Tonight's STEP meeting to offer tips on kayak fishing

Tonight, Nov. 1, the Salmon Trout Enhancement Program (STEP) meeting will feature two local fishermen who will share their methods to catch surf perch in the ocean and how to catch fish from a kayak.

The first speaker will be Terry Barret. He will show the gear and the bait that he uses to catch surf perch.

He will also tell when and where to fish for these tasty fish. Surf perch fishing is open all year and the limit is 15 fish.

The second speaker will be STEP member Roger Eming. He will show the equipment and methods he uses to catch salmon and ling cod from his kayak.

He will have some very interesting stories to tell about his fishing experiences.

Fishing from such a small vessel brings unique challenges.

Come to the STEP meeting and learn how you too can fish from your kayak.

The 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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Li'l Toads set to wrestle Nov. 10

Li'l Toads Wrestling will take place Monday, Nov. 6, through Friday, Nov. 10.

Sign-up forms were sent from school with children yesterday, Oct. 24. Parents who didn't receive a form can pick one up at the elementary school office.

Participants will be escorted to practices at the Siuslaw High School gym Monday through Thursday after school.

Practices will run from 3:15 to 5 p.m.

Parents will need to pick up children at 5 p.m. in the main gym of the high school.

The tournament will be held Friday, Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. and will last to approximately 8:30 p.m.

The tournament will be in the high school's main gym.

Admission will be $5 for adults, and $3 for children grades K-12.

All proceeds will be used to support wrestling in Florence.

The program needs as many volunteers as possible. Anyone who would like to help can call or text Neil Wartnik at 541-991-6033 or Stecher Buss at 541-991-1644.

SVC from 1B

Tournament.

Players that make team will be required to pay a total of $175 no later than Nov. 27 ($55 to CEVA and $120 to the Siuslaw Volleyball Club.)

SVC fees cover tournaments, insurance for tournaments and practices, and team sweatshirts and T-shirts players keep.

For more information, contact Jenny Alberty at 541-999-1749 or Michelle Rose at 541-999-0401.

Sailors from 1B

line for a first down. From there, Wells found Neece on a 25-yard pass into the end zone, followed by a QB keeper for a 2-point conversion — and a 14-8 lead just 48 seconds into the quarter.

On its next possession, Lowell put together a 7-play drive to tie things up at 14-14 after being denied a conversion attempt.

After forcing the Devils to go four-and-out, the Sailors took over deep in their own territory. On its first play of the possession, Mapleton pulled a role reversal in the pocket, with Neece backtracking his way behind the offensive line and Wells running long. Neece connected with Wells on an 18-yard bullet, which Wells carried another 56 yards for a Sailors touchdown.

The conversion failed but Mapleton re-took the lead, 20-14, with 5:51 remaining in the half.

Then, just as quickly as the wind had caught Mapleton's sails, it shifted in favor of Lowell and never really came back.

The Red Devils put together a 6-play drive for a touchdown that tied the game once again, then moved ahead 22-20 on a conversion.

Lowell then got the ball back with an onside kick that eventually led to a 39-yard touchdown and conversion — and a 30-20 lead. The Devils scored again with 51 seconds left, taking a 36-20 halftime lead.

Coming back from the break, Mapleton attempted an onside kick but Lowell recovered on a high bounce, carrying it in from 58 yards out to move into a 42-20 lead less than 15 seconds into the half.

The Sailors we able to score twice more before the final buzzer, but Lowell came away with the win and the seed to state, 66-32.

The Red Devils (6-3 overall) will play either Friday or Saturday this week in the first round of state play-offs as the Special District 3's fourth-place team.

Mapleton (4-5) finished 5th after one of its strongest seasons in 15 years.

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Mapeton senior quarterback Dominic Wells **scrambles from the pocket for a first down against Lowell.**

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