Sports & Recreation

Calendar

July 17

- Florence Softball
5:30 p.m.
Beachcomber vs Welton (North)
Lofy vs ACC (South)
7 p.m.
ACC vs Beachcomber (North)
Lofy vs Welton (South)

Tide Tables

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
July 17 12:27am / 7.4 2:05pm/ 6.0	7:29am/ -1.2 7:22pm/ 1.8
July 18 1:05am / 7.2 2:40pm / 6.0	8:05am / -1.1 8:02pm / 2.5
July 19 1:43am / 7.0 3:14pm/ 6.0	8:40am/ -0.9 8:43pm/ 2.5
July 20 2:21am / 6.6 3:48pm / 6.0	9:14am / -0.5 9:25pm / 2.4
June 21 3:01am / 6.2 4:23pm / 6.0	9:48am / -0.2 10:11pm / 2.4
July 22 3:43am / 5.8 4:59pm / 6.0	10:22am / 0.4 11:02pm / 2.2
July 23 4:33am / 5.3 5:37pm / 6.0	10:58am / 0.9 11:59pm / 2.1

Annual Summer Whale Watch Weekend set for July 27-28

Volunteers will be onhand in Depot Bay each day.

The Oregon Chapter of the American Cetacean Society (ACS) is hosting its eighth annual Summer Whale Watch Weekend on July 27 and 28, at Boiler Bay State Park, Depoe Bay.

ACS volunteer members and Certified Naturalists will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. both days to help visitors watch for whales and other wildlife as well as provide information on whales, dolphins, porpoises and their habitats.

The family-friendly event is free, open to the public and fun for all ages.

No worries about seasickness, this is an eco-friendly shore-based whale watch. Come observe the whales in their natural habitat without causing a disturbance.

Some of the things visitors will learn will include defining what a cetacean is; the differences between a dolphin and

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COURTESY PHOTO

Gray whales will be passing along Oregon's coastline in late July during the annual Summer Whale Watch Weekend.

CHANTELLE MEYER/SIUSLAW NEWS

Florence Area Radio Control Aircraft Association President Lou Morales **(left) with fellow members test a plane before flight at the Florence Municipal Airport.**

Radio Flyers

By Chantelle Meyer
Siuslaw News

Florence Municipal Airport is home to more than just the full-size and classic airplanes that land there. Twice a week, members of the Florence Area Radio Control Aircraft Association (FARCAA) bring their radio-controlled aircraft to a special flying field at the north end of the airport.

"We normally fly on Sunday and Monday mornings before the winds pick up, which is usually around 11 a.m.," the group's official Facebook said.

During the summer, flyers may bring their planes on other days as well.

The club is actively involved in many aspects of the radio-controlled model aircraft hobby, including electric and glow power systems, slope soaring, float and scale flying and helicopters.

Members, who are required to hold a valid Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) number and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) number, also sometimes fly at Woahink Lake, and some of the RC planes are equipped for water landing.

FARCAA is a chartered club of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (Charter No. 4634) and a nonprofit organization. It also offers an active training program for people wishing to join the hobby.

For more information, or directions on how to get to a flying day, visit www.facebook.com/FARCAA.

ODFW Regional Fishing Report

www.dfw.state.or.us/RR

MID COAST LAKES: Stocking of the mid-coast lakes began the first week of February and will continue into June. Check the stocking schedule online for dates and locations of stockings. These early stockings include: Alder and Dune Lake, Cleawox, Lost Lake, Munsel Lake, Thissel Pond, Mercer Lake, Big Creek Reservoirs, Ollala Reservoir and Devils Lake.

Warmwater fisheries are improving in several lakes around the Florence area including: Siltcoos, Tahkenitch, Mercer, and Munsel.

ALSEA RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

Trout fishing in streams is open. Check regulations for open areas and gear restrictions.

SALMON RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

Trout fishing is open in rivers and streams. Check the regulations for open areas and gear restrictions.

SILETZ RIVER: *Summer steelhead, spring Chinook, cutthroat trout*

The Siletz River is open year-round for steelhead. Summer steelhead fishing continues to be slow so far this season but should continue to improve through August. The 4-mile bridge (aka Steel Bridge) in the Siletz gorge is open to motorized vehicles but is only open to public vehicles on the weekend. Anglers can walk/bike in the road during the weekdays. If anglers do walk in they can park at the one mile gate and start from there.

Trout fishing is open. Check the regulations for open areas and gear restrictions.

SIUSLAW RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

Open to trout fishing. Check the regulations for open areas and gear restrictions.

WILSON RIVER: *Steelhead, cutthroat trout*

Summer steelhead are available throughout the system. These fish can be challenging to catch but are great fighters and good table fair for those who are successful. The Wilson offers plenty of bank access, especially on the upper river. The river is low and clear, so fishing light tackle and early starts are keys to success in this fishery. Bobber fishing with jigs/bait/beads, casting lures, and drift fishing are great techniques to catch a summer steelhead.

Trout fishing should be fair to good throughout the river.

YAQUINA RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

Trout fishing in streams opened May 22.

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

Conditions should be prime for bass, crappie, bluegill, and brown bullhead catfish fishing at this time. Anglers also use small jigs or a worm on a hook fished near the bottom to catch yellow perch. To entice the bass, try frog imitation lures and popping lures around weed lines in the morning/evening, and fish around shaded areas during the day.

The Tenmile Lakes have been stocked with legal-size rainbow trout. Trout fishing

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Cape Perpetua continues summer family programs

Throughout the summer, at Cape Perpetua Scenic Area, field rangers and local experts are hosting a variety of free family events at Cape Perpetua.

Visitors can choose from any of the activities below to experience these special places in new ways:

- July 22-23 and July 29-30 — Marbled Murrelet Survey: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

Contribute to research aimed at saving this threatened seabird. Join scientists and land managers to learn about murrelet nesting and feeding habits, then help identify and count birds as they fly between the forest and ocean.

RSVP at www.goo.gl/forms/KgY1ESmcep91uQ8I3

- Friday, Aug. 9 — Smokey Bear's 75th Birthday Party: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Visitor Center

Join in celebrating Smokey's 75 years of preventing wildfires. Enjoy birthday cake, learn about fire ecology on the Siuslaw, and tell happy birthday to Smokey himself.

- Mondays through Sept. 2 — Walk with a Ranger: Noon; meet at the Visitor Center

Join, retired Chief Park Ranger, Michael Noack, for an easy to moderate hike where he will be sharing information about the local flora and fauna. Hikes will last 75-90 minutes.

- Wednesdays through Aug. 28 — Under the Sea: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; meet at the Visitor

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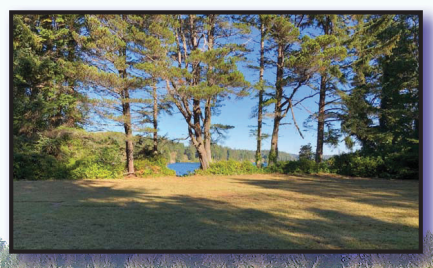

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