

Florence to welcome Trail Blazers’ Rip City Relay Tour

The Portland Trail Blazers and Moda Health have announced that the Fifth Annual Rip City Relay will include a stop in Florence.

On Sept. 12, Florence will be the second stop on the week-long journey around the state for a team of Trail Blazers and Moda ambassadors to engage with Trail Blazers fans, help build healthier communities, and showcase the Trail Blazers as “Oregon’s Team.”

An entire day of events is scheduled in Florence. As part of the Trail Blazers’ and Moda’s partnership to showcase healthy and active living, events will focus on providing activities for kids, including school assemblies and basketball clinics.

The visit will conclude with a ceremonial flag raising with city officials, followed by the Rip City Fair, a free community gathering featuring activities for all ages from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Port of Siuslaw property in Old Town Florence.

“The Rip City Relay will be an exciting event for Florence and ties in with the Chamber’s identity as “Oregon’s Coastal Playground” and the City of Florence’s “A City in Motion” theme,” says Chamber executive director Bettina Hannigan. “We encourage Florence-area residents to get active and come down to the Old Town area and Port of Siuslaw property for the afternoon festivities.”

Many Trail Blazers person-

alities will participate in different legs of the relay, including Trail Blazers TV broadcaster Lamar Hurd, court-side reporter Brooke Olzendam, radio broadcaster Brian Wheeler, Blaze the Trail Cat, the BlazerDancers, and more.

The schedule of events for Tuesday, Sept. 12 includes:

- Basketball Clinic — Siuslaw Middle School: Trail Blazers youth basketball coaches take over a PE class to teach local kids how to play like the pros.
- School Assembly — Siuslaw Elementary School: Trail Blazers personalities take over a school assembly for an hour of flair, fanfare and fun.
- 4 p.m. Rip City Flag Raising — Port of Siuslaw

Parking Lot: Florence Mayor Joe Henry joins Trail Blazers and Moda representatives to tip off the Rip City Fair with opening ceremonies.

- 4to 6 p.m. Rip City Fair — Port of Siuslaw Parking Lot: Fans are invited to this free community gathering from 4 to 6 p.m., featuring fun for the whole family, including the opportunity to interact and play basketball with Trail Blazers personalities, take photos with the 1977 NBA Championship trophy, and win game tickets and other prizes.

For more information, visit Trailblazers.com/ripcityrelay or follow the relay’s progress on Twitter by using the hashtag #RipCityRelay.

LEARN HOW TO CATCH SALMON AT TONIGHT’S STEP MEETING

The Wednesday, Sept. 6, meeting of STEP (Salmon Trout Enhancement Program) will feature two speakers who will show different methods to catch salmon in the Siuslaw River.

The first speaker will be Ryan Hatfield of Grey Ghost Guide Service. Hatfield guides in Alaska during the spring and

summer returning home in September to offer guided salmon fishing trips on the Siulaw River.

He will display the equipment he uses and how to properly present bait or lures. Hatfield will also give out his contact information for those wishing to meet up with him on the river.

The second speaker will be Ron Caputo. He will show the methods taught to him by an old Norwegian fisherman.

He will demonstrate the gear he uses and give out his “12 Rules for Salmon Fishing.”

Caputo will show how to plug-cut and how to brine her-ring used for salmon fishing.

Florence STEP meetings are

held the first Wednesday of every month in the back room of the Florence Elks club, beginning at 7 p.m.

The Public is always welcome at the STEP meetings.

For more information, call Ron Caputo at 541-997-4961.

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on the Falcon’s first drive.

Caudell scored twice in the second quarter, with Nagel putting Elmira ahead 28-0 by half-time.

Brandt was the Vikings’ leading rusher with 47 yards on 11 carries, while Reavis was

the top receiver with six catches for 68 yards as Siuslaw eventually fell 50-0.

Rusk had 29 yards on two receptions for Siuslaw, with Loomis nabbing a pair of catches for 15 yards, and Wampler claiming a 10-yard reception against Elmira.

On the ground, Siuslaw gained a total of 91 yards on

carries from Brandt, Rusk and Loomis.

The Falcons had 392 yards rushing.

The Vikings will be on their home field again this Friday to take on Pleasant Hill in another nonleague matchup.

The Billies will come into Friday’s game following a 41-13 loss to Dayton last week.

In other Far West League matchups, North Bend slipped by Astoria, 21-20; South Umpqua fell to Mazama, 46-20; Douglas lost to Valley Catholic, 29-22; and Marshfield clobbered Cascade, 48-19.

Friday’s game against Pleasant Hill kicks off at 7 p.m. at Hans Petersen Field.

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

WILSON RIVER: *Steelhead, trout*

Summer steelhead fishing on the Wilson has been moderate to slow, but there are fish throughout the system. Late August and September can be a great time to target these fish as cooler nights lower water temps, and fish that have been holding get more active.

Target riffles and the top of pools during first and last light, and concentrate on deeper holding pools once the sun is on the water.

Fishing stealthy, with light gear, and targeting first and last light is often the key to success with these fish.

The Wilson doesn’t open for fall Chinook above tide water (Hwy 101 bridge) until Sept. 16.

Trout is also season open and there should be some nice cutthroat around. Remember, the limit on streams and rivers is two per day over 8 inches.

YAQUINA RIVER: *Chinook, trout*

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

COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS: *Warmwater fish, trout*

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.

Anglers have still catching rainbow trout at Empire Lakes. Fishing is best in the deepest part of the lakes.

COOS RIVER BASIN: *Dungeness crab, bay clams, rockfish, salmon*

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Fishing for rockfish inside the Coos Bay estuary has been good one day and slow the next. Anglers are having the most success fishing along the jetties and submerged rock piles. The marine fish daily bag limit for bottom fish

(rockfish) is seven fish and a separate daily limit for lingcod (two).

The 7 fish marine bag limit will remain in place, with these adjustments for 2017.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: *Trout, bass*

The South remains open to trout and warmwater fishing.

Bass fishing has been good around the Roseburg area.

TENMILE BASIN: *Trout, bass*

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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.

Largemouth bass fishing has been very good with anglers catching lots of bass on Senkos and other plastics.

Bass will be spreading out and found in deeper water during the day.

Fishing for bass will be best early mornings and evenings.

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 and has been good both in the ocean and in the bays.

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Ocean Dunes
THURSDAY AUG. 31, 2017

INDIVIDUAL PLAY		2ND GROSS	— FRED
FLIGHT A		SCHMALLING	
1ST GROSS	— JACK SMREKAR	1ST NET	— WAYNE NOEL
2ND GROSS	— KYLE NELSON	2ND NET	— LLOYD BAKER
1ST NET	— KARL SACKRISON	3RD NET	— BILL GILLETTE
2 NET	— TOMMY THOMPSON	4TH NET	— RON SCHREIBER
3RD NET	— JERRY MULVEY	KP#4	ED PFANNMULLER;
		KP#8	WAYNE NOEL; KP#12
FLIGHT B		TOMMY THOMPSON;	KP#16
1ST GROSS	— FRED WUDELL	DAN PEASE	

BRIDGE

Florence Bridge Club

Thursday Afternoon Pairs Session Aug. 31, 2017
Scores after 5 rounds Average: 25.0 Section A

Pair	Pct	Score	Section	Rank	MPs
5	65.00	32.50	A	1	0.60(A)
1	59.00	29.50	A	2	0.42(A)
6	57.00	28.50	B	1	0.32(B)
3	46.00	23.00	B	2	0.22(B)
2	41.00	20.50	C		
4	32.00	16.00	C		

J. Smith - J. Weatherwax
J. Reisner - G. Farman
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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Mackenzie York
Junior


VOLLEYBALL

Siuslaw H.S. Volley Ball Highlight: Siuslaw Junior Volleyballer **Mackenzie York** is Coast Radio Sports Athlete of the Week. Mackenzie led the Vikings with 18 kills in their first match against Junction City and 12 kills and 4 service aces in their second match against Philomath.

Honorable Mention Mia Collins

Highlight: Honorable mention goes to Mia Collins who had 6 kills against Junction and 6 kills and 7 digs against Philomath.

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