



# 37th Annual Chugwater's Chili Cook-off & Roundup



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## Chugwater's warmest greetings to all cooks!

With great pleasure, we announce the presentation of the [37th Annual Wyoming State Championship Chili Cook-Off](#), held on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at Staats Park in Chugwater, WY. This event (commonly known as the Chugwater Chili Cook-off) has been the premier, single-day summer event of the state and we are thrilled to share it with you.

We invite you to join us as a **cook** in celebrating western heritage, great food, and a wonderful community at this year's event. Whether you are new to competitive cooking or a seasoned pro, **we welcome you** and hope to see you this year!

Get as creative as possible, because anything goes as long as you prepare everything on-site and do not use any type of "mixes". Be sure to make enough for a crowd because this will be judged by People's Choice ONLY!

### Win CASH Prizes!!

You asked and we answered! Along with the State Champion Title, we will now be offering CASH prizes to the winners of select categories. Our red chili and showmanship categories are still CASI sanctioned and thus cannot be given a cash prize, however ALL other categories will receive a payout to the top 3 winners. Payouts will be given as a percentage of entries PLUS added money.

Remember that the first place Red Chili contestant will win the Wyoming State-Champion title in addition to the chance to compete at the National Finals in Terlingua, TX. Points will also be given to top contestants that will help them earn a spot in the Terlingua competition.

As a registered 501c(3), all proceeds from this event go to supporting Chugwater's non-profit organizations including Economic Development, Historical Unity, Volunteer Fire Department, and our FFA and FBLA programs. A portion of the proceeds will also go towards our scholarship program to recognize deserving youth. We could not make this event happen without your participation and sincerely hope to see you there!

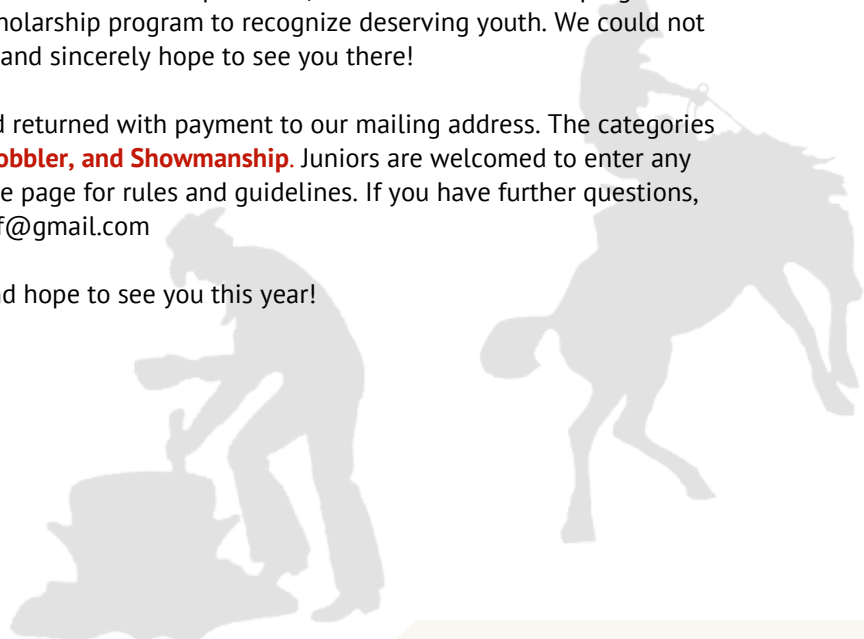
Enclosed is a registration form to be completed and returned with payment to our mailing address. The categories offered this year are **Red Chili, Green Chili, Salsa, Cobbler, and Showmanship**. Juniors are welcomed to enter any category at a discounted rate. Please see the reverse page for rules and guidelines. If you have further questions, please reach out via email at [chugwaterchilicookoff@gmail.com](mailto:chugwaterchilicookoff@gmail.com)

Once again, we thank you for your consideration and hope to see you this year!

Sincerely,

Amber Ash

Chugwater Chili-Cookoff and Roundup





## Basic Rules and Guidelines

All cooks will provide their own equipment including tables, cooking materials, and cooking fuel (i.e. propane, camp stoves, pots, etc.)

All cooks must obtain a permit from the State Health Department - a representative will be on site to issue permits at no cost.

All cooking may begin the morning of the event and must be turned in to judges at the time specified. Please see our website for the exact schedule of events.

### Chili Cooking (Red and Green)

- All chili must be cooked on-site, in the open, and from scratch (raw meat, no marinating, no complete commercial chili mixes)
- No fillers (rice or beans) in chili. \*NOTE\* Fillers may be added after chili is presented to judges for crowd samples
- One chili per cook per category - each cook is responsible for preparing one pot of chili per category and turning in one judging cup from that pot
- We will provide one large can of pinto beans and one sleeve of sampling soufflé cups to each cook. If more is required, please plan accordingly
- We recommend cooks provide a minimum of 3 gallons for chili sampling. REMEMBER, the more samples given, the better chance of winning the People's Choice!
- Please see CASI rules at ([www.casichili.net](http://www.casichili.net)) for all other rules. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of the individual cook

### Showmanship

- Showmanship must be in good taste (remember, this is a family event) and will be judged on 1) Theme, 2) Costume, 3) Booth Set-Up, 4) Action, and 5) Audience Appeal
- Anyone wishing to enter the showmanship contest must enter the Red Chili Cooking competition
- Contestants will bring signs identifying their chili team name and booth #. Decorations, props, costumes, battery-powered amplifier, musical instruments, giveaways, and your imagination are all encouraged to be used!

### Salsa

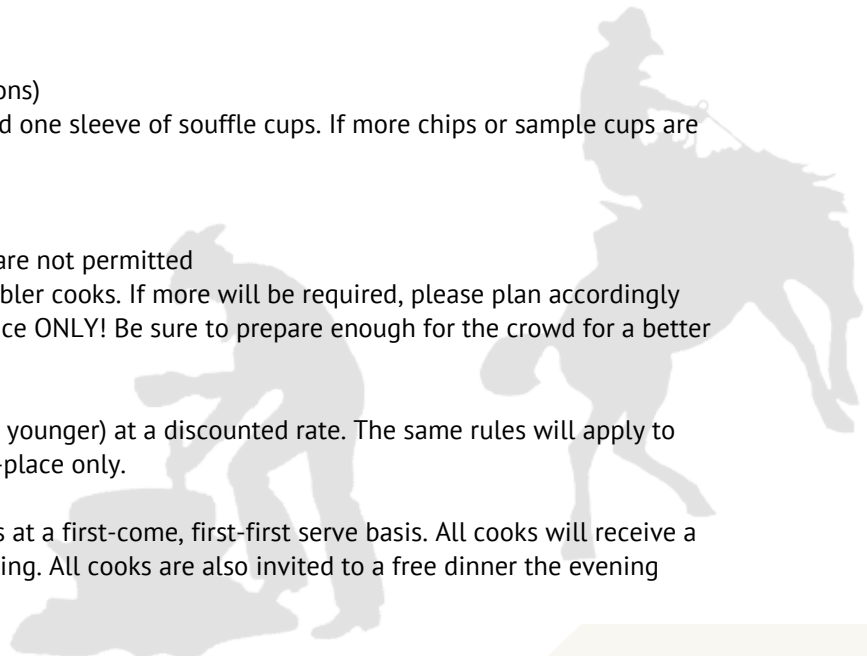
- Must be prepared on site
- Make enough for sampling (recommended 3 gallons)
- We will provide one bag of chips for sampling and one sleeve of soufflé cups. If more chips or sample cups are required, please plan accordingly

### Cobbler

- Must be prepared on site and commercial mixes are not permitted
- We will provide one sleeve of soufflé cups to cobbler cooks. If more will be required, please plan accordingly
- Cobbler will be judged based off of People's Choice ONLY! Be sure to prepare enough for the crowd for a better shot at winning!

All categories will be open to Junior Cooks (18 and younger) at a discounted rate. The same rules will apply to Junior cooks. Junior cooks will be awarded for first-place only.

No-hookup RV campsites will be available to cooks at a first-come, first-serve basis. All cooks will receive a complimentary cook's bag as a thank-you for entering. All cooks are also invited to a free dinner the evening before the event.





### 2023 Cook's Registration Form

Head Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (to be used for text updates): \_\_\_\_\_

How many will be in your party: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you require an RV camp site?  Yes, RV length: \_\_\_\_\_  No

Is this your first time cooking at our event:  Yes  No

Events entered:

Red Chili (\$20)  Showmanship (\$15)  Green Chili (\$30)  Salsa (\$20)  Cobbler (\$20)

Junior Events (18 and younger):

Red Chili (\$10)  Green Chili (\$10)  Salsa (\$10)  Cobbler (\$10)

**This year, we will be highlighting our pre-registered cooking teams on Facebook before the event and in our brochure! Please use the space provided to tell us about yourself!** (i.e. where you're from, how long you've been cooking, fun facts about yourself, and (for any returning cooks) your favorite stories from prior cook-offs, etc.) Additional sheets may be added. Stories may also be emailed to chugwaterchilicookoff@gmail.com.

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**\*\*\*Please return form with payment to PO Box 222, Chugwater, WY 82210. Make checks payable to Chugwater Events, Inc\*\*\***