

Calendar

Jan. 26

• SHS wrestling at C. Grove Inv. Day two 10 a.m.

Jan. 29

• MHS basketball hosts McKenzie H.S. Boys: 5:45 p.m. Girls: 7:15 p.m.

Jan. 31

• SHS wrestling Senior Duals at Siuslaw H.S. 5 p.m.
• MHS basketball at Alsea H.S. Boys: 5:30 p.m. Girls: 7 p.m.

Feb. 1

• SHS basketball at Cottage Grove Girls: 5:45 p.m. Boys: 7:15 p.m.

Feb. 2

• SHS wrestling at Philomath H.S. 10 a.m.

Tide Tables

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide **Low Tide**

Jan. 26
4:06am / 7.7 10:22am / 1.7
4:08pm / 6.4 10:22pm / 1.1

Jan. 27
4:55am / 7.7 11:31am / 1.5
5:21pm / 5.8 11:15pm / 1.9

Jan. 28
5:47am / 7.7 12:43pm / 1.3
6:45pm / 5.4

Jan. 29
6:42am / 7.6 12:15am / 2.7
8:12pm / 5.3 1:53pm / 1.1

Jan. 30
7:38am / 7.6 1:21am / 3.2
9:28pm / 5.6 2:55pm / 0.7

Jan. 31
8:32am / 7.6 2:28am / 3.5
10:25pm / 5.9 3:48pm / 0.3

Feb. 1
9:22am / 7.7 3:27am / 3.6
11:10pm / 6.0 4:33pm / -0.1

VIK WRESTLERS NAB THREE WINS IN LOSS TO WARRIORS

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Siuslaw's wrestling was on the mats Tuesday night for a dual match with the Warriors at Philomath High School.

Vikings mat men Elijah LaCrosse (138 pounds) and brothers Ryan Jennings (152 lbs.) and Riley Jennings (170 lbs.) each came away with wins on the night. LaCrosse, a sophomore, pinned opponent Hunter McCaskill 1 minute and 49 seconds into the second round. At 152 pounds, sophomore Ryan Jennings won by a 15-8 decision over Jayden

Jensen.

The final win of the evening for Siuslaw came at 170 lbs., from senior Riley Jennings, who won by a narrow 6-4 decision against Isaiah Blackburn.

Philomath went on to win brackets at 126 lbs., 132 lbs. 145 lbs., 160 lbs., 182 lbs. and 220 lbs. and by forfeit at 285 lbs., winning the team title 66-12.

Last night, Siuslaw began the two-day Cottage Grove Invitational, which continues through tomorrow.

The Viks will be back on their home mats this Thursday when they host the Senior Duals, beginning at 5 p.m.



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Mapleton junior Nate Neece battles against an aggressive Mohawk defense last Tuesday night.

SAILORS BUCKED BY MUSTANGS

By CHRISTIAN LUNA HERNANDEZ
For the Siuslaw News

Mapleton: 28
Mohawk: 56

Last Tuesday night after coming off a short break, the Mapleton boys' basketball team took to the hardwood to host a conference game against Mohawk.

The Mustangs came into the game with a 4-1 Mountain West

League record, positioning them as the league's second-place team, with an overall record of 9-8.

The Mustangs had the edge with an 11-man roster, compared to The Sailors' six available players that night. Mohawk got off to a quick start, scoring 15 points in the first quarter while the Sailors were held to just 4 points.

Mapleton's struggles continued in the second quarter, ultimately leading to a lopsided half-time score of 8-28 in favor of the

Mustangs.

Despite the strong contrast on the scoreboard, the Sailors fought hard in the second half, scoring 12 of their 20 points in the third quarter, with sophomore Jeremy Bender leading the way with a pair of 3-pointers, but Mohawk sophomore Frankie Sanders and junior Joshua Rowe responded by combining for 13 points.

Even with a strong second-half

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MAPLETON GIRLS UNABLE TO MOVE MOHAWK

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Mapleton: 8
Mohawk: 51

Going up against the league's No. 1 girls basketball team from Mohawk (8-1, 15-4), and against a roster triple its size, Mapleton's Lady Sailors knew they would have an arduous Mountain West hill to climb last Tuesday.

And they were right. Freshman Jahala Blake was the only scorer in the first quarter as Mapleton fell behind 25-2, man-



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aging just 7 more points in the

game — with 3 on a 3-pointer from senior Erin Michael.

Last night, the Sailors were on the road at Crow (after press deadlines) to face the Cougars. Mapleton will return to the court this Tuesday to host fifth-place McKenzie.

Girls will tip off at 7 p.m., following the boys game, which begins at 5:30 p.m.

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LADY VIKINGS LOSE HEARTBREAKER

By NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

Siuslaw girls: 34
Elmira girls: 36

Siuslaw boys: 44
Elmira boys: 70

In a low-scoring battle between the Lady Vikings and Falcons last Tuesday night in Elmira, both

teams were looking to pick up their first league win.

Siuslaw took an early lead and moved ahead 8-2, but the Falcons went on a 12-0 run about halfway into the first quarter, then continued that momentum unanswered through the first half of the second period for a 14-8 lead.

Though Viking sophomores Lindsey Long and Gracie

Freudenthal each scored in double digits with 10 points each, Siuslaw was never quite able to close the gap, trailing by 7 at the half (22-15), then coming within 5 points at the end of the third quarter, 27-22.

Siuslaw posted 12 points in the fourth period to come within 2

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Vik bowlers host state qualifiers today, tomorrow

Starting today and continuing through tomorrow at Holiday Bowl, Siuslaw's bowling teams will be competing in the District 4 state qualifiers, where 10 teams in the boys' and girls' divisions will be vying for a trip to the state bowling tournament.

Competition begins today at 9 a.m. as teams bowl a series of baker-style games to determine seeding into tomorrow's semi-finals rounds in route to the Sunday championships.

The top three teams from both the girls' and boys' divisions will advance to state competition Feb. 23-24 at AMF Firebird Lanes in Salem.

The Viking boys will be bowling for a chance to return to the state lanes for the first time since 2017. The girls, meanwhile, will look to improve on last year's second-place finish.

Tomorrow's competition also begins at 9 a.m., and admission for spectators is free and open to the public.

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. Each week, he shares what he's learned about sports from his multiple points of view.

Paralympics

Special Olympics is open to any person eight years old or older with an Intellectual Disability (ID). Paralympic athletes have categories of physical disabilities.

The categories are: Amputee, Cerebral Palsy, Wheelchair, Intellectual Disability or Visually Impaired. In addition, any athlete not strictly fitting into these five but who possesses a physical disability such as multiple sclerosis or a congenital deformity is also eligible. Unlike their Special

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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: Winter steelhead Winter steelhead has been fair on the Siuslaw system to date. A few fish are being caught every day when the conditions are good. The Siuslaw River is dropping into good shape this week and conditions should be good until the next big rain event hits on

See FISHING 3B