

# Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

## SPORTS Calendar

Aug. 30

- MHS football hosts Perrydale 7 p.m.
- MHS volleyball vs McKenzie (At Siletz HS) 5:30 p.m.
- vs Siletz 7 p.m.

Aug. 31

- SHS football hosts Elmira 7 p.m.

### TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
<b>Aug. 29</b> 2:11am / 6.6 2:51pm / 6.6	8:35am / 0.3 8:59pm / 1.2
<b>Aug. 30</b> 2:52am / 6.3 3:23pm / 6.7	9:07am / 0.7 9:42pm / 1.1
<b>Aug. 31</b> 3:38am / 6.0 3:57pm / 6.8	9:41am / 1.2 10:31pm / 1.0
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<b>Sept. 1</b> 4:32am / 5.6 4:38pm / 6.8	10:20am / 1.8 11:28pm / 0.9
<b>Sept. 2</b> 5:38am / 5.2 5:28pm / 6.8	11:08am / 2.3

## RESIDENTS CAN HELP MAP INVASIVE SPECIES IN SIUSLAW NATIONAL FOREST

CORVALLIS—The Siuslaw National Forest is expanding citizen science volunteer opportunities with a new pilot program called Wild Spotter. The Wild Spotter program provides tools the public, local communities, states, tribes and many other groups can use to help locate, quantify, map and report invasive species infestations in a simple and effective manner, while raising public awareness about invasive species and promoting collaborations across the landscape.

Through a collaboration with over 20 partners, University of Georgia-Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health and Wildlife Forever are working with 12 pilot National

Forests and Grasslands across the United States, including the Siuslaw National Forest, to gather important data on invasive species and how they are impacting wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers and other natural areas.

By downloading the free Wild Spotter Mobile App on your iPhone, iPad or Android device, citizens can identify, map and report invasive species found in their favorite wild places. Once a Wild Spotter volunteer identifies and reports a species, the data is verified by experts and then made publicly available through a networked invasive species inventory database hosted by the University of Georgia.

The database will be the first nationwide inventory of invasive species in America's natural areas.

"We are happy to be part of the Wild Spotter program and to offer the public a way to enjoy their national forest while helping us gather information on the locations of invasive species," said Forest Supervisor Angela Elam. "Invasive plants, pathogens, and animals can threaten recreational activities, productivity and ecosystem health. This tool will help the forest to implement better strategies for prevention, control, and eradication."

To become a Wild Spotter or learn more about the program, visit the website [www.wildspotter.org](http://www.wildspotter.org)

## Making the most of 'Hood to Coast'



COURTESY PHOTO

Over the course of nearly 24 hours, the 12-person team White Flags, comprised of Florence area residents, made their way from Timberline Lodge on Mount Hood all the way to Seaside, Ore., along a 199-mile relay known as the Hood to Coast last weekend. The team was among a total of 1,050 teams within several divisions — and more than 12,600 individual runners. The team's finishing time of 23:55:17.5 earned it 1st place in the Mixed Masters division, and was the 44th best time overall. Team members included: Rachele Krause-Campbell, Brent Hutton, Robbie Garcia, Jen Brennan, Snake Ulrich, Tasha Nuno, Amy Flora, Lee Wilson, Cambria Gilsdorf, Robyn McGillis, Chris Johnson and Mark Bloudek.

## LOW RETURNS PROMPTS STATE CLOSES COLUMBIA TO STEELHEAD FISHING

Steelhead retention in the Columbia River and lower John Day River were closes effective Monday, Aug. 27, through the end of the year due to poor returns.

The states of Oregon and Washington decided to close the retention fishery after the run size was downgraded from a preseason forecast of 182,000 to 110,000 adult summer steelhead on Monday. The revised estimate is lower than last year's actual returns of 113,000 steelhead, which was far below recent averages and

prompted fishery managers to enact a series of rolling season closures to protect the steelhead as they moved upstream.

"Steelhead returns are well below expectations and this latest update just doesn't support allowing the fishery to continue as is," said Tucker Jones, manager of ODFW's Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program.

"I encourage people to explore other angling opportunities during this conservation closure period, and if a person does happen to intercept a

steelhead it is critical that they do their utmost to ensure its survival by using best fishing practices."

The effective area is from the Columbia River mouth at Buoy 10 upstream to the Highway 395 Bridge near Pasco, Wash. The closure also includes the John Day River from Tumwater Falls downstream to its confluence with the Columbia.

As a reminder the previously adopted angling sanctuary at the mouth of the Deschutes River is still in place.

The steelhead closure is scheduled

to continue through the end of 2018, although the states will continue to monitor returns and could lift some restrictions if the numbers improve, according to Jones.

Chinook and coho salmon fishing continues on the Columbia according to previously adopted seasons and regulations.

For more information and regulation updates, see ODFW's Columbia River Zone online.

## On the Bite

A WEEKLY  
FISHING REPORT FOR THE  
LOCAL REGION  
[www.dfw.state.or.us/RR](http://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 diverted to Cleawox Lake. In addition, fishing for warmwater species such as bass and other panfish should improve through June as water temperatures warm and these fish get more active. Ollala Reservoir, Mercer Lake, Siltcoos Lake and Tahkenitch Lake have warm water species available.

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See FISHING 3B

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