## **FUN IN & AROUND REDMOND**



The canyon in colder months: Runners along the Dry Canyon Trail, during a Polar Bear Fun Run. Spokesman file photos

# » Dry Canyon

deep canyon cuts straight through Redmond, an open space bordered by high rock walls known as the Dry Canyon. It runs nearly the length of town and provides opportunities for walking, biking, horseback riding and otherwise getting away from it all — within city limits.

#### **North section**

The northern section of the canyon — between the north trailhead and Antler Avenue — is mostly undeveloped, with junipers, bunch grass and towering rimrock. A paved path meanders along the east side, and a dirt trail hugs the western edge. The trail passes underneath Maple Street Bridge, where an advanced rock climbing route climbs its way up a support column of the bridge.

The route is the only known official bridge climbing route in the Northwest (www.climbmaplebridge.com). A dog park is located just off the paved trail near Black Butte Boulevard, along with a community garden and disc golf course.

### **Central section**

The central canyon — from Antler to Highland avenues — is more traditional, with a skatepark, tennis courts, pickleball courts, picnic pavilion, soccer and baseball fields and



The Dry Canyon trail is roughly 5 miles of pavement and perfect for a family outing or morning run.

children's play areas — including Hope Playground which you can learn more about later on in this guide. There are several parking areas.

#### **Southern section**

The south canyon is home to American Legion Community Park, with sports fields, an amphitheater, and a play area.