

# Trips, Gear & Resources

## OP Cooperative Trips

The unique quiet of snow awaits you in the peaks surrounding Eugene. Backcountry and telemark skiing, backpacking, snowboarding, snow camping, and winter kayaking offer a chance to see the wonder of nature when it is far less crowded. There will be dozens of cooperative trips posted on the OP trip board this season. Our philosophy is summed up with these words: egalitarian, experiential, low-cost, noncompetitive, self propelled, cooperative, environmentally sound, participant initiated, and open ended. Nothing is more rewarding than learning experientially among friendly peers and creating your own outdoor adventure. Rather than offering a series of trip packages, the Outdoor Program encourages and helps participants create, launch and fulfill their own adventure desires. If you're not into what you see posted by others on the board, and you want to get outdoors, post a trip sheet yourself. The trip board is a wilderness adventure board. Someone puts up a trip idea and off it goes!

### Elements of OP trips:

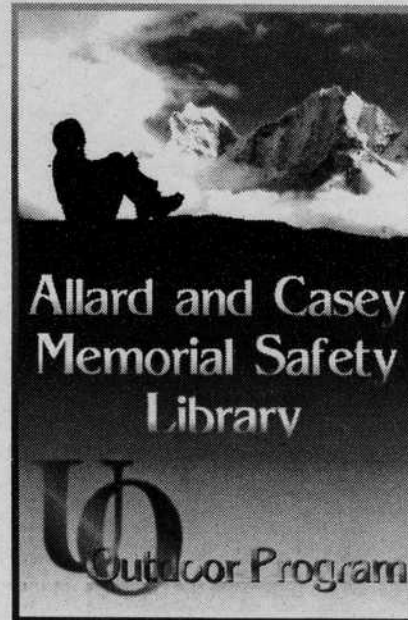
- **Trips must be open.** All trip sheets must be posted on the trip board and be open to any qualified participant to sign up. These trips must be posted a reasonable time before the trip. When a trip sheet is posted, at least half the spaces must be open to anyone able to participate.
- **Cost sharing.** All group expenses are shared equally and fully by the group. Because trips share only actual expenses, trips can be incredibly inexpensive.
- **Decision sharing.** Everyone is encouraged to give input in a consensus decision. Everyone participates in shaping and owning decisions. Decisions are often better and more creative with everyone brainstorming rather than a single "leader."
- **Work sharing.** Each trip requires a fair amount of group work before, during and after the trip. Every participant is expected to pitch in and help the group effort.

## Friday Ski Trips to Willamette Pass

Are you itching to go Cross-country or Alpine skiing, Telemarking, Snowshoeing, or Snowboarding? Once the snow begins to pile-up, join the OP every Friday for trips to Willamette Pass Ski Area. The estimated cost for 7 people traveling to the pass in the studded, all-wheel drive Safari Van is a mere \$7 per person. This is a great way to cut costs and meet folks who like to ski or ride like you do!

## OP Resource Center

Whether initiating an OP trip or planning one on your own, the Outdoor Program serves as Eugene's backcountry information center with libraries, boards, maps, videos, equipment rental information and lots more to assist with trip planning and preparation. Our office houses the trip board where adventures are posted, groups are formed, and dreams come true! We also host clinics, workshops, and slideshows on everything from Sea Kayaking in Baja to Environmental Action Projects, to Avalanche Safety Clinics. If we don't have the answer to your outdoor question, we know how to find it. Come by and visit our EMU office; you'll be amazed at the array of cool outdoor information we have on hand!



On November 5, 1995, two UO students, Frank Allard and Michael Casey, failed to return to camp after a summit attempt on the North Sister on a private outing. The Allard and Casey Memorial Safety Library was created by the UO Outdoor Program and the ASUO in response to this tragic accident. This Library makes a variety of wilderness safety gear and resources available for any UO student or Outdoor Program co-op member for wilderness outings. There is no charge for any of the gear, although any cell phone use must be reimbursed. Users are also responsible for any loss or damage. Cell phones, VHF radios, GPS units, Avalanche transceivers, snow shovels, and more are available for use; call or drop by the office to reserve equipment.

## OP Co-op Trip Facility (Barn)

In order to facilitate cooperative trips, the Outdoor Program purchases and maintains a variety of recreation equipment which is **available only for Outdoor Program trips**. For details on this equipment call (346-4371) our trip facility, The Barn, located at the 18th & University.

## OP Has Snowshoes!

Thinking about initiating a trip into the backcountry? Why not try out the OP equipment co-op's new Tubbs Snowshoes? Trip Facility Manager, Ed Fredette, purchased 8 pairs of Tubbs Adventure Snowshoes and they are ready for your next backcountry snow adventure!

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## OP Contact Information

### OP Web Page Address

<http://outdoorprogram.uoregon.edu>

### OP Events E-mail List

The Outdoor Program has a popular e-mail list of those that would like to receive a notice of the current week's upcoming on campus events. Fill in the submission form on our web page.

### Phone Numbers

Event, trip and general OP Information: 346-4365  
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