

# GEARs April 2026 Rides

GEARs (Greater Eugene Area Riders) invites all cyclists to join in riding together through some beautiful Oregon terrain. We require that all participants wear a bike helmet and bring a bike in safe riding condition. A frame tire pump, tube/patch kit, basic tools, full water bottle and appropriate clothing are strongly encouraged. Ride leaders will help to ensure that you have a safe and pleasant experience. If you have questions about a scheduled ride, feel free to contact the ride leader or Ride Coordinator Bob Lewis at 502-229-4809 or bob@eugenegears.org.

## Ride Speed Levels

GEARs bases its ride levels on *average speed*. On a given ride there will occasionally be times (downhill sections or flat areas with tailwinds) where riders exceed the stated ride speed level. Conversely, there will be times when riders pedal slower than the advertised pace (i.e. going uphill or into a headwind). **GEARs defines its speed categories as the pace a cyclist can pedal by herself/himself on a flat road sustained for 20-30 minutes alone.** For example, if you can ride at a 14-16 mph pace on a flat road, sustained for 20-30 minutes by yourself, then you should be able to comfortably ride in a GEARs 13-15 mph group ride.

***If you decide to drop out of a ride along the way, please let the ride leader know so we don't come looking for you.***

The **16+ mph** rides are fast paced with occasional pace lines and fewer stops. The ride leader will announce where regrouping will take place and will try to keep the group together when possible.

The **13-15 mph** rides are medium paced and regroups often. The ride may get stretched out, but will regroup at turns and at the top of climbs.

The **10-12 mph** rides are slower paced, the group tends to stay together and takes the time look at the scenery.

Day	Time	Place	Ride #	Ride Description	Pace	Length	Food?	Rating	Leader
Wednesday April 1	6:00 PM	Alton Baker Park	125a	WTNB* Only (*Women, Trans, Non-Binary)	10-12 mph	10 Miles	BF	A	Kait Glasswell
Thursday April 2	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	114b	McKenzie View & Sundeman	10-12 mph	35 Miles	FS	B	Ted Conover 541-232-1920
Thursday April 2	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	114a	McKenzie View to Walterville	13-15 mph	42 Miles	FS	B	Steve McHugh
Thursday April 2	5:45 PM	Alton Baker Park	113a	Evening on McKenzie View	14-16 mph	25 Miles	BF	B	Angie Long 410-707-4620
Saturday April 4	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	406a	Weyerhaeuser to Pleasant Hill, Out & Back	10-12 mph	35 Miles	FS	B	Ted Conover 541-232-1920
Saturday April 4	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	406h	Pleasant Hill via Clearwater	13-15 mph	38 Miles	FS	B	Angie Long 410-707-4620
Saturday April 4	10:00 AM	Woahnik Day Use	765a	Honeyman Gravel	12-14 mph	54 Miles	BF	D	Mark LaPage 541-556-5569
Monday April 6	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	113b	Slo-Mo Monday McKenzie View via I-5 Path	10-12 mph	24 Miles	BF	B	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311
Tuesday April 7	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Free Fun Fox Hollow	10-12 mph	26 Miles	BF	C	Theresa Congdon xxx
Tuesday April 7	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Riding Some Hills, Route Announced at the Start	12-14 mph	25-50 Miles	BF	C	Bob Lewis 502-229-4809
Wednesday April 8	6:00 PM	Alton Baker Park	125a	WTNB* Only (*Women, Trans, Non-Binary)	10-12 mph	10 Miles	BF	A	Kait Glasswell
Thursday April 9	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	417a	Dale Kuni Rd	10-12 mph	34 Miles	BF	A	Ted Conover 541-232-1920
Thursday April 9	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	412a	River Dr & Howe Lane	12-14 mph	41 Miles	FS	B	Larry Diffie 541-729-7923
Thursday April 9	5:45 PM	Alton Baker Park	113a	Evening on McKenzie View	14-16 mph	25 Miles	BF	B	Angie Long 410-707-4620
Saturday April 11	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	317a	Pine Grove, Reversed	10-12 mph	28 Miles	BF	C	Ted Conover 541-232-1920
Saturday April 11	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	302e	Veneta via Bolton Hill	13-15 mph	50 Miles	FS	C	Bob Lewis 502-229-4809
Sunday April 12	9:00 AM	Crow Grange	750a	Vaughn, C Mainline and Battle Creek Loop	11-13 mph	37 Miles	BF	C	Nancy Whyte 650-279-1952
Monday April 13	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	125a	Slo-Mo Monday Clearwater & Scenic Springfield	10-12 mph	24 Miles	BF	B	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311
Tuesday April 14	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Free Fun Fox Hollow	10-12 mph	26 Miles	BF	C	Jackie Murdoff 541-345-3941
Tuesday April 14	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Riding Some Hills, Route Announced at the Start	12-14 mph	25-50 Miles	BF	C	Craig Congdon 541-246-0600
Tuesday April 14	5:30 PM	Alton Baker Park	319e	Lorane to Erickson and back Lorane	12-14 mph	26 Miles	BF	C	John Anderson 404-312-2924
Wednesday April 15	6:00 PM	Alton Baker Park	125a	WTNB* Only (*Women, Trans, Non-Binary)	10-12 mph	10 Miles	BF	A	Kait Glasswell
Thursday April 16	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	209a	Alvadore Short	10-12 mph	30 Miles	FS	A	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311

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Thursday April 16	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	302a	Veneta via Petzold, Central	12-14 mph	47 Miles	FS	<b>C</b>	Theresa Congdon xxx
Thursday April 16	<b>5:45 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	113a	Evening on McKenzie View	14-16 mph	25 Miles	BF	<b>B</b>	Julie Reed 541-206-2020
Saturday April 18	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Paula Erickson Memorial Ride Franklin Firehouse, CCW	10-12 mph	42 Miles	FR	<b>B</b>	Larry Diffie 541-729-7923
Saturday April 18	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Paula Erickson Memorial Ride Franklin Firehouse, CCW	12-14 mph	42 Miles	FR	<b>B</b>	Richard Hughes 541-579-3098
Sunday April 19	<b>TBA</b>	TBA		Gravel - Route TBA					Sam McCamant 503-270-6844
Monday April 20	9:00 AM	Albertson's on Marcola	117d	Slo-Mo Monday Upper Camp Creek Rd	10-12 mph	27 Miles	BF	<b>B</b>	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311
Tuesday April 21	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Free Fun Fox Hollow	10-12 mph	26 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Jackie Murdoff 541-345-3941
Tuesday April 21	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Riding Some Hills, Route Announced at the Start	12-14 mph	25-50 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Bob Lewis 502-229-4809
Wednesday April 22	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	125a	WTNB* Only (*Women, Trans, Non-Binary)	10-12 mph	10 Miles	BF	<b>A</b>	Kait Glasswell
Thursday April 23	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	209d	Alvadore via Milliron	10-12 mph	36 Miles	FR	<b>A</b>	Ted Conover 541-232-1920
Thursday April 23	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	227b	Applegate, Rtn Alvadore, FRBP	13-15 mph	46 Miles	FS	<b>B</b>	Gary Heeszal xxx
Thursday April 23	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	113a	Evening on McKenzie View	14-16 mph	25 Miles	BF	<b>B</b>	Julie Reed 541-206-2020
Saturday April 25	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	113c	McKenzie View & Sunderman via I-5 Path	10-12 mph	34 Miles	FS	<b>B</b>	John Anderson 404-312-2924
Saturday April 25	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	228a	Short and Sporty E/W Beacon Rd	13-15 mph	21 Miles	BF	<b>A</b>	Howard Hesterberg 707-321-1696
Saturday April 25	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	212b	Hills Around Cheshire	16+ mph	51 Miles	FS	<b>B</b>	Danielle Curran 608-469-9511
Sunday April 26	9:00 AM	Austa Landing Park	925a	Old Stagecoach Rd	10-12 mph	30 Miles	BF	<b>B</b>	Howard Hesterberg 707-321-1696
Monday April 27	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	103c	Slo-Mo Monday Coburg Bottom Loop	10-12 mph	27 Miles	FS	<b>A</b>	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311
Tuesday April 28	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Free Fun Fox Hollow	10-12 mph	26 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Steve Hecker 541-954-1161
Tuesday April 28	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	##	Riding Some Hills, Route Announced at the Start	12-14 mph	25-50 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Craig Congdon 541-246-0600
Tuesday April 28	<b>5:30 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	319e	Lorane to Erickson and back Lorane	12-14 mph	26 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	John Anderson 404-312-2924
Wednesday April 29	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	125a	WTNB* Only (*Women, Trans, Non-Binary)	10-12 mph	10 Miles	BF	<b>A</b>	Kait Glasswell
Thursday April 30	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	319a	Lorane Hwy to Petzold, Out & Back	10-12 mph	35 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Gary Haliski 541-337-1311
Thursday April 30	9:00 AM	Alton Baker Park	318a	Briggs Hill Rd to Doane Rd	12-14 mph	37 Miles	BF	<b>C</b>	Bob Lewis 502-229-4809
Thursday April 30	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Alton Baker Park	113a	Evening on McKenzie View	14-16 mph	25 Miles	BF	<b>B</b>	Angie Long 410-707-4620

Color Key: 10-12 mph leader pace

16 + mph leader pace

Evening Ride

Gravel / Mixed Surfaces



Our ride schedule will be posted monthly with sign up posted approximately 7 days before the scheduled ride. Sign ups close 90 minutes before the scheduled start of the ride. You must sign up for your chosen ride online through SignUpGenius. No one is allowed to join the ride without signing online and if you decide to cancel your plan to ride, please remove your sign up so that a slot may be opened for another rider. SignUpGenius is free to use and gives us the ability to track riders without physical contact. To sign up for a GEARs ride click on the Sign Up Genius logo in the schedule at the bottom of the Ride Schedules page of our website and you will be taken to the sign

### Terrain Key:

**A:** Flat with gently rolling terrain.

**B:** Rolling Terrain with a few short, steep climbs.

**C:** Moderate rolling terrain with steeper, longer climbs.

**D:** Demanding terrain with frequent steep and / or sustained climbs.

**Note:** You should be an experienced cyclist to participate and enjoy C and D rides, or rides over 50 miles.

### Food Key:

FS - Food store on route

FR - Restaurant stop

