

Siuslaw News

Sports & Recreation

Sports Calendar

Jan. 4

- SHS girls BB at Mazama Sky-Em Crossover Inv.
- SHS boys BB at Mazama Sky-Em Crossover Inv.
- MHS boys BB at McKenzie 5:30 p.m.
- MHS girls BB at McKenzie 7 p.m.

Jan. 5

- SHS wrestling at Bend Inv. 8 a.m.
- SHS girls BB at Mazama Sky-Em Crossover Inv.
- SHS boys BB at Mazama Sky-Em Crossover Inv.

Jan. 8

- MHS BB hosts Alsea Boys: 5:30 p.m. Girls: 7 p.m.

Tide Tables	
Entrance Siuslaw River	
High Tide	Low Tide
Dec. 29 5:37am / 7.5 5:39pm / 6.0	12:00am / 2.2 11:52pm / 1.3
Dec. 30 6:31am / 7.7 7:03pm / 5.6	1:14am / 1.7
Dec. 31 7:24am / 7.8 8:24pm / 5.6	12:53am / 2.0 2:21pm / 1.1
Jan. 1 8:14am / 8.0 9:35pm / 5.8	1:52am / 2.5 3:18pm / 0.5
Jan. 2 9:43am / 8.2 11:23pm / 6.2	3:42am / 3.2 4:51pm / -0.3

Jan. 3 10:23am / 8.2	4:30am / 3.3 5:30pm/ -0.5
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Jan. 4 12:05am / 6.4 11:02pm / 8.2	5:14am / 3.4 6:07pm / -0.6
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YACHATS TO HOST ANNUAL NEW YEAR’S DAY PEACE HIKE

Central Oregon Coast residents are invited to start the New Year off on the right foot by participating in the 9th Annual Yachats New Year’s Day Peace Hike this Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019.

Participants will proceed from the Yachats Commons (441 N. Hwy 101), along the 804 and Amanda Trails to the Amanda Grotto south of town, where a Peace Ceremony will take place. The distance from the Commons to the grotto is approximately three miles.

Hikers will traverse both paved roads and narrow dirt trail surfaces with some steps and moderate inclines. Sturdy shoes, layered clothing and

walking sticks are recommended.

In addition, for both hikers and non-hikers who would like to acknowledge and honor Amanda’s journey, there will be a candlelight vigil for peace at Yachats’ Little Log Church, 328 W. Third St.

The timeline of events will be as follows:

- 9:15–10:15 a.m.

Check in will take place at the Yachats Commons where hikers will receive their route maps and commemorative buttons. All hikers will also be required to sign a liability waiver at check-in.

- 9:30–10 a.m.

Members of the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) will tell the story of Amanda (for whom the Amanda Trail is named) at Yachats’ Little Log Church. Hikers are encouraged to check in at the Commons beforehand so that they may continue to the Amanda Grotto immediately following the story telling.

- 10:15 a.m.

All hikers should be checked in by 10:15 and on their way to the Amanda Grotto to arrive in time for the peace ceremony.

- 11:15 a.m. to noon

Peace ceremony takes place at the

Amanda Grotto.

- Noon

Ceremony ends and hikers may depart. No additional post-hike activities are planned and no parking is allowed in the immediate area so hikers should plan to arrive and depart on foot.

- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A Drop-in Candlelight Vigil will be open for anyone – hiker or non-hiker – who would like to honor Amanda’s legacy, her people and their own hope for peace in the new year. Yachats’ Little Log Church will hold a drop-in

See **PEACE 2B**



NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Senior Dylan Wynn led Siuslaw with 24 points, including four 3-pointers, against Reedsport Thursday night.

VIKS NAB THIRD-STRAIGHT WIN

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Siuslaw: 02 22 20 14 — 58
Reedsport: 11 09 08 17 — 45

Following their 54-33 win over the Tigers at the Bandon Dunes Holiday Invitational, the Viking boys basketball team kept its winning momentum going on Glenn Butler Court Thursday night against Reedsport.

While freshman Brandon Thornton and sophomore Jacob Foskett powered Siuslaw’s offense against the Tigers a week earlier at Bandon with 26 points

and 24 points, respectively, it was senior Dylan Wynn who set the offensive tempo Thursday against the Braves.

However, Siuslaw got off to a slow start against an upperclassmen-dominated Reedsport roster, falling behind 11-2 by the end of the opening period — with a pair of freethrows from Foskett providing the only scoring for the Vikings.

But that all changed less than 10 seconds into the second quarter as Siuslaw went on a 7-0 run with scoring from Foskett and 5 points from Wynn — including the first of four 3-pointers in the game.

The run prompted a Reedsport timeout, but Siuslaw kept the pace going as Foskett drained two more freethrows and Thornton scored on a steal and fastbreak lay-up to take Siuslaw’s first lead of the game.

Siuslaw never really looked back.

With scoring from junior Caleb Hennessee and freshman Brody Terry, the Viks held a narrow lead, 21-20, then extended it to 24-20 on a buzzer-beating 3-pointer from Wynn to end the half.

The third period was all Siuslaw as

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Siuslaw routs Reedsport, 50-14

By NED HICKSON
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Siuslaw: 14 15 16 05 — 50
Reedsport: 02 04 04 04 — 14

The Lady Vikings basketball team improved to 4-8 after picking up another win following its 30-8 win against Bandon during the Bandon Dunes Holiday Invitational a week earlier.

Thursday night at Glenn Butler Court, Siuslaw made it back-to-back wins with a lopsided 36-point victory over the visiting Braves.

The Vikings took the lead quickly, building a 20-6 advantage midway through the second period with scoring from sophomores Lindsey Long, Savannah Morris and Gracie Freudenthal, and senior Alyssa Richards.

Siuslaw scored 7 points in the last 40 seconds of the half, includ-

ing a 3-pointer from Morris, for a 29-6 lead entering the break.

“We’ve been working on our man-to-man defense every game and it’s continuing to improve,” said Siuslaw coach Chad Smith.

“Offensively, we’re still struggling a bit against the zone defense but we’re starting to understand the importance of moving the ball and knowing where to be. When we move the ball, we are successful.”

The Viks were also successful beyond the arc against Reedsport’s zone, thanks to shooting from sophomore Brea Blankenship, who opened the third period with back-to-back 3-pointers in the first minute of the half. Long also sank one from outside the arc, with Freudenthal and senior Madison Reynolds scoring inside the paint to move ahead 45-10.

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Siuslaw sophomore Brea Blankenship (right) pressures the Reedsport offense Thursday.

TIME OUT

By Lloyd Little
Retired teacher, coach and game official

With more than 55 years as an athlete, coach, parent and spectator, Lloyd Little has gained some insights and perspectives regarding athletics. In this weekly column, he shares what he’s learned about sports from his multiple points of view.

Home School Athletes

Imagine you are a student at Siuslaw or Mapleton High School. You have decided to attend the next home basketball game. As you watch your school’s team warm-up you notice player you do not know.

You locate a program to go over the name of the unknown player. Since the name is unfamiliar, so you ask your friend if they know

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On the Bite

A WEEKLY
FISHING REPORT FOR THE
LOCAL REGION
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MID COAST LAKES:
Stocking of mid coast lakes stopped in early June, but fishing for warmwater species can still be good in several area lakes, including Ollala Reservoir, Mercer Lake, Siltcoos Lake and Tahkenitch Lake.

SIUSLAW RIVER: *Fall Chinook, winter steelhead*
Winter steelhead fishing opened on Dec. 1 and fish will start entering the Siuslaw system throughout the month of December.

No good reports yet but things should be changing this week with warmer weather and rain in the forecast. Hatchery fish in the Siuslaw system return to Whitaker Creek (Siuslaw) and Green Creek (Lake Creek).

Fishing should start to

See **FISHING 2B**