

Siuslaw News

Sports & Recreation

LEAGUE STANDINGS
As of 9/27/17

VOLLEYBALL

FAR WEST		MOUNTAIN WEST	
MARSHFIELD	4-1	MCKENZIE	6-0
N. BEND	4-1	ALSEA	5-1
SIUSLAW	3-2	SILETZ	4-2
S. UMPQUA	3-2	LOWELL	4-3
DOUGLAS	1-4	MOHAWK	4-3
BROOKINGS	1-5	MAPLETON	0-6

SPORTS

Calendar

- SEPT. 30

SHS C. COUNTRY

HOSTS WOAHINK INV.

10 A.M.
- OCT. 3

SHS VOLLEYBALL

HOSTS BROOKINGS

6:30 P.M.

MHS VOLLEYBALL

AT ALSEA

6 P.M.
- OCT. 5

SHS VOLLEYBALL

HOSTS DOUGLAS

6:30 P.M.

MHS VOLLEYBALL

AT LOWELL

VS OAK HILL 4 P.M.

VS LOWELL 6 P.M.

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
Sept. 30 9:30am / 5.6 8:49pm / 6.0	2:50am / 1.2 3:10pm / 3.2
Oct. 1 10:13am / 6.0 9:46pm / 6.3	3:42am / 0.9 4:02pm / 2.6
Oct. 2 10:50am/ 6.3 10:36pm/ 6.6	4:27am / 0.7 4:47pm/ 2.0
Oct. 3 11:24am/ 6.7 11:22pm/ 6.9	5:07am/ 0.5 5:28pm/ 1.4
Oct. 4 11:57am / 7.2	5:45am / 0.4 6:08pm / 0.8
Oct. 5 12:08am / 7.1 12:30pm / 7.5	6:21am/ 0.5 6:49pm/ 0.2
Oct. 6 12:53am / 7.2 1:03pm/ 7.9	6:58am / 0.7 7:30pm / -0.3

SIUSLAW

NEWS

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Wrestler sees Russia up close on exchange trip

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

As his right hand was raised to the crowd by the referee after winning last year’s 4A State wrestling title at 113 pounds, Siuslaw High School senior Richard Huff, a junior then, had no idea he would be taking his skills across the ocean to Moscow just four months later.

But after winning the Oregon Cultural Exchange Trials last March, Huff got the word he would be part of a 16-day excursion for the chance to wrestle his Russian counterparts.

The next step was to raise the \$3,000 required to cover all expenses. Utilizing fundraising efforts through a raffle for a \$500 Visa gift card provided by the Oregon Wrestling Cultural



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Siuslaw senior and 2017 4A 113-lb. state wrestling champion Richard Huff.

Exchange (OWCE), Huff set about offering raffle tickets at \$10 each. It lasted less than three weeks.

“The community was incredible,” Huff said. “It was so supportive.”

At 2 a.m. on July 26, Huff left Thurston High School with a group of Oregon wrestlers for the airport in Portland, where they caught a flight to New York City before boarding the long flight to Moscow.

“I never thought we’d land,” Huff said of the 10-hour flight.

When they did, the Oregon soil of home was some 4,700 miles away. For the next 16 days, Huff and his fellow wrestlers competed on mats in four different cities, including Moscow and Yakutsk, a city of 300,000.

“We trained with their team for two days before having a duel meet with them,” said Huff. “When we did wres-

tle, it was one match at a time with about 3,000 people in the stands.”

The meet was held at the “Children of Asia” Youth Olympic Facility, where Huff found out that his opponent was a national champion.

“I lost 12-1 in about a minute and a half,” said Huff. “It was kind of my own fault. I didn’t really stay in shape,” he said with a laugh.

Huff went on to another, smaller Russian City, where they stayed at a local college. It was there that Huff was faced with an unexpected challenge.

“There was no electricity or running water during the day, so we had to bathe in the river,” said Huff. “But it was a reddish brown color, so we usually took a shower at night.”

See **HUFF 4B**



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Siuslaw junior Alyssa Richards smacks a kill shot against South Umpqua at Glenn Butler Court Tuesday night.

LADY VIKS TOPPLE LANCERS

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

SIUSLAW *d* SOUTH UMPQUA:
21-25, 17-25, 25-17, 25-23, 15-13

After losing the first and second sets of Tuesday’s home volleyball match despite having led early in both games,

the Lady Vikings did what they do best: They dug deep — on the court and in their focus.

“They just don’t give up,” said Siuslaw head coach Jon Hornung. “They just kept pushing, stayed positive and built each other up.”

In the third set, Siuslaw never trailed, moving ahead 14-4 on kills

from juniors Makenzie York, Jordan Long and Emma Collins, and sophomore Mia Collins, prompting a timeout by the Lancers.

Though South Umpqua mounted a short 4-point rally, York hammered 5 consecutive kills for a 20-12 lead.

See **VIKS 5B**

Mapleton loses latest volley to Wolverines

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

ALSEA *d* MAPLETON:
25-10, 25-11, 25-15

Following Tuesday’s home match against the visiting Wolverines of Alsea, the Lady Sailors volleyball team

is still in search of a win this season as it moves into the second half of the Mountain West League season next week at 0-6.

Tuesday’s match-up became a three-game sweep by the second-place Wolverines (5-1), who the Lady Sailors will host in a re-match this Tuesday to kick off the second half of the MWL

season.

Currently, undefeated McKenzie leads the league at 6-0, followed by Alsea, Siletz (both 4-2), Lowell (4-3), Mohawk (4-3), Eddyville (2-5), Triangle Lake (2-5) and Oak Hill (0-3).

Tuesday’s game will be at Alsea High School, with the first serve going up at 6 p.m.

Time Out

By LLOYD LITTLE
Retired teacher, coach and game official

(With more than 55 years as an athlete, coach, official, parent and spectator, I’ve gained some insights and perspectives regarding athletics. In this weekly column, I share what I’ve learned about sports from these multiple points of view.)

Cross country

The next time you are up early and driving to your destination you might see several high school cross country runners. They have been a common sight for at least the last 20 years as Siuslaw High School continues

See **LITTLE 4B**

On the Bite

A WEEKLY
FISHING REPORT FOR
THE LOCAL REGION

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MID COAST LAKES:
Olalla Reservoir has been stocked with about 100 surplus summer steel-head from the Siletz Falls trap, this season. These fish get fairly active in the lake and offer a unique fishing experience.

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.

Mid Coast lakes been stocked with trout throughout the spring. Trout stocking is over until the fall but there still should be fish around to catch. Water temps are great and fish should be hungry.

SIUSLAW RIVER:
Chinook, trout
Fall Chinook angling continues and fishing is

See **FISHING 4B**