70°

31°

Clear to partly cloudy

31°

and clouds

54/41/T

ms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice, Tr-trace, Yesterday data as of 5 p.m. vesterday

Partly sunny

THURSDAY

ALMANAC Bend Municipal Airport through 5 p.m. yest. **TEMPERATURE** 75° in 1960 **PRECIPITATION** 24 hours through 5 p.m. yesterday 0.75" in 1975 Month to date (normal) 0.09" (0.60") 1.18" (3.22) Year to date (normal) Barometric pressure at 4 p.m SUN, MOON AND PLANETS Rise/Set Moon 5:05pm/6:22am 6:23pm/6:50am Mercury Venus 7:05am/7:22pm 7:04am/7:24pm Jupiter 5:22am/3:31pm 5:19am/3:28pm Uranus 8:14am/10:13pm 8:10am/10:09pm

UV INDEX TODAY 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number

For web cameras of our passes, go to www.bendbulletin.com/webcams I-84 at Cabbage Hill: Mostly sunny today. Fair tonight. Sunny and mild Saturday. US 20 at Santiam Pass: Sunshine today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight US 26 at Gov't Camp: Sunny to partly cloudy, mild today. Fair and chilly tonight. US 26 at Ochoco Divide: Abundant sunshine

Saturday

SATURDAY

Mostly sunny and warmer



and sunshine

SUNDAY

Mild with periods of clouds

Cooler with times of sun

Partly sunny

Abundant sunshine.

pleasant and warmer

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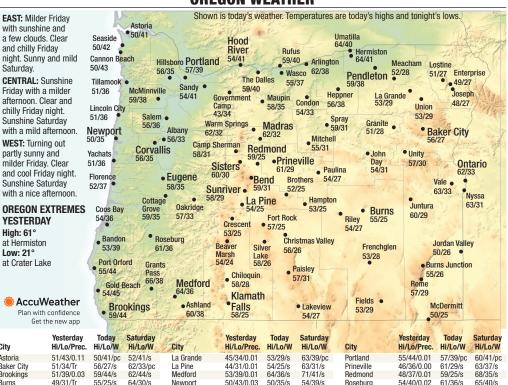
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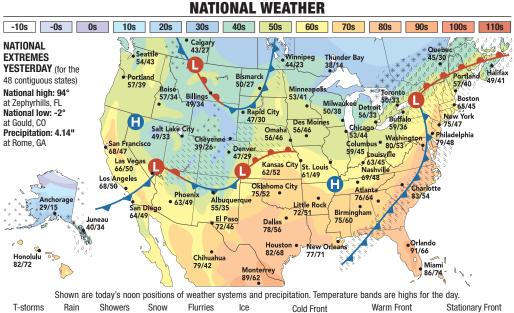
the greater the need for eve and skin protection, 0-2 Low. 3-5 Moderate; 6-7 High; 8-10 Very High; 11+ Extreme **ROAD CONDITONS**

today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. ORE 58 at Willamette Pass: Sunshine today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Sunny and mild

today. Mainly clear ton								
SKI REPORT								
In inches as of 5 p.m. yesterd								
Ski resort	New snow	Base						
Anthony Lakes Mtn	6	0-7						
Hoodoo Ski Area	2	0-9						
Mt. Ashland	2	67-7						
Mt. Bachelor	0	117-12						
Mt. Hood Meadows	0	0-21						
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl	4	81-10						
Timberline Lodge	9	0-19						
Willamette Pass	0	0-4						
Aspen / Snowmass, C	0 3	57-8						
Mammoth Mtn. Ski, C.	A 0	75-12						
Squaw Valley, CA	0	0-12						
Park City Mountain, U	Τ 0	55-7						
Sun Valley, ID	1	48-7						
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OREGON WEATHER





TRAVEL WEATHER

	Yesterday	Today	Saturday		Yesterday	Today	Saturday
City	Hi/Lo/Prec.	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	City	Hi/Lo/Prec.	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Abilene	69/44/0.01	81/54/s	80/50/pc	Juneau	38/29/0.04	40/34/r	40/28/r
Akron	71/48/0.01	58/43/pc	68/56/pc	Kansas City	48/42/0.20	62/52/pc	64/36/c
Albany	67/48/Tr	72/39/t	55/40/c	Lansing	56/45/0.13	51/31/sh	62/40/c
Albuquerque	52/23/0.00	55/35/pc	57/35/sh	Las Vegas	68/55/0.00	66/50/pc	73/53/s
Anchorage	32/25/0.22	29/15/pc	34/12/c	Lexington	67/50/0.84	60/43/s	72/57/pc
Atlanta	77/62/0.23	76/64/pc	82/66/t	Lincoln	50/40/Tr	57/44/c	58/32/pc
Atlantic City	58/53/0.27	73/53/c	61/52/s	Little Rock	67/43/1.28	72/51/s	75/54/t
Austin	76/57/0.11	84/62/s	82/59/t	Los Angeles	64/51/0.00	68/50/pc	79/58/s
Baltimore	64/56/Tr	80/49/pc	73/54/s	Louisville	69/53/0.49	63/45/s	76/57/pc
Billings	48/34/Tr	49/34/pc	58/40/pc	Madison, WI	45/39/0.00	52/38/pc	55/33/sh
Birmingham	73/62/1.93	75/60/pc	80/67/t	Memphis	74/60/1.15	71/56/s	74/57/t
Bismarck	60/25/0.00	50/27/pc	52/25/pc	Miami	86/74/0.00	86/74/s	85/74/pc
Boise	50/35/0.18	57/34/s	63/40/s	Milwaukee	44/42/0.00	50/38/c	57/38/sh
Boston	62/46/0.15	65/45/sh	54/39/s	Minneapolis	53/30/0.00	53/41/pc	48/30/sh
Bridgeport, CT	63/43/0.57	65/46/t	59/43/s	Nashville	73/54/1.40	69/48/s	73/61/r
Buffalo	70/52/0.00	59/36/r	56/46/c	New Orleans	79/69/Tr	77/71/t	84/71/t
Burlington, VT	73/53/0.00	64/37/t	48/36/c	New York City	68/49/0.08	75/47/t	65/49/s
Caribou, ME	54/40/0.12	49/28/r	40/21/c	Newark, NJ	67/51/0.04	76/47/t	67/49/s
Charleston, SC	81/61/0.00	85/64/pc	84/66/t	Norfolk, VA	82/54/0.00	83/52/t	69/57/s
Charlotte	75/53/1.23	83/54/pc	75/64/sh	Oklahoma City	60/43/0.04	75/52/c	71/44/s
Chattanooga	67/57/2.63	75/52/s	75/64/r	Omaha	47/38/Tr	56/46/pc	56/32/c
Cheyenne	45/20/0.00	39/26/sn	43/28/s	Orlando	91/63/0.00	91/66/pc	90/67/pc
Chicago	50/44/Tr	53/44/pc	66/40/r	Palm Springs	72/57/0.00	77/56/s	85/59/s
Cincinnati	65/48/0.43	59/44/s	72/55/pc	Peoria	51/43/0.36	56/45/pc	68/40/r
Cleveland	71/45/0.06	56/40/sh	66/54/pc	Philadelphia	61/51/0.01	79/48/t	69/52/s
Colorado Springs	51/21/0.00	49/30/c	48/29/pc	Phoenix	72/51/0.00	63/49/s	77/53/c
Columbia, MO	48/42/0.36	61/50/pc	72/40/pc	Pittsburgh	72/48/Tr	60/44/pc	69/56/pc
Columbia, SC	84/58/Tr	79/61/t	84/67/t	Portland, ME	53/42/0.00	57/40/r	51/37/c
Columbus, GA	82/61/0.08	75/65/r	84/64/t	Providence	66/49/0.18	63/44/sh	60/40/s
Columbus, OH	72/45/0.02	59/45/pc	71/57/pc	Raleigh	75/52/0.10	84/53/pc	77/64/pc
Concord, NH	67/46/0.02	67/40/r	55/33/pc	Rapid City	57/22/0.00	47/30/c	53/31/s
Corpus Christi	88/65/Tr	81/69/s	85/70/pc	Reno	51/40/0.00	56/31/s	67/38/s
Dallas	68/52/0.43	78/56/s	77/53/c	Richmond	75/50/Tr	83/49/c	76/58/pc
Dayton	68/44/0.29	58/44/pc	71/52/c	Rochester, NY	73/50/0.00	63/35/r	53/42/c
Denver	52/28/0.00	47/29/c	49/31/pc	Sacramento	67/44/0.00	73/42/s	76/45/s
Des Moines	43/38/0.22	56/46/pc	58/33/c	St. Louis	57/48/0.60	61/49/pc	77/44/pc
Detroit	66/44/0.02	56/33/c	59/48/c	Salt Lake City	48/36/0.07	49/33/sn	54/38/s
Duluth	31/26/Tr	36/28/pc	39/24/c	San Antonio	78/56/Tr	85/64/s	85/59/c
El Paso	66/40/0.00	72/46/s	65/44/s	San Diego	62/55/0.01	64/49/r	72/53/s
Fairbanks	31/15/0.10	26/5/c	25/-6/c	San Francisco	60/51/0.00	68/47/s	69/47/s
Fargo	55/18/0.00	53/34/c	47/25/pc	San Jose	63/46/0.00	72/45/s	76/48/s
Flagstaff	38/25/Tr	35/22/pc	48/22/c	Santa Fe	51/17/0.00	52/28/pc	54/29/pc
Grand Rapids	50/45/0.07	48/32/r	62/38/sh	Savannah	84/63/0.00	89/65/pc	88/66/c
Green Bay	42/37/Tr	49/32/pc	49/32/sh	Seattle	54/42/0.89	54/43/pc	55/43/pc
Greensboro	69/49/0.62	79/51/pc	74/61/sh	Sioux Falls	53/24/0.00	57/41/c	51/27/pc
Harrisburg	66/56/0.06	75/51/pc	71/53/s	Spokane	49/34/0.00	53/33/pc	56/41/pc
Hartford, CT	75/51/0.27	71/43/t	62/39/s	Springfield, MO	54/45/0.51	66/50/pc	74/41/s
Helena	45/32/0.02	50/36/pc	57/41/pc	Tampa	88/68/0.00	85/70/pc	87/69/pc
Honolulu	81/70/0.17	82/72/s	82/70/s	Tucson	69/43/0.00	66/44/s	71/47/pc
Houston	82/66/Tr	82/68/s	83/68/c	Tulsa	57/48/0.61	75/54/c	76/46/s
Huntsville	72/59/2.35	71/52/s	74/65/r	Washington, DC	66/55/Tr	80/53/pc	74/58/s
Indianapolis	59/44/0.11	57/44/c	71/47/c	Wichita	54/43/Tr	71/46/c	63/36/pc
Jackson, MS	82/63/0.67	77/65/pc	82/68/t	Yakima	57/44/0.00	64/35/s	66/37/pc
Jacksonville	88/57/0.00	90/64/pc	89/65/pc	Yuma	75/54/0.01	69/47/s	80/50/s
			INTERN	ATIONAL			
Amsterdam	54/41/0.34	58/39/sh	46/42/pc	Mecca	99/76/0.00	95/65/s	94/64/s
Athens	52/39/0.02	57/46/s	61/48/s	Mexico City	85/53/0.00	79/54/s	81/54/s
Auckland	72/57/0.00	75/62/s	73/64/c	Montreal	70/45/0.14	50/35/r	46/36/r
Baghdad	73/63/0.00	79/55/pc	68/48/pc	Moscow	46/32/0.00	42/32/c	41/30/pc
Bangkok	97/79/0.00	96/82/pc	97/82/s	Nairobi	86/59/0.00	86/57/pc	84/59/pc
Beijing	72/46/0.00	63/51/c	67/51/s	Nassau	84/73/0.00	84/72/s	84/71/s
Beirut	57/55/0.60	59/50/r	60/49/s	New Delhi	84/61/0.00	90/65/pc	94/68/pc
Berlin	58/32/0.00	59/45/pc	51/37/sh	0saka	62/53/0.07	69/42/s	67/54/pc
Bogota	66/45/0.05	65/50/t	65/49/t	Oslo	46/32/0.01	48/42/r	45/33/c
Budapest	54/25/0.00	60/36/pc	62/42/pc	Ottawa	66/46/0.07	49/31/r	48/34/pc
Buenos Aires	72/69/1.58	75/61/t	70/59/t	Paris	57/45/0.06	60/39/pc	54/38/pc
Cabo San Lucas	72/55/0.00	73/57/pc	76/56/pc	Rio de Janeiro	88/75/0.00	86/75/s	88/76/s

MOTOR SPORTS | NASCAR TRUCK SERIES

Marital bliss: Stewart and Jessica Friesen look to make history

BY JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

Jessica Friesen will attempt to make her NASCAR national series debut at Bristol Motor Speedway for a potential show-Truck Series race.

Stewart Friesen is in his fifth full season of Truck Series competition and his wife limits her racing to sprint car and modified divisions. Bristol Motor Speedway for this weekend has been converted into a dirt track — a surface suited for Jessica Friesen's experience — so Halmar Friesen Racing entered a second truck for Sat-

urday night. If she makes the field, Jessica and Stewart Friesen would be the first married couple to compete in the same NASCAR race since Elton Sawyer and Patty Moise in a 1998 sec-

ond-tier series event. Jessica Friesen is slated to drive the No. 62 Toyota while her husband will be in his usual No. 52

53/41/0.03

41/28/0.04

ther(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-

The buildup has been confusing for their 5-year-old son, Parker, who travels with his parents to their respective races. When Parker was diagnosed on the autistic spectrum, Jessica Friesen scaled back her racing to care for him while also focusing on the family printing business.

"He's still very confused," Jessica Friesen said of her son. "He says, 'No, Mom. Dad races the truck, you race the modified, and trucks don't race on dirt, trucks race on the pavement.' So he was just kind of getting his mind wrapped around all that."

The Friesens have competed in the same event before, in-



David Duprey/AP file American Sprint Car Series driver Jessica Zemken, now Jessica Friesen, smiles during a rain delay at a NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race in Watkins Glen, New York, in 2009.

cluding a sprint car race in upstate New York two days after their 2014 wedding. They finished first and second — but Jessica Friesen is looking to

change the results at Bristol. "It was 'Stewart Friesen and wife ran one and two," she said. "I'm looking forward to changing that a little bit, those headlines a little bit."

Calgary

Edinburah

Johannesburg

Lisbon

Madrid

85/77/0.00

52/39/0.14

64/32/0.00

70/36/0.00

86/77/s

48/36/r

64/44/pc

75/62/t 77/72/s 46/40/r 54/42/pc 74/53/s

76/66/s

66/50/pc

67/43/pc

46/34/pc

50/43/sh

Sao Paulo

Sydney Taipei City Tel Aviv

Vancouve

82/68/0.00 52/41/0.32

63/41/0.00

70/45/0.00

86/67/s 46/32/sh

67/45/c

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88/68/s

62/48/sh

Jessica Friesen will have to qualify her way into the race via the four, 15-minute heat races before the Saturday night main event and the field is time Cup Series drivers among the 44 trying to make the 36-truck field.

"This will be a story for our grandkids someday," Jessica Friesen said. "No matter what happens at this race, we went and did this. We kind of went out there, had fun and hopefully it turns out well. Hopefully, we'll see. Who knows what could happen. Stewart says no pressure, so I'm just going to keep having that men-

tality." Bristol has transformed its concrete surface with 20,000 truckloads of clay in order to host NASCAR's first Cup race on dirt in 70 years and the surface has created multiple opportunities this weekend.

The day after the Truck Series race, Stewart Friesen will make his first career Cup start, picked by Spire Motorsports to drive its No. 77 Chevrolet. Stewart Friesen has more than 330 career wins in dirt modified racing and won the 2019 Truck Series race at Eldora Speedway.

"It's a dream come true to compete in the Cup Series," Stewart Friesen said. "It's the pinnacle of motorsports in North America. As a race fan myself, it has always been something I've dreamed about doing. There's some stuff we can take from our dirt experience with the truck at Eldora and apply to the Cup car, to hopefully be very competitive at Bristol."

Sweet 16

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"Things have changed. You could go somewhere else and you could have the opportunity right away to make an impact and create something that's never been done before," she said. "Those kids are different. They are special in their own right and they wanted to do something that has never been done before and I'm thankful to coach a group of them."

Arizona has made it back to the Sweet 16 for the first time since 1998 when coach Adia Barnes was playing for the Wildcats.

Some other things to know about this Sweet 16 field:

Inside the numbers

For the first time since 2013 three No. 6 seeds advanced to the Sweet 16 with Michigan, Oregon and Texas all reaching the regional semifinals. Also, for the third straight tournament all the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds reached the Sweet 16.

Crowd noise

For the first time in the tour-



Oregon's Sedona Prince (32) shoots over Georgia's Javyn Nicholson (35) during the women's **NCAA Tournament in San Antonio** on Wednesday. The Ducks are one of three No. 6 seeds to advance to the Sweet 16.

nament the NCAAs will allow the public to attend games. That will be limited to 17% of the Alamodome's capacity per game — which is roughly 4,800 tickets.

'We're in Texas, so, I feel like we're going to have a lot of fans," Baylor forward NaLyssa Smith said.

Olympics

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"The torch of Tokyo 2020 will become a bright light for hope for Japanese citizens and citizens in the world and a light at the end of the tunnel," said Seiko Hashimoto, the president of the local organizing committee and a former Olympian.

Homare Sawa, the biggest star on the 2011 team, missed the ceremony. She is being treated for a condition affecting her inner ear and had to

withdraw from the event. Fans were told to social-distance along the roadside as the torch passes, and they were to refrain from loud cheering. Organizers have said they will stop or reroute the relay if crowding becomes a problem

during the four-month parade. Spectators cooperated in Naraha Town, just down the road from where the torch started its trip. A few hundred people stood on the roadside and were safely spread out.

"At first I didn't think much of it," said 20-year-old Takumu Kimura. "But when I actually

saw it, it felt like: — yes, it's the Olympics."

Setsuko Hashimoto, a 63-year-old local resident, was

emotional as the torch passed. "Ten years ago there was a nuclear accident so (seeing the torch) it felt like I could really look forward to something and live," she said. "When you become my age, this is the last

It was very touching."
Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga chimed in from Tokyo with a statement.

Tokyo Olympics and it's here.

"The Olympic torch relay starting from today is a valuable opportunity for the people to get a real sense of the Olympics and Paralympics that are approaching," Suga told reporters.

Organizers confirmed a bit of bad luck: the flame in the torch was blown out during one leg of the relay. As has happened in other Olympics, it was re-lit by a back-up lantern that also carries the flame that was kindled in Greece more than a year ago.

Local organizers and the International Olympic Committee hope the relay will turn public opinion in Japan in favor of the Olympics. Sentiments expressed in polls in Japan so far are overwhelmingly negative with about 80% suggesting another delay or cancellation.

The relay and the Olympics both stir fear that the events could spread the virus. There is also opposition to the soaring cost of staging the Olympics, now put officially at \$15.4 billion. Several audits suggest it's twice that much and a University of Oxford study says these are the most expensive Olympics on record.

The relay is a big test for the upcoming Olympics with fear among the public that the event could spread the virus to rural and more isolated parts of the country. Vaccinations have not been rolled out yet in Japan to the general public. About 9,000 deaths in the country have been attributed to COVID-19.

About 10,000 runners are expected to take part, with the relay touching Japan's 47 pre-

fectures. After the postponement a year ago, there was early talk

of eliminating the relay to save money. However, that idea was quickly dropped with the relay heavily sponsored by Coca-Cola and Toyota.

The relay is a prelude to the difficulties the Olympics and Paralympics will present with 15,400 athletes entering Japan, along with thousands of other officials, judges, VIPs, media, and broadcasters.

Athletes will be kept in a "bubble" like atmospĥere in Tokyo and will be limited to the Athletes Village on Tokyo Bay, the competition venues and training areas. Most others will be outside the bubble and will be kept at a distance from the athletes.

Organizers announced a few days ago that fans from abroad will be banned from attending the Olympics and Paralympics. Most volunteers from abroad have also been ruled out.

Organizers are to announce the venue capacities in April. Ticket revenue for the Olympics was to be \$800 million but will be severely reduced by the lack of fans. Japanese government entities will have to make up the shortfall.