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Sports & Recreation

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A WEEKLY  
FISHING REPORT FOR THE  
LOCAL REGION  
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It's a great time for  
trout fishing

Air and water tempera-  
tures are starting to heat up  
— and both fish and  
anglers are getting more  
active. Dozens of water-  
bodies are being stocked  
this week, and many others  
will still have fish from ear-  
lier stockings. Check out  
the zone reports for the lat-  
est conditions.

Warmwater fishing  
heating up

Smallmouth bass on the  
John Day or Umpqua riv-  
ers, walleye on the upper  
Columbia, bluegill on  
Empire Lakes, largemouth  
bass on Tenmile Lakes,  
crappie on Willow Creek  
Reservoir — take your  
pick! There are great warm-  
water fisheries in every  
corner of the state. You'll  
find fishing updates in the

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TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
<b>June 23</b>	
9:52am / 5.0	3:49am / 0.4
9:40pm / 7.3	3:23pm / 1.8
<b>June 24</b>	
10:56am / 5.2	4:40am / -0.1
10:22pm / 7.3	4:15pm / 2.2
<b>June 25</b>	
11:50am / 5.4	5:25am / -0.5
11:02pm / 7.4	5:03pm / 2.4
<b>June 26</b>	
12:36am / 5.6	6:06am / -0.8
11:40pm / 7.4	5:48pm / 2.6
<b>June 27</b>	
1:16pm / 5.8	6:43am / -1.0
	6:29pm / 2.7
<b>June 28</b>	
12:16am / 7.3	7:19am / -1.1
1:54pm / 5.9	7:08pm / 2.7
<b>June 29</b>	
12:51am / 7.2	7:54am / -1.0
2:30pm / 5.9	7:47pm / 2.8

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FLORENCE SCORES BEACH SOCCER TOURNEY THIS WEEKEND

By NED HICKSON  
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For the past several years, soccer has been a growing sport in Florence as the Siuslaw Youth Soccer Association program has continued to expand with seasons in the fall and spring. Until this weekend, the excitement was limited to Saturdays at Miller Park. But today and tomorrow, soccer fans have a chance to experience the sport in a new venue: On the beach.

The Copa Cabana Soccer Tournament will take place on Heceta Beach in front of Driftwood Shores Resort during a two-day event that is playing host to more than 20 teams from throughout Oregon, from ages 12 through adult. “We’re pretty excited to have them here,” said Tami Clark, Director of Sales and Marketing at Driftwood Shores. “It’s going to be two days of fun for people of all ages.” In addition to 5-on-5 soccer games taking place all day today and tomor-

row, there will also be a beer garden, food vendors and music, with free admission to matches. Games begin today at 10 a.m. for round-robin play, with teams advancing into tomorrow’s play-offs beginning at 9 a.m., followed by the championship games in the afternoon. For more information about this weekend’s tournament, contact Clark at Driftwood Shores by calling 541-902-6441.

NEW VIK FOOTBALL  
COACH TO ALSO TACKLE  
GIRLS BASKETBALL

By NED HICKSON  
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After officially accepting the helm as Siuslaw High School’s new football coach, Chad Smith has agreed to pull double duty by also tackling the position as new head coach for the Lady Vikings’ basketball program. “We are excited to have coach Smith on board for a second sport,” said Siuslaw’s athletic director Chris Johnson in a statement emailed Thursday. In addition to his coaching experience with Seaside High School’s football and basketball programs, most recently Smith coached boys basketball as a varsity assistant this past year in Seattle within the large-school division. “He coached two years JV2 at Seaside when the varsity boys team was in the OSAA final twice and won once,” Johnson added. Smith will have a solid base of girls’ team perspective and experience to draw from thanks to Sara Truax, who will return as an assistant coach. Meanwhile, Smith and his assistant football coaches have already rolled into football season with weight training all this week. His first official practice as girls basketball coach will be Monday, Nov. 12.

Bear necessities



PHOTOS BY MARK BRENNAN/SIUSLAW NEWS

Last weekend, chainsaw carvers from around the world competed and displayed their creations in Reedsport.

CARVING EVENT CREATES BUZZ

By MARK BRENNAN  
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Reedsport Carving competition  
drew chainsaw sculptors and artists  
from as far away as Japan for this  
year’s event.

The 19th annual Oregon Divisional Carving Championships (ODCC) took place in downtown Reedsport over the Father’s Day weekend. The profile of the Chainsaw Carving Championships, which is sponsored by the Reedsport and Winchester Bay Chamber of Commerce, has grown significantly in the nearly two decades since the event’s inception in 2001. Competitors from around the country, and around the world, have traveled to Oregon to participate in the event, with three competitors from Japan placing in the top 10 this year.

The ability to transform a large piece of wood, taken from a very tall tree, into something recognizable and interesting is a natural extension of what woodworkers and loggers have done in the Northwest for decades. Emmerson Hoagland is the coordinator for Reedsport’s Main Street initiative and he thinks the ODCC is not only a fun time for families on Father’s Day but also a link to the area’s past. “The Chainsaw Carving Championship is a wonderful way to commemorate our logging history as well artistically pay homage to the forests that provide such a distinctive natural environment in which to live,” said Hoagland. “We are very proud that Reedsport is the location of such a prestigious competition and that many of these carvings will remain in our community for future generations to enjoy.” There were many styles of carving on display at the ODCC this year with strong examples of traditional carving subjects like bears and eagles. The detail apparent in the pieces ranged from roughed-out to finely detailed, mostly dependent on the category the carver entered. There are two types of carving’s that were judged over the four days of this year’s ODCC event. The first is known as a “quick carve,” which took place each day and involved a time

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Events at the Oregon Divisional Carving Championships included the 90-minute "quick carve" (top) and two-day-long Master Carver competitions. (above)

SPORTS

Calendar

JUNE 23

• **Kiwanis Golf Scramble**  
9 a.m.  
Ocean Dunes Golf Links

• **Beach soccer tourney**  
Begins at 10 a.m.  
Driftwood Shores  
Free admission

• **Siuslaw basketball tourney**  
10 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
SHS main gym  
\$5 for adults  
Free age 17 and under

JUNE 24

• **Beach soccer tourney**  
Begins at 9 a.m.  
Driftwood Shores  
Free admission

• **Siuslaw basketball tourney**  
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
SHS main gym  
\$5 for adults  
Free age 17 and under