

CHALK CREEK CHATTER

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Fall is in the air, the days are cooler, the nights a little crisper. The mountains are less crowded & the trees a little brighter with fall colors.

September is the month to enjoy Labor Day, Apple Fest and the ATV color tour. Sites are going fast so don't delay making your reservations.

Reservations are going fast for Labor Day Weekend. Some sites are still available. Call

719-395-8301 or

book online at

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Come on in, Big Sale Labor Day Weekend

Lots of fun will be had over the Labor Day Weekend at Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park! Our big 50% Off, End of the Season sale will be going on all weekend long! Take advantage of our need to clear out inventory before the season winds to a close! All apparel & gifts will be 50% off & some items will be up to 70% off! As for activities – our last Bingo game of the season will end with a Grand Prize of a Stay one Night, Get one Night Free gift certificate for Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park! In addition the Duckies will be swimming their last race on Sunday afternoon! They're anxious to earn more money for the Ark Valley Humane Society in Buena Vista. Be sure to sponsor your ducky for fun and prizes!

Autumn in the Mountains

The mountains are always special – Winter with its' snow brings skiing, snow boarding & just enjoying crisp sunny days. Springtime has its emerging green leaves & flowers. Summer has its' hot days, rafting & hiking high peaks – but Fall has its' crisp evenings, spectacular fishing, slower pace and of course its' colors. Aspens turn gold starting at the high peaks and working down into the valleys and cottonwoods follow with yellow and orange. Long drives up to the ghost towns reward you with spectacular mountains, trees ever brighter. For those who do off roading, they can get into the highest peaks and revel in the beauty. For fisherman the fish are getting ready for winter and feeding profusely! Come to the mountains in Autumn and you will be rewarded!

Online Reservations

Don't forget that Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park has an Online reservation system. It is easy to use at any hour of the day or night. Though you are not allowed to pick a particular site when making an online reservation you can always send an email along with the reservation and we will do our best to accommodate you. Whenever we receive an online reservation we do give it our best available site. So rest assured that you will always get the best that we can give you with what is available. Go to [Chalk Creek Campground reservations](#) now to book your next reservation.

Events

Plan to attend the following:

August 13- : Sale in the store starts – countdown to Labor Day

August 22-23: King Boletus Mushroom Festival

September 3–6 Labor Day Weekend!

Sept. 4– BINGO at Chalk Creek Campground

Sept. 5- Ducky Races at Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park

September 11: AppleFest, Buena Vista

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Autumn Color Run – 25th Year! ½ marathon, 5K, 10K, Fun walk

September 21-25: ATV Historical Color Tour

Call for more information on any of these events. (888)395-8830

*Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves.
- John Muir*



Mountain Goats

The mountain goat was introduced deliberately to Colorado, to expand hunting opportunities. The first such introduction was in 1947, when 14 goats were imported from Montana and released in the Collegiate Range.

In 1993 the Colorado Wildlife Commission proclaimed the mountain goat a native species. However, most professional biologists doubt that the animals ever occurred in Colorado naturally. Even today, visitors to Colorado's high country often identify bighorn sheep as "mountain goats." With their shaggy white wool coats and black horns, these are beautiful and distinctive animals. Billies range to five feet long and weigh up to 250 pounds; nannies are somewhat smaller. Both sexes have sharp, black horns, six to 12 inches long.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why are some of the sites in the lower Campground so small?

Lately, when we get a poor mark back in a survey that we have asked our guests to complete or, on RV Park Reviews, it is due to the size of our sites in the lower campground. People note that they are small and wonder why they are since the upper campground has very spacious sites. This takes a bit of history to explain. The campground was started in 1973 by Bernard & Ruth Brown. They owned a large ranch in the area and started letting people camp in the lower campground. The campground has been modified over the years but the RV sites on the lower campground have stayed essentially the same since its inception. The reason for this is the trees. The trees are quite old and large in the lower campground and give it much of its appeal. They create a nice shady area for tenters & RV'ers alike. Because sites need to be between the trees they all have different widths & lengths and RVs and tents are allotted to the sites depending on their size or amount of people and tents. Unfortunately, unless we start cutting down trees there is no way to enlarge the current sites. So, to keep the trees, shade and sites intact they will be remaining the way they are and will make some people unhappy. Contrary to some peoples' belief sites on the lower campground have never been adjusted to make them smaller. They have been leveled and graded and the electric has been redone to make everyone more comfortable and to have reliable power. Those wanting the larger sites can make reservations for sites on the upper campground which are all 30 feet wide and 40 to 60 feet in length. These sites were totally upgraded in the past 8 years to make them wider, longer, have new utilities and easier to get into. The open sites give views to the mountains and make it easy for people to use their satellite dishes or antenna for TV reception.