

Marine deputies focus on intoxicated boaters

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SALEM — Marine law enforcement officers across the state will be partnering with the Oregon State Marine Board and the US Coast Guard to enforce Oregon's Boating Under the Influence of Intoxicants (BUII) laws this July Fourth weekend.

"Our message is simple. If you boat impaired, you are endangering your life and the lives of others on the water," said Brian Paulsen, boating safety program manager with the Oregon State Marine Board. "There's a huge risk with no reward, and often innocent people become the victims."

Marine officers will specifically be looking for impaired boat operators over the holiday weekend as part of the national Operation Dry Water Campaign. Many marine officers have completed specialized training to recognize alcohol and drug impairment. This includes prescription drugs, alcohol, inhalants, marijuana, or any other substance that impairs a person's ability to make good judgment and safely operate any boat. The effects of drugs and alcohol are also amplified on the water with the combination of sun glare, wind, waves, and other environmental stressors. Alcohol also dehydrates the body making sudden immersion into cold water at an even greater risk of drowning.

Agencies participating in the effort include the Baker

and Umatilla county sheriff's offices.

Impaired boaters can expect to be arrested or face serious penalties. In Oregon, the consequences of being convicted of BUII include the possibility of jail time, \$6,250 in fines, loss of boating privileges, and a one-to-three-year suspension of the boater education card. Marine officers can arrest boaters on observed impairment and can legally obtain blood, breath, or urine if a boater fails standardized field sobriety testing.

"Recreating responsibly doesn't just mean boating sober. Be a courteous boater, and wear your lifejacket," Paulsen said. "Waterways are becoming more crowded with a variety of mixed boating and other activities, so it's important to pay attention to what's going on around you and for everyone to follow the navigation rules of the road."

"If boaters changed two things — wear life jackets and abstain from impairing substances — boating fatalities would be reduced by more than half," Paulsen said. "Oregon's waters can be challenging enough to navigate for a sober boater."

If you see an impaired operator or someone who is operating in a way that threatens others' safety, call 911 and report it. Paulsen says, "We can work together to save lives. See something, say something."

For more information about Operation Dry Water, visit www.operationdrywater.org.

Kids Fishing Derby July 9 at Jubilee Lake

PENDLETON — The annual Kids Fishing Day at Jubilee Lake will be held Saturday, July 9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will feature fishing instruction, games, snacks, prizes and activities for children and adults.

The Fishing Day is free for all participants under the age of 14, however all children over the age of 12 will be required to have a valid fishing license. Children participating in the event must be accompanied by an adult. Fishing poles will be available on loan for those who do not have one and volunteers will be onsite to provide instruction to first-time anglers. Free hot dogs and soda pop will be provided to all children who register and participate.

"We will have lots for the kids to do, including a casting contest with prizes for each age group and awards for the biggest fish caught during official derby hours," said Bill Dowdy, Umatilla National Forest fish biologist.

The lake will be stocked with legal and trophy-sized fish for the event, Dowdy said.

Tri-State Steelheaders, a Walla Walla-based group, will also be conducting a fishing pole drive and collecting fishing poles in any con-

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Jubilee Lake is about 12 miles northeast of Tollgate on the Umatilla National Forest. Umatilla National Forest/Contributed Photo

dition. Donated poles are refurbished and will be given away to children at future events in hopes of encouraging a life-long love of fishing.

Jubilee Lake is about 12 miles northeast of Tollgate on Forest Road 64.

Temporary road closures over Hells Canyon Dam

OXBOW — People planning to cross Hells Canyon Dam over the next two weeks should plan their trip to avoid periods when the road over the dam will be closed to accommodate cranes involved in routine testing of the dam's water outlet and spillgates.

Idaho Power Company, which owns the dam about 90 miles east of Baker City, announced that the dam road will be closed to vehicles and pedestrians on the following days (all times PDT):

- July 6 — 6 a.m. to 11 a.m., noon to 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- July 7 — 6 a.m. to

11 a.m. and noon to 4:30 p.m.
 • July 11-13 — 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. and noon to 4:30 p.m.
 • July 14 — 6 a.m. to 11 a.m., noon to 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Leftover hunting tags available for sale now

SALEM — Leftover controlled hunt tags go on sale July 1 at 10 a.m. Tags can be purchased via ODFW's online licensing system at <https://odfw.huntfishoregon.com/login>.

Hunters who drew a controlled hunt must wait until July 2 at 10 a.m. to try to exchange it for a leftover tag.

New this year, starting July 2 at 10 a.m., leftover tags can be purchased through a license agent in addition to the online sale.

An existing tag already purchased or a controlled hunt win for which you haven't yet purchased the tag can be exchanged online or with an agent for \$7 (residents) and \$15

(non-residents).

If you have not yet purchased the controlled hunt tag you won, there is no fee to exchange this tag. These exchanges can be for leftover or general season tags.

A list of leftover tags is available at dfw.state.or.us. Purchasing a leftover tag does not affect your preference points.

Hunters who want to try purchasing one of the more than 7,000 leftover tags (4,599 for 100 buck deer series, 2,648 for 200 elk series) through ODFW's online licensing system must set up their online account with a username and password before the sale date. See MyODFW.com for how to purchase a leftover tag.

As a reminder, leftover tags are no longer available as an additional tag, a change enacted in 2020 to distribute hunting opportunities more equitably. That means hunters who have already purchased a controlled or general season deer or elk tag cannot purchase a leftover tag in the same hunt series unless they exchange the existing tag.

Also, any hunter who purchases a leftover tag cannot purchase any other controlled hunt or general season tag for that hunt series. Hunters who purchased a SportPac can also choose to redeem their deer and/or elk tag vouchers for a leftover tag.

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- Golfer's benchmark
- Glimpse
- Nimble
- Peacock spot
- Trevi Fountain coins
- Indiana neighbor
- Pixie
- Place for a wreath
- Large carnivore
- Roped
- Green-toned sloth
- Possess
- Listens in
- Tips one's hat
- Moose kin
- Even as we speak
- Not mention
- Blubbery
- Butterbean
- Cooper's channel
- Winter woe

- "Ahoj, —!"
- Good-hearted
- Slangy physique
- A moon of Jupiter
- Dried up
- Lasting impression
- Fizzy beverage
- Summer cooler
- Dr.'s visit
- Constantly
- Pig's digs
- Mouse, to an owl
- Frontier, once
- Whichever

DOWN

- Prepare apples
- Jean Auel heroine
- TKO officials
- Some macaroni
- Squad car blaster

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- Main Event
- Lefty's Tap House
- Baker City Fire Dept.
- Haines Sell-Rite
- Idle Hour
- Salvation Army

104 Community Calendar

VFW POST 460
 Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.
 Corner of Main at Birch in Union

LA GRANDE LIONS CLUB
 Meets 2nd & 4th Monday of each month @ 12 PM
 Union County Senior Center
 1504 N. Albany St., La Grande

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 3rd Thursday each month
 6 p.m. at the Sunridge
 1 Sunridge Lane.
 The public is invited

KEY OF DAVID
 Saturdays - 2PM
 Baker County Library
 Taught by:
 Gary Robinson
 & Blaine McKnight

Kiwanis Club of Baker City
 Tuesday at 12:00 PM
 Sunridge Inn Restaurant
 1 Sunridge Lane
 For more information call:
 (541) 523-6027

ROTARY CLUB of Baker City
 Meets every Monday
 Noon - 1 PM
 Baker Towers
 Meeting Room

POWER RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
 Meets 1st Tuesday of every month
 8th & Broadway, Baker City
 6 PM - Pistolettes
 7 PM - Regular Membership

105 Lost & Found

La Grande
 FOUND: 2 cardboard boxes on Island City strip on 6/24/22. Boxes contain plastic tubing. Call 541-786-8034

114 Group Meetings

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
 541-805-2229
neo-na.org

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
 Monday, Thursday, & Friday at 8pm. Episcopal Church
 2177 First St., Baker City

AL-ANON
 Keep Coming Back Family Group
 Mondays, 7 pm
 at NKWest, 1208 Adams,
 La Grande, OR

CELEBRATE RECOVERY
 Calvary Baptist Church
 Third & Broadway
 Baker City, OR
EVERY THURSDAY
 6:15 - 8:00 PM

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