

Greetings Hickory Golfers,

The **inaugural Rocky Mountain Hickory Challenge in 2025 at Wellshire Golf Course** was a huge success. Planning for the second annual **RMHC** is well underway, and we hope you will consider joining us. On Aug. 3-4, 2026, we will be coming together in Cheyenne, Wyo., for two rounds of hickory golf, plus an evening program with dinner, speakers, and a raffle. Additionally, after enjoying our final 18 holes, we will partake in an authentic pig roast luncheon. A preliminary outline is provided below. Specific details, with registration and lodging information, will be provided in future communications.

### **Monday, Aug. 3**

**Little America Resort and Hotel, 2800 West Lincolnway, Cheyenne, WY, 82009**

#### [About Little America Cheyenne](#) | [Little America Hotel](#) | [Cheyenne, Wyoming](#)

At the crossroads of I-80 and I-25 is the Little America Hotel and Resort. The property includes spacious guest rooms, Hathaway's Restaurant & Lounge, Carol's Café, a heated outdoor pool, gift shop, and fitness center. Most importantly for RMHC golfers, the complex is surrounded by a 9-hole golf course (see course image below).



Little America's links provides the perfect venue for our warm-up round. The course is comprised of three par 4s and six par 3s. Water comes into play on three holes. Men will play the course at 3,072 yards and women will play it at a somewhat shorter yardage. Perhaps the best aspect of Little America's course is that you will feel transported back in time with greens, bunkers, and fairways that emulate course conditions reminiscent of the hickory era. Greens are mown at a height where lofted hickory putters work best, bunkers can be a little rough around the edges, and the verdant fairways are firm and fast.

### **Tuesday, Aug. 4**

**Cheyenne Country Club, 800 Stinner Road, Cheyenne, WY, 82001**

**Home - Cheyenne Country Club**

The Legend of Cheyenne began in July 1867 when General Grenville Dodge, of the Union Pacific Railroad, founded the town because water was readily available for his locomotives. The first Cheyenne Frontier Days, North America's largest outdoor rodeo, took place 30 years later in 1897. And 20 years after that, in 1917, the Cheyenne Country Club (CCC) was incorporated by the leading citizens of Cheyenne. Tom Bendelow, the Johnny Appleseed of Golf, was possibly the architect who laid out the original 9 holes. Over the subsequent decades the course has flourished under the stewardship of numerous CCC members. The present layout features 18 splendid holes comprised of six par 5s, six par 4s and six par 3s.

Many historic elements remain to be experienced by present day golfers. 14 of the 18 greens slant back to front in the style of early greens of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (AKA "push-up greens"). Hole No. 2 is an Eden template hole and No. 13 is a Redan template hole. Lastly, if you know where to look, you can even find a prototypical Victorian bunker which, by design, was less severe than modern bunkers.

**Does all this sound interesting? If so, please reach out to Randy Condit**

**([rcondit1c@gmail.com](mailto:rcondit1c@gmail.com), or 303- 522-7474, ASAP to express your interest.** The schedule is currently being finalized, but we do anticipate limited availability of rental hickory clubs. Therefore, we may have to limit the number of spots available for those without their own hickories. Anyone attending RMHC 2025 will be given priority.

Like last year, we are trying to keep costs reasonable. We anticipate that the 2026 RMHC Registration fee will include golf, cart, and dinner at The Little America Hotel and Resort and golf, cart, and lunch at the Cheyenne Country Club. We do not have a final cost yet as menus are still being determined, but the total cost should be reasonable.

Overnight guests at The Little America Hotel & Resort will pay lodging costs directly to the hotel. The room rate will be \$95/night + taxes. The hotel has been very accommodating to our group and if you have stayed in any hotel recently you will recognize that our room rate is likely unbeatable. A reservation link directly with the hotel will be provided in future communications.

Hope to see you in the Magic City of the Plains this August!

Sincerely,

Randy Condit, Golf Heritage Society Regional 7 Director

Jim Jeselnick, Golf Heritage Society Past President

Patrick Foley, Golf Heritage Society Member and Cheyenne Country Club Host