

Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

SPORTS Calendar

Aug. 4

• Rotary "Cool at the Coast" golf tourney

Aug. 6-10

SHS XC
Dunes Camp
East Woahink
Day Use Area
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Aug. 7-9

• Viking Youth Football Camp
Grades 3-8, 5:30 to 7 p.m.
Grades 1-2, 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.
H. Petersen Field

On the Bite

A WEEKLY
FISHING REPORT FOR THE
LOCAL REGION
www.dfw.state.or.us/RR

Tips for fishing during hot weather

Fishing can get a little tough during these hot summer days — water temperatures increase, aquatic weed growth accelerates and fish get lethargic. Here are some ideas to help you beat the dog days of fishing:

- Fish early in the morning when waters are cooler and fish are more active.
- Look for fish in deeper water, where it's cooler.
- Focus on warmwater species like bass, crappie, bluegill and walleye.
- Travel to higher elevation lakes and streams where the water, and you, will be cooler.

• Consider a trip to the coast where ocean and bay fishing can be good throughout the summer.
MID COAST LAKES: Mid coast lakes stocking schedule for this year is posted online. Stocking of mid coast lakes began in February. **Siltcoos Lagoon** will not be stocked this year due to continued low dissolved oxygen. Trout scheduled to be released in Siltcoos Lagoon will be

See **FISHING 3B**



Air Craft

A group of Florence area radio-controlled aircraft enthusiasts has its own way of 'flying the friendly skies'

STORY AND PHOTOS
By JARED ANDERSON
Siuslaw News

“Okay, let’s fire it up,” Lou Morales said as we walked toward the radio-controlled aircraft.

We were standing at the north end of the Florence Municipal Airport with the Florence Area Radio Control Aircraft Association (FARCAA). About a dozen members had a variety of tiny planes spread out across the grassy field, representing aircraft from all eras from aviation.

I was going to be piloting a trainer plane — cheap, made of foam and easily repairable if things went south on my first flying attempt.

“Maybe you’re a ringer and have been doing this for years,” Morales optimistically told me.

I wasn’t.

In fact, I knew nothing about the hobby of RC aircraft.

“My plane is going down,” I told him.

Morales, the president of the association, had my back.

“Everybody says, ‘I’m going to crash it,’ but I’ll be able to take over whenever there’s a problem,” he said.

There were two remote controls, one I would be using to steer the plane, and another that Morales would use to bail me out when things got dicey.

“These two radios are linked together,” he said. “There’s a master and a slave. You’ll be the slave.”

He stopped for a moment, laughed.

“Well, let’s say there’s an instructor and a

See **AIRCRAFT 2B**



Members of the Florence Area Radio Control Aircraft Association (FARCAA) meet twice a week throughout the year to fly their aircraft at the airport and, occasionally, Woahink Lake. Planes vary in size, design and in some cases “pilots” (left) while the real pilots control the planes from the ground.

FALL SALMON SEASON RECEIVES MIXED FORECAST

Fall salmon seasons on the Columbia River opened Aug. 1 with modest forecasts and a few new regulations.

The popular Buoy 10 fishery will lead off Columbia River fall fisheries with effort and catch in other sections of the mainstem building over time. A

total of 375,500 adult Chinook are expected to enter the Columbia this fall, which is about 80 percent of last year’s actual return and 50 percent of the recent 10-year average.

Due to a lower forecasted return of upriver bright fall Chinook, fisheries

have been planned to remain within a harvest rate limit of 8.25 percent on these fish.

This rate is lower than in recent years and has resulted in season and bag limit

See **SALMON 2B**

TIME OUT

By Lloyd Little
Retired teacher, coach
and game official

Horseshoes or Hand Grenades

One day, my Dad told my brother and I, “Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades.” I am certain he was giving a life lesson about work and sports. As a commercial fisherman, he came close to being on the right spot for catching Chinook salmon.

See **LITTLE 3B**

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
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Aug. 4	5:49am / 7.0	12:02am / 1.5
	6:14pm / 6.6	11:40am / 1.6

Aug. 5	7:09am / 4.7	1:09am / 1.2
	7:07pm / 6.8	12:36pm / 2.2

Aug. 6	8:33am / 4.7	2:18am / 0.6
	8:05pm / 7.1	1:44pm / 2.6

Aug. 7	9:49am / 5.1	3:22am / -0.1
	9:06pm / 7.5	2:56pm / 2.7

Aug. 8	10:51am / 5.5	4:20am / -0.8
	10:04pm / 7.9	4:03pm / 2.5

Aug. 9	11:44am / 6.0	5:14am / -1.3
	11:01pm / 8.2	5:03pm / 2.2

Aug. 10	12:32am / 6.4	6:03am / -1.8
	11:55pm / 8.4	5:59pm / 1.8

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