Horse Club begins soon for local youth

C&M Stables will again offer Horse Club to area boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 18 during the 2019-20 school year.

Horse Club sessions are held after school, with specific class days and times dependent upon the number of students that participate.

Through this program, children learn about the day-to-day chores that take place to have a horse and be able to ride. Their interaction with the horses also enables them to gain confidence as their skills and abilities increase over time.

There are occasional mini trail rides planned as students get to a safe riding level, as well as a trail ride that includes parents at the end of the session.

Sign-ups are being accepted now for the first session, which begins Sept. 15.

For more information or to sign up for Horse Club, stop by C&M Stables between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., seven days a week.

C&M Stables was established in 1981 by Jeff Chastain, a Florence native, and is located just eight miles north of Florence at 90241 Highway 101.

For more information, call the stables at 541-997-7540.

C&M Stables also offers beach, dune and trail rides, as well as an Adult Riding Club.

Camp

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in particular catches Fleming's eye — but not just because of the youngster's efforts.

Fleming wistfully shakes his head and smiles.

"I remember when his father came through this camp at about the same age," Fleming remarks with a chuckle. "One of my favorite parts of this [camp] is watching generations of Siuslaw players come through here. They come in as little guys and then, one day, they're on the varsity practice field with you."

And then, at some point, the cycle begins again as the children of past players find themselves working on proper stance at the line of scrimmage.

Back across the field, coaches begin calling for a group huddle to end the day. Following Viking tradition, players join hands and jog across the field. Today, hands of all sizes join together, with those of younger players completely swallowed up by the larger, beefier hands of varsity players. Minutes later, everyone has gathered into a semi-circle of kneeling players — large and small — like irregular pickets making up a common fence.

"All of you did a great job today," says Johnson.

His words draw a few beaming smiles from the younger players. After explaining what to expect for the final day of camp, Johnson lifts his hand, prompting everyone in the group to jockey for a spot to pile their hands into the mix.

"Viks on three" someone announces, and the countdown begins.

"One, two, three … VIKS!"

The chant has a special harmony as it echoes into the warm afternoon air, made up of voices carrying the tones of Vikings past, present and future.

Though the echo fades, it's clear that the tradition that carries it will continue on for generations to come.

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A varsity football player encourages a young camper through the barrels.

Little

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another ring for LeBron. The next $uper$tar looking for a ring wa$ Kevin Du-rant. He joined the Golden $tate Warrior$ and wa$ rewarded with two ring$.

The pre$$er i$ on the player$.

Gone are the day$ when loyalty to your team la$ted year$. There were no le$$ than nine 2019 all $tar player$ moving to a different team thi$ $ummer. The opportunity to earn a ring and make million$ of dollar$ ha$ become the only loyalty for many player$. Even Zion William$ ha$ said he will leave New Orlean$ a$ $oon a$ it looks like the Pelican$ do not have the talent to win a champion$hip.

Trying to stack teams is nothing new. Colleges recruit as many top players even if they already have positions filled with quality players. Keeping other good players on their rosters prevents them from having to play against them. But now the eligibility of college players has changed. Players are now allowed to transfer without having to sit out a full year.

Even the SEC power league will have five transfer upper class quarterbacks this season.

Wanting to play on a winning team goes way back to when I taught physical education at Siuslaw High School. There were always students trying to jockey their place in line so they could stack a team. Knowing this happens, my methods of team selection took this as a challenge. I used more than the standard count off by numbers to choose the teams in my class — or I just made the teams up before class.

Profe$$ional athletes have been $poiled. Televi$ion and fan$ are willing to pay money to produce and watch game$. The price to watch any profe$$ional $port ha$ made attending game$ a luxury many true fan$ cannot afford. If you want to go to a live game $tart $aving your money now.

Hopefully by the time you have enough $aved your favorite player will still be on your team.

Fishing

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park at the one mile gate and start from there.

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

SILTCOOS & TAHKENITCH LAKES: *Warmwater species*

Warmwater fishing has been good on Siltcoos and Tahkenitch lakes as well as many other lakes in the Florence area. Water temperatures are warm and fish can be found throughout the lake in a variety of habitats. Warmwater fishing will continue to be good through the summer and into the fall.

Siltcoos also gets stocked rainbow trout, check the stocking schedule for numbers and dates of stockings.

SIUSLAW RIVER: *Cutthroat trout*

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

COOS RIVER BASIN: *Trout, marine perch species, salmon*

Fishing for rockfish inside the bay has been good near the submerged rock piles. Fishing is typically best near slacktide. A jig with a twister tail can be a great bait for catching rockfish.

Temporary fall Chinook salmon regulations started Aug. 1. Salmon anglers in Coos Bay will only be able to harvest 1 wild Chinook per day and 5 wild Chinook for the season in aggregate from all waters from Coos Basin,

Coquille Basin, Sixes River and Elk River. The South Fork Coos River will be closed to salmon fishing upstream of Myrtle Tree Boat Ramp, and the Millicoma River will be closed to salmon fishing upstream of Rooke Higgins Boat Ramp.

Marine perch species are available around rocks, riprap, pilings, and docks at this time of year.

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

Bass fishing has been good on Tenmile Lakes. Anglers are catching most of the bass along the deeper weedlines and submerged trees, but are also catching a few on topwater lures in the mornings and evenings.

Yellow perch fishing is picking up with anglers catching yellow perch along the edges of weedlines. Most of the fish are under 10 inches long but there are a few 12-inch plus fish being caught.

Trout fishing has slowed down on Tenmile Lakes.

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You will also receive two official Community Wide Garage Sale signs as well as a tip sheet on how to have a great sale. Maps will be available in the Siusalw News, online and at the Florence Visitors Center.

Please post signs only on private property with the owner's consent.
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Call 541-902-3526 | florencechamber.com
Deadline is August 30th at 5pm to be included on the map.

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