

■ Last call

# Student-centered sports bar pledges its allegiance to the green and yellow

*The O Bar and Grill, one of Eugene's best Duck spots, serves food until 2 a.m.*

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While nearly all Eugene sports bars pledge allegiance to the Ducks, few bleed green and yellow quite like The O Bar and Grill.

From the green and yellow walls decorated with Ducks memorabilia, to the green french fry baskets and paper linings, the motif finds its way into almost every inch of the "O."

Since opening in August 2003, the bar has seen a significant amount of visits from students living in the sprawling apartment complexes next door. During college football season, Duck revelers pack the bar to capacity before and after games thanks to its location within throwing distance of Autzen Stadium.

"It's a madhouse," bar manager John "Johnny" Capaccio said of the gameday crowds. "But in a good way."

Sports fans can watch games on 16 televisions dotting the inside of the bar or two on the spacious patio. The biggest events are broadcast from a high definition projector onto a 10-foot pull-down screen. The outdoor area is heated during cooler months. In summer, they remove the roof so patrons can soak up the sun.

Inside, the tap selection leans heavily on macros, like Coors Light and Budweiser products, but there is a passable selection of bottled imports and microbrews. The bar's mixed drink selection is more impressive as it features two pages of specialty drinks. The Duck Hunt (made for two) mixes coconut and spiced rum with orange juice, blue curaco, pineapple and sour mix. It's served in a 21 oz. glass for \$11.50.

The bar offers standard but cheap appetizers ranging from \$2.95 to \$4.75,



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Art major and bartender Jeff Parker mixes a drink Friday night at The O Bar. At 115 Commons Drive, the bar offers a solid drink selection and the perfect atmosphere for Duck fans.

along with specialties like finger steak baskets and O Bar nachos, priced from \$5.95 to \$7.95. Dinner items include a large selection of burgers and sandwiches. The menu also includes fish and chips, popcorn shrimp, pastas and pizza.

Every Wednesday the special is a burger and beverage for \$5, and during happy hour, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., domestic drafts cost \$1.75 and well drinks \$3.

Along with being one of Eugene's best sports bars, the O Bar is also one of the area's only places for after-hours dining. They serve a full menu until 2 a.m. "At 12:30 a.m. we're making fettuccine Alfredo," Capaccio said.

The bar also features a regulation-size pool table along with Keno and other video gambling machines. A

Golden Tee video game, an American sports bar staple, is also found inside. They also offer regular Texas Hold'em card tournaments on Mondays Capaccio said karaoke night on Tuesdays draw the biggest crowd.

On a recent Wednesday night, the men outnumbered the women, much like a grizzled Alaskan village. But on karaoke nights, which double as ladies night, Capaccio said the bar draws a more balanced crowd. He also said a slightly older group populates the bar during dinner hours, while students typically arrive later in the evening. After 9 p.m., the bar only allows patrons 21 and older.

Located at 115 Commons Drive, The O Bar is open daily from 11 a.m. to 2:30 a.m.

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Tom "TJ" Leyden

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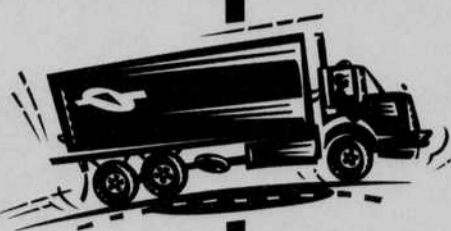
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