

Show Low News



Monthly

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July events celebrate America's birthday

Celebrate our nation's birthday with a multitude of annual events. The City of Show Low and several community organizations offer FreedomFest, with activities including a fun run, biscuits and gravy breakfast, parade, rodeo and concerts, culminating in the spectacular fireworks display.

On Wednesday, July 2, enjoy patriotic fun with a tropical twist at the Red, White and Blue from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Family Aquatic Center, 1100 W. Deuce of Clubs. Swim, play games, cool off with smoothies and enjoy a Hawaiian hula performance. General admission fees apply.

A host of family-oriented events are planned for Friday, July 4, beginning with the July 4K, a family fun run, at 7 a.m. at Show Low City Park, 1100 W. Deuce of Clubs. Drop by the Festival Marketplace, 1033 E. Deuce of Clubs, for the Show Low Historical Society's biscuits and gravy breakfast from 7 to 9 a.m. Tickets are \$20 per family, \$5 per adult and \$3 per child under 12. Find a seat for the annual Fourth of July parade, sponsored by the Show Low Chamber of Commerce. This year's theme is "Celebrating Our Memories." The parade begins at 9 a.m. from City Park, travels east along the Deuce of Clubs and turns south on White Mountain Road to E. Cooley. Then enjoy FreedomFest concerts and a festival at the Show Low school campuses, 500 W. Old Linden Road, from 3 to 10 p.m. Stroll through vendor booths while enjoying music, food and entertainment. JW Brooks and Western Bred will perform classic and contemporary

country music at 7 p.m. The spectacular fireworks display is scheduled for 9 p.m. Admission is free.

The Deuces Wild Rodeo begins at 7 p.m. on July 4 at Vacation Village Arena, 4401 S. White Mountain Road. The open traditional rodeo format features local and Southwestern cowboys and cowgirls. Tickets are \$25 per family, \$10 per adult and \$5 per child, 12 and under.

FreedomFest ends Saturday, July 5, with the Show Low Show Down Arm Wrestling Tournament at Festival Marketplace, 1033 E. Deuce of Clubs, at 2 p.m. Contestants weigh in at 12:30 p.m. Admission is free for the spectators.

These events are kid-friendly, so bring all your family and friends to celebrate the birth of our country!



Update on public works projects

A number of public works projects around Show Low are in various stages of construction or design. The road projects will disrupt traffic flow and alternate routes may be required, so we appreciate everyone's patience.

- ❖ Improvements to the Show Low Creek bridge along the Deuce of Clubs (US60) is an Arizona Department of Transportation project. The bridge will be raised and widened, which should be completed by winter.
- ❖ Old Linden Road is being rebuilt from 8th Avenue to Clark Road (SR260). The bridge being built across Fools Hollow Wash will be done by mid-August and the road construction completed by September 1. The road is currently closed from 24th Drive on the east and 25th Drive on the west.
- ❖ Owens, adjacent to City Park, is being rebuilt from the Deuce of Clubs to 16th Avenue and should be done by August 1.
- ❖ Design plans for the rebuilding of McNeil, from the Deuce of Clubs to 16th Avenue, are 95% complete. The project will be

bid in July, with construction in late August.

- ❖ Design plans for the rebuilding of Whipple, from Whipple Wash to the Deuce of Clubs, are nearing completion. Bicycle lanes will be constructed on both sides of the street and a sidewalk added on the north side.
- ❖ An irrigation system is being constructed on City-owned property in the Meadow along South White Mountain Road (SR260). In addition, the land will be reshaped (leveled) and pasture grass replanted to allow the Meadow to return to a more original, natural state. The City is committed to retain the Meadow's verdant character in perpetuity for future generations to enjoy.
- ❖ The Pat's Place building has been removed to allow creating a new four-way intersection to access the downtown area south of the Deuce of Clubs.

Check the City's website, showlowaz.gov, for more information. Direct comments to Public Works at 532-4091.

Calendar of Events

Family Aquatic Center & Recreation: 532-4140

Public Library: 532-4070

07/01 7 p.m., Council Chambers
City Council Regular Meeting

07/02 7-9 p.m., Aquatic Center
Red, White & Bluau (enjoy games, food, swimming, prizes & entertainment)

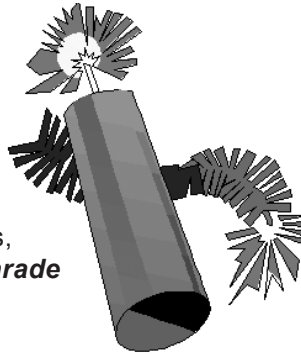
07/04 Fourth of July (City offices closed)

Fourth of July events:

7 a.m., City Park, **July 4K Family Fun Run**

7-9 a.m., Festival Marketplace
Historical Society's **Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast**

9 a.m., along the Deuce of Clubs,
Annual Fourth of July Parade
(theme: "Celebrating Our Memories")



After parade, City Park, **Summit Healthcare Disaster Response Team Community Barbecue**

3-10 p.m., Show Low High School, 500 W. Old Linden Road
FreedomFest events (gates open at 2 p.m.):
3 p.m., festival, concerts, vendor & food booths
7 p.m., **JW Brooks and Western Bred** concert
9 p.m., **fireworks extravaganza**

07/05 2 p.m., Festival Marketplace (weigh-in at 12:30 p.m.)
Show Low Show Down Arm Wrestling Tournament

07/07 Swimming Lessons (Session 3), Aquatic Center

07/08 7 p.m., Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting

07/10 10 a.m., Public Library (public welcome)
Show Low Library Friends meeting

07/12 City Park, Senior Field
Wiffle Ball Tournament

07/14 Swimming Lessons (Session 4) registration begins

07/15 7 p.m., Council Chambers
City Council Regular Meeting

07/16 1:30 p.m., Public Library
Book Discussion Group (People of the Valley)

07/16 Men's Flag Football games begin

07/17 3:30-4:30 p.m., Public Library
Cool Kids Book Discussion Group (for ages 8+; bring your favorite comic book or graphic novel)

07/17 7 p.m., Show Low Historical Society Museum
Historical Society meeting ("WPA and CCCs," Lynda Grasty and Kathy Flynn)

07/19 FREE Concert in the Park, City Park
5:30 p.m., opening act
7 p.m., Bid Daddy D and the Dynamites

07/21 Swimming Lessons (Session 4), Aquatic Center

07/22 7 p.m., Council Chambers
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting

07/23 2 p.m., Aquatic Center
Tie Dye Day (bring your own t-shirt)

07/25- Blue Ridge High School auditorium

07/27 2nd Annual White Mountains Roundup (cowboy poetry, music, art begins 5 p.m. Friday, 07/25; main event is noon Saturday, 07/26; **White Mountains Roundup Cowboy Church** on Sunday, 07/27, 10:30 a.m., at Woodland Lake Park)

07/28 Fall Coed Softball games begin

07/30 Fall Men's Flag Football games begin

Project Clean Sweep

The tenth annual Project Clean Sweep ended in June. The popular beautification program netted 104 tons of garbage, either through the Cash for Trash program, collected by City employees or dropped off by residents at the transfer station. In addition, City employees picked up bulky items at 178 homes. Our public works employees again did an outstanding job in providing this service to our residents.

Great Lakes adds new flights

Effective July 7, Great Lakes Airlines will add one flight daily to Phoenix and one flight daily to Denver. Commuters can now choose from three daily round-trip flights between Show Low and Phoenix. The flight between Show Low and Denver leaves Denver at 9:30 a.m. and arrives in Show Low at 10:56 a.m., then leaves Show Low at 1:35 p.m. and arrives in Denver at 4:55 p.m. Call (800) 554-5111 for more information.

Councilors seated in June

Every two years, newly elected or reelected members take their seats on the Show Low City Council at its first regular meeting in June. In the spring 2008 elections, voters elected the Mayor and three Council members. Mayor Rick Fernau and Councilors Daryl Seymore and Gerry Whipple were reelected. Newcomer Jack Latham, formerly serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission, earned his seat in the General.

On June 3, these four members were sworn into office, all serving through June 2012. They joined sitting Councilors Rennie Crittenden, Virginia Evans and Gene Kelley, whose terms expire June 2010. New vice mayor Rennie Crittenden was elected by his fellow Council members to a two-year term.

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