

Siuslaw from 1B

“Defensively, we are improving,” Shinn said. “We moved some players around a bit and they came through, making some plays.”

In his second start on the mound, Mapleton junior pitcher Gabe Simington played his part in helping shore up the

defense by striking out 10 Sutherlin batters in just over 5 innings, holding the Bulldogs to just 1 run on 3 hits.

The Viks moved ahead 4-0 heading into the bottom of the sixth inning, with sophomore Jared Northrop, along with freshmen Zach Stinger and Elijah Blankenship, fueling Siuslaw’s offense, which included an RBI double from Stinger and an RBI single from

Blankenship.

Stinger and Northrop each had a run scored.

Sutherlin closed the gap in the bottom of the sixth inning after scoring twice, then held Siuslaw off the scoreboard in the top of the seventh.

Unfortunately, the Bulldogs rallied for 3 runs during their final turn at the plate, narrowly defeating the Viks 5-4.

Despite the loss, Shinn was encouraged by his team’s improvement overall.

“We saw areas we will continue to work on, but the things we focused on during Monday’s practice were improved on,” Shinn said. “We are growing and look to improve with every game.”

This past Thursday’s game at Pleasant Hill was canceled due to poor field con-

ditions following Wednesday’s rain showers; the game is not expected to be rescheduled.

The Viks will be back on the diamond Monday for the Newport Tournament, which will include match-ups with Dallas (2:30 p.m.) and Estacada (5 p.m.).

The tournament will continue Tuesday, with Siuslaw taking on Philomath at noon.

Fishing from 1B

can check for any regulation updates at the top of each zone of the Recreation Report.

SPRING CHINOOK

Some anglers wait all year for spring Chinook season, and reports of early fish being caught are coming in from the lower Columbia, North Umpqua and lower Rogue rivers. To follow any in-season regulation changes on the Columbia River, check out the regulation update section at the top of the Columbia Zone of the Recreation Report.

MID COAST LAKES:

Stocking of mid coast lakes began in February.

Siltcoos Lagoon was not stocked the week of Feb. 5 due to low levels of dissolved oxygen.

Fish scheduled for Siltcoos Lagoon were stocked in

Cleawox Lake instead.

SIUSLAW RIVER: Steelhead

Winter steelhead fishing has improved. Rain over the weekend has raised the river level and got fish moving again. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

ALSEA RIVER: Steelhead

Winter steelhead has picked up throughout the river. Rain over the weekend has raised the river level and got fish moving again. A mix of wild and hatchery fish are being caught. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

NESTUCCA RIVER and THREE RIVERS: Steelhead

Fishing was fair to good on the Nestucca last weekend. It should be fishable throughout the week. There should be good numbers of broodstock hatch-

ery fish and wild steelhead throughout the system.

Float fishing jigs, beads, or bait, drift fishing, nymphing, and swinging flies or spinners are all good techniques.

Three Rivers is getting on the low side, but a little rain predicted for Thursday may help. There are fish throughout the system.

SALMON RIVER: Steelhead

Wild winter steelhead can be retained on the Salmon River. Daily and annual bag limit on wild winter steelhead are 1 per day and 3 per year. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

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SALMONBERRY RIVER: Steelhead

The Salmonberry is getting low and clear, but the rain predicted for Thursday should put it in good shape for the weekend. There should be some big wild steelhead showing up this time of year, but be prepared to catch and release.

Check with the Port of Tillamook Bay for access restrictions.

SILETZ RIVER: Steelhead

Winter steelhead has picked up throughout the river. A mix of wild and hatchery fish are being caught. Rain over the weekend has raised the river level and got fish moving again.

Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

• Note: The 3.5 mile bridge (aka Steel Bridge) in the Siletz gorge is now open to motorized vehicles. The road is open as far as we go, MP 13 but is only open to public vehicles on the weekend.

Anglers can walk/bike in the road during the weekdays. If anglers do walk in they can park at the one mile gate and start from there.

TRASK RIVER: Steelhead

Fishing was slow on the Trask last weekend, there were a few fish caught, but not great numbers. The Trask is getting a little on the low and clear side, but rain predicted for Thursday should keep it fishable through the weekend.

This is mostly a wild fish river, although some hatchery strays are caught. Float fishing jigs, beads, or bait, drift fishing, nymphing, and swinging flies

or spinners are all good techniques.

WILSON RIVER: Steelhead

Fishing was fair to good on the Wilson last weekend and some nice fish were caught, including some broodstock hatchery fish.

The Wilson is getting a little on the low and clear side, but the rain predicted for Thursday should get fish moving and keep it fishable through the weekend.

Float fishing jigs, beads, or bait, drift fishing, nymphing, and swinging flies or spinners are all good techniques.

YAQUINA RIVER: Steelhead

Wild winter steelhead can be retained on the Big Elk. Daily and annual bag limit on wild winter steelhead are 1 per day and 3 per year. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

Winter steelhead fishing has improved as more fish have moved in to the river. Rain over the weekend has raised the river level and got fish moving again.

COOS COUNT LAKES and PONDS: Trout

Spring trout stocking began around March 1.

COOS RIVER BASIN: Dungeness crab, bay clams, rockfish, steelhead

Streams and rivers are now closed to trout fishing until May 22.

The steelhead rivers in the Coos Basin are running a little high after the rain over the weekend but are clearing quickly. Steelhead anglers are having success fishing eggs or yarn balls along the bottom or by fishing a jig suspended below a bobber.

In the Coos Basin, 1 additional hatchery steelhead may be retained per day for a total aggregate of 3 adult hatchery

fish harvested daily.

Anglers fishing the South Fork Coos River above Dellwood will need a permit from Weyerhaeuser, which allows the angler access up to the Seven Mile Bridge.

Permits can be obtained at Weyerhaeuser’s Coos Bay office.

• Recreational fishing for bottomfish is open in the ocean along with bays and estuaries. The daily bag limit will be 5 marine fish plus 2 lingcod.

• There will be no retention of cabezon until July 1.

• Anglers have reported catching rockfish and lingcod inside Coos Bay near the north jetty.

• Crabbing and clamming updates can now be found in the Crabbing and Clamming section of the Recreation Report.

TENMILE LAKES: Trout, warmwater species, largemouth bass (Located 10 miles north of North Bend alongside Highway 101, at the town of Lakeside. County park with camping, boat ramp and a fishing dock.)

Trout anglers trolling spinners and wedding rings have been catching holdover hatchery rainbow trout in Tenmile Lakes. In the spring anglers on Tenmile Lakes will occasionally catch large wild coho smolts (sometimes up to 14-inches).

These coho smolts need to be released alive immediately.

Trout fishing is open all year in Tenmile Lakes.

Fishing for largemouth bass has been slow. Water temperatures are cold so anglers will need to slow down there presentations. Most bass will be found in deeper water near structure or weed edges.

Anglers have reported the fishing for yellow perch has slowed down.

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