Outdoors: Ridgeline Trail among the best of local rides

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in a number of ways. In addition to DOD (741-8735), Greater Eugene Area Riders (GEARS), (689-5650) runs several trips weekly. Also, you can sign up for or initiate trips at the Outdoor Program.

Finally, one might consult the guidebook that many Eugene biking disciples look to as their Bible: *Mountain Bike Ride Guide*, co-written by Geiger. The guide details rides for all skill levels — from the gentle to the grueling — most less than a one-hour drive from campus.

If you dislike any kind of organization, just hop on your bike, grab your helmet, and head for the hills. In fact, if you don't own a sports-utility vehicle and can't get out of Eugene, there are a few decent riding areas within the city limits.

One of the best, Geiger said, is the Ridgeline Trail that snakes around Spencer's Butte south of Eugene. For some leisurely riding, the Alton Baker Park riding path, and the dirt trails that weave around it are minutes from campus.

Slightly farther away are the Opal Creek, McKenzie, and Noon Day trails, all of which Geiger recommends. Opal Creek trail is a mining road surrounded by deep green old-growth forests, and the McKenzie trail is a pleasant, leisurely pedal. The Noon Day trail, on the other hand, is "a great off-road trail perfect for screaming down," Geiger said.

After a long day on the road, the Disciples of Dirt gang heads into a bar for a cool microbrew. They may not be the Hell's Angels, but when they're covered by mud, sticks and grime, they're just as scary.

Halvorsen: Lesser-known athletes don't play for fan's recognition

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around in the park for 20 minutes. I mean what kind of sport is that anyway?

I proceeded to walk around in amazement for the next hour as fans, by the hundreds, young and old, milled about excitedly, running from one side of the park to the other to catch a glimpse of the competitors. They cheered the Oregon runners on loudly as they passed by, and looked at each other with amazement as Oregon's Karl Keska crossed the finish line in record time.

These are Oregon fans in the truest sense. Granted, most are probably running enthusiasts, but they were out there rooting for the Ducks from the beginning to the end.

Volleyball receives little respect from the majority of Oregon fans as well, or at least the student-fans. Although the Oregon volleyball team isn't blessed with the same success as say the cross country or golf teams, it's definitely worth watching, especially if you've never seen it before.

So what if they only have one win in Pacific-10 Conference play — and a good win against a good team at that — they're still Division I athletes. They're talented players and rarely give up a game without a good fight. On top of all of that, they're pretty good people, too. If nothing else they are worth rooting for, that is.

That seems to be the universal attribute of all of the athletes of no-fan-support sports. After getting to know a good number of them, I've realized that they're genuinely good people, not yet jaded by the spotlight, and they don't play for the recognition of thousands of fans, but instead for their God-given talent and love of the game.

These no-respect sports are like those peas that you thought looked so unappealing long ago. You didn't like them until you tried them. Then you found out that they were pretty good after all. Not to mention good for you.

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Men's 2 Thur. 4:40

DUI	1–0
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Men's 2 Fri. 3:40

Walts Garage	1–0
Randoms	1–0
The Green Boys	0–1
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Men's 2 Fri. 4:40

Quick 6	1–0
Theta Chi 2	1–0
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Men's 2 Fri. 4:40

Wolverines	1–0
Phi Delta A	1–0
Phi Football B	0–1
Warsaw CTR	0–1

Men's 2 Mon. 3:40

Mad Dog 20/20	1-0
Hail to the King, Baby	1–0
Phi Psi 3	0–1
Kappa Sigma 2C	0–1

Men's 2 Mon. 4:40

Duck Villagers	1–0
Champ Perry's	1–0
ATO 1	0–1
Antlers	0–1

Coed Mon. 4:40

On the Wagon	1–0
Team 69	1–0
Lambda Lambda Lambda	0–1
Bangers	0–1

Men's 2 Tues. 3:40

Lambda Chi Alpha I	1–0
Beta 420	1–0
Beer Bellies	0–1
Chi Psi II	0-1

Men's 2 Tues. 4:40

Spango's	1–0
We'll Win	0–1
Delta Upsilon 2	0–1
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Coed Tues. 4:40

Law Abiders	1–0
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Men's 1 Wed. 3:40

Chi Psi 1	1–0
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Men's 2 Wed. 3:40

The Cutters	1–0
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Men's 1 Wed. 4:40

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Baseball: New York now fighting history

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"We've just hit a tough spell right now," said Darryl Strawberry, who sat out with a sore broken toe. "We had some time off and right now we really can't find where we're at."

"It was just one of those days," Key said.

Strawberry played for the Mets in 1986 when they stormed back to beat the Boston Red Sox. He knows that the season isn't over, although it was hard to detect any optimism in the Yankees' clubhouse.

"I think so," Strawberry said of his team's chances. "We're as good as they are. We've just got to get some hits."

Jeter, the soon-to-be AL Rookie of the Year, fought through obvious pain to stay in the game and received ice treatments on the bench between innings after being plunked by Maddux. The injury may have affected his ability to close his glove on Terry Pendleton's popup down the left-field line in the sixth inning which dropped in for a double.

He atoned for the miscue an inning later when he singled leading off. Tim Raines followed with a single and the Yankees looked to be in business. But Boggs hit into a double play and Williams grounded out.

When they left Baltimore a week ago, the Yankees couldn't wait to play New York.

They now leave for Atlanta with the daunting task of having to win two of three in order to play another home game.

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