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Hell on Wheels is Back!

Hometown Charm • Thrilling Action



In the 1860's Cheyenne, WY overflowed with rough-andtumble cowboys & cowgirls, railroaders, ladies of the night and lawmen earning the nickname Hell on Wheels. Today, our manners may be better, but the spirit of adventure and a "hold my beer, watch this" attitude in the rodeo arena lives on. Take a step back in time for an evening celebrating our cowbov roots!

Now entering its 6th season, the Hell on Wheels Rodeo & Chuck Wagon Dinner is where grit meets glory in an open rodeo format. That means anyone with the heart and skill can enter, competing in nine action-packed events for a chance at the prize money. In 2024, we paid out over \$65,000—and this season, the stakes are even higher.

From bucking broncs to blazing fast barrel horses, the competition is fierce across rough stock and timed events, including:

Bareback & Saddle Bronc Riding Novice & Standard Bull Riding Breakaway, Tie-Down & Team Roping Steer Wrestling & Barrel Racing

The action starts at 7:00pm sharp! Each rodeo kicks off with a Grand Entry & National Anthem, followed by 90 minutes



of nonstop adrenaline. After the main performance, slack runs for timed event athletes looking to leave their mark. All events are Wyoming Rodeo Association-approved, but you don't need a WRA card to enter.

For five summers The Award-winning 3 Lazy R Chuck Wagon has been sharing their brisket, beans, potatoes and cobbler with visitors to the Hell on Wheels Rodeo and Chuck Wagon Dinner before the rodeos. Dinner begins at 5:30pm and is the perfect way to experience a taste of the true west in Cheyenne. Bring your visitors and family for a one-of-a-kind Western evening!



2025 Rodeo Dates June 6th June 13th June 20th July 11th August 22nd September 5th

For ticket information: hellonwheelsrodeo.com









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Wyoming Brewers Festival





In 1993, Union Pacific donated the Historic Depot building to the City of Cheyenne and Laramie County, beginning a journey of restoration that continues today. Stabilization work began just a year later, setting the tracks for this landmark's revival. Over the years, the Wyoming Brewers Festival has contributed nearly \$600,000 toward the extensive rehabilitation of this magnificent piece of railroad and Cheyenne history, and transformed the Depot and Plaza into the vibrant community hub it is today.

The fundraising goal for each annual Wyoming Brewers Festival is this ongoing restoration journey, and every pint enjoyed directly fuels the preservation efforts.

From hoppy IPAs to creamy stouts, regional brewing wizards bring their best to make this festival legendary. And live music isn't just background noise—it's what transforms this tasting event into an unforgettable experience! For two days, the Plaza is where craft brews and great music create perfect harmony. This year's Friday night band, "Those Crazy Nights, is a Journey tribute band, promising nostalgia and spontaneous sing-alongs. Saturday, enjoy local favorite Jim Wilkinson, Clem Rockz, and Ten Cent Prophet.

In addition to the beers, the music, and the all-out fun, Wyoming Brewers Festival provides a safe ride home for participants. Two vintage Cheyenne Street Railway Trolleys are ready to be your designated driver for free! Make your plans for Wyoming Brewers Festival today!

Friday June 13th, 5-10pm | Saturday June 14th, 3-7pm Pre-Sale Price: \$45 | Day of Event: \$50 Valid for either Friday OR Saturday night (not both) Includes 5oz Beer Mug & voting token Food available for purchase More information at: wyobrewfest.com/tickets

Cheyenne Celtic Festival

The 20th Annual Cheyenne Celtic Festival is once again ready to celebrate Celtic culture, music, and traditions. It will feature bagpipers, clan displays, workshops, dance performances, food and craft vendors, and even a Highland Games competition. The festival also includes specialty beers, scotch tasting, and various Celtic-themed activities. Location: Dunbar Field, Lions Park, 408 S. Lions Park Drive

Dates: June 7-8, 2025 Times: 10am-4:30 pm

Activities: The festival offers a range of activities, including bagpipers, clan displays, workshops, dance performances, and the Cheyenne Celtic Bison Classic Highland Games Musical Entertainment: Bands include Ballyhooley, The Commoners, The Mirthfellows, and Piscin & Luch

Food and Drink: Specialty beers (like Guinness, Harp, and Smithwicks), scotch tasting, and various food and craft vendors are available

Highland Games: The Cheyenne Celtic Bison Classic includes traditional Highland games, Highlander strongman/woman competitions, and a kilted mile

For more info: facebook.com/CelticFestival



Don't miss the next Experience Chevenne event at Cheyenne Depot. June 17th at 5:00 pm, come see the newly remodeled back patio, and enjoy beverages and snacks from the new Barrett Creek Coffee, inside! RSVP to Amber at amber@cheyenne.org

LODGING STATISTICS

| April 2025 | | Change from last year | YTD 2025 |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Lodging Occupancy Percentage | 58.8% | -0.1% | 51.7% (-0.1%) |
| Average Room Rate | \$99.48 | -4.1% | \$98.56 (-0.8%) |

