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COUNTDOWN TO WILDWOOD DAYS

The annual community festival is less than two months away, taking place July 31 to August 3. With many traditional activities on offer, some new things will be introduced.

One is an expanded bicycling event, initiated last year by Wally Coppini of Rio Dell. This year it will offer four courses: 36 miles, 56 miles, 65 miles and 100 miles. The latter follows the 100 mile Tour of the Unknown Coast, a "century" ride founded in 1978 but discontinued this year due to a paperwork snag experienced by the board that traditionally puts on the race.

"We're bringing it back to Rio Dell, which used to be where the race began," Coppini says, noting that he hopes 200 riders will participate, bringing new energy to town. Out of towners can camp at the school property Friday night and enjoy the Kiwanis pancake breakfast before starting out Saturday morning. Registration and details can be found here:
<https://www.bikereg.com/lost-coast-wildwood-ride-a-new-cycling-event>

Coppini is eager to get out the word, and hopes the race is so successful that it stays a part of Wildwood Days in future years. He is seeking small donations or sponsorships to help fund event expenses such as insurance, restrooms, advertising and food.

Also on Saturday, August 2 will be the parade, again free and open to all. With the fire department keeping the western theme a third year, the Chamber of Commerce, which puts on the parade, is using the theme Feel the Spirit of the West. Parade applications can be downloaded from the home page of the chamber website, riodellscotiachamber.org - or pick one up at the staging area the day of the parade. Lineup starts in front of the schools on Center Street at 10:30 and entries need to be in line by 11 a.m. if they wish to be judged. Categories include best overall, best use of theme, and best vehicle.

For a complete list of activities over the 4-day run, go to
<https://wildwooddays.godaddysites.com/> or the event Facebook page.

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Bingo Bash is back – check it out! ²

The Rio Dell-Scotia Kiwanis Club is hosting its fourth annual Bingo Bash Friday, June 20 at River Lodge in Fortuna. Doors open at 5 p.m. for dinner, and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Pre-sale tickets are \$50, or \$60 at the door. Tickets include admission, a bingo card for all 10 games, a free beverage and dinner, a customized nacho bar and dessert. Alcoholic beverages including a Lucky Sunrise are available for purchase.



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Keep your computer safe

By Billy Joe Long
Problem-Solving Applications



In this article, we'll talk briefly about how antivirus and antispyware work together to keep your computer safe from potential threats.

1. **Real-Time Scanning:** Both antivirus and antispyware software continuously monitor your system in real-time. They scan files as they're downloaded or executed on your computer. If any malware or spyware is found, the software notifies you immediately.
2. **Scheduled Scanning:** In addition to real-time scanning, these programs can be set to perform systematic scans of all or selected files on your hard drive at specific intervals. This ensures that even hidden threats are detected and dealt with.
3. **Signature-Based Detection:** Antivirus and antispyware tools use a list of known threats called "definitions" to identify suspicious software. These definitions should update automatically as new threats emerge, ensuring the software stays effective against the latest malware and spyware.

To benefit from these features, it's essential to have properly licensed, up-to-date antivirus and antispyware programs installed on your computer. Connecting to the internet without adequate protection can expose your system to potential threats.

For those using a Microsoft Windows operating system, antivirus, antispyware and firewall software are included at no additional cost and do not require a subscription. Additionally, the software is updated during automatic Windows updates, ensuring you always have the most up-to-date threat definitions.

In summary, using reputable antivirus and antispyware software is crucial in safeguarding your computer from malicious programs. Always ensure these tools are up-to-date and functioning properly to maintain the best level of protection possible. No home or business computer should be without malware protection. These important applications, coupled with a healthy dose of common sense, are the key components to protecting your computers and networks from malware.

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New program seeks to aid special needs individuals

Rio Dell Police Chief Josh Phinney notes that the department, together with the Rio Dell Community Resource Center, will launch a Blue Envelope program this month, described as a compassionate, safety-focused initiative designed to assist individuals with autism, developmental delays or physical impairments during interactions with law enforcement or emergency medical responders. It is open to residents of both Rio Dell and Scotia, and is a voluntary effort meant to empower individuals and families with resources to help create calmer, more informed interactions in situations that can sometimes be overwhelming or misunderstood.

Participants will receive what Phinney calls visible swag such as vehicle decals, wallet cards and lanyards to signal to law enforcement and other responders that a person is a program participant.



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June 15 - Father's Day
June 19 - Juneteenth
June 20 - First day of summer



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