

ALL WEEK

SEARCH FOR THE SILVER BULLET

Hosted by A & L Coors & Four Corners Broadcasting. Engage your inner Zebulon Pike or Mary Cronin! Hidden somewhere among the cliffs, canyons, mountains, and meadows of La Plata County, the Silver Bullet awaits. Starting Mon, Jan 26, daily clues will be released on RADIO 101.3 FM & KRSJ 100.5 FM. Be creative and innovative in solving these clues; there's only one Silver Bullet and no second place! Registration is not required. Find it first and win \$250 cash, glory, and other fabulous prizes! All ages welcome. Must be 21+ to win.

Event Coordinator: Chad Peyer 970-259-4444

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

COLORADO FACT FINDING MISSION

Durango Public Library - 1900 E 3rd Ave

Stop by the library throughout SNOWDOWN and compete in a special fact-finding mission using the books in our local & state history sections. There are 150 years of Colorado history stories to uncover! All participants win a Colorado-themed prize while supplies last. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Spenser Snarr 970-375-3380

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

HOWL THE WEST WAS WON

Bark Bark - 634 Main Ste B

Furry outpaws wanted! Mosey on into Bark Bark for an Old West photo of your pup. From mining mutts to mountain dogs, Colorado's always been best friend to man's best friend. Photos are printed and framed. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Tracy Campbell 970-759-6378

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

THE FETCH QUEST: COLORADO THEN AND WOW

Pet Haus - 1444 Main

Colorado history meets SNOWDOWN mischief. In this paw-some Colorado-themed scavenger quest, you'll sniff out clues, dig up hidden history, and explore today's dog-friendly gems. Purchase a Scavenger Hunt Kit from Pet Haus, solve themed riddles to find participating businesses, collect stamps at each stop, and return completed sheets for prizes and raffle entry. The hunt runs through Sat, Jan 31. All proceeds donated to the La Plata County Humane Society. Prize categories include First to Finish, Most Creative Selfie, Least Number of Hints Used, Most Riddles Completed, and Best Social Media Post. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Tasalyn Anderson 970-946-7405

Entry Cost: \$10

NEW EVENT!

GOLD RUSH TREASURE HUNT

The Subterrain - 900 Main Ave

Strike it rich, prospectors! The Subterrain is transforming into a Colorado Gold Rush—era treasure quest spanning the entire SNOWDOWN week! This interactive escape room-style game challenges you and your group to follow clues in and around The Subterrain to find hidden treasure. Only the sharpest frontier detectives will uncover the haul! Visit our website to reserve your time slot. The three fastest groups win \$100 cash prizes! Groups of 4-10 people. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Tim Hassemer 970-903-4375

Entry Cost: \$15

BUILD A BONG

Prohibition Herb - 1185 Camino Del Rio

Channel your inner frontier tinkerer. From mining contraptions to mountain ingenuity, Coloradans have always been masters of invention! Enter this year's Build-a-Bong contest at Prohibition Herb by dropping off your creation any time before 9 PM on Sat, Jan 31. Winners will be announced on Sun, Feb 1, at 4:20 PM. Clean and pristine bongs only, please - like Colorado's mountain air! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jacqui Coup 970-385-8622

Entry Cost: FREE

SNOWDOWN THEME CONTEST

Magpie's Newsstand & Café - 707 Main

Submit Your Idea for SNOWDOWN 2028! Themes are chosen 2 years in advance and must be unique from themes used in previous years. Please submit your ideas by 5 PM on Sun, Feb 1. Keep it family-friendly and unique from previous themes. Check SNOWDOWN.org to see past themes. All ages welcome!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

SNOWDOWN T-SHIRT DAY

Magpie's Newsstand & Café - 707 Main

Prepare to make history with the official 2026 SNOWDOWN merch! Purchase your very own themed adornments, posters, and buttons released only once a year! These limited-edition collectibles celebrate 150 years of Colorado statehood. Stop by Magpie's to load up your loot!

1 PM SAVE THE CHICKEN EGG DROP

Gazpacho New Mexican Restaurant - 431 E 2nd Ave

Which came first? Sign up to find out! Each team will be given an "egg shelter building kit" containing identical items. Three rounds of drops from increasing heights will test your engineering skills. Surviving eggs advance to sudden death in an egg toss showdown. Teams of 4 people. Winners receive \$100, \$50, and \$25 gift cards. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Brennan McManamon 970-426-1210

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM SHADOWS OVER STATEHOOD

Gable House Bed and Breakfast Inn - 805 E 5th Ave

Was it Jedediah Jones on the New Rail Line? Or perhaps Red Ruby at the Painted Lady? Maybe it was Rose Dewitt, the dedicated Durango Teacher! We'll never know who dun it without your sleuthing! The opening reception and Act 1 are on Fri, Jan 23, from 5 to 7 PM. Act 2 is on Sat, Jan 24, at 9:30 AM. Act 3 & the big reveal are on Sun, Jan 25, at 9:30 AM. Pre-register online. Prizes for Best Costume, Best Male and Female Actor, and Most Congenial. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Tracie Trotter 970-247-4982

Entry Cost: \$100

5 PM HIGH ALTITUDE FLOW & BEATS

Gravity Lab - 732 CR 233

No bending over backwards required. Discover your SNOWDOWN flow with vinyasa yoga. A high atmospheric blend of yoga brought to life with the electrifying beats of a live DJ. One participant will win a Liforme Yoga mat. Encouraged for all ages, levels, and motivations, whether you're seeking relaxation, rejuvenation, or a fun workout.

Event Coordinator: Chloe Dee Dudley 206-619-1623

Entry Cost: Price of admission to Gravity Lab

5 PM CROKINOLE SINGLES TOURNAMENT

VFW - 1550 Main

Older than Durango itself, and more fun than climbing Animas Mountain, this Canadian board game will test your dexterity and tactics. Simple to learn, challenging to master, and all levels welcome! Show off your flicking finesse as you aim to knock your opponent off the board (not their chair). Bring your own board if you have one. There will be 4 sessions. Performance in the singles tournament will determine the doubles tournament on Saturday. Sign up online. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Hop Phelps 970-769-3320

Entry Cost: \$10 online, \$15 day of

5:30 PM DURANGOTANG GLOW DANCE

Durango Dance – 3416 Main Ste 101

Flaunt your favorite Colorado gear for a glow-in-the-dark dance party! Soccer jersey, ski goggles, ballet shoes, bathing suit, whatever represents your favorite part of the Colorado experience! Join us as we dance to some favorite hits under the glow. All ages are welcome, but children must be supervised.

Event Coordinator: Miriam Morgan 970-403-5974

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM 47TH ANNUAL BARTENDING CONTEST

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Did you know that Colorado was the first state to repeal prohibition? Cheers to that, as we're calling all bartenders! Whether you're a soiled dove or a soiled dude. Shake, pour, and blend your way to create Colorado's premier cocktail. The winning concoction will be the official cocktail of SNOWDOWN! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM BEER BINGO

Durango Beer and Ice Company - 3000 Main

Classic bingo, but with beer because... SNOWDOWN! Don't be an outlaw and join the fun! Win with a straight line, diagonally, or "4-corners"! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Simon 251-396-4002

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM MUSTACHE ROULETTE

The Subterrain - 900 Main

Gentleman - grow your scruff and trust your facial fate to our Mustache Wheel and barbers. Ladies and clean shavers, make Colorado History with a spin of the wheel & we'll paint a sensational 'stash on your face. Walk-ins welcome or pre-register for a time slot. Fashion show and prizes at 9:30 PM. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Megan Riddle 970-880-4824

Entry Cost: \$10

6 PM LEFT FOOT ON GOLD TWISTER CONTEST

Union Social House - 3062 Main

More twisted than the Red Mountain switchbacks! Be prepared to twist, bend, and contort on our oversized Twister board. 40 participants will play 2 single-elimination games, and you must keep your balance to win! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

6:30 PM MATCH GAME: DURANGO EDITION

Black Heron Lounge - 726 Main

This is an evening of nostalgia, wacky questions, and total SNOWDOWN debauchery. Contestants pre-register online to see who can match the most from our panel of local comedians. Simply fill in the blanks! Questions are in the style of Match Game, with a Durango-specific twist. Wear your best '70s attire, reminiscent of classic game shows, back before the internet or stoplights in Durango. 15 contestants max. Please register by Fri, Jan 16. 1st place wins season tickets to Durango Comedy's 2026 Season (\$400 value), as well as free tickets for 2nd and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Andy Matthews 970-880-1112

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOWN FOLLIES**Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave**

SNOWDOWN Follies are back for the 42nd year of fun, laughter, offbeat entertainment, local commentary, and, of course, Colorado history! This event is brought to you by an outlandish all-volunteer cast and crew, many of whom audition year after year. It's a notoriously irreverent event in adult entertainment and has the most sought-after tickets of SNOWDOWN. Visit SNOWDOWNFollies.org for entry details. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Janalee Hogan**Entry Cost:** \$30**7 PM JOLLY RANCHER UV DANCE PARTY****EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main**

Bring your Cowboy Cha-Cha, 'cause this floor ain't gonna dance by itself. We have cotton candy machines, popcorn, a UV lightshow, and our DJ will be spinning killer tracks! Whether you're busting your finest moves or doing the "I-don't-know-how-to-dance" shuffle, it's your time to make history. Throw on those boots (cowboy or walkin') and prepare for a night of glow-in-the-dark-dance-party-fun! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583**Entry Cost:** FREE**10 PM KARAOKE CONTEST****8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave**

From mining camp ballads to Red Rocks legends, Colorado's always had a song in its heart! Contestants will be judged based on vocalization, performance, and showmanship! Practice time starts at 9 PM. \$50 Cash, \$25 Cash, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Amanda Mendoza 970-880-2951**Entry Cost:** FREE**10 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOWN FOLLIES****Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave**

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 7 PM for details)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24**NEW EVENT!****11 AM COLORADO COSTUME DANCE PARTY****Durango Public Library - 1900 E 3rd Ave**

Lace up your dancing boots and get ready to party, it's a hootenanny! Join us at the library for a Colorado Costume Dance Party-a fun, high-energy celebration just for little ones. Come dressed as your favorite Colorado critter, mountain explorer, skier, or hometown hero, and dance the day away to kid-friendly tunes! Ages 9 and under.

Event Coordinator: Callie Blackmer 970-375-3385

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

11 AM - 3 PM DURANGO THEN AND NOW COMMUNITY MURAL

Hermosa Cafe - 738 Main

From the ancient cliff dwellings to modern mountain towns, Colorado's story is written on its walls. Come create a piece of history and help make the next Community "Then & Now Mural." All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Lindsey 970-259-2059

Entry Cost: FREE

12 PM BINGO AT THE BEE'S

Applebee's - 800 Camino Del Rio

From gold rush fever to bingo fever; it's Bee-Ingo! Test your luck at the Bee's and see if fortune favors you like Colorado's pioneers. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Mike Greff 970-259-5850

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

12 PM COLORADO QUICKDRAW: SKETCH CONTEST

Blue Rain Gallery - 934 Main

A fast, fun, and uniquely Colorado art challenge! Artists will capture the beauty and spirit of the Centennial State in just 10 minutes, from rugged mountains and winding rivers to whimsical landscapes. All supplies provided! This sketches-only event keeps the focus on speed, creativity, and fun. Each sketch will be displayed in the gallery for a week, and visitors will vote for their favorite. Winners announced Sat, Jan 31. The grand prize is a bag of swag from the Blue Rain Print Shop, full of artsy treasures. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Bekah Kolbe 970-232-2033

Entry Cost: FREE

12 PM – 7 PM HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW (Y)OUR WINE

Four Leaves Winery - 528 Main

Let's celebrate Colorado Wine Country! Hike on in to identify 3 out of 4 samples of wine and win a free glass of wine. Use your heightened skills to identify all 4 and win a whole bottle! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Dean Fagner 970 403-8182

Entry Cost: \$10

1 PM OUTHOUSE STUFFING

Gazpacho Restaurant - 431 E 2nd Ave

Colorado may be loaded with open spaces, but not during SNOWDOWN outhouse stuffing! The team that pushes and squeezes the most people into the outhouse within 2 minutes, then keeps the door closed for 10 seconds, wins! Participants can sign up as a team or individually to create the largest stuffable team. The only rule is that waivers must be signed. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Brennan McManamon 970-426-1210

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM PUZZLE TOURNAMENT

Guild House Games - 835 Main Ste 203

Grab yer partner for this 2-player puzzle competition. The challenge? You won't know what the picture is! Each team keeps its puzzle. Sign-ups start at 12 PM. For ages 11+.

Event Coordinator: Daniel Perez 970-403-3064

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM TEXAS HOLD-EM POKER TOURNAMENT

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Have you got the best poker face in the Red Light District, and an uncanny ability to bluff? Play to earn the baddest reputation at SNOWDOWN, or you might just earn yourself a train ride outta town! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM LIMBO CONTEST

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

Find out just how low you can go. From high altitude to low limbo, show off your SNOWDOWN wears, defy gravity, and flaunt your flexibility! Bring your entire gang - all ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM PAPER AIRPLANE TOSS

Office Depot - 331 S Camino Del Rio Ste D

Can you fly a paper airplane higher than Pikes Peak? Longer than I-70? Join us for this high-flying competition where we'll provide the 24 lb paper; you create and fold your aircraft. No clips, tape, weights, glue, or decorations allowed, just pure folding skills! You'll get three chances to fly the best distance on our course. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd for each division, and Best Costume. Sign up 30 minutes prior to the event. Divisions are: Elementary (Grades 1–6), Jr High (Grades 7–9), Sr High (Grades 10–12).

Event Coordinator: Steve Brown 970-317-5479

Entry Cost: FREE

3 PM DRESS TO IMPRESS IRL EDITION

Lizard Head Trading Company - 965 Main

Bring your Colorado fashion to life with our own Project Runway! Using clothing on our racks, put together outfits based on several themes, and model them down the runway. Show your styling skills or speculate to vote on your favorite outlaws - (oops!) we mean, outfits. Text us to reserve your spot!

Youth, teen, and adult brackets. Please wear neutral clothing to allow for quick transitions! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Kira Gullion 970-779-1829

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM DRUNKEN DICTIONARY (COLORADO EDITION)

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

Is your vocabulary as sophisticated as you claim, or are you bluffing like a silver rush speculator? Contestants receive a word to define, and the judges and audience assess their answer. Should you falter, a persuasive argument may save you. The twist? The audience votes by tossing ping pong balls! Impress both judges and the crowd with your linguistic prowess and walk away with a fabulous EsoTerra prize. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

4:30 PM PING PONG TOURNAMENT

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

This event hosts more back-and-forth than the train prepping for tomorrow's rides! Who will be crowned the Ping Pong 2026 SNOWDOWN Champion? If you have the (ping pong) balls to try, it might be you! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM - 10 PM GLOW CLIMBING NIGHT

Gravity Lab - 732 CR 233

A blacklight climbing event with live DJs, glow-in-the-dark climbing, and decor for the most adventurous spirits. Enjoy various climbing games and events taking place, plus costume contests in 3 categories: Best SNOWDOWN theme, Climbing theme, and Homemade. All ages are welcome to attend; however, the minimum age to climb is 4, and an adult must accompany anyone under age 14.

Event Coordinator: Sebastiaan Zuidweg 303-947-4363

Entry Cost: Price of admission; Free rentals

NEW EVENT!

5:30 PM MINERS LUAU

Union Social House - 3062 Main

Gold rush grit meets island vibes! Dig into tropical drinks, smoky eats, and old-time fun, because even miners deserve a little paradise. Test your strength in tug-of-war, spin into the hula hoop competition, and see how low you can go with limbo! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

6 PM DRC TREADMILL CHALLENGE**11th Street Station - 1101 Main**

Ready, Set, Hike! Can you achieve the most vertical feet? This event will put your calves to the test! Each runner will have one chance to achieve the most vert. in 5 minutes during the head-to-head challenge.

No holding onto handrails at any point; however, you may adjust your speed and elevation. We'll do our best to place you against your chosen defender, should you have one. Prizes for the top 3 vertical gains.

All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Stephanie Barnett 970-274-3491

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM NAME THAT TUNE BINGO**Barons Creek Vineyards - 901 Main**

What's more classic than Colorado, music, and bingo? Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Brenda Delgado 970-317-2880

Entry Cost: \$20

6 PM CROKINOLE DOUBLES TOURNAMENT**VFW - 1550 Main**

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 5 PM for details)

7 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOWN FOLLIES**Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave**

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 7 PM for details)

7 PM BLINDFOLDED DANCE CHALLENGE**EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main**

Dance like no one's watching and become the 2026 SNOWDOWN Blindfold Dance Champion! Each round allows 4 fearless dancers to take the stage. Trust your instincts to make the next dance move because contestants are blindfolded. No fancy judges here; the audience decides who advances. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

10 PM KARAOKE CONTEST**8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave**

(See FRIDAY Jan 23, 10 PM for details)

10 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOWN FOLLIES**Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave**

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

NEW EVENT!

9 AM BOLD, BRAZEN, & BRILLIANT WOMEN OF COLORADO BINGO

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Celebrate Colorado's fiercest females, the rule-breakers and history-makers who did it their way. Round up your gang, sip a latte or Bloody Mary, and shout "Bingo!" for the women of Colorado who refused to behave. Spots are first-come, first-served. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

10 AM 8-BALL BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT

The Garage - 121 W 8th St

Rack 'em up, partner! Channel your inner Wild West saloon shark in this double-elimination tournament featuring up to 21 players. Whether you're a seasoned gunslinger with a cue or just moseying into the game, this is your chance to show off your precision, strategy, and skill. Sign up 30 minutes before the event. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelly 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$20

12 PM COLORADO THEN & WOW CHESS TOURNAMENT

Durango Winery - 900 Main Ste E

It's a quiet duel at High Noon! Saddle up for a high-stakes showdown where sharp minds meet Rocky Mountain chill. Single-elimination format with 3 competitive categories: 13 and under, 14+ Beginners, and 14+ Advanced. A limited number of chessboards are provided, but if you have a favorite board and/or clock, bring it! You must pre-register for this event by contacting the event coordinator. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Tim Hassemer 970-903-4375

Entry Cost: \$10

12 PM LEAP FROG SLUSHIE SLAM

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

We're calling all dynamic duos, from sprightly youngsters to the forever-young-at-heart. Here's the game plan: grab your partner, leapfrog your way through the course, and sip on a crisp, icy apple juice slushie. It's a wild, frontier-style ride that tests your teamwork, balance, and ability to spread good vibes. The clock's ticking, and the quickest pair will be crowned the legendary Lords of the Leap. Let's hop to it! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: \$6/person

1 PM SNOWDOWN SKI PARADE & OPENING CEREMONY

Purgatory Resort The Beach - 1 Skier Pl

Kick-Off! Saddle up your skis and giddy-up for a rootin'-tootin' kickoff to *Uniquely Colorado: Then and Now!* Costumes are encouraged. SNOWDOWN swag and random prizes for those who participate in the parade. Meet at the Beach at 12:15 PM; parade starts at the top of Lift 1 at 1 PM. The 2027 theme will then be announced at Purgy's patio, immediately following the parade. All ages and abilities!

Event Coordinator: Greg Yucha 970-382-0788

Entry Cost: FREE (to attend the opening ceremony)

1 PM HOPSCOTCH

Gazpacho New Mexican Restaurant - 431 E 2nd Ave

Step right up for a round of hopscotch, where balance meets bravado! Toss your "gold nugget" and hop your way through the claim without tipping over. Great for kids and any adult who thinks they can still stick the landing. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Brennan McManamon 970-426-1210

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM EUCBRE TOURNAMENT

VFW - 1550 Main

A card game that's all about calling the shots, sometimes bluffing, and occasionally pretending you understand what's happening (just like first-time SNOWDOWNers!) Teams will be drawn in a random double-elimination tournament. Registration begins at 10 AM. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best Costume. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Joe Zuber 970-259-1375

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

2 PM SKA CAN SUIT SOCCER

Ska World Headquarters - 225 Girard St

It's time for a matchup that mashes up old-school frontier rowdiness with modern Colorado craft-beer flair. Each team of 3 will compete in a 10-minute game. Score the most goals, and you move on to the next game. The real kicker? Each player's gotta wear one of our Ska Can suits during the game! The winning team receives all the glory and prizes. Only space for 7 teams! Please register by Sun, Jan 18. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Stephanie 469-230-3821

Entry Cost: FREE

3 PM Y2K BLIND KARAOKE

Lizard Head Trading Company - 965 Main

Hey Ya! Drop It Like It's Hot when you take the stage and sing alongside your favorite Y2K song accompaniments. The only catch: the lyrics will be behind you! We will start easy, so come and *Get the Party Started* for your chance at fabulous prizes! We don't judge on talent, only your lyrical knowledge! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Kira Gullion 970-779-1829

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

5 PM THE ROARING PARTY

Cork & Larder - 120 W 8th St

Channel your inner Alfred Packer and Unsinkable Molly Brown for a 1920s prohibition-themed epic party with best-dressed awards: Best Gangster, Best Flapper, and Best Bonnie and Clyde Couple! Find the secret entrance using hints released throughout the week leading up to the party. Heavy appetizers and a grazing table are included in the price and limited to 30 guests. Please RSVP online. Each winner receives a bottle of win. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Susan Harrell 904-673-8304

Entry Cost: \$20

NEW VENUE

5:30 PM JOINT ROLLING CONTEST

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Colorado and weed go together like skis and snow. Now it's your turn to show off those rolling skills! The Joint Rolling contest (using a non-regulated hemp-based product) will consist of 3 categories: Biggest joint rolled, Fastest joint rolling, and Most stylish joint. Points awarded in each category to crown the SNOWDOWN Joint Rolling Champion. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM D&D&D&D

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Step into a realm where old-west grit meets high fantasy! Think gunslingers trading their six-shooters for spellbooks, prospectors rolling for initiative, and mountain mages summoning critters tougher than a mule deer in rut. Single elimination, duel to the death, Dungeons and Dragons tournament. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

2 PM COASTER COASTING

8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave

Grab a partner and test your aim, mountain-town style! Teams of two compete in a ten-hole challenge, aiming to toss coasters into buckets set up around the bar. Scoring varies with a hit or sink. Listen for the good-natured heckling, it's as Colorado as the chairlift line on a powder day. Each day, the top two

finishers ride to the finals. Sign up 15 minutes before the event starts. \$50 Cash, \$25 Cash, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Amanda Mendoza 970-880-2951

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM CARVER BREWING'S BEER DINNER

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

Better hop to it! What better way to celebrate SNOWDOWN 2026 than with a dinner of sesquicentennial-themed food and Carver's craft beer pairings! Purchase tickets in advance at CarverBrewing.com. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Claire Carver 970-259-2545

Entry Cost: \$75

NEW EVENT!

5:30 PM TIME TRAVEL KARAOKE NIGHT

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Step into a musical time machine at Lola's Place! Travel through the decades and belt out hits from the past and present. Come dressed from your favorite era, grab a themed cocktail, and get ready to sing your way through time. Bonus points if it's John Denver's Rocky Mountain High. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM 9-BALL BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT

The Garage - 121 W 8th St

Rack 'em up and don't foul it up on your billiard skills at this fast-paced 9 Ball tournament! With a double-elimination bracket of 32 sharp-shooting players, the stakes are high, and the competition is fiercer than a grandma at a Walmart Black Friday sale. Only the best cue masters will claim victory! Sign up 30 minutes before the event. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelly 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$20

6:30 PM ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Don't get caught between an Ultra Hardrock 100 and a hard place! Rock breaks scissors, paper covers rock, and scissors cut paper! Sounds simple, right? The game is played in a best-of-series format, and the player who wins the most rounds is declared the winner. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

7:30 PM Carver Brewing's Beer Dinner

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

(See MONDAY, 5 PM for details)

8 PM GIANT JENGA

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

It's a high-country face-off of balance and nerve! One wrong move and the tower tumbles faster than a blue jean-clad Texan on an icy slope. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

2 PM COASTER COASTING

8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th

(See MONDAY, 2 PM for details)

NEW EVENT!

5 PM BECOME A COLORADO ICON

Durango Public Library - 1900 E 3rd Ave.

Create the state's most iconic symbols with our supply of crafts. Embody the bighorn sheep, DIY a wildflower brooch, add the state flag to something fun, or create your own, unique Colorado symbol! The possibilities are endless, while supplies last! Ages 13+.

Event Coordinator: Spenser Snarr 970-375-3380

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM BROADWAY BLIND SINGALONG

Lizard Head Trading Company - 965 Main

Channel your inner 1800s vaudeville star, Elsa Von Blumen (a.k.a. "The Colorado Nightingale"), to take the stage and belt your favorite theatre songs alongside accompaniment. The only catch? The lyrics will be behind you! Sing the correct words before the time runs out and move on to the next round. We'll judge only on lyrical knowledge, not talent, for your chance at fabulous prizes! Afterwards, sing your favorite theatre songs in front of a supportive crowd. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Kira Gullion 970-779-1829

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM CARVER BREWING'S BEER DINNER

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

(See MONDAY, 5 PM for details)

NEW EVENT!

5 PM PUNK ROCK MUSICAL CHAIRS

Ska Brewing Ska World Headquarters - 225 Girard St

Musical chairs with a punk rock twist! When the music blares, channel your inner miner and circle the "claim stakes" like it's 1859 in the Gold Rush. The last person sitting wins First Place, bragging rights, and a prize. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Stephanie 469-230-3821

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM CONSTITUTIONAL CONFUSION SCRABBLE CONTEST

Union Social House - 3062 Main

Are you confused? I'm confused! We're all confused. But to heck with it! Celebrate Colorado's 150th birthday with a Scrabble competition where word enthusiasts come together to test their vocabulary, spelling skills, and tactical thinking. Players compete in a series of timed rounds, with 6 tables of 5 players each. One winner declared per table. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM PEPPER PONG: A SPICY PADDLE EVENT

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Love pickleball, tennis, or ping pong? Then turn up the heat and bring the wow! Pepper Pong is SNOWDOWN's newest spicy showdown at Lola's Place, a paddle sport that's part ping pong, part pickleball, and all pepper-powered fun. Play with three fiery levels: Jalapeño, Habanero, and Ghost Pepper. Bring a partner (or we'll find one for you) and join the heat. Be there or be bland!

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM COLORADO SPLIT FLIPPER

The Union Social House - 3062 Main

A pinball smorgasboard of mini events held for fun and prizes. Games include split flippers (1 team shares right and left flippers), stall ball (a conga line of unlimited players lines up to "stall" the ball and then quickly get back in line), and the highest score. Come out and enjoy some casual but fun pinball events. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jason Thomas 970-759-1158

Entry Cost: \$5

6 PM MONKEY TAIL

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Swing into Colorado's 150th birthday bash with your wild side on full display! Strap on your monkey tail and hunt for "golden" bananas hidden throughout the jungle. Sounds like a lot of mountain mischief, if you ask me. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

7:30 PM BEER DINNER

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

(See MONDAY, 5 PM for details)

8 PM BOOMTOWN AIR GUITAR BRAWL**Starlight Lounge - 937 Main**

Step aside, six-string pros, SNOWDOWN's calling for those brave enough to shred pure mountain air. Whether you channel the ghost of a Wild West saloon strummer or a Red Rocks rock god, bring your best riffs, kicks, and hair-whips to the stage. Open air, open mic, rockers only. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES GALA PERFORMANCE**Durango Arts Center - 802 E 2nd Ave**

The Follies Grand Gala Performance – returning for the 42nd year of entertainment with more fun, laughter, games, and local commentary! To purchase tickets for this event, you must place your name on the Official Gala Wait List, created on April 1, 1997 (no foolin'), and wait many, many years for the opportunity to purchase tickets! This is adult entertainment. Visit SNOWDOWNFollies.org for complete details. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Janalee Hogan

Entry Cost: \$75

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28**12 PM - 4 PM SCAVENGER HUNT****Durango American Legion - 878 E 2nd Ave**

The original SNOWDOWN Scavenger Hunt is back! This ain't our first rodeo, but it could be yours. Judging will take place on Fri, Jan 30 at 10 AM. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Melinda Michael 970-422-5209

Entry Cost: \$20/team of 4

12 PM SNOWDOWN FASHION DO'S AND DONT'S**La Plata County Fairgrounds & Event Center - 2500 Main**

Behold, as our elite models display why Durango was voted "Worst Dressed Community" by USA Today. This isn't the boardwalk, honey, it's the catwalk! Strut your stuff like famed Colorado gambler Poker Alice owes you money, and be ready for some bawdy but good-humored entertainment. Doors open at 11 AM. Lunch for seated guests begins at 11:30 AM, and the show starts at 12:30 PM. Cash bar. See SNOWDOWN.org for entry details. Prizes awarded for Best Dressed. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Anne Stokes 970-769-0512

Entry Cost: See SNOWDOWN.org

1:30 PM KEG CAP FRISBEE**Balcony Bar and Grill - 600 Main**

Frisbees and keg caps are as Colorado as silver and gold. The game is simple: try to get as many frisbees into the goal as you can! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Allison Wall 303-956-2904

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM COASTER COASTING**8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th**

(See MONDAY, 2 PM for details)

3 PM WHAT'S CRACKIN' LEGO WALK**11th Street Station - 1101 Main**

Sprint barefoot across a minefield of Legos in a timed race! More fun than blowing out 150 Colorado birthday cake candles. No need to panic, it's over in a jiffy. Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM HOW LOCAL ARE YOU?**Animas Chocolate Company - 920 Main**

If you understand every joke in the Follies, this event might be for you. Calling all Durango area history buffs and keepers of local lore, this trivia contest is sure to entertain and educate. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carley Snider 970-317-5761

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM HOT WING EATING CONTEST**Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr**

A competition where the winner gets glory and a night out with Sasquatch. Come hungry, come happy. Limited to the first 20 entries. Winners will receive gift cards for \$150, \$100, and \$75. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Michele Redding 970-799-2377

Entry Cost: \$10

NEW EVENT!**4 PM - 6 PM MARIJUANA & MOONSHINE TRIVIA****Hermosa Cafe - 738 Main**

Fun trivia questions for the marijuana and moonshine aficionados. (Looking at you, Senator Hickenlooper.) Food and drink prizes are awarded as correct answers accumulate. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Elsa 970-259-2059

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM BICYCLE BUNNY HOP & FOOT DOWN CONTEST**Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave**

Hosted by Pedal Durango, Lola's Place, and The Leland House Suites. Bunny Hoppers compete by raising the bar 1 inch every round. All bikes are welcome. Foot down involves a large group of cyclists balancing on two wheels within a confined area. As faulty riders exit, the confined area decreases. Food and drink specials offered to competitors and spectators. Competitors must wear a helmet; no Miner's helmets please! More details at Pedal Durango's website. Sign-ups begin at 3 PM. Ages 8+.

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM FAMILY FEUD

Anarchy Brewing 225 E 8th Ave Unit C

We asked 100 Durango locals the most pressing questions of our time, and you know what they said? You'll have to come and find out! A classic game of Family Feud where 8 teams of 4 will compete for the right to say, "I know how Durangoans (Durangatangs?) think!" Sign up by Mon, Jan 26. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Eric Van Houten 845-706-9299

Entry Cost: \$10/team

NEW EVENT!

5 PM - 6 PM TEEN ESCAPE ROOM: SEARCH FOR THE HIDDEN CACHE

Durango Public Library - 1900 E 3rd Ave

Find the hidden caches (not greenbacks). Experience a Colorado-themed escape room with fellow teens. Collaborate to find clues, solve puzzles, and expose the mystery. Can you uncover the secrets and escape in time? Registration required via the library website. Ages 12 to 17.

Event Coordinator: Jenny Gaechter 970-375-3397

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Elks Lodge #507 - 901 E 2nd Ave

Are you good at math? Are you good at math and trash-talking like a Buffalo Soldier? Entry tickets are available starting Mon, Jan 26, at the Elks Lodge until sold out. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Suzanne O'Nan 970-560-0125

Entry Cost: \$8

5 PM BICYCLE ROLLER RACES

Zia Cantina - 2977 Main

Tonight we ride! Calling all pedal-pushers to the only race where you can win without actually going anywhere. Grab your bike, hop on the rollers, and ride to glory. Riders go head-to-head for 15 minutes; whoever covers the most "ground" takes the game. Prizes for first place female and male. Email Ian to sign up by Wed, Jan 28. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Ian Burnett 970-799-4703, Email: ipburnett@fortlewis.edu

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

5:30 PM POP DARTS TOURNAMENT

Animas City Theater - 128 E College Dr

Join us at The ACT for our Pop Darts tournament! What are Pop Darts? Proof that Durango will make a SNOWDOWN event out of anything. Twelve teams of two compete for a chance to win one of three great prizes awarded to the top 3 teams. Must 21+.

Event Coordinator: Chris Redding 970-259-6322

Entry Cost: \$20/team

5:30 PM FRISBEE OLYMPICS

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

Gather friends to form a dynamic duo and tackle a unique frisbee challenge in our Beer Garden. Showcase teamwork and skills to compete for awesome prizes, including cold beer! Seasoned pro or casual player, this FREE event promises more fun than bears on garbage day. Frisbees provided. Signups start 1 hour prior. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Claire Carver 970-259-2545

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM GIRLS DANCE NIGHT OUT

Durango Dance - 3416 Main Ste 101

Girls just wanna have fun! Come dance it out Durango-style to a remix of western hits that'll have you two-stepping through 150 years of Colorado history. For women-identifying people. Limited to 30 dancers. Please RSVP to secure your spot! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Miriam Morgan 970-403-5974

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM SPELLEBRATION

Powerhouse Science Center - 1333 Camino Del Rio

Spellebration is a fun adult spelling bee fundraiser that benefits the Durango Adult Education Center, which features SNOWDOWN-themed words, cocktails, and costumes. Audience donations help teams gain a competitive edge. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Cathy Mewmaw 970-385-4354

Entry Cost: \$250/team, FREE to attend

5:30 PM QUICK DRAW DART TOURNAMENT

Union Social House - 3062 Main

Hosted by SKA Brewing. Unless you were born in 1876, it's possibly the only time it's acceptable to throw sharp objects in a bar. Bring a partner or connect with another solo to form a dynamic duo. The first 15 teams secure a spot, and the waitlist welcomes additional teams. Top 5 teams dive into an "Around the World" tournament. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM - 8 PM SOBER PAINT & SIP**Durango American Legion - 878 E 2nd Ave**

Join us for an evening of artistic expression in a supportive, alcohol-free environment, as our talented instructor guides you through creating your own masterpiece. No experience required! The fee covers the cost of your art supplies and two alcohol-free mocktails. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Candice Ludwig 970-769-8889

Entry Cost: \$30

6 PM PINBALL TOURNAMENT**J Bo's Pizza - 1301 Florida Rd Unit E**

A bona fide pinball tournament sponsored by the International Pinball Flipper Association. Format will be 3 strikes, you're out! The winner? The one who survives the chaos with the most points and the least wrist cramps. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best Costume. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jason Thomas 970-759-1158

Entry Cost: \$5

6 PM MAGICAL MYSTERY MUSICAL TOUR**Ska World Headquarters - 225 Girard St**

Here's an event even Alfred Packer could sink his teeth into. Join us for SNOWDOWN'S longest-running music trivia contest! Each round brings a fresh surprise. Teams of 4 people. Sign up 1 hour before the event starts. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Dale Garland 970-769-2872

Entry Cost: \$40/team

6 PM SCOTCH DOUBLES BILLIARDS**The Garage - 121 W 8th St**

Are you playing chess while they're playing checkers? Wrong answer - you're playing pool! Specifically, a double-elimination Scotch Doubles 9-ball tournament. Sign up 30 minutes before the event. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelly 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$30

NEW EVENT!**6 PM MR B'S VAUDEVILLE SHOW****The Subterrain - 900 Main Ave**

A Vaudeville-style show of Durango's best, worst, and most eccentric talents, where the audience is allowed to cheer, boo, and throw indoor snowballs at performers as they perform their acts in this wacky and wild SNOWDOWN event! Follies farm club, perhaps? Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Benjamin Dukeminier 970-529-3104

Entry Cost: \$25

7 PM BUTT DARTS

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

A perennial favorite, taking the classic party Quarters to the next level! Teams of 4 compete tournament-style for the coveted "Golden Ass" trophy. What do Quarters have to do with asses? Come find out! We're not explaining this in print. Must be 21+.

Event Cost: FREE

7 PM ROCKY MOUNTAIN MYSTICS LIVING TAROT

Black Heron Lounge – 726 Main

Spend an evening with the Rocky Mountain Mystics Living Tarot Troupe! Immerse yourself in an interactive performance where each card is brought to life. As with Tarot readings, each performance is different, as the cards pulled by audience members result in a unique, personal reading performed by our troupe of silly mediums. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Renae Skarin 415-203-4525

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM COMEDY ROAST

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Step up to the mic and play the ultimate comedy game of wit as you roast Durango like a pro! Sling your best jokes and fire off your funniest burns all for big-time bar tab prizes. Think you've got what it takes? Let the roasting begin! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM LIP SYNC CONTEST

El Rancho Tavern - 975 Main

Exaggerated facial expressions and wildly enthusiastic dance moves. It's like a saloon showdown where the miners had too much whiskey. Best performance and crowd favorite takes the trophy. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Chris Lile 970-759-9841

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM PICK UP LINE CONTEST

Animas City Theater - 128 E College Dr

Contestants will be lining up for this one! Think you have the smoothest lines? Join our hilarious Pickup Line Contest and compete for the title of "Most Charming" (or maybe "Most Cringey"). Bring your best, most creative, and funniest lines. You only need one line to enter, but multiple lines are welcome! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Dusty Grannis 970-799-1681

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM SPORTS TRIVIA

The Roost - 128 E College Dr

What better way to achieve a Rocky Mountain High than contact sports! Spoiler: If you use the phrase "Sports Ball," your chances of winning are slim. Teams of 6 people or fewer. Prizes for the top 3 teams. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Michele Redding 970-799-2377

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM JOKE DOWN**VFW - 1550 Main**

Do your friends think you're funny? Well then, time to put your jokes to the test! Tell your funniest joke or a three-minute stand-up comedy routine to win. All players are judged on delivery and audience reaction. The bar opens at 7 PM. Cash prizes for the best 3-minute standup and the best joke. Sign up by 7:45 PM on the day of the event. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Connor Carmichael 970-393-0182

Entry Cost: FREE; \$10 VIP seating available

NEW EVENT!**9 PM BUCKIN' MECHANICAL BULLRIDING CONTEST****Wild Horse Saloon - 601 E 2nd Ave Ste A**

We're bringing a Colorado rodeo tradition indoors with a riding contest more challenging than navigating Red Mountain pass during a blizzard. \$250, \$100, and \$50 cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Amber Morris 405-245-9968

Entry Cost: \$5 cover fee

10 PM MC BATTLE**Starlight Lounge - 937 Main**

What's more precious, the million-dollar highway, or two competitors facing off in a lyrical showdown, spitting rhymes like they've unlocked cheat codes for the English language? Find out as crowd noise chooses the best MC/Rapper in the Four Corners. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29**NEW EVENT!****7 AM DANCE FOR A COFFEE****Hermosa Cafe - 738 Main**

Come in and show us your creative Colorado dance moves for a free 8-oz drip coffee. Square dancing is optional. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Lindsey 970-259-2059

Entry Cost: FREE

12:30 PM BIG WHEEL DERBY

Balcony Bar and Grill - 600 Main

Race to the finish on your hefty steed of a Big Wheel. They definitely corner better than a Conestoga Wagon! The best time for one lap wins! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Allison Wall 303-956-2904

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM - 4 PM MAH JONGG "NOT-A-TOURNAMENT" TOURNAMENT

Dalton Ranch Clubhouse Restaurant - 589 County Rd 252

Colorado might've already been on the map before American Mah Jongg hit the scene in the early 1900s, but recently, the popularity has soared! We'll follow the National Mah Jongg League (NMJL) rules, which use the NMJL card. Bring your 2025 NMJL card, but leave your quarters at home. We will track points and award cash prizes to the winners. Costumes encouraged. Please sign up by 5 PM on Tues, Jan 29. All ages welcome, but you must already know how to play American Mah Jongg.

Event Coordinator: Debbie Kurz 970-769-2386 and Marlene Gebhardt 970-749-8913

Entry Cost: \$5

2 PM - 5 PM RADIO 101 WARMING HUT

Grassburger Downtown - 726 1/2 Main

Hosted by Radio101 and Grassburger. Don't miss your chance for SNOWDOWN Follies tickets. Want to keep those golden nuggets warm? Warm up at Grassburger Downtown and join the crew for a game of ring toss. The more accurate you are, the more entries you get for a chance to win the hottest tickets in town as well as gift cards and swag! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Kristin Dills 970-259-4444

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM ALFRED PACKER OPERATION TOURNAMENT

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Test your jitters and skill at our Operation board game classic, but no eating of the removed body parts! Go head-to-head in a single lady/dude tournament. Join us for this (to say the least) entertaining event. Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM - 6 PM NAME THAT TUNE

8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave

From John Denver to today's hits, test your music knowledge in this fast-paced guessing game! Contestants will be given clips of songs to listen to, then asked to identify both the song and the artist. Each correct answer earns one point. Highest point total wins! Sign up 15 minutes before the event starts. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Amanda Mendoza 970-880-2951

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW LOCATION!

4 PM - 8 PM COCKTAILS FOR CONSERVATION

Durango Silverton Narrow Gauge Train Museum - 479 Main

Join us in celebrating 34 years of La Plata Open Space Conservancy at our annual SNOWDOWN fundraiser! Cocktails for Conservation is a lively, elegant event featuring exceptional cocktails, wines, fine foods, local brews, and a silent auction. All proceeds from this popular event support LPOSC's work to conserve our cherished landscapes and natural resources. Keep Colorado Beautiful! Entry details found on the LPOSC website. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jennifer Zahratka 970-259-3415

Entry Cost: \$100 / \$125

4:30 PM SNOWDOWN JR KING AND QUEEN CONTEST

Best Western Rio Grande Inn - 400 E 2nd Ave

Hosted by McDonald's and Best Western Rio Grande Inn. This one is for Durango's 7–10-year-olds, where winning royalty will ride through town in Friday's Light Parade. All ages are welcome to attend and cheer for their school's nominees.

Event Coordinator: Kathy Bowser 970-247-2446

Entry Cost: FREE

5 PM IT'S YOUR MOVE CONNECT 4

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

What starts as a classic game of Connect 4 may turn into an outright Hootenanny. Let's hope, at least. Come one, come all! Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

5 PM DRUNK HISTORY STORYTELLING AND TRIVIA

The Office Spiritorium - 699 Main

Brush up on your Colorado lore, because this event is a series of drunk history lessons mixed with a trivia contest. Prepare to revisit the state's rowdy past; it probably includes more than a few notable drunks! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Kristi Zink 970-769-0398

Entry Cost: \$10

5 PM CARDS AGAINST SNOWDOWN

VFW – 1550 Main

Ready to prove you're the most offensive Coloradan in the room? Join us and play through several rounds of this jaw-dropping, stomach-churning, boundary-shattering card game! We take pride in flaunting that this is no game for the faint of heart. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Jasmine Anderson 970-422-3328

Entry Cost: \$10

5:30 PM BEER TRIVIA

Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main

Calling all beer lovers! Did you know breweries have been in Colorado for 167 years, longer than Colorado has been a state! Get ready for an evening of brain-teasing fun at our "Beer Trivia". Whether you're a beer expert or love a local craft brew, test your knowledge against the brewmaster. Sign up online at CarverBrewing.com. Teams of 4 people. Winners receive a keg of beer, 6-packs, and Carver swag! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Claire Carver 970-259-2545

Entry Cost: \$40/team

NEW EVENT!

5:30 PM PAINT THE PEAKS & COLORADO TRIVIA

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Raise a glass and your paintbrush! Come paint a scenic local mountain range, guided step by step by our instructor. Between brushstrokes, test your knowledge with fun Colorado trivia. No experience needed! Please reserve your spot online at LolasPlace.com. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

5:30 PM REEL OF FORTUNE

San Juan Angler - 600 Main Ste 202 (Upstairs)

It's Centennial State Theme Week here on the Reel of Fortune! Hosted by Ryan Seabass and Vanna Whitefish. Use your casting arm to spin the Reel (wheel) and solve puzzles unique to Colorful Colorado! 2 people per team with 3 rounds of puzzles and a Bonus Round. Register by Wed, Jan 28. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jandrea Glenn 970-382-9978

Entry Cost: FREE

5:30 PM - 7 PM ROCK-EM-SOCK-EM SNOWBOTS

The Good Fight Boxing Gym - 835 Main Ste 105

Jack Dempsey would be proud, as (pillow) fighting returns to The Good Fight! Step into the ring for three 30-second rounds of semi-pro swinging, judged on clean hits, style, and costume. Matches are made by age, weight, and (of course) availability. Sign up early, or bring your rival. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Katy Kopec 806-786-8849

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM CLUCK CLUCK FASHION

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Have you always dreamed of being in a fashion show? This is your chance! The only catch? You must wear your most chicken-inspired outfit to compete. Bonus points if your runway strut rivals Mike the Headless Chicken, the infamous Fruita celebrity! Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM DOWN WITH THE YAHTZEE

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Will you strike silver or bust your roll? Time to shake the dice and go for the Yahtzee! Test your luck, plan your moves, and show off your strategy skills! Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM HUNGRY HUNGRY SLIDERS

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Did you know the cheeseburger was invented in Denver and trademarked in 1935? Limited seats at this speed eating, single elimination eating competition featuring the most delicious sliders from Backcountry Gourmet. Come with an empty belly and make it to the final three standing for the grand prize! These sliders will be even better. Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM CHAMPAGNE PONG

Animas River Lounge at the DoubleTree - 501 Camino del Rio

Aww, Champagne; so much more appropo for our classy little town! Teams of 2 will face off in a single-elimination tournament to get the ping pong ball into the champagne glass. Sign-ups start at 5 PM. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Kristin Nielsen 970-382-3910

Entry Cost: \$10

6 PM MOST WHOLESOME COMPLIMENT BATTLE

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

In this roast-battle turned love-fest, we will compete to uplift each other with soul-soothing praise. Can you drip with positivity like a melting icicle? All ages welcome.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM MAGICAL MYSTERY MUSICAL TOUR

Ska World Headquarters - 225 Girard St.

(See WEDNESDAY, Jan 28, 6 PM for details)

6 PM BOOZE N' BEACONS

Stoked Sports Bar - 640 Main

A collision of libations and life-saving skills, incorporating teamwork, knowledge of the downtown bar scene, and skills with an avalanche beacon that will send teams out across Durango in a competition to out-track one another. The goals? Hone your beacon skills and socialize with others in an easy-going, booze-imbued, avalanche burial setting. Teams of 4 people. Sign up by Mon, Jan 26. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Eric Van Houten 845-706-9299

Entry Cost: \$40/team

6 PM BEER PONG

The Garage - 121 W 8th St

It might as well be the unofficial sport of Colorado, so let's see who's got what it takes to be the best! Teams of 2 will square off in this double-elimination tournament played with traditional beer pong rules. This is a 64-team bracket. Sign up 30 minutes before the event starts. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelly 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$30

6 PM LAST SPOON STANDING

Union Social House - 3062 Main

A Midwest classic, Colorado style! Grab those spoons and join us in a masterful night of rowdy spoons as we battle for the coveted Spoon Crown. Fifteen tables will play elimination-style for 5 rounds, until the final round, when we crown the master gamer! The game can be taught on the spot. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

6:30 PM SNOW JOB BLOW JOB

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

The first person to blow a cup across a table wins the round and claims victory. If people sometimes tell you that you're full of hot air, you'll fit right in! Colorado is the home of Balloon Boy, after all. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

6:30 PM POWERHOUSE TRIVIA

The Powerhouse - 1333 Camino del Rio

The Powerhouse is back with its annual SNOWDOWN Trivia! Perhaps you should brush up on your Colorado history for this year's version! Gather your team and join the fun! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Sydnie Golden 716-982-4209

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM DOUGHMINOES DISC GOLF

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Come test out your throwing arm with pizza dough disc golf! You only get one dough ball and three baskets, so go big or play it safe. And remember, things tend to fly a little differently in this high-altitude air! The lowest score wins. No dough needed to enter. Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM DRAG TRIVIA

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Get ready to test your wits and your wig! Join the legendary Queen of Durango, Aria PettyOne, for an evening of fierce(ly fabulous) trivia where the laughs are plentiful, and the shade is as refreshing as a cold mountain breeze. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

8 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES GALA PERFORMANCE

Durango Arts Center - 802 E 2nd Ave

(See TUESDAY Jan 27, 8 PM for details)

8 PM DRAG RACE AND FASHION SHOW

El Rancho Tavern - 975 Main

Drag your King and Queen to this event. It's a high-altitude, high-glamour spectacular featuring fierce competitors, death-defying footwear, and enough sequins to rival fresh powder in the sunlight. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Chris Lile 970-759-9841

Entry Cost: FREE

9 PM LINE DANCING CONTEST

Wild Horse Saloon - 601 E 2nd Ave Ste A

Dust off your boots and polish those spurs, it's time to show Durango what you've got! Whether you're 18 or 80, this is your chance to stomp, slide, and two-step your way to glory on the Wild Horse dance floor. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Amber Morris 405-245-9968

Entry Cost: \$5 cover fee

10 PM DRAG DANCE

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Dance the night away with Durango's reigning Queen, Aria PettyOne, serving looks that could melt the San Juans. Whether you're voguing or two-stepping, this is where SNOWDOWN's wildest night owls come to play. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

SNOWDOWN T-SHIRT DAY

Magpie's Newsstand & Café - 707 Main

SNOWDOWN is all about how the West was fun, and it's time to don your official SNOWDOWN 2026-themed shirt. No merch, you say? We got you covered! Stop at Magpie's for your button, hat, shirt, and poster. Get in the spirit and stake your little claim in history!

10 AM SCAVENGER HUNT JUDGING

Durango American Legion - 878 E 2nd Ave

(See WEDNESDAY, Jan 28, 12 PM for details)

11:30 AM KAN JAM

Balcony Bar and Grill - 600 Main

No, this isn't what the pioneers did to preserve fruits and veggies! Grab a partner and toss the frisbee, but not your cookies, and be the winning team for this annual event! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Allison Wall 303-956-2904

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM SUPER SEXY CAR WASH

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Don't be square like Colorado's borders. Show off your best moves in this SNOWDOWN event! You will have 3 minutes to show the judges and the crowd your best threads and winning dance moves. Judging will be based on your moves, attire, AND ability to wash a car! Classy, sassy, and chassis? Good clean fun? Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

3 PM - 6 PM THE PARADE PIT STOP

The Garage - 121 W 8th St

Swing by The Garage for a mini carnival before the SNOWDOWN parade! Play some quick games like ring toss and pin-the-tail for just \$1 each, and everyone wins a prize. Warm up with hot drinks, enjoy some good old-fashioned fun, and keep the whole family entertained. We're a family-friendly arcade with a bar, not the other way around! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelley 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$1

3:30 PM BUTTON MAKING

Durango Public Library - 1900 E 3rd Ave

Looking for a little extra SNOWDOWN-flavored flair? The library has you covered with our annual button-making event. Before there were zippers, there were buttons! Create your own design or choose from one of ours. All supplies will be provided. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jenny Gaechter 970-375-3397

Entry Cost: FREE

3:30 - 4:30 PM CHILI COOKOFF & BLOODY MARY PRE-SALE TICKETS**El Rancho Tavern - 975 Main**

Avoid the Saturday lines and get your tickets early, for tomorrow we eat chili and drink a Bloody Mary, or a few. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Greg Yucha 970-382-0788

Entry Cost: \$1 per ticket/chili, \$2 per ticket/Bloody Mary (Cash Only)

NEW EVENT!**4 PM PIER RELAY****Oye - 1017 Main**

Teams of 4 take on Main Ave in this oyster swig relay race. (You'll be relieved to know that oysters were not sourced from the Rocky Mountains!) Each contestant slurps 3 oysters and chugs a 12-oz beverage, then races to a predetermined spot, turns around, and runs back to tag the next teammate. Talk about "pier pressure"! Sign up by Thurs, Jan 22. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Brandon 970-403-3218

Entry Cost: \$50/team

4 PM BEER PUPPETEER**Carver Brewing Company - 1022 Main**

Where the art of puppetry meets Colorado's world-famous craft beer scene. One of those events you must see to believe - like Durango's local kangaroo residents. Compete in teams of two to win prizes. No strings attached! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Claire Carver 970-259-2545

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!**4 PM BEER MILE****Cork & Larder - 120 W 8th St**

This event is good for whatever "ales" you! It's a beer mile! Start at Cork and Larder and lap your way through downtown, chugging at each Cork and Larder checkpoint. First place gets bragging rights and a choice of a 6-pack. Run, snowshoe, or cross-country ski, depending on the weather! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Susan Harrell 904-673-8304

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

4 PM CERAMIC HANDLE PULL-OFF

Durango Arts Center - 802 E 2nd Ave

Remember that time... in Ceramics class... when you had to pull...a handle for your mug? Well, here's a chance to show off your best, *ahem*, pulling skills, wink wink. From Colorado's clay-rich soil to your dirty hands, this competition is as earthy as it gets. Competitors will face off in several categories, including Longest, Girthiest, and Thirstiest handle pulling, among others. Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

Event Coordinator: Evan Bradshaw 970-317-1399

5 PM SPAGHETTI DINNER

Elks Lodge #507 - 901 E 2nd Ave

Pasta la vista, baby! A spaghetti dinner is served before and after the parade or until sold out. Strap on your feedsack! Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, and bread. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Suzanne O'Nan 970-560-0125

Entry Cost: \$10, \$5 for kids 10 and under

NEW EVENT!

5 PM KID JOKE JAM

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

Where young comedians take the spotlight with historical or hysterical one-liner jokes! Expect giggles, surprising punchlines, and the pure joy of kids making each other (and the grown-ups) laugh. It's charming, goofy, and guaranteed to brighten your day. No stand-up pros—just stand-up pros *in training!* Ages 17 and under.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

5 PM HIGH ALTITUDE FLOW & BEATS

Gravity Lab - 732 CR 233

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 5 PM for details)

NEW EVENT!

5 PM DANCE FOR A DISCOUNT

Hermosa Cafe - 738 Main

Show off your best moves, from a mining town two-step to some modern mountain interpretive dance, to receive \$1, \$2, or \$3 off a SNOWDOWN special shot (\$5). Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Lindsey 970-259-2059

5:45 PM RED BALL EXPRESS

Downtown Durango - 1099 Main

Hosted by Rotary Clubs of La Plata County and Alpine Bank. Red Ball Express is a local fundraising event organized by the Rotary Clubs of La Plata County. This is the ultimate game of chance and your opportunity to be a “high roller” while supporting your community! You could win \$5,000, \$2,000, or \$1,000 and help local non-profits. Here’s your chance to make history and have a ball! Find more information at DurangoRedBall.com. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Jerome Bleger 970-759-1658

Entry Cost: \$5

6 PM SNOWDOWN LIGHT PARADE

Main from College Dr to 12th St

Hosted by Purgatory Resort. This is Durango's only nighttime parade where brightly lit floats light up Main Avenue! The parade will showcase all sorts of historical and hysterical fun, celebrating 150 years of Colorado statehood. And a very special surprise at the end of the parade! So git the hitch in your giddy-up and bring your friends and family to get a good view! See SNOWDOWN.org for entry details. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Chip Lile 970-749-1816

6 PM BEER BINGO

Durango Beer and Ice Company - 3000 Main

(See FRIDAY Jan 24, 6 PM for details)

6 PM MAGIC CARPET RIDE

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Saddle up, come on, and take a free ride! Does the carpet match the drapes? Who cares, if you are first to the finish line on your magic carpet! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM - 9 PM BOOMER HOT DOG SHOW & GEN-Z/MILLENIAL RAIL JAM

Chapman Hill - 500 Florida Road

From Colorado's pioneering ski towns to today's world-class resorts, we've been pushing the limits on snow for 150 years. Skiers and snowboarders will compete for a spot on the podium, judged on their line, technical ability, style, variety, and overall impression as they ride and glide through the course. Ages 14 and over, with a participant cap of 40. Proceeds benefit local youth Ski and Snowboard Programs. Register online via the DurangoWinterSportsClub.org website. Prizes for the top 3 males and females in each division: 14 - 18 and 18+.

Event Coordinator: Shane Ellis 970-799-5677

Entry Cost: \$25

7 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOW FOLLIES

Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 7 PM for details)

7 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES VIDEOCAST

Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr

Did you miss the live show? Here's your chance to catch the Follies on the big screen! It's almost as good as the real thing, at half the price! All tickets will go on sale at 1 PM on Sun, Jan 18, at AnimasCityTheatre.com. Purchase early as they tend to sell out! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Michele Redding 970-799-2281

Entry Cost: \$15

7 PM DANCE PARTY

EsoTerra Cider & Wines - 558 Main

A post-parade dance party featuring Nu Bass Theory. This is not the music of Jack Dempsey or Wild Bill Hickok, and not anything you would hear at The Stanley Hotel! Get ready for beats that'll shake the Colorado snow off your boots. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Elizabeth Philbrick 202-577-6583

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

7 PM DANCE THRU THE DECADES

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Travel through time on the dance floor at Lola's Place! Our DJ will take you on a musical journey from retro classics to modern hits, one epic decade at a time. Come dressed in your favorite era attire, grab a themed cocktail, and dance the night away as we celebrate Durango then and now. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM TWISTER TOURNAMENT

The Subterrain – 900 Main

Twisters aren't just for the Eastern Plains! Connect the dots with Aria PettyOne in an all-out SNOWDOWN style twister tournament! Prizes are awarded per round, with the grand prize for the "last one standing" at the finale. Spectators of all ages are welcome, but participants must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Megan Riddle 970-880-4824

Entry Cost: \$10

NEW EVENT!

8 PM BATTLE OF THE DJ'S

American Legion - 878 E 2nd Ave

Water wars, this is not. You get 30 minutes to impress our esteemed judges and the audience, who will vote for their favorite. Sets must be mixed & performed live. Limited under-21 slots available. Sign up by Wed, Jan 23. Under 18 with a parent allowed until 10 PM. More info can be found on the American Legion website.

Event Coordinator: Ryan Williams 970-422-5209

Entry Cost: \$10

8 PM TORTILLA SLAP

Los Amigos Del Sur - 835 Main

¡Atención, amigos y amigas! It's back — the 3rd Annual *Tortilla Slap*! We've turned up the chaos, added extra spice, and this year's champ scores a custom tortilla cape. Think you've got the huevos to take the crown? Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Kane Tucson 970-946-4546

Entry Cost: \$10

8:30 PM FLIPPY CUP

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Because Colorado saloons have been testing coordination since the frontier days. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

9 PM HEAD-TO-HEAD SILENT DISCO

11th Street Station - 1101 Main Ave

Two DJs, two channels, one dance floor, you choose your vibe with the flick of a switch. Whether you're showcasing your best dance moves or competing as a DJ, this SNOWDOWN showdown will have you battling for the title of ultimate crowd-pleaser. Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: FREE

9 PM POLE DANCING CONTEST

Wild Horse Saloon - 601 E 2nd Ave Ste A

This is not your mother's Maypole! From Colorado's mining camps to mountain towns, we've always known how to entertain ourselves when the snow flies. Wild horses shouldn't keep you away from this one! Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Amber Morris 405-245-9968

Entry Cost: \$5 cover fee

10 PM KARAOKE CONTEST

8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 10 PM for details)

10 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOW FOLLIES

Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave

(See FRIDAY, Jan 23, 7 PM for details)

10 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES VIDEOCAST

Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr

(See FRIDAY Jan 30, 7 PM for details)

10 PM CAKE WALK

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Show us why Colorado has been shaking its statehood for 150 years. Think you have junk in the trunk? Then twerk it out and see how the crowd reacts to this booty call. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

9 AM CASTAWAY - FLY ROD CASTING CONTEST

Confluence Park (Three Springs) - 100 Confluence Avenue

Test your angling finesse as you try to land perfect casts on targets at 20 ft, 40 ft, 60 ft, and the elusive bullseye. We'll provide a fly rod, reel, and line for all participants, so everyone can fish on equal footing, whether you're a seasoned river rat or just learning to mend your line. No experience required. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Jandrea Glenn 970-382-9978

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

10 AM SNOWDOWN THROWDOWN

CrossFit Durango - 600 Sawmill Rd

Mountain men and pioneer women have nothing on you. Teams of 2 will race the clock in this endurance SNOWDOWN throwdown! Tackle a 500 m row, power through a 100 ft sled push, and blaze through a 1200 m bike course. Partners can share the workload however they see fit. Teamwork, strategy, and speed are key! Ages 13+.

Event Coordinator: Tanya Basye 9707695814

Entry Cost: FREE

10 AM - 11:30 AM KIDS SNOW GAMES

Folsom Park - 11 Folsom Place

Hosted by McDonald's, this SNOWDOWN event is taking playtime to the next level! Little adventurers will climb, run, and laugh through a day packed with fun challenges: tug-of-war, broomball, kickball, frisbee golf, balloon pops, and a twisty-turny obstacle course straight out of the McDonald's playground playbook. Bring your tiny pioneers and let them slide, swing, and spring their way to glory! Perfect for kids in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade.

Event Coordinator: Kathy Bowser 970-247-3986

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

10 AM ANYTHING BUT A CUE - SCOTCH DOUBLES

The Garage - 121 W 8th St

You and a partner team up for Scotch doubles, but there's a catch—you must use something other than a traditional pool cue! From broom handles to ski poles, get creative and show off your unconventional skills. Proving Coloradans can make anything work, since 1876. Sign up 30 minutes before the event starts. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelley 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$20

10 AM BRING YOUR PARTNER FOOSBALL

The Garage - 121 W 8th

Grab your flipper partner and step up to the table! 32 teams will battle it out in a high-score pinball double elimination tournament until one team emerges as the ultimate champ. Remember, spinning ain't winning! Sign up 30 minutes before the event starts. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Jenn Kelly 970-946-2229

Entry Cost: \$20

11 AM BLENDER BEAN BATTLE

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Think you've got the iced coffee chops to rule Durango? Bring your secret recipe, yes, the one you've been tweaking at 2 AM for years, and craft a cup that will blow judges' minds (and give them the jitters). We'll provide a mountain of fun and quirky ingredients to mix, muddle, and let you espresso your creativity. Bonus points for the cleverest coffee name, because flavor isn't the only thing that matters in this battle of the java jive. Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

11 AM CRASH COURSE DERBY

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Rev up, little trailblazers! Kids will take the wheel of battery-powered Big Rigs and roll into our miniature demolition derby corral. Each rider will defend their rig's balloons while aiming to pop the competition one by one until only one legendary little driver remains. Big wheel keeps on turnin' lil' buckaroos keep on burnin. For kids under 10.

Entry Cost: FREE

11 AM KIDS PINBALL TOURNAMENT

J Bo's Pizza - 1301 Florida Rd Unit E

Calling all young pinball wizards! It's time to grab a slice and show off your skills in our 3-Strike Pinball Tournament. Players go head-to-head in epic pinball battles. Lose a match? That's one strike. Three strikes and you're out! Keep playing, keep scoring, and dodge those strikes! The last kid standing without three strikes is crowned the ultimate Pinball Wizard. Must be under 18.

Event Coordinator: Jason Thomas 970-759-1158

Entry Cost: FREE

11:30 AM OUTLAW JOSIE PETE'S SNOWDOWN GOLF

Downtown Durango - Start and End at the Elks Ballroom - 901 E 2nd Ave

It's the Colorado Open, SNOWDOWN style. Saddle up for the annual costumed tavern golf shootout, where only the sharpest aim (and the steadiest stride) prevail. High noon marks the first draw. Armed with your own putter and golf ball, you'll duel your way through Durango's finest watering holes. See SNOWDOWN.org for entry details. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Doug Lyon 970-560-1753

Entry Cost: \$80/team

12 PM - 7 PM HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW (Y)OUR WINE?

Four Leaves Winery - 528 Main

(See SATURDAY, Jan 25, 12 PM for details)

12 PM BLOODY MARY CONTEST

La Plata County Fairgrounds & Event Center - 2500 Main

Hosted by Star Liquor, this is the event your liver has been waiting for. Fun? You're bloody right! Bring your signature Bloody Mary ingredients. Ice, cups, and vodka will be provided to all our mixologists. The tastiest cocktail and the best presentation (booth and costume) win! See SNOWDOWN.org for entry details. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Greg Yucha 970-382-0788

Entry Cost: FREE for contestants, samples are \$2 (Cash Only)

12 PM SNOWDOWN CHILI COOK OFF

La Plata County Fairgrounds & Event Center - 2500 Main

Step right up to the Chuck Wagon Chili Roundup, where the finest chili cooks in the territory roll into town to show what they've got simmering in their pots. The cookfires and booth fixin' begin at sun-up, 7 AM sharp. At 10:30 AM, the judges ride in for the official tasting. At high noon, tasting cups go on sale, so grab one and mosey your way through the wagons to cast your vote for the People's Choice! Bring your appetite and your frontier spirit! See SNOWDOWN.org for entry details. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Greg Yucha 970-382-0788

Entry Cost: FREE for contestants, samples are \$1 (Cash Only)

1 PM BLENDER SMOOTHIE BATTLE

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Hosted by Love 'N Juice. Do you have what it takes to craft the most delicious Durango smoothie? You'll have 5 minutes to whip up the ultimate blend using only the provided ingredients. Whether it's a Palisade Peach Pucker or a Paonia Pear-fection, the tastiest blended concoction will be judged on taste, creativity, and the perfect name. Grand Prize wins a \$200 Love 'N Juice gift card! Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM - 4 PM GEN ALPHA SKILLSQUEST & GEN BETA SKILLS EXPERIENCE

Chapman Hill - 500 Florida Road

Gear up for this SNOWDOWN showoff contest, where precision, style, and foolhardiness hit the slopes! Every trick counts, every turn tests your control and technique. Judges will score based on style, technique, and speed, with combined scores and times deciding the ultimate champion. Proceeds benefit local youth Ski and Snowboard Programs. Register online via the DurangoWinterSportsClub.org website. Prizes for the top Male and Female. Ages 13 and under, with a cap of 75 participants.

Event Coordinator: Shane Ellis 970-799-5677

Entry Cost: \$25

1 PM TRI GAMES

Gazpacho New Mexican Restaurant - 431 E 2nd Ave

Rally your team and get ready to compete for hometown glory in this epic tri-event challenge. Three rounds will test your precision, grit, and pure Colorado spirit: the 3-Point Basketball Throw, the Cornhole Pitch, and the Ladderball Summit Toss. Gift cards for \$100, \$50, and \$25 for the winners. All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Brennan McManamon 970-426-1210

Entry Cost: FREE

1 PM TWO-HEADED GIANT COMMANDER

Guild House Games - 835 Main Ste 203

Team up and prepare for an epic clash of strategy and synergy in this Two-Headed Giant Magic: The Gathering tournament! Build your decks from six packs (not beer) and face off in a Swiss-style format with three rounds (not shots), one game per match, and a 40-point shared life pool (not kiddie). Whether you're a seasoned planeswalker or a fresh recruit, this is your chance to play, strategize, and conquer (wahaha)! Registration starts at 12 PM. Must be 13+.

Event Coordinator: Daniel Perez 970-403-3064

Entry Cost: \$5/team

1 PM CANINE FASHION SHOW

McDonald's - 201 W College Dr

Hosted by McDonald's. Grab your best furry sidekick (or borrow someone else's) and strut their stuff in this hilarious fashion showdown. Durango might've been dubbed the "worst dressed community," but USA Today clearly wasn't talking about our four-legged fashionistas! Categories include funniest, dressed alike, and SNOWDOWN theme-related. It's sure to be a howling good time! All canines, from puppies to seniors, are welcome, just keep those leashes on! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Kathy Bowser 970-247-2446

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM QUAFFING TOURNAMENT

11th Street Station - 1101 Main

Quaff [kwof, kwaf, kwawf] Verb To drink a beverage, especially an intoxicating one, copiously and with hearty enjoyment. Synonyms: guzzle, swig, gulp, swallow. Make your move in this annual SNOWDOWN favorite and test your quaffing skills in this fast-paced, fun-filled event! Watch as teams of 4 compete in a thrilling beer slinging battle. It's all about speed, style, (belching?) and the art of the perfect swig. Must be 21+.

Entry Cost: \$40/team

2 PM WHIP CREAM BEARD CONTEST

Animas Chocolate Company - 920 Main

Put down the razor and pick up the whipped cream; it's time to celebrate lickable beards in the sweetest way possible. Grab a partner and compete to sculpt the most creative, extravagant, and downright delicious beard using whipped cream and a variety of tasty toppings, such as chocolate shavings, sprinkles, candy bits, and more. In each timed round, teams will have to whip up their masterpiece before the judges weigh in on style, creativity, and edible excellence. The team with the most impressive creation will be crowned the Whipped Cream Beard Champions! All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Carley Snider 970-317-5761

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM BOOK GAMES

Maria's Bookshop - 960 Main

This year, we're taking game night on an adventure through Colorado history! From the gold rush to the great outdoors, your knowledge, wit, and balance will be tested in unique challenges as you journey across the Centennial State. Can you strike gold like the miners of Cripple Creek, or blaze a trail like the explorers of the Rockies? All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Mary Schwartz 970-247-1438

Entry Cost: FREE

2 PM JOINT ROLLING CONTEST

Rocky Mountain High - 120 E 36th St

Think you've got the steady hands of a summit climber and the chill of a mountain breeze? Then it's time to show off your rolling skills, Colorado-style! Using non-regulated hemp-based products, contestants will compete in three high-spirited categories: Biggest Joint Rolled - Go big or go back to Boulder with Big Head Todd. Fastest Joint Roller - Speed counts when the altitude hits you first. Most Stylish Joint - Think Mountain art meets mellow heart. Points will be awarded in each category to crown the Joint Rolling Champion of Colorado! Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Ken Aab 510-508-5171

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

2 PM ARMORED COMBAT BRAWL

Steamworks Brewing - 801 E 2nd Ave

Prepare for an epic tournament of knights as armored warriors from across the Four Corners gather at Steamworks Brewing for a day of steel, skill, and glory! Witness fierce duels, daring pro-fights, and thrilling team melees, all fought in authentic armor with real (blunted) weapons. Ages 18+.

Event Coordinator: Raymond Kessler 303-946-9632

Entry Cost: FREE

NEW EVENT!

3 PM HOBBY HORSIN' AROUND FOR KIDS!

Doubletree Grand Ballroom - 501 Camino Del Rio

Saddle up, partners! Grab your trusty hobby horse and race across the DoubleTree corral in our first-ever Steeple Chase showdown for kids. Teams of two will leap over hurdles, dodge waterin' holes, and wrangle through obstacles in a test of speed, agility, and cowboy spirit. Be the first to cross the finish line without losin' yer hat or yer nerve, and ride off as the Steeple Chase Champion! Sign-ups start at 2:30 PM. Ages 3–17.

Event Coordinator: Kristin Nielsen 970-382-3910

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM SNOWDOWN FASHION DO'S AND DON'TS VIDEOCAST

Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr

Did you miss the live show? Here's your second chance to catch the dazzling Fashion Do's and Don'ts in memorex style! See the glitz, the glam, and all the style a true Diamond Belle Saloon belle or gent should know. Snag your tickets online at AnimasCityTheatre.com. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Michele Redding 970-799-2377

Entry Cost: \$10

4 PM HOBBY HORSIN' AROUND FOR ADULTS

DoubleTree Grand Ballroom - 501 Camino Del Rio

Adult version of Hobby Horsin'. No, not like that - get your mind out of the gutter! Must be 21+ to ride this ride. (See SATURDAY, Jan 31, 3 PM for more details.)

NEW EVENT!

4 PM BAR OLYMPICS

Lola's Place - 725 E 2nd Ave

Bring your best brewery banter and your most hop-forward costume to Lola's Place for the Ultimate Bar Olympics. Teams will go pint-to-pint in a lineup of classic taproom challenges, think cornhole and a few surprise brewhouse-inspired events. Costumes are encouraged, and bonus points are awarded for creativity. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Alec Ensign Martinez 970-385-1920

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM NINTENDO 64 MARIO KART

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Hear ye, racers! Saddle up and trade the reins for controllers as the Mushroom Kingdom becomes your frontier. Dodge shells, jump hazards, and race like a Pony Express rider through iconic tracks. Whether a seasoned pro or a first-time rider, everyone's trail leads to glory. A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

4 PM ARM WRESTLING CONTEST**Wild Horse Saloon - 601 E 2nd Ave Ste A**

Oil up those elbows, roll up your sleeves, and bring your best flex. Men and women compete in their own divisions with multiple weight classes. The winner in each class will be awarded a \$100 cash prize from the Wild Horse, a trophy from A&L Coors, and a share of the entry fees. Sign up 15 minutes before the event starts. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Amber Morris 405-245-9968

Entry Cost: \$5 for under 21

4 PM JOSIE PETE'S GOLF TOURNAMENT AWARD CEREMONY**Elks Lodge #507 - 901 E 2nd Ave**

(See SATURDAY Feb 1, 11:30 AM for details)

5 PM SEARCH FOR THE SILVER BULLET AWARDS**Ska World Headquarters - 225 Girard St**

(See All Week for more details.)

5 PM - 7 PM GEN ALPHA/BETA RAILJAM**Chapman Hill - 500 Florida Rd**

(See FRIDAY, Jan 30, 7 PM for more details)

This one is for ages 13 and under, with a participant cap of 40.

6 PM RICE DICE ROLL SKEE BALL**11th Street Station - 1101 Main**

Hosted by Avalanche Bowl Company. Step up to the lane and show off your classic Skee-Ball skills in this retro arcade showdown. Each player gets 6 rice balls to roll toward targets worth different points. Rack up tickets to redeem for gift cards, prizes, and all sorts of fun loot. First-come, first-served, so grab your spot early! Must be 18+.

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM NAME THAT TUNE BINGO**Barons Creek Vineyards - 901 Main**

(See SATURDAY, Jan 24, 6 PM for details)

6 PM HUMAN HUNGRY HIPPO

DoubleTree Grand Ballroom - 501 Camino Del Rio

Get ready to waddle, wobble, and wildly scoop! Teams of two will play the classic tabletop game, now human-sized, where each team's goal is to collect the most balls in the shortest time. Sign-ups start at 5 PM. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Kristin Nielsen 970-382-3910

Entry Cost: \$10/team of 2

NEW EVENT!

6 PM BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Durango American Legion - 878 E 2nd Ave

Crank up the amps and hit the stage for the ultimate Battle of the Bands! You've got 45 minutes to blow the judges away and ignite the crowd. The fans will vote for their favorite act, so make sure your groupies are there to cheer you on. Sign up by Sat, Jan 24. More info on the Durango Legion website. Under 18 with a parent allowed till 10 PM.

Event Coordinator: Ryan Williams 970-422-5209

Entry Cost: \$10 for guests; \$40 for the band

6 PM POETRY DUELS

The Subterranean - 900 Main

Round up your words and hitch your wit,
The Durango Poet Laureates are callin' you to sit.
Esther Belin and Zoe Golden lead the rhyme,
In a fast-draw verse duel, quick as a steed in its prime.
Draw your prompt, spin your tale,
Face your rival, let your words set sail.
The crowd's cheers will steer who rides on,
Through storytelling skill, your legend's drawn.
Test your style, charm the folk, and earn your name,
As a brave wordsmith in the Durango poetic game.
All ages welcome!

Event Coordinator: Spenser Snarr 9703753380

Entry Cost: FREE

6 PM STRIKE IT RICH BLACKJACK

Union Social House - 3062 Main

Step up to the felt and test your skills at our high-stakes Blackjack Tournament! This showdown combines luck, strategy, and nerves of steel as players strive to outscore their competitors. After each round, the players with the lowest chip stacks are sent home, while the top card sharks move closer to the final table. Games run 30 minutes each, with 6 tables and 5 players per table. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Carol Clark 970-759-4144

Entry Cost: FREE

7 PM 42ND ANNUAL SNOWDOWN FOLLIES

Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave

(See FRIDAY Jan 23, 7 PM for details)

7 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES VIDEOCAST

Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr

(See FRIDAY Jan 30, 7 PM for details)

NEW EVENT!

7:30 PM SNOWDOWN AFTER DARK

Black Heron - 726 Main

When the sun sets behind the San Juan Mountains, the real party begins! Join us for SNOWDOWN After Dark, where Durango's nightlife rivals the rowdiest mining camp revelry. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Thomas Biaggi 520-405-4376

8 PM GIANT BEER PONG

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

This isn't your average backyard game; our giant cups and supersized table turn beer pong into a full-on mountain-sized match. Team up, line up your shots, and launch those balls with precision as you compete for glory and bragging rights. Who will yodel from the top of Pikes Peak and claim victory in the Giant Beer Pong Games? A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

9 PM BOOTY SHAKING CONTEST

Wild Horse Saloon - 601 E 2nd Ave Ste A

This bootylicious event is all about bringing your best rhythm, style, and saloon hall flair to the dance hall. Participants will compete to see who can bring the most energy, creativity, and, of course, the best booty-bouncing moves. Prizes will be awarded to the most impressive performers, but everyone will leave with a new level of confidence and some seriously smooth moves. Must be 18+.

Event Coordinator: Amber Morris 405-245-9968

Entry Cost: \$5 cover fee

10 PM 42ND ANNUAL FOLLIES

Durango Arts Center Theatre - 802 E 2nd Ave

(See FRIDAY, Jan 24, 7 PM for details)

10 PM SNOWDOWN FOLLIES VIDEOCAST

Animas City Theatre - 128 E College Dr

(See FRIDAY Jan 30, 7 PM for details)

10 PM KARAOKE CONTEST

8th Avenue Tavern - 509 E 8th Ave

(See FRIDAY Jan 23, 10 PM for details)

11 PM BEST CHEST IN THE WEST

Starlight Lounge - 937 Main

Step right up, sugar, and strut your stuff in the Best Chest in the West Contest, open to gents and gals alike! Show off your strength, your style, and your finest assets, whether you're a gym regular, a bodybuilder, or just naturally well-endowed. Judges will be looking for presentation, flair, and overall creativity, with extra points for charm, charisma, and confidence. Bring your sass, your sparkle, (and your pasties?) for the win! A \$50 bar tab, \$25 bar tab, and a free drink for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Must be 21+.

Event Coordinator: Rick Carney 970-749-7231

Entry Cost: FREE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

SNOWDOWN BATHROBE DAY

You did it, Durango! You survived 9 days of crazy SNOWDOWN debauchery! Whether you're planning on duct taping what's left of your costume back together and roaming Main or just lying on the couch... You get a pass to do it all in your bathrobe. Everyone's a winner because SNOWDOWN 2027 starts in 365 days!

4:20 PM Build-A-Bong Awards

Prohibition Herb - 1185 Camino Del Rio

(See ALL WEEK for details)