGS

### BRIDGE

#### Florence Bridge Club

Thursday Afternoon Pairs Session June 1, 2017  
Scores after 5 rounds Average: 25.0 Section A

| Pair | Pct   | Score | Section Rank | MPs        |                                |
|------|-------|-------|--------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| 4    | 65.00 | 32.50 | A 1 1        | 1.90(OA)   | J. Weatherwax - J. Smith       |
| 2    | 53.00 | 26.50 | B 2 1        | 2 1.43(OA) | D. MacNeil - R. Parker         |
| 6    | 52.00 | 26.00 | A            |            | J. Reisner - G. Farman         |
| 3    | 45.00 | 22.50 | C 2 1        | 0.24(SC)   | D. Gustafson - M. Weiss        |
| 5    | 43.00 | 21.50 | C            |            | P. Van Ripper - K. Klindtworth |
| 1    | 42.00 | 21.00 | C            |            | L. Little - K. Hampsten        |

### WOMEN'S GOLF

#### Ocean Dunes Ladies Night

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017



COURTESY PHOTO

Low gross winners with a 9-hole score of 32 were Sarah Lynch, Julie Ellingson, Shari Fisher and Cathy Hicks.

# UPCOMING 2017 ECLIPSE MEANS READINESS FOR ALL

Eclipse 2017 means all Oregon residents need to be ready. Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) advises: Arrive early; stay put; leave late.

Oregon will be the first state where you can view the total solar eclipse crossing America Monday, Aug. 21.

For about two and half hours, daytime will gradually yield to dusk — and to darkness for about two minutes — as the moon passes in front of the sun.

ODOT is planning ahead to keep Oregon moving, and we encourage you to do the same.

An estimated 1 million visitors are coming to Oregon to view this celestial spectacle. That many people — about a quarter of the state's entire population — will have a huge impact on highways, gasoline

supplies and other basic needs. What you do to plan ahead will make or break your eclipse-viewing experience.

• Expect delays.

Traffic backups are inevitable. Preparation ensures a good time for visitors and residents alike.

• Expect traffic changes.

Normal travel paths may be disrupted. Communities may close streets to through traffic or ban left or right turns to keep traffic moving, especially around venues with many visitors.

• Be prepared.

If traveling, plan for your basic needs such as food, water, gas for the car and bathroom breaks in case you're stuck in traffic.

If friends or family are com-

ing to visit, warn them to "Drive Healthy." Arrive early, stay put during the eclipse and leave late afterwards, in case

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everyone else jumps on our highways all at once.

Remember, all travelers have a shared responsibility to stay safe.

• Stock up early.

Food, prescription medications, water and gasoline may be hard to obtain if you don't get them early.

You'll be ready and stores

can restock for our visitors.

• Do what you can to help.

Can you work from home or flex your work schedule when your local roads are full?

Avoid roads being used to get people in or out of a local event. Ride your bicycle when possible, to avoid congestion.

• Look out for each other.

This is a rare opportunity but it brings potential hazards. We all must do our part to be prepared.

You may see travelers unfamiliar with the area. Be friendly, helpful and patient.

For more information on the eclipse, visit [traveloregon.com/trip-ideas/oregon-stories/eclipse/](http://traveloregon.com/trip-ideas/oregon-stories/eclipse/) and [eclipse2017.nasa.gov/](http://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/).

## Fishing from 1B

Remember the limit on streams and rivers is two per day over 8-inches.

**COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS:** Trout, warmwater fish

Largemouth bass fishing has been good in many of the area smaller lakes. Bluegills can be found in area lakes right along the weed lines.

Trout were stocked in the Millicoma Pond at the Millicoma Interpretive Center and fishing should be excellent. Millicoma Pond is intended for children under the age of 12.

Please call before traveling to Millicoma Pond to make sure the gates are open. The phone number is 541-267-2557.

Trout have been stocked into Empire Lakes and Tenmile Lakes this week. Trophy trout were only stocked into Upper Empire Lake This was the last trout stocking in the area until October.

ODFW is implementing a tag reward trout study on Empire Lakes for 2017 in which anglers will be asked to report tagged trout that are caught. Anglers can report tags on the ODFW website.

Some of the tags will be worth a \$50 gift card. This study is an effort by ODFW to compare stocking of "larger" trout to last year's stocking of "legal" size trout.

**TENMILE BASIN:** Trout, bass

Streams and rivers are now open to trout fishing until Oct. 31. Fishing is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams above tidewater. Anglers may harvest 2 trout per day that are a minimum of 8 inches long.

Trout fishing in Tenmile Lakes, Eel Lake, Saunders Lake are open all year. Anglers have been catching trout in Eel and Tenmile lakes trolling wedding ring spinners tipped with a worm.

Largemouth bass fishing has been good and will continue to pick up as the water temperatures warm up.

Anglers are catching bass in shallow water near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using jigs or rubber

worms.

**UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH:** Trout, bass

The South opened on May 22 to trout and warmwater fishing.

**WINCHESTER BAY:**

Bottomfish, perch

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

**PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES:** Bottomfish, surf perch, crab, salmon, halibut

Recreational crabbing is open along the entire Oregon coast.

Bottom fishing has been good when the ocean conditions allow. Fishing for bottom fish is now restricted to inside the 30-fathom curve. A few black rockfish have been seen feeding on/near the surface recently.

Recreational Chinook salmon fishing is open from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain. Anglers may have two salmon per day but is closed to retention of coho except during the selective and non-selective coho seasons.

The selective coho season opens June 24 and continues through July 31 or until the 18,000 marked coho quota has been met.

Recreational harvest of razor clams is closed on the entire Oregon coast due to elevated levels of domoic acid. The recreational harvesting of mussels is open along the entire Oregon Coast from the Columbia River to the California border.

Before any shellfish harvest trip, make sure to check the Oregon Department of Agriculture website for any updates.

Surf perch fishing has been good when ocean swells are small. Surf perch anglers will do the best fishing with sand shrimp or Berkley Gulp sand worms. Fishing is typically best on the incoming tide.

• **OCEAN SALMON:**

The Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. Chinook salmon recreational fishing season is scheduled to be open until Oct. 31.

This season is open for all salmon except coho salmon, with a bag limit of two salmon per day, and minimum sizes for Chinook at 24 inches or larger, and steelhead at 20

inches or larger.

Ocean Chinook fishing effort and catch have been slow so far this season; however, some ocean Chinook were landed in Garibaldi and Winchester Bay last week.

Just a reminder: Anglers are restricted to no more than two single point barbless hooks when fishing for salmon, and when fishing for any other species if a salmon is on board the vessel.

• **PACIFIC HALIBUT:**

Vessels fishing for or retaining halibut are required (1) to have onboard a functioning rockfish descending device, and (2) use it to descend any rockfish released when fishing outside of the 30-fathom regulatory line.

The 2017 halibut quota is up 16.7 percent from 2016, which should allow for some additional fishing days, depending on weather and catch rates.

Central Oregon Coast Subarea (Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt.): The all-depth halibut fishery will be open June 8-10 and June 15-17. If quota remains after those dates, additional days may be available every other week.

The nearshore fishery opened June 1, seven days per week, until the quota is caught or Oct. 31. Note that when both the nearshore and all-depth halibut fisheries are open on the same day, e.g., regulations for the all-depth fishery — namely, groundfish



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