Stub Stewart State Park is like a big, big, multipurpose playground in Portland’s backyard. Just 34 miles west of Portland, this park is a haven for those whose idea of recreation is well, active. Hikers can explore more than 20 miles of trails some easy, some hard. Bicycling can be sweet and simple, or it can be a heart-pounding, roller coaster ride on one of many professionally designed mountain bike trails. Families and friends enjoy the challenge and laughter that an 18-hole disc golf course brings. With all this activity spent, visitors can settle in and pop a tent, park a motorhome, or rent a cabin to relax as the evening’s stars come out. And let’s not forget the equestrians. Along with one of the best horse camps in the state, Stub Stewart is home to dozens of trails open to horseback riders.

Stub Stewart State Park’s namesake, was a legend in the world of Oregon logging, and a legend at Oregon State Parks. He served nearly 40 years as an advisor to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, enthusiastically championing the world of outdoor recreation and preservation. He and his brother built a small timber company, Bohemia, into a multi-million dollar enterprise that employed thousands at its height. He was also a state legislator, serving in the House of Representatives from 1951-55.