



COURTESY EUGENE SKYDIVERS

JUMP

Urban Moore, 62, owner and instructor at Eugene Skydivers, has logged more than 9,000 jumps. "Still here, haven't died once," he says. The Eugene Skydivers school in Creswell is not more than a 30-minute drive away from town. How does starting off your summer freefalling from 10,000 feet sound?

You'll need to call in advance; no walk-ins. After a 20-minute ground course at the school — where you are taught how to move about inside the plane, the correct way to hook up and exit, the appropriate freefall position and how to land — you will take off on your skydiving adventure.

Once you grow the courage to jump (tandem of course, as is the rule if you are jumping for the first time), you'll enjoy roughly 35 seconds of complete freefall. Your tandem partner pulls the main parachute at 5,000 feet, and you drift through Oregon skies. There is always a reserve chute, in case the main chute fails to open. Eugene Skydivers not only boast electronically-timed back-up chutes, but they are known to pack their parachutes in a way that allows them to open slowly — maximizing your drop time on the way down.

If you've never jumped before, Moore says there isn't anything else you can do on earth that matches it. He also says that contrary to popular belief, you don't get a sensation of falling such as one experiences on a rollercoaster. "Once you get out of the airplane, it feels like you are just floating," Moore says.

You may want to plan your jump a bit later in the season though. "We can't jump through clouds," Moore says with regret. Shortly after the 4th of July, when (hopefully) the weather is a sure bet in Oregon, would be the optimum time to take a dive. — *Dante Zuñiga-West*

Faerieworlds Festival, 2pm-midnight today, noon-midnight tomorrow, noon-9pm Sunday, Mt. Pisgah, www.faerieworlds.com \$10-\$120.

Family Sailing, ages 8 & up, no experience required, bring dinner, 5:30-9:30pm, Orchard Point Marina, Fern Ridge Reservoir, 682-5329. \$20 per person.

Cowboy Cadillac, 6pm, Saginaw Vineyard, 80247 Delight Valley Rd., Cottage Grove. FREE.

Summer Canning Basics: Jams & Jellies, including low-sugar jams & freezer jams, 6-8:30pm, Community of Christ Church, 1485 Gilham Rd. \$15.

Eugene Emeralds vs. Boise, 7:05pm today & tomorrow, 1:05 pm Sunday, 7:05pm June 20 & 21, PK Park, 342-5367. \$6-\$12 per game.

UO Outdoor Program: June Skiing at Willamette Pass Pre-Trip, June 19 trip, 9:30pm, OP, EMU, jimc@uoregon.edu \$45 lift ticket, \$7 gas.

Walk 'n' Talkers continues. See June 3.

The Tempest continues. See June 16.

SATURDAY, 6/18

Obsidians: Tire Mountain, hike, 7.6 miles; Iron Mountain, hike, 8 miles; Get Acquainted Hike, Ribbon Trail, 2.5 miles; Chi Gong & Meditation

Hike, 6.7 miles; Crevasse Rescue. Sign up obsidians.org

Function 4 Junction Classic Car Show, 8am-7pm, various locations, Junction City, www.function4junction.com

Humane Society of Cottage Grove: Dr. Bill Memorial Golf Tournament, honoring the awesome Dr. Bill Steinkruger and all he did for animals. Prizes include rounds of golf and casino packages, plus a \$10,000 hole-in-one prize from a sponsor, fee includes a catered lunch from Big Stuff BBQ, all HSCG workers are volunteers, all donations go toward animals, 8am shotgun start,

Middlefield Golf Course, 91 Village Dr., Cottage Grove. \$45.

Butterfly Trip to Tire Mountain, moderate physical challenge, bring water & lunch, 9am, Campbell Center, 155 High St., reg. NABA.ES.trips@gmail.com FREE.

Community Rock Climbing at the Columns, all skill levels, equipment provided, ages 8 & up, 9-11am, Skinner Butte Park, 2nd & Lincoln. \$10.

South Willamette Wineries Association Barrel Tour, charter bus to four vineyards, 9:30am, Valley River Center, 221-8592, www.southwillamettewineries.com \$60.

Nearby Nature Quest: Discovering Dads, 10am-noon, Greenway Bike Bridge, VRC, 687-9699. \$5 per family, \$2 per person, mem. FREE.

School's Out Summer Skate Competition, all ages, 4-8pm, Cal Young Skate Park, Gilham & Crescent, www.skateeugene.org \$3.

The Tempest, 6pm today & tomorrow, Island Park, Spfd. FREE.

Barn Dance, ages 50 & up, 7-9pm, Petersen Barn Community Center, 870 Berntzen Rd. \$2.

Ems vs. Boise continues. See June 17.

Faerieworlds continues. See June 17.

Oregon Sasquatch Symposium continues. See June 17.

SUNDAY, 6/19

Obsidians: bike Lorane to Drain, 52 miles; hike Silver Falls, 7 miles, sign up obsidians.org

UO Outdoor Program: June Skiing at Willamette Pass, 7am-6pm. See June 17 for mandatory pre-trip.

Prost 8K, 8K run/5K walk, 8am, Oregon Urology Institute, 2400 Hartman Ln., Spfd., www.runnerspace.com \$10-\$35.

Father's Day Car Show, 10:30am-2pm, Fifth Street Public Market, 296 E. 5th Ave. FREE.

Ems vs. Boise continues. See June 17.

Faerieworlds continues. See June 17.

The Tempest continues. See June 18.

MONDAY, 6/20

Springfield Library's Summer Reading Kick-Off, entertainment, free books, ice cream, all ages, 11am, Fountain Plaza, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.

Dr. John & The Lower 911, 7:30pm, The Shedd. \$32-\$46.

Ems vs. Boise continues. See June 17.

TUESDAY, 6/21

Obsidians: bus to Oregon Zoo; hike Mount Pisgah Summer Solstice, 2.8 miles, sign up obsidians.org

Summer Solstice Celebration, Norma Fraser, fire dancers, more, 7pm, Sweet Cheeks Winery, 27007 Briggs Hill Rd., www.sweetcheekswinery.com or 349-9463. \$10, \$8 mem.

Ems vs. Boise continues. See June 17.

OBRA Criterium continues. See June 7.

WEDNESDAY, 6/22

Oregon Wild: hike Brice Creek, Trestle Creek Falls, info & sign up at www.oregonwild.org FREE.

Track Town '12 One-Year-Out Party, 6pm, Kesey Square. Don.

Bike Riding for Fun & Fitness continues. See June 8.

THURSDAY, 6/23

USA Outdoor Track & Field Championships 11am-6pm today through Sunday, Hayward Field, UO.

The Tempest, 6pm today & tomorrow, Petersen Barn Community Center, 870 Berntzen Rd. FREE.

Run Eugene Run, 5K run/walk, benefit for foster families & children, 6pm, Alton Baker Park, www.jleugene.org \$10-\$25.

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