

CHANDLER CHUCK WAGON COOK-OFF
<http://www.pardnersoftumbleweedranch.org/>



**Tumbleweed Ranch, Chandler, Arizona
2250 S. McQueen Rd, in Tumbleweed Park
Friday, November 12 & Saturday, November 13, 2021**

Registration Deadlines:

Early Registration- July 31, 2021- no deposit fee if you meet this deadline!

Final Deadline- August 31, 2021 - \$85 deposit fee is required

The deposit covers your Maricopa County Environmental Services Department Health/Food Permit. This is refunded to you after you arrive at the event.

Event Overview

SATURDAY: For the main lunch competition, each wagon will cook **five courses:** meat, beans, bread, potatoes, and dessert. Each wagon will prepare **meals for 40 ticket holders**, so portion your food accordingly. You are generally provided with: beef, beans, cooking oil, flour, fruit, potatoes, onions, ice, and paper products for serving the public. A complete list of your provisions will be provided with the final event information packet. **This year all meals for the public will be placed into 3 compartment clamshell containers with hinged lids. Wagon Authenticity judging will take place but food judging will not take place in the 2021 event.**

Wagon Team Tentative Schedule:

Thursday, November 11	All day:	Early arrival for wagon teams
Friday, November 12	AM	Late arrival for wagon teams
	Noon	Wagon judging begins
	4:00 pm	Cooks Meeting
	4:30 pm	Food distribution to wagons
	5:30 pm	Cow Camp Dinner for wagon teams and invited guests
Saturday, November 13	11:30am	Group A Chuck Wagon lunch served
	12:00 pm	Group B Chuck Wagon lunch served
	12:30pm	Group C Chuck Wagon lunch served
	2:00pm	Wagon awards ceremony

Show-up/travel money

Travel between 0-500 miles- \$200

Travel over 500 miles- \$450

*All mileage based on one-way travel distance using Google map calculations

Prizes

Instead of providing prize money based on food judging, the normal food prize money will be divided equally among the competing wagons. In addition, the following awards will be recognized:

- Wagon Authenticity Award
- Charlie Goodnight Award
- Individual and wagon recognition awards

Lodging

Overnight Camping at Tumbleweed Ranch is allowed for competing team members only. Please complete the form at the end of this packet to request onsite camping.

Additionally, the Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-off committee secured rooms at the historic San Marcos Resort for \$109 per night. To reserve, contact the resort directly and mention the Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-off. There are only 8 rooms held at that rate so do not wait to make a reservation. <https://www.sanmarcosresort.com/>

Cook-off Rules

Food:

- Food judging will not take place during the 2021 Cook-off but we still ask that all wagon teams prepare their meals with cooking methods used on the trail 1865-1900. All food must be prepared from “scratch,” meaning the food item contains ingredients provided by the event, and at the cook’s discretion, the use of any leavening and spices available during the time period.
- All food must be prepared **over an open ground pit fire**, no fire box or stoves allowed. A fire box is defined as a metal box with four sides, open on the bottom and top.
- Wood is the only type of fuel allowed for cooking the meals. The cook-off will provide Mesquite wood for cooking. Lump charcoal, charcoal briquettes or propane are not allowed for the competition meal.
- Commercially prepared and packaged items of sauces, pie crust, biscuit mix and cake mixes are prohibited.
- The fruit provided by the Chandler Cook-off must be used for the dessert. No other fruit may be substituted or added.
- Breads may be quick breads (such as biscuits), yeast, sourdough, or cornbread.

Sanitation:

- Each wagon **must have** hand washing facilities. Your hand wash station must consist of a minimum 5 gallon insulated container with a free flowing spigot with a waste container 15% larger, soap and paper towels. Proper hand washing must be conducted during the event.
- Each wagon must have and utilize a three part washing system for utensils and dishes: soapy wash, sanitizing rinse and final rinse.
- Bare hand contact with ready to eat food is prohibited.
- Wagon teams **must** furnish their own instant read metal probe meat thermometer and bleach.
- The Cook-Off will provide each wagon with floor mats, which **must** be placed under your food preparation area, to comply with Maricopa County Health Department regulations. Once the cutting and preparation of the food is complete, the mats may be rolled up and removed.
- **No animals** will be allowed in camp while the event is open to the public.
- **Per county health regulations only fresh vegetables provided by our licensed commissary may be used in competition meal preparation.**

Other rules may be discussed and voted on by cooks during Cooks’ Meeting on Friday, November 12th.

Are you ready to get back to chuck wagon cooking? Join us for a great time under the Arizona sun.

Fill out the registration on the following pages!

Send:

- 1. Registration Form,**
- 2. Camp Layout Sketch,**
- 3. W-9 Form** (this will ensure the Pardners of Tumbleweed Ranch can pay you),
- 4. Overnight Camping Permit** (if needed),
- 5. \$85 deposit** (if submitting your registration after July 31. Refunded upon arrival. Make checks payable to: Pardners of Tumbleweed Ranch).

Mail to:

Pardners of Tumbleweed Ranch
P.O. Box 812
Chandler, AZ 85244

Email:

pardnersoftumbleweedranch@gmail.com

Registration Form
Early Deadline: July 31, 2021
Final Deadline: August 31, 2021

Outfit's Name: _____

Name of Main Contact _____

Main Contact: Street (mailing address) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Names of Wagon crew members:

Anticipated arrival date & time to Tumbleweed Ranch: _____

Anticipated departure date & time from Tumbleweed Ranch: _____

- **We will attend the Friday night Cow Camp Dinner served by Biscuitflats.**

No ___ Yes___

If so, how many individual dinner tickets are needed for your team? _____

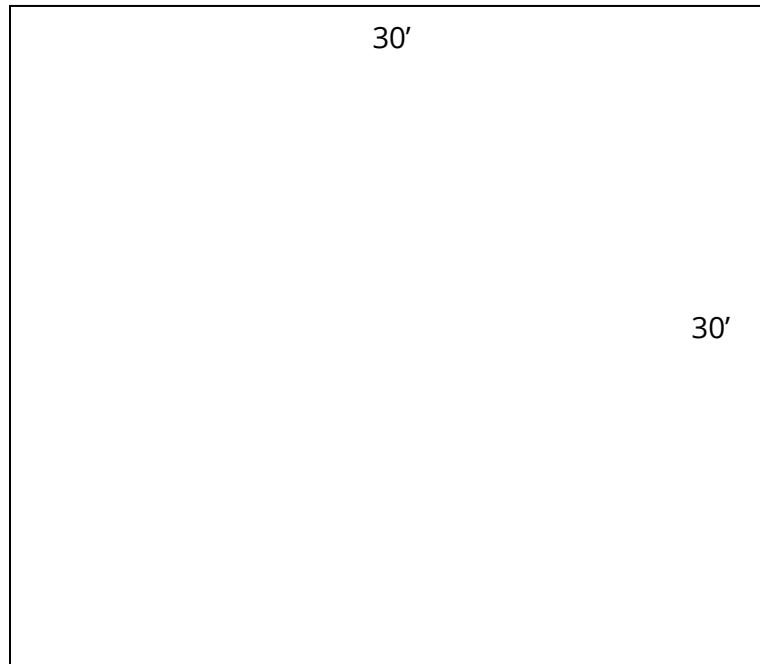
CAMP LAYOUT SKETCH

The Chandler Fire Department has requested that all of our fire pits be dug by November 12 so that they can complete fire inspections. **City workers will be available on Friday morning from 7 a.m. to noon to dig pits.**

Would you like City staff to dig your fire pit for you? ___ Yes ___ No

Please help us plan camp layouts by sketching out where you would like your fire pit dug.

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City of Chandler Overnight Camping Request

The City of Chandler allows overnight camping in Tumbleweed Ranch as part of this event. If you plan to camp on-site overnight (under the stars, in a tent, or in an RV) you **must** fill out this section.

Name of Individual Making Request: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Date(s) of Overnight Stay(s): _____

Information for individuals in your team who are camping overnight at Ranch:

Name(s) _____ Vehicle description _____ Lic. # _____

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City Staff Approval _____ Date _____
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