

Circle the Wagons! Rally

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Ouray County Fairgrounds and 4-H Event Center.
Ridgway, Colorado [MAP](#)

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OVERVIEW

“Circling the Wagons!” will be just the start of this Rally in the San Juans. Wally Byam knew that there is something magic about parking in a “Wagon Wheel.” The hub is filled with camaraderie, great meals, campfires and good times. This parking area is so large we may be able to park two Wagon Wheels. If you haven’t parked the Wagon Wheel, it’s an adventure in itself! Like going back in time, to Wally’s time.



Half of Parking Area at Fairgrounds

LOCATION AND AMENITIES

This event is dry-camping, so no hookups. It's a chance to use your Airstream as it was intended, as a self-contained vehicle, and to practice your boon-docking skills without being on BLM land. A clean, modern restroom is available as well, just a short walk from your rig, but there are no showers.

The Ouray Fairgrounds are anything but remote. We'll be camped within very easy walking distance of the charming town of Ridgway (population 952), with its diverse restaurants and shops.

That being said, there is **NO DUMP** at the Fairgrounds, so arrive with empty waste tanks and full fresh water. Individual dumping can be arranged through a local vendor. There are also portable water hydrants available - \$20 for a max fill of 50 gallons.

MENU

We'll have happy hours with shared appetizers and a stunning view of the San Juan Mountains and the Red Mountain Pass.



Planned meals are:

- **Thursday:** Dinner “on your own” to enjoy the Ridgway cuisine, since everyone will be arriving at different times.
- **Friday:** Chili and cornbread (provided by Olivas). Participants bring either a salad or dessert. We'd like to have a large-group cast iron cooking crew for desserts.
- **Saturday:** Fully catered meal
- **Breakfasts:** There isn't a full kitchen included in camping so breakfasts will be simple: coffee, yoghurt, cereal and amazing doughnuts delivered by La Zona Colona for those so inclined. We have reserved a large,

comfortable room in the 4-H event center for Friday and Saturday dinners in case the weather doesn't co-operate.

ACTIVITIES

Ridgway and Ouray are both meccas for the outdoor enthusiast, with off-road trails and jeeping, fly fishing (Umcompahgre, San Miguel, Gunnison Rivers), hiking, biking, rafting, ranch history, golfing, and Orvis Hot Springs. It's just 30-60 minutes from Telluride, depending on the route you choose – paved or 4-wheel hi-clearance, and 30 minutes up and down the Million-Dollar San Juan Skyway to Silverton. Approximately an hour away is the south rim of Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. Ouray County Historical Society and the Ridgway Ranch History and Railroad Museums are close as well. Friday morning is the Farmer's Market.

We can organize a group visit to Ouray Hot Springs (including hot showers) for \$8 pp if we have 20 participants. Details will be sent to registrants.

Check out potential activities at the Ridgway website:

<https://ridgwaycolorado.com/things-to-dohttps://rid>

EVENT FEE AND CAMPSITE RATES

Camping fee is \$62 per trailer and \$30 per attendee 11 and older.

REGISTRATION

We have the whole fairgrounds reserved. Just register and show up on Thursday, May 31.

[REGISTER](#)

