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Man V. 'Jumboli'

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Standard file photo Shown is part of a five-pound 'Jumboli' from Trimbo's Off the Hook Pizza in Butte. Adam Richman of the Travel Channel's 'Man V. Food' program was in town over the weekend taking Trimbo's eating challenge for an upcoming episode.

If Butte is hungry for attention, then a food television show is bound to whet its appetite.

The Mining City's unique fare is expected to be featured next month in an episode of the Travel Channel's popular show "Man V. Food." City officials and workers at a local restaurant confirmed Monday that a production crew from "Man V. Food" was in town over the weekend to film a segment.

The "Man V. Food" reality show features Adam Richman, who travels to cities around the country and samples the foods unique to those places. Richman highlights each episode with an eating challenge, usually involving consumption of a large amount of food in a short time.

Jennifer Hardman, manager at Trimbo's Off the Hook Pizza, 43 E. Park St., said Richman and his crew were in the Uptown Butte restaurant filming him attempting to eat its five-pound "Jumboli." The challenge was to see if Richman could eat the entire stromboli within an hour.

Hardman said they are sworn to secrecy on the result of the challenge. However, she was told the episode

featuring Butte - and the result of Richman's eating challenge - is set to air Sept. 21 on the Travel Channel.

Travel Channel officials could not be reached Monday to confirm the date, or the Butte episode.

Hardman said almost 100 people packed into the pizzeria to watch the challenge.

"The crowd was really great," she said. "Rooting (Richman) on and hooting and hollering."

Richman put on a good show, according to Hardman.

"Adam is hilarious. He was just so funny," she said.

Though the two never met before Sunday, Trimbo's co-owner Frank Trimboli and Richman discovered they grew up five blocks from each other in Brooklyn.

"In between takes we were talking about the neighborhood and the old pizza places we used to go to," Trimboli said. "It was like talking to an old buddy from the neighborhood."

Trimbo's first started the Jumboli challenge in 2008. Since then, about 20 people have tried to eat the entire monstrous meal, but none has been successful, Trimboli said.

"Usually they get halfway through and then they hit a wall," he said.

City workers took the "Man V. Food" crew to the Original mine yard - site of the main stage for the National Folk Festival - Friday to film segments for the upcoming show, according to Butte-Silver Bow reclamation manager Tom Malloy.

The Butte episode is expected to feature popular local cuisine such as the pasty and the pork chop sandwich.

Malloy said the crew also filmed segments at other Butte restaurants.

Hardman said Trimbo's will host a party to watch the Butte episode of Man V. Food in September.

She added that the national exposure may draw more travelers to town.

"It's not only good for us (Trimbo's), it's good for Butte," Hardman said.

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