

WHAT'S HAPPENING

There's just something about an airport runway. The vast expanse of tarmac, the giant planes taking off and landing, the people scurrying around amid the huge machines, helping them launch into the air and depart for parts unknown. For those of us who have sat and stared out a plane window, wishing we could run around in the fields and lanes of the airport, there's the **Fifth annual Air Fair and 5K on the Runway** this Saturday at Eugene's Mahlon Sweet Airport. If running around on a runway, with heat waves shimmering on an August day, sounds insane, don't worry. Organizers from the Active 20-30 Club of Eugene and the airport say that the chip-timed course has "plenty of water features along the course to keep people cool, including a fire truck water arch at the race start line and a slippery slide finish at the finish line." The 5K race starts at 2 pm, preceded by a free kids' fun run at 1:45 pm. The events start at 11 am and include a dunk tank, airplanes to check out, free "Young Eagle's Exploratory Flights" and a local food truck and beer garden. The day concludes after a 3 pm awards ceremony and airline ticket giveaway.

Fifth Annual Air Fair and 5K on the Runway, 11 am Saturday, Aug. 27 at Eugene's Mahlon Sweet Field Airport. 5K is \$25, race shirts \$10. Parking in the EUG overflow parking lot on Northrup Drive and a free shuttle to the east aviation ramp. For more info go to eugene2030.org. Other events are FREE.



THURSDAY

AUGUST 25

SUNRISE 6:28AM; SUNSET 7:59PM
AVG. HIGH 82; AVG. LOW 50

BENEFITS Bee Jazzy: A Benefit to Save Bees, 5:30-9pm, Silvan Ridge Winery, 27012 Briggs Hill Rd. \$30.

FARMERS MARKETS Lane County Farmers Market, 10am-2pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1; 9am-3pm Saturday; 10am-3pm Tuesday, Park Blocks, 8th & Oak. FREE.

FOOD for Lane County Youth Farm Stand, 2-6pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, 3333 Riverbend Dr., 343-2822. FREE.

South Valley Farmers Market, 4-7pm today & Thursday Sept. 1, 7th & Main, Cottage Grove. FREE.

Whiteaker Community Market, 4-8pm today & Thursday Sept. 1, 5th Alley & Blair. FREE.

GATHERINGS Planning Commission Regular Meeting, 11:30am, Public Service Building, 125 E. 8th Ave., 682-4203. FREE.

Eugene Metro Business Networking International, 11:30am today & Thursday, Sept. 1, LCC Downtown Center, 101 W. 10th Ave. \$12 lunch.

Downtown Public Speakers Toastmasters Club, drop-ins welcome noon-1:05pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Les Lyle Conference Rm, fourth floor Wells Fargo Bldg., 99 E. Broadway Ave., 485-1182. FREE.

NAMI Connection Support Group for people with mental health issues, 1-2:30pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, 2411 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. FREE.

Tree Genetics Center 50th Anniversary Celebration, 1:30-3:30pm, Dorena Genetic Resource Center, 34963 Shoreview Rd., Cottage Grove. FREE.

Exhibit Talks, 2pm today, Saturday, Sunday & Tuesday through Thursday, Sept. 1, Museum of Natural and Cultural History, 1680 E. 15th Ave., natural-history.uoregon.edu. FREE with price of museum admission.

Oregon Connections Academy information session, 6:30pm, Hilton Garden Inn, 3528 Gateway St., Spfd. FREE.

Home Grown Community Radio Forming KEPW-FM, 7pm, today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Growers Market, 454 Willamette St., 343-8548. FREE.

HEALTH Group Acupuncture Clinic, 10-11:30am, Trauma Healing Project, 2222 Coburg Rd., 687-9447. Don.

Mindfulness Group, 4-5pm, NAMI Resource Center, 2411 Martin Luther King Blvd., 520-3096. FREE.

Reiki session, practitioners welcome, 5:30-7pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Heartwise, 1840 Willamette St. FREE.

KIDS/FAMILIES "Imagine w/ Us!" River Road Park Imagination Bus, 9:30-11:30am, Emerald Park, 1400 Lake Dr.; 1-3pm, State Street Park, Dakota St. & Burnett Ave. FREE.

Wonderful Ones Storytime, 1-year-olds w/caregivers, 10:15am & 11am today & Thursday, Sept. 1, downtown library, 682-8316. FREE.

DanceAbility Open Classes, 10am-noon, 2-4pm today; 10am-noon, 2-4pm tomorrow, 576 Olive St. 357-4982, info@danceability.com for more info. FREE.

Summer Reading Program: Sun Science, 1-2pm, River Rd. Santa Clara Volunteer Library, 105 Oakleigh Ln. FREE.

Tween Scene & Teen Book Group Meetings, 4pm, downtown library. FREE.

LECTURES/CLASSES Demystifying Medicare, 2-3pm, today, tomorrow through Wednesday, Successful Aging Institute, LCC downtown campus, 101 W. 10th Ave, Ste. 133, 463-6262. FREE.

One-on-One Job Hunt Help, pre-register for an individual session, 4-6pm, downtown library, 682-5450. FREE.

Intro to Ki, 4:15pm today, Monday, Wednesday & Thursday, Sept. 1, Oregon Ki Society, 1071 W. 7th Ave. FREE.

LITERARY ARTS Book Launch Party, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Tsunami Books, 2585 Willamette St. FREE.

ON THE AIR "The Point," 9-9:30am today & Thursday, Sept. 1, KPOV 88.9FM.

"Arts Journal," current local arts, 9-10pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Comcast channel 29.

Thursday Night Jazz w/David Gizara, 10pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, KLCC 89.7FM.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Pool Hall for seniors, 8:30am-4:30pm today, tomorrow & Monday through Thursday, Sept. 1, Campbell Community Center, 155 High St. \$0.25.

Lunchtime Running Group, 3-4 miles, 12:15-12:45pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Tap & Growler, 207 E. 5th Ave. FREE.

Duplicate Bridge, 1pm today, Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday, Sept. 1; 9:30am Monday; 6:30pm Wednesday, Emerald Bridge Club, 1782 Centennial Blvd., Spfd. \$8.

Party on the Plaza: Burial Ground Sound, 5:30pm, Hult Center Plaza. FREE.

Board Game Night, 6-11pm today, Tuesday & Thursday, Sept. 1, Funagain Games, 1280 Willamette St. FREE.

Cornhole Tournament, 6:30pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Wetlands, 922 Garfield St. FREE.

Trivia, 7-9pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Brew & Cue, 2222 Hwy 99. FREE.

Quizzo Pub Trivia w/ Dr. Seven Phoenix, 9pm, Level Up, 1290 Oak St. FREE.

WDYK Trivia w/Rick, 9pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Side Bar, 1680 Coburg Rd. FREE.

SOCIAL DANCE Crossroads Blues Fusion dancing, 7-11pm, Vet's Ballroom, 1626 Willamette

St. \$6-\$10, first time FREE.

English & Scottish Country Dancing, 7pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Vet's Ballroom, 1626 Willamette St. \$7, first time FREE.

Music & Dance Workshops w/ Taller de Son Jarocho, 7-9pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, American Legion Hall, 344 8th St., Spfd. FREE.

Doc's Pad Drag Queen Bingo w/ Kares, 9pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Doc's Pad, 710 Willamette St. FREE.

SPIRITUAL Zen Meditation Group, 7-8am today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Blue Cliff Zen Center, 439 W. 2nd Ave. FREE.

Open Heart Meditation, 4:30pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, 1840 Willamettes St. FREE.

Insight Meditation, 6:30-8pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, Eugene Yoga Annex, 3575 Donald St. Don.

THEATER *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, 6pm today, tomorrow, Saturday, Sunday & Thursday, Sept. 1, Skinner Butte 155 High St. FREE.

No Shame Eugene, short-form improv theatre, 7:30pm today & Thursday, Sept. 1, New Zone Gallery, 164 W. Broadway. FREE.

Hamlet, 8pm today, tomorrow, Saturday; 2:30pm Sunday, Cottage Theatre, 700 Village Dr., Cottage Grove. \$15-\$20.

VOLUNTEER United Way of Lane County Summer Reading Spots, today-Sept. 1, Eugene, Spfd., Cottage Grove, 741-6000. FREE.

Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah volunteers for local habitat restoration projects, 8am, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturday, 344-8350. FREE.

Laurel Valley Education Farm Day, 9am-noon, today & tomorrow, Monday through Thursday Sept. 1, Northwest Youthcorps Outdoor School, 2621 Augusta St., RSVP to JoshC@nwyyouthcorps.org. FREE.

Native Plant Nursery Volunteer Work Party, 9-11am today; 9am-noon Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, Sept. 1, Native Plant Nursery in Buford Park, rsvp to volunteer@bufordpark.org. FREE.

Care for Owen Rose Garden, bring gloves & small hand-weeding tools, instruction provided, noon-3pm, end of N. Jefferson St., 682-5025.

FRIDAY

AUGUST 26

SUNRISE 6:29AM; SUNSET 7:58PM
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ART CALC Youth Mural Presentation & Open House, 5:30-7:30pm, CALC Office, 458 Blair Blvd., 485-1755. FREE.

Last Friday Art Walk, 6-9pm, Whiteaker. FREE.

Cottage Grove Art Walk, 6-9pm, downtown Cottage Grove. FREE.

BENEFIT A Benefit for Veterans: Rebel Rally Motorcycle Rodeo, 4pm-12am today; 9am-12am tomorrow, Cottage Grove Rodeo Grounds, 77954 Hwy. 99S, Cottage Grove. \$10-\$40.

FARMERS MARKETS Springfield Farmers Market outdoors w/ entertainment, 3-7pm, Spring-