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Mapleton from 1B

outscore Mapleton 9-4 in the third quarter, with 3 of those points once again coming from a last-second long ball to end the period.

The Sailors finished the final quarter with their highest-scoring period of the game. Spradling, Michael, sophomore Emily Stevens, as well as junior Trinity Holmes and freshmen Jahala Blake and Opal Burruss each scored in the quarter, including four steals from Holmes in the final five minutes.

Despite Mapleton's effort and hustle, Siletz was able to hold out for a 10-point, 30-20 win.

Michael led scoring with 7 points, followed by Spradling (5), Holmes (4), Stevens (2), and one point each from Burruss and Blake.

Mapleton will host second-place Mohawk (5-1, 11-4) at 7 p.m., following the boys' game (5:30 p.m.).

Thursday, Mapleton will be on the road at third-place Crow (4-2, 7-9).

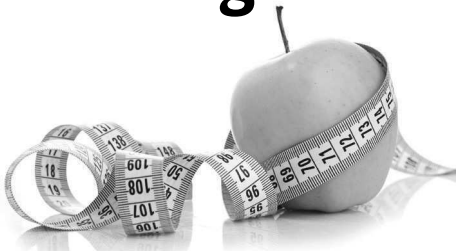
From left: Mapleton junior Darleena Bender, **freshman** Brier Shird **and senior** Erin Michael **battle for a loose ball during Thursday night's Mountain West League match-up with Siletz Valley.**

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Fishing from 1B

ALSEA RIVER: Fall Chinook, winter steelhead
Winter steelhead fishing is starting to improve on the Alsea River. People are catching fish throughout the system and the recent rains should have fish on the move headed for the hatchery on the North Fork Alsea.

Steelhead fishing will continue to improve as the later wild broodstock fish start to show up in better numbers in January and February.

The Alsea still gets a good amount of the early returning stock that peaks in December and January, as well as a later stock that peaks in February and March. Expect more fish to show up with each rise in the river level from now through April. Bobber fishing with jigs/bait, drift fishing, and casting lures are all effective ways to catch these hard fighting fish.

Trout fishing in streams will reopen May 22, 2019.
SALMON RIVER: Fall Chinook, winter steelhead
Winter steelhead fishing should improve in January as the later returning wild fish start to show up later into January and into February.

The Salmon River has no hatchery releases and is entirely a wild run. These fish will start to enter the system in December but the peak is January through March. Bobber fishing with jigs/bait and casting lures are great techniques to catch a Salmon River winter steelhead.

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SILETZ RIVER: Winter

steelhead
Winter steelhead are starting to show up in the Siletz River. It is still a little early for the Siletz but the winter steel-head fishing will continue to improve as we get later into December. January is typically when things heat up and continue through March/April.

The low clear water and cold conditions will be changing this week with warmer weather and rain in the forecast. Side drifting, bobber dogging, bobber fishing with jigs, and casting lures are all great techniques to catch winter steelhead.

When fishing for winter steelhead remember to practice good ethics and leave spawning Chinook and coho salmon alone so they can provide fish for the future.

Fall Chinook fishing continues to be slow on the Siletz River. Due to lower than expected returns and conservation concerns, the Siletz River is now closed to Chinook fishing above the marker located approximately 1200 ft. upstream of the Ojalla boat ramp. Below the deadline the bag limit for fall Chinook is reduced to one adult Chinook per day and a limit of 3 through the remainder of the season.

All wild coho must be released during the 2018 fall salmon season.

Steelhead fishing is open in the gorge area year-round but salmon fishing/retention is closed upstream of the marker approximately 1200 ft. above the Ojalla boat ramp for the remainder of the 2018 fall salmon season.

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