

# 66th Pick 'n Hoe Edition

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## 2022 Great Success!

# We Be People

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- Jeremy Lawrence
- Kim & Casey Spitzer
- Cheyenne Venturella
- Dan Warren
- Teresa Martin
- Kyle Carhart
- Jody Gardner
- Adam Warren
- Drew Buffington
- Lacey Murphy
- Cody Lingo

and ALL of the many friends and family members who help out on every event and activity

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SW Freedom Big Truckin' Car Show

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This Special Edition of The Pinto Bean newsletter/ paper, gives a look back on all the fun, handwork, and thank you's to everyone involved in making this year's theme - "We the People" a tremendous success.-Kendra Cook

2022 was the 66th Annual celebration of Independence Day and the community at large through the Pick n Hoe event; Picks recognizing our miner heritage, and hoes representing the tool of our dry land farmers. Dove Creek itself, was founded June 15, 1939, however there had been a post office in town since 1915.

The Dove Creek Chamber of Commerce took on overseeing the event in 2019, which continues year round with a variety of fundraising drives to make the weekend a free and inviting activity. Local businesses, individuals, and charitable grants also make the core of the funding possible. In 2020, there was a hiatus due to the emergency health status, and over the past two years, a change over to younger generations taking on the volunteer positions for various activities throughout the weekend, has started a re-energizing of the spirit of Pick n Hoe. We are confident that collaboratively, the pick n hoe will be a venue for memory making for many family generations to come.



Town of Dove Creek

Thank you to the Town and County  
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## THANK & THINK LOCAL - EVERYONE HAD A BLAST...

Practically a family reunion... with the extended world of family and neighbors invited to join in on the fun, PnH is a unique 'old timey' Independence day celebration continuing a tradition. The DC Chamber is working on helping focus on our Local Businesses, our Local Non Profits and Agencies, and all Local Groups that want to get their message out or create a fund raiser.

Thanks to the **Dove Creek Volunteer Fire Dept.** for hosting their beer tent fund raiser in Weber Park daily, throughout the weekend, including offering a limited run cup that is sure to show back up next year.

And of course, the amazing Fireworks display from the base of the Bean Tower on the West end of Dove Creek - thanks to DCVFD and supporters. The Country/Rock band CROSSROADS played on the practice field to a crowd of folks of all ages hanging out awaiting the launch time at O'dark thirty.



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Local craft and food vendors participated in Weber Park alongside invited trucks and tents from around the area. SWAP - SW Avian Protection (photo credit right), showed off their birds, they are working on a community display to be on the Sinclair property corner soon.



Congratulations to local dedicated community members Dan & Ellen Warren for being selected as the 66th Pick n Hoe Grand Marshal couple. Shown right, their daughter describes their contributions, while Kendra Cook hosts the event.



JB demonstrated his quick draw skills. Nearby vendors hosted the kiddie train and big slide for the kids.

Though missing the meat pit, Food trucks offered refreshing lemonade and snow cones, Navajo tacos, BBQ and fixings, Kettle Corn, fresh Farm Products and more.

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Weber Park in Dove Creek is the main location of Pick n Hoe activities. The Town's Dept. of Recreation has provided upgrades with gravel areas that are very appreciated.





# For the Love of Tournaments and Games, Not for the Faint of Heart



July 3rd at Weber Park, the Horse Shoe Tournament was newly sponsored by Buffington Law, with awesome Belt Buckles as first prize, with cash prizes and a donation back to pick n hoe. DJ Ford and Drew Buffington took the buckles, congrats to the top three teams!



Our DCHS volleyball group with Lacey Murphy at the helm, ran a 3 person tournament to raise funds for their activities throughout the year. Congrats to Champions- Annie Rice, Mary and Terese Chavez Runner Ups- Kylie Gatlin, Cassie Gatlin, Teya Yeomans



**BIG FOOT  
DIZZY  
BAT  
EGG TOSS  
WATER  
BALLOONS  
GUNNY  
SACKS**



Teresa Martin and friends ran the traditional Greased Pole - with over \$400 worth of cash prizes, kids of all ages got down and dirty trying to get up to the top for the biggest prize!



Photo Credit Jackie Banks

## Corn Hole Firecracker & Washers Events



Free to enter the Games, Tournaments have entry fees, and prizes range from toys, to cash, to beer, to taking home a pig....

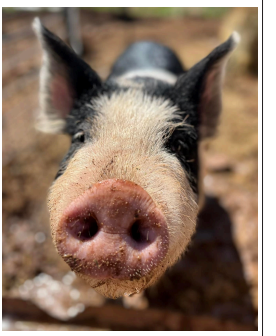


Washers is a classic local game, and Jody Gardner organized with Adam Warren running the brackets to host the event near the beer tent, donating back to pick n hoe funds for next year. They also organized the newly added Corn Hole Firecracker Tournament on the 4th! Congrats to a great 64 team turnout! and 1st place to Heath Wade & Brock Wade 2nd Randy Pribble & Dallas Coker, 3rd Jesse Poole & Chris Garcia, 4th Sheldon Gardner & Riley Hickman.

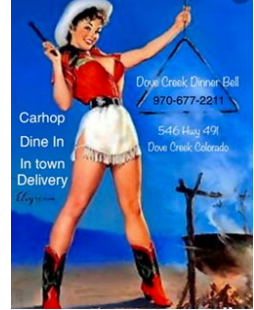


The Independence Day Kid and Adult Games were awesome! Fantastic turnout, for egg toss, water balloons, three legged race and gunny sacks, big foot and dizzy bat for the adults, with treasure hunt and ice cream eating contest for the kiddos. Kim and Casey Spitzer of the Spitzer Realty Group were on top of their game, and Cheyenne Venturella and the Midnight Trucking team ran a flawless set of activities.

A huge thank you to Kyle Carhart and his helpers, to organize, feed, corral, and run the Pig Chase! An amazing event, with children catching a pig to keep or sell back. Running from ages 4 and under up to the 15/16/17 yrs olds, it is always a great part of the traditions.



\*All swine are handled with care and attentive to their health and well being



Metal Designs, Signs, Art and Dove Creek CO 'World Championship' Pick n Hoe Pig Chasing Chairman and Wrangler Thank you!

From Gift Certificates, Grants, Donated Prizes, to Rallies and Challenges, Thank You!





Featuring the Cahone Park as a venue with plenty of room to grow, the DC Chamber with Cody Lingo, organized another great gathering at the park. DJ Kaniatobe II and friend, played live music from 10 to 2pm under the Pavillion, while several new vendors offered refreshing drinks, items for the kids, jewelry and burgers. Thanks to our judges, Carolyn McCuskey, Nate Gordon, and Jamie Graham for volunteering to select the winners for the 8 categories - with the Best of Show being an amazing old school bus modification as a show stopper shown right. The unique part of this show is that it includes Big Rigs to all types of trucks and cars. Looking to 2023 for custom Trophies, some more unique categories, 50/50 chance drawing, and more prizes!



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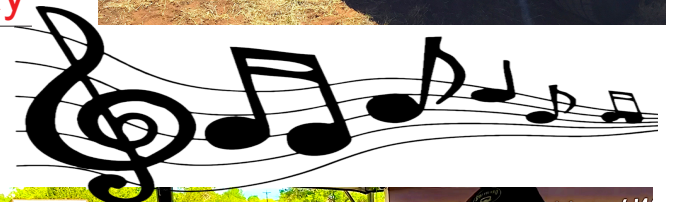
### Fun for the Whole Family - Sounds of Music on Each Day

Everyone enjoyed Music in the Park with local musician Kevin Fraiser as part of Maddy and Kev playing on Saturday afternoon



Free Music in the Park is a type of venue happening that is a goal of the DC Chamber to bring to Dove Creekers. We would like to be bringing in area groups, solos and duos for casual listening for families to enjoy throughout the year - for free. We received a great response this year from the music around the pick n hoe!

For feedback, suggestions, or to help out in 2023 with any of the events, or start a new tradition, contact the DC Chamber 970-560-2856



A father daughter duo called 'The TECCAS' out of Montana, tour through our area several times a year. They performed Sunday afternoon.

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Local Marketing and DJ service company TPI ProductionZ ran the audio mix on the 4th for the festivities, and helped to coordinate the musical groups throughout the weekend, also helping with tents, banners and general event coordination.

THANK YOU! TO ALL OF THE FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS, WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PUT THIS EVENT ON WITHOUT YOUR FINANCIAL DONATIONS AND FUND RAISERS - IT TAKES A TOWN AND THEN SOME!