



Community & Lifestyle

ODFW REGIONAL FISHING REPORT

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Best bets for fishing:
 Anglers are spoiled with choices right now. Trout, bass and salmon are all on the list.

- With the cooler, wetter spring, fishing for stocked trout continues to be good in several areas.
- This is a great time of year to visit Oregon's hike-in lakes for a day of trout fishing.
- Resident coastal cutthroats are on the bite in most coastal rivers and streams.
- Where water temperatures are warming, fishing for bass and other warmwater species is improving. Now is a great time to target these fish before aquatic weeds grow enough to make fishing challenging.
- Ocean salmon season is open, and some Chinook are also being caught in coastal rivers.

Local lakes stocked in spring and/or early summer: Alder Lake, Buck Lake, Carter Lake, Cleawox Lake, Mercer Lake, Munsel Lake, Siltcoos Lagoon, Siltcoos Lake, Sutton Lake and Woahink Lake.

SIUSLAW RIVER: Cutthroat

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Tide Tables

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
July 22 1:14am / 7.8 2:49pm / 6.3	8:15am / -1.7 8:15pm / 2.1
July 23 2:00am / 7.6 3:29pm / 6.5	8:56am / -1.5 9:06pm / 1.9
July 24 2:50am / 7.2 4:11pm / 6.7	9:37am / -1.2 10:02pm / 1.6
July 25 3:45am / 6.6 4:54pm / 6.9	10:20am / -0.5 11:04pm / 1.3
July 26 4:47am / 6.0 5:40pm / 7.1	11:06am / 0.3
July 27 6:00am / 5.3 6:31pm / 7.2	12:12am / 1.1 11:57pm / 1.1
July 28 7:23am / 4.9 7:25pm / 7.4	1:23am / 0.6 12:55pm / 1.8

Better than 'par' for the course



COURTESY PHOTO

Thirteen-year-old Ryan Klampe of Florence competed in a five-day major Oregon Junior Golf tournament, the 2020 Bob Norquist Oregon Junior Amateur, at OGA golf course in Woodburn, Ore. The tournament began June 29 and continued each day through July 3. The first two days of the tournament were stroke play, followed by three days of match play during which players were required to win in order to qualify to advance to the next round. Klampe won the first flight final match with the score of 74, which included 3 Birdies, 10 Pars and 5 Bogeys).

Summer sports activities cancelled again

The Siuslaw School District is awaiting further guidance from the ODE.

BY JARED ANDERSON
SIUSLAW NEWS

The Siuslaw School District cancelled voluntary summer practices again this week as they await an upcoming decision from the Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA).

"We have decided to do this for a multitude of reasons involving making sure we take the time to ensure the safest environment possible for our athletes, as well as this being the week that we should hear a decision from the OSAA on our upcoming season," the district said in a

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— Siuslaw School District statement

statement. As of right now, the future of high school sports in Oregon is uncertain. OSAA is currently meeting in a three day video conference to discuss when and how athletics will begin. Currently, the OSAA fall sports calendar has August 17

as the official first day of practices, but there has been talk of extending the fall season to spring in response to an uptick of COVID-19 cases in Oregon and across the nation.

Also this week, the Oregon

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Marine Board urges boaters to follow safety guidelines

Summer is here and in the coming weeks more people will be pulling out their boats from winter storage in preparation for launch in the waters of this state. Below are suggestions which can contribute to your safety and add to your boating pleasure. Know the legal requirements for your size vessel. Safety equipment must be accessible and in working condition. Wear your life jackets. Eighty-five percent of boating fatalities could have been avoided by

wearing a personal flotation device (lifejacket). Stow them in a readily accessible place. It won't save your life if you don't wear it. Have children and non-swimmers wear a personal flotation device. Each device should be of suitable size for the intended wearer and fit securely. Ninety percent of those who die in boating accidents drown. Be prepared and carry extra equipment such as a bailer (bucket), anchor, first-aid kit, visual distress signal, tool kit, flashlight with

extra batteries, and a cell phone. Don't over load your boat. Follow the recommendations on the capacity plate of your boat. Capsizing, sinking, and falling overboard account for 70 percent of boating fatalities. If your boat should capsize, your best chance for survival and rescue is to stay with the boat. Pull as much of your body out of the water as possible to preserve body warmth.

See BOATING 2B

Virtual public meetings set for bottomfish, halibut seasons

ODFW is hosting virtual meetings July 28 and 29 to gather public input on the 2021 sport bottomfish and halibut season and the 2021 directed commercial halibut fishery. At the sport bottomfish and halibut meeting, staff will collect comments on the 2021 sport halibut season and begin discussing the 2021 sport bottomfishing seasons. No major changes to the sport bottomfish season are proposed, however ODFW would like anglers' input on adjustments to this fishery. For Pacific halibut, the International Pacific Halibut Commission approved in 2019 a 1.5 million-pound catch limit for Area 2A through 2022. This is the second year fishery managers are reasonably certain of the quota going into this public meeting which should help guide discussions for the 2021 season.

"It's important we hear from a wide range of anglers before making decisions on the upcoming seasons," said Lynn Mattes, ODFW Recreational Halibut and Bottomfish Project Leader.

At the directed commercial halibut meeting, fishery managers will discuss progress on the transition of management from the International Pacific Halibut Commission to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) and the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Managers will also ask for input on the 2021 season timing and length, and trip limits for the season.

While staff typically host in-person meetings in several coastal locations, due to the Governor's Stay Home, Save Lives order, both meetings will be held online and by teleconference this year.

Input can also be emailed or phoned in to:

The 2021 recreational sport bottomfish halibut and meeting: Tuesday, July 28, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Join from a computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/502591061>

You can also dial in using your phone: 1-571-317-3122.

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