

GEARs May 2025 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 regroup 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 |
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| Thursday May 1 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 103b | Coburg Rd to Herman Rd | 10-12 mph | 32 Miles | FS | A | Tyler Burgess 541-206-8416 |
| Thursday May 1 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 103a | Coburg rd to Bowers | 13-15 mph | 39 Miles | FS | A | Bob Lewis 502-229-4809 |
| Thursday May 1 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 102a | Priceboro Dr | 16+ Mph | 44 Miles | FS | A | Steve Husak 541-430-0441 |
| Thursday May 1 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 113a | McKenzie View Dr | 13-15 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Angie Long 410-707-4620 |
| Saturday May 3 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 209d | Alvadore via Milliron | 10-12 mph | 36 Miles | FR | A | Ted Conover 541-232-1920 |
| Saturday May 3 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 201e | Junction City via Toftdahl | 13-15 mph | 44 Miles | FS | a | Karen Goodwin 530-519-2646 |
| Saturday May 3 | 9:30 AM | Monroe City Park | 730b | Monroe Mixed Surfaces | 10-12 mph | 25 Miles | BF | C | Larry Diffie 541-729-7923 |
| Monday May 5 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Bridges History & Coffee | 10-12 mph | 20 Miles | FR | A | Richard Hughes 541-579-3098 |
| Tuesday May 6 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Free Fun Fox Hollow | 10-12 mph | 26 Miles | BF | C | Steve Hecker 541-954-1161 |
| Tuesday May 6 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Riding Some Hill, Route announced at the start | 12-14 mph | 25-50 Miles | BF | C | Craig Congdon 541-246-0600 |
| Tuesday May 6 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | | TBA | 13-15 mph | | | | Danielle Curran 608-469-9511 |
| Thursday May 8 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 319b | Lorane Hwy to Petzold, Out & Back | 10-12 mph | 35 Miles | BF | B | Tyler Burgess 541-206-8416 |
| Thursday May 8 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 301c | bRamble Crow Loop | 13-15 mph | 43 Miles | BF | C | Richard Hughes 541-579-3098 |
| Thursday May 8 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 301c | bRamble Crow Loop | 16+ Mph | 43 Miles | BF | C | Steve Husak 541-430-0441 |
| Thursday May 8 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 113a | McKenzie View Dr | 13-15 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Julie Reed 541-206-2020 |
| Friday May 9 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Fall Creek Mixed Surfaces Or Meet in Jasper @ 10:00 AM | 12-14 mph | 66 Miles | BF | C | Craig Congdon 541-246-0600 |
| Saturday May 10 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 406b | Weyerhaeuser Rd to P. Hill, Garry's Alt | 10-12 mph | 34 Miles | FS | B | Ted Conover 541-232-1920 |
| Saturday May 10 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | | | 13-15 mph | | | | |
| Sunday May 11 | 10:00 AM | Monroe City Park | 731b | Monroe to Alsea Falls | 12-14 mph | 40 Miles | BF | D | Mark LaPage 541-556-5569 |
| Monday May 12 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 125a | Slo-Mo Monday Scenic Springfield | 10-12 mph | 24 Miles | BF | B | Bob Lewis 502-229-4809 |
| Tuesday May 13 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Free Fun Fox Hollow | 10-12 mph | 26 Miles | BF | C | Karen Goodwin 530-519-2646 |
| Tuesday May 13 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 313a | McBeth, Fox Hollow | 14-16 mph | 23 Miles | BF | C | Kayna Robison 541-517-2983 |

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| Thursday May 15 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 214a | Sovern Lane | 10-12 mph | 38 Miles | BF | A | Tyler Burgess 541-206-8416 |
| Thursday May 15 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 207a | Franklin Firehouse with Camas Stop | 13-15 mph | 40 Miles | FR | B | Bob Lewis 502-229-4809 |
| Thursday May 15 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 104c | Harrisburg via Coburg | 16+ Mph | 44 Miles | FS | A | Steve Husak 541-430-0441 |
| Thursday May 15 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 113a | McKenzie View Dr | 13-15 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Angie Long 410-707-4620 |
| Saturday May 17 | | | | TBA | 10-12 mph | | | | |
| Saturday May 17 | | | | TBA | 13-15 mph | | | | |
| Saturday May 17 | 9:00 AM | Lowell HS | 702b | Boundry Rd from Lowell HS | 12-14 mph | 48 Miles | BF | C | Mark LaPage 541-556-5569 |
| Sunday May 18 | 10:00 AM | Mohawk Store | 760a | Coburg Hills Loop | 12-14 mph | 33 Miles | BF | D | Sam McCamant 503-270-6844 |
| Monday May 19 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 113d | Slo-Mo Monday McKenzie View | 10-12 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Larry Diffie 541-729-7923 |
| Tuesday May 20 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Free Fun Fox Hollow | 10-12 mph | 26 Miles | BF | C | Steve Hecker 541-954-1161 |
| Tuesday May 20 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Riding Some Hill, Route announced at the start | 12-14 mph | 25-50 Miles | BF | C | Darian Morray 541-953-5679 |
| Tuesday May 20 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | | TBA | 13-15 mph | | | | Danielle Curran 608-469-9511 |
| Thursday May 22 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 317b | Crow Rd via Erickson | 10-12 mph | 29 Miles | BF | B | Tyler Burgess 541-206-8416 |
| Thursday May 22 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 302a | Veneta via Petzold, Central | 13-15 mph | 47 Miles | FS | B | Richard Hughes 541-579-3098 |
| Thursday May 22 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 405a | Bear Creek, Pleasant Hill, Clearwater | 16+ Mph | 46 Miles | FS | B | Steve Husak 541-430-0441 |
| Thursday May 22 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 113a | McKenzie View Dr | 13-15 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Julie Reed 541-206-2020 |
| Saturday May 24 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 114d | McKenzie View & Sunderman, Reversed | 10-12 mph | 35 Miles | FS | B | Larry Diffie 541-729-7923 |
| Saturday May 24 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | McBeth, Briggs, Gimpl | 13-15 mph | 40 Miles | BF | C | Peter Dedman 347-415-0321 |
| Saturday May 24 | 6:00 PM | Celebration of Life Ride: Start at 24th & University. Join us for a 3.3 mile ride from University Park to Chanel Mulligan Park to honor and remember, and learn about safety changes made. | | | | | | | Richard Hughes 541-579-3098 |
| Sunday May 25 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 322a | Cottage Grove via Lorane | 13-15 mph | 62 Miles | FS | C | Karen Goodwin 530-519-2646 |
| Monday May 26 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 103c | Coburg Bottom Loop | 10-12 mph | 27 Miles | FS | A | Mike Cantrell 541-342-7649 |
| Tuesday May 27 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Free Fun Fox Hollow | 10-12 mph | 26 Miles | BF | C | Theresa Congdon 541-246-0600 |
| Tuesday May 27 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | ## | Riding Some Hill, Route announced at the start | 12-14 mph | 25-50 Miles | BF | C | Craig Congdon 541-246-0600 |
| Tuesday May 27 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 307a | Fox Hollow, Lorane Hwy | 14-16 mph | 30 Miles | BF | C | Kayna Robison 541-517-2983 |
| Wednesday May 28 | 6:00 PM | U of O Outdoor Ctr | ## | U of O Birds and Bikes | 6-10 mph | 9 Miles | BF | A | Kayna Robison 541-517-2983 |
| Thursday May 29 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 211a | Lawrence & Short Butler | 13-15 mph | 41 Miles | FS | B | Bob Lewis 502-229-4809 |
| Thursday May 29 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 117b | Upper Camp Creek via Mill Path, 42nd St. | 16+ Mph | 38 Miles | BF | B | Steve Husak 541-430-0441 |
| Thursday May 29 | 6:00 PM | Alton Baker Park | 113a | McKenzie View Dr | 13-15 mph | 25 Miles | BF | B | Angie Long 410-707-4620 |
| Saturday May 31 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 314d | Hamm Rd via Fox Hollow | 13-15 mph | 49 Miles | FS | C | Steve Hecker 541-954-1161 |
| Saturday May 31 | 9:00 AM | Alton Baker Park | 314d | Hamm Rd via Fox Hollow | 16+ Mph | 49 Miles | FS | C | Danielle Curran 608-469-9511 |

Color Key:

10-12 mph leader pace

16 + mph leader pace

Evening Ride

Gravel / Mixed Surfaces



Greater Eugene Area Riders

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 SignUp Genius. 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. SignUp Genius 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

BF - Bring food