

Climbers compete for \$\$

For the seventh consecutive Ice Festival, prize money will be awarded to the winners of the climbing "competition." Before the 2000 event, it was founder Jeff Lowe's thought that the festival was a "climbers' rendezvous" and that prize money detracted from this vision.

Today, the Festival offers modest prize money to climbers. Prize money in both the Men's and the Women's divisions is \$1,000 for First; \$500 for Second; and \$300 for Third.

Interactive Clinics

Clinics and demos have been a part of the Festival since its inception. For a 7th consecutive year, Festival sponsors stepped up and said "We would like to have our athletes conduct your clinics. And we would like to do a lot more of them." The series offers a unique opportunity to meet and learn from athletes who make news in the climbing world. This year 72 clinics and 500+ people will participate.

Keep it fun & safe

By Ouray Police Chief Tony Chelf

On behalf of the Ouray Police Department, let me extend a big welcome to the climbers, sponsors, and spectators attending our 12th Annual Ouray Ice Festival.

I have participated in every event since 1996 and enjoy it greatly. Ouray is a small community and home to about 850 residents. With several thousand guests arriving for the Festival, it has quite an impact. So there are a few simple ordinances and event rules that you need to be aware of:

1) Alcohol. Ouray has an "open container" ordinance. Please restrict consumption of alcoholic beverages to commercial establishments that serve drinks, a private residence, or your lodging facilities.

2) Parking at the Ice Park is reserved for sponsors and Festival staff only. Access for the general public is an easy walk from the end of Third Avenue or by shuttle.

3) Parking in Ouray is allowed on our 100-foot wide streets but please do not block driveways. There is a large parking lot at the Best Western Motel on Third Avenue. Overnight parking on Main Street is prohibited. Vehicles left on the street during these hours will receive a citation and/or possibly be towed.

4) Bus Shuttle runs along Third Ave. and Main Street and drops off at the Ice Park. The shuttle service is free but the students at the Ouray School will appreciate your donation.

Thank you for your cooperation. Have fun. Be safe.



Shows have new home

The Ouray Ice Park is happy to announce a new venue for their evening slide shows and presentations.

These evening presentations will now be held at the Main Street Theatre at 630 Main Street, Ouray. Evening presentations begin Thursday, Jan. 11, when Jack Tackle will present "The Alpine Bond: Shaken not Stirred."

Other presenters include Vince Anderson (Friday, Jan. 12), Mark Wilford (Saturday, Jan. 13) and John Varco (Sunday, Jan. 14).

Miked Demos

Friday and Sunday spectators can watch demo climbers from the bridges and viewing platforms. The climbers felt that the instructional aspects of a demo climb could be greatly enhanced if they could communicate with viewers. Hence, the world-class climbers will be "miked" and their comments transmitted to the crowd.

Slackline

Professional slackline exhibition hosted by Mad Rock will be held Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ouray Ice Park Lower Bridge.

Snowshoe Race

Don't miss out on the Redfeather Snowshoe Race. It will begin at noon on Sunday. Meet and register at the Redfeather snowshoe tent at 11:30am. No registration fee for participating in this two mile race around the Ouray Ice Park. Cash and sponsor prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

Soaking

Ouray Hot Springs Pool in Ouray is open all year and holds a million gallons of mineral-laden water from natural hot springs. Climbers with a wrist band get half-price admission all weekend. Other unique soaking spots are found at Orvis Hot Springs (Clothing optional in a rock-lined pond), the Weisbaden (the vapor cave) and Box Canon Lodge (little hot tubs on the hill).

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS (970)

Ouray Ice Park office	325-4288
Colo. Avalanche Center (Silverton)	387-5712
CDOT road conditions	877-315-7623
Ouray Chamber Resort Association	325-4746
Ouray Hot Springs Pool	325-7073

PARK RULES

*Crampons are required for all persons (climbers or otherwise) in the established and posted "Climber Only" areas.

*Crampons and helmet are required for all persons while climbing or in the bottom of the gorge.

*Do not occupy more than two climbing routes in any one specific area. No unattended fixed top-rope lines allowed.

*Please be kind and watch your time on an anchor. There are others that wish to climb.

*No anchoring to any manmade structures including the penstock (the big red pipe).

*All climbing in the "School Room" area must be on established & numbered fixed anchors.

*It is suggested that all persons under the age of 18 be accompanied by an adult.

*Dogs must be leashed while at the Ouray Ice Park and no dogs are allowed in the bottom of the gorge.

*Persons violating these rules will lose the privilege of climbing in the park.

*Please be courteous
and respect your fellow climbers.*



Stop by the
Ouray Ice Park
Information booth
and identify this
local (loco?) daredevil
and receive a great gift

2007 Ouray Ice Festival: MAPS

