

**Sailors** from 1B

extremely tough for a small school to get beyond district.”

The Sailors’ track team set 12 personal records on the day, capping a run of 50 PRs over the last three meets.

“When competing in track, it’s like an incline from the first meet to districts,” said Sundstrom. “The hope is to continue improving all season and peaking at just the right time.”

“Given our last three meets and the number of PRs, I’d see this team paced itself very well.”

That would be especially true for Neece, who landed PRs in both the 100 meters (11.64) and long jump (20-01), winning both events for district titles.

Neece also won the triple jump with a mark of 40-10 and qualified for state in the javelin with a second-place throw of 150-07.5.

Sophomore Phillip Burnett placed sixth in the 110-meter hurdles with a

PR time of 19.94 for the team’s second-best placement.

In the shot put, junior Nathan Roane threw a PR mark at 32-06.25 to lace 21st. Freshman Joseph Shepard landed 12th with a PR leap of 32-07 in the triple jump.

For the girls, junior Trinity Holmes placed third in the 400 meters after setting a PR time of 1:11.30. Holmes was also fifth in the 800 meters (2:54.24).

Freshman Opal Burruss had a pair of fourth-place

finishes, first in the 1,500 meters (6:19.45) and then in the 3,000 meters (13.23.85).

In the 100-meter hurdles, sophomore Emily Stevens finished sixth in 19.45.

Neece will be the only Mapleton representative at this weekend’s meet in Monmouth.

The final schedule of events will be determined today and available online at [www.athletic.net/TrackAndField/meet/350523/info](http://www.athletic.net/TrackAndField/meet/350523/info).

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**Softball** from 1B

careers that afternoon.

Among those recognized before the opening game were seniors Lupita Figueroa and Belen Rivas; Angela Bartlett and her sister Abigail Bartlett; Lexie Smith and her parents Tara and Dan Smith; Audrey Lowder and her parents Rhonda and Nathan Lowder; Hayley Meier and her parents John and Nicole Meier, along with younger siblings Emma and Lincoln; and Alyssa Richards with her

parents Kevin and Susie Richards.

Siuslaw also acknowledged the seniors playing for Marshfield, handing out yellow roses to each senior member of the Lady Pirates.

Coaches Sean O’Mara also thanked the dedicated members of his team’s volunteer coaches Jodi O’Mara, Jamie Hunt, Ashlee Cole, Kim Gibson and Shari Fisher.

“These coaches have had long-term, positive impact on our athletes’ lives, well beyond the game of softball,” O’Mara said.

The Viks then took the

field and, as O’Mara later pointed out, “The athletes really showed up. They were loose but focused, not letting the distractions of Senior Night on their home field dictate their approach on offense and defense.”

From the pitcher’s circle, junior Nina Aaron threw two complete games and was 4-for-4 in the opener en route to a 7-6, 4-3 sweep of the Pirates.

Meier went 3-for-4, Figueroa was 2-for-4 with an RBI and Smith had 2 RBIs.

The Lady Viks rallied in the bottom of the seventh

for two runs to secure the win, then won the nightcap with batting from freshman Bailey Overton, who stole two bases and scored run in the 4-3 victory.

The sweep of the Pirates moved Siuslaw into fourth place to finish the season, dropping Marshfield into fifth.

“We peaked late in the season with four wins in our last five games,” said O’Mara. “The athletes should be proud of their continued effort throughout the season on offense, defense and in mental toughness.”

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**Baseball** from 1B

flowers and a certificate of appreciation.

Simington, a four-year starter for Siuslaw from Mapleton, went to work on the mound in the opener, striking out 10 Marshfield batters on 108 pitches in 4-2/3 innings.

With Siuslaw ahead

5-0, the Pirates were able to go on a 5-run series in the fifth inning, all unearned, to tie the game at 5-5.

Siuslaw came back to score in the bottom of the inning to take a 1-run lead as junior Caleb Hennessee took over the mound in relief.

The Pirates scuttled the Viks lead, scoring 2 runs

in the sixth and 7 runs in the seventh for a 12-6 win.

Hennessee was 2-for-4 at the plate with 2 RBIs and a pair of stolen bases. Junior Dalton Stinger had an RBI and 2 runs scored. Junior Jared Northrop scored twice for Siuslaw.

“Offensively, we did well early. But when they made a pitching change, we struggled to adjust,”

said Shinn. “Unfortunately, our errors came at very untimely times and led to our pitchers throwing more pitches to get out of innings.”

In game two, Marshfield scored 8 runs in the second inning, along with 5 more in the sixth, to secure a 14-0 shutout.


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**Fishing** from 1B

first few summer steelhead by the eginning of May. Anglers are catching a good mix of hatchery and wild fish.

**SILT COOS, TAHKENITCH LAKES:** *Warmwater species*

Warmwater fishing is starting to get going on Siltcoos and Tahkenitch lakes. The recent warm weather is warming up the water and getting the warmwater fish more active. These fish will start heading into the shallows for the spring spawn creating good fishing opportunities.

**SIUSLAW RIVER:** *Winter steelhead*

Winter steelhead fishing closed on the Siuslaw and Lake Creek on March 31 for the remainder of the season.

Trout fishing in streams will reopen May 22.

**WILSON RIVER:** *Steelhead, Chinook*

A few winter steelhead are still available, along with the occasional early summer steelhead. No reports of any spring Chinook yet.

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**YAQUINA RIVER:** *Winter steelhead*

Trout fishing in streams will reopen May 22.

**TENMILE LAKES:** *Trout, warmwater species, largemouth bass*

The Tenmile Lakes water levels are dropping and temperatures rising with sunny spring weather. This should improve the fishing conditions for bass and other warmwater fish in the coming weeks. Anglers use small jigs or a worm on a hook fished near the bottom to catch yellow perch this time of year.

The Tenmile Lakes

were stocked with legal rainbow in mid April.

Tenmile Lakes provide some nice holdover trout this time of year, and some can measure over 17-inches long. Troll slow with a wedding ring tipped with a worm to catch these larger trout.

**UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH:** *Winter steelhead*

The river should be in good shape for the weekend. Lots of hatchery fish have been report-ed this year. Anglers were doing well in the upper sections of the South around Canyonville this past week. Check out the South River Gauge.

Remember the river closes to all fishing from May 1-22.

**WINCHESTER BAY:** *Bottomfish, perch*

Fishing in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful.

**PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES:** *Bottomfish, salmon, halibut, surfperch*

Bottomfishing has been good when the ocean lays down and anglers have been able to make it out.

Fishing for lingcod and rockfish has been good when the ocean is calm

enough to fish. The daily bag limit for marine fish is 5 plus 2 lingcod. The retention of cabezon is closed until July.

Anglers may also choose to fish the offshore long-leader fishery outside of the 40-fathom regulatory line, which is open year-round. The longleader fishery has a daily bag limit of 10 fish made of yellow-tail, widow, canary, blue, deacon, redstripe, green-stripe, silvergray and bocaccio rockfish.

No other groundfish are allowed and offshore long-leader fishing trips cannot be combined with traditional bottomfish, flatfish or halibut trips.

• **BOTTOM FISHING:** The bottomfish fishery is open at all depths with a General Marine Species bag limit of 5 fish, and a separate lingcod limit of 2 fish. No cabezon may be retained until July 1. Yelloweye retention is still closed this year.

Anglers participating in the offshore longleader fishery this year, have reported limits, consisting mostly of yellowtail rockfish. The longleader gear fishery outside of the

40-fathom regulatory line is open all year.

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