



Orland Events!

The Orland Economic Development Commission (EDC) is exploring the concept of the economic potential for local events to generate visitor traffic and business activity.

Current local community events in Orland include:

- Avenue of Lights
- Queen Bee Festival (2019 and June 2024)
- OktoBEEfest (2018, 2019, 2024)
- Old Fashioned 4th of July parade and park activities
- Chamber Downtown Christmas Preview, Tree Lighting, parade
- Orland Free Library and Arts Center special programs and events
- Friday Farmers Markets
- Glenn County Fair, Friends of the Fair dinner, and parade
- Craft Fair and Gather & Graze events at fairgrounds
- Honeybee Discovery Center honey tasting and other special programs
- First Friday open houses for the Art Center, Alta Schmidt Museum, and HDC
- Business special days like Treat Street, Shop Hop, OHB Hobby Day, etc.
- Fire Department Spaghetti Feed and dessert auction, Fireman's Ball
- Farm Bureau, FFA and 4H fundraiser dinners
- Orland High School, Little League and Orland Otters athletic events
- Car shows and 5k races organized by various groups
- National Night Out (hosted by Orland Police VIPS)
- Easter Egg hunts and Orland Flag Society recognition on patriotic holidays



It is noted that many events previously held at the fairgrounds have been curtailed by closure of the grandstands. Also, Covid scuttled several programs and events, some of which are coming back.

Current events and activities at Black Butte Lake include:

- Bass fishing tournament
- Dark Sky stargazing
- Sailboat regatta
- Safe boating – DryWater days and free life jacket exchange
- National Public Lands Day (i.e., trails maintenance service)
- 5k, 10k, cross country races
- Disc golf
- Audubon Society bird-watching
- Springer Spaniel hunting dogs outing
- Halloween trick-or-treat
- Horseback riding
- Archery (club)
- More info: <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/gateways/473>



Potential new events associated with the Lake include:

- Water ski, windsurf, kite flying events?
- Speed boating?
- Triathlon (at the Lake or connected to Orland)?
- Spartan – Tough Mudder races?
- Public safety/rescue agency training as spectator events?
- Pollinator Garden?
- Easter Egg Hunt?
- *Your ideas?*



Potential new or expanded events in Orland include:

- Races (running, pump track, obstacle...)
- Pickleball, disc golf?
- Community scavenger/geocache hunt?
- Expanded: Queen Bee Festival, OktoBEEfest and Avenue of Lights
- *Your ideas?*

Note: The Orland Area Chamber of Commerce is launching a new Community Calendar and is in the best position to promote visitor outreach and reception activities.

<https://business.orlandchamber.org/event-calendar>



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