

CHALK CREEK CHATTER

Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park
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We're looking forward to a great summer in the mountains. Though there is still snow on the highest peaks it is slowly receding and soon all the trails up and over them will be open.

Here at Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park we're gearing up and seeing many new and returning guests. We're looking forward to seeing you too!

Reservations are getting tight so don't be left out. Reserve your site soon either online at

www.chalkcreek-campground.com

or call us at

(888)395-8830.



Meet our Staff

Our staff is always a diverse group and this year is no exception. We have two couples returning for the 4th & 3rd years. (We must be doing something right!). They are Brian and Jan Skeels from Ormond Beach, Fl. and Barb & Jim Christy, who are full time RV'ers originally from New York. Brian and Jan are our resident ATV experts as they frequently take rides in the local area. Barb keeps the restrooms & cabins sparkling, & Jim keeps the grounds looking pristine. New this year to Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park, but not new to workamping are Paul and Debra Bokel from Texas. This is their 5th year workamping and they are enjoying it here where they are able to take their jeep out on the many off road trails. Greg & Teresa Thomson who hail from Las Vegas, are brand new to workamping but are loving it! They especially enjoy exploring Colorado on their days off.

We're Going 'More' Green!

Green is the big thing right now and Chalk Creek Campground & RV Park is doing its' part to go even greener. Water conservation has been a big part of the campground for many years now. Sensor operated faucets, hand air dryers and coin operated (water conserving) showers. Now we're going 'greener' by adding recycling of aluminum cans and plastic containers. Five recycling stations are located throughout the campground to help in the effort. We're hoping that everyone who cares about the planet will help us out.

Events

Plan to attend the following:

Summer: Stay with us when you go rafting the river at the height of run off.

June 18- 21 FibArk Festival in Salida,
Kayak races, carnival, festival

July 2 – 5 Red, White & Blue at Chalk Creek Campground!

Decorating contests, Ducky races.

4th of July:

Buena Vista celebrations & fireworks at Rodeo Grounds.

July 3 – 7 Quilt Show at Community Center, Buena Vista Sidewalk Sale!

July 5: Car Show in Buena Vista

July 10, 11: Buena Vista, Collegiate Peaks Stampede Rodeo

July 16-19: Chaffee County Fairgrounds, Annual Art of the Rockies Show & Art Sale.

July 24-26: Buena Vista, Collegiate Peaks Music Festival

Thoughts to Ponder

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



Rainbow Trout!

The rainbow trout is native only to the rivers and lakes of North America, west of the Rocky Mountains, but its value as a hard-fighting game fish and tasty meal has led to its introduction throughout the world.

They are members of the salmon family and, like their salmon cousins, can grow quite large. Rainbows may live up to 11 years, but the usual life span is four to six years. Growth is highly variable, depending on the habitat. A typical stream-dwelling rainbow grows to weigh about 1 pound (0.5 kg) in four years. They prefer cool, clear rivers, streams, and lakes, though some will leave their freshwater homes and follow a river out to the sea. Rainbow trout survive on insects, crustaceans, and small fish. Their populations are healthy worldwide and they have no special status or protections.

4th of July Fun

If you are coming for any part of the 4th of July Holiday plan to bring your decorations! ATTENTION KIDS! Store gift certificates will be given for the two best decorated bikes/trikes for those 12 years & under. Judging of decorated campsites will take place at Dusk on the designated evening. A Grand Prize and a Runner Up prize will be given out to the top two decorated sites.

Duckies Help the Humane Society

It's only natural that Duckies would help their fellow critters. You can too by sponsoring a Ducky in our Ducky races down the canal. Half of the proceeds go to the Ark Valley Humane Society in Buena Vista. The next race will be over the 4th of July weekend. Date and time to be announced. Be prepared to cheer on your ducky to win store certificates (for kids 12 years & under) or cash prizes for Adults. Proceeds from the last ducky race to AVHS totaled \$145! Let's see if we can raise more money for them this time around.