

Big Rock RibFest Update-3

General Contest Rules

The following has been outlined to hopefully answer some of the more Frequently Asked Questions. We want this to be a fun event for all and that is our main priority. This is a BYOB party.

We still have not heard from a few of you that were part of past contests at Randy & Laura's please rsvp to Dawn asap.

Teams:

Each team should come up with a Unique Name. Please let Dawn know the name of your Team. There is a prize for the best name.

Space:

Each team will have a space in which to put up a 10x10 pop up tent on the lawn. We believe that our yard will be able to support a cozy 14 teams. Participants can set up their space beginning Aug 3 after 3pm. Your equipment will be fine overnight-there are always watchful eyes in the neighborhood.

Your cooking space should be kept orderly throughout the contest. Trash Containers will be in a couple of areas within the yard...just look for the one closest to you during setup.

Facilities:

The Main Door Garage will be open the entire day! We will have 2 large round tables with 12 chairs for general seating and evening dinner. Contestants should bring their own seating as well for their tent area.

The open-air Fireplace Patio will also be available and seats 10. Contestants are encouraged to use this area for

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gathering and socialization throughout the day. This will be in sun for most of day.

The Lower Level of the Deck will also be open to all. It has a large round table with a umbrella cover and seats 6. Full Shade hits this part of the deck around 2pm.

The house is also available to cool down if someone gets overheated.

The Upper Level of the Deck (aka...the Weber Showroom) will be in use by Terry.

Restroom:

The restroom is located just as you enter the house from the garage.

The Contest:

The contest will be a one meat event (Pork Ribs). The Ribs can be Baby Back or St. Louis Style only. **A minimum of 2 racks of ribs should be prepared.** Contestants will be responsible for purchasing their own Ribs. The Ribs must be checked in and confirmed raw/uncooked the morning of the contest and they must be cooked onsite.

Turn In times are subject to change and will be assigned at check-in with your ribs. Turn-in Containers will also be provided on the day of the contest.

The allowable turn-in time will be five (5) minutes before to five (5) minutes after your assigned turn in time.

Garnishments are optional but can factor into appearance scores. Garnishments should be kept to Kale or Lettuce only.

Sauce is also optional. If used-no side sauce containers.

Aluminum foil, toothpicks, skewers, foreign material, and/or stuffing are prohibited in the turn-in container.

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Each contestant must submit six (6) portions of meat in the container. Ribs shall be turned in with bone-in.

The remainder of your cooked ribs will be put in an aluminum container to share for the group meal. The aluminum container will be provided.

The group meal will begin at 6:00pm. All contestants/volunteers are asked to bring an additional pot to pass. We do have some refrigeration space in the garage for shared pots that need to make it through the day but please let us know in advance as space is limited.

Judging:

Judges have been told that they can arrive at any time during the day as we would like them to partake in the fun. We do ask that Contestants limit their influencing of judges in a respectful way...LOL!

Judging will be done by a team of 4-6 person(s). Only Judges and volunteer staff will be allowed in the house during the judging process.

The turn-in containers will then be passed around the table and each judge will taste the sample from each of the contestant containers. Each judge will score the sample for taste, tenderness and appearance of the meat. Each judge will record a score on the provided scoring sheet.

Scoring:

The scoring system is from 1 to 5, with only whole numbers between four and five to be used in scoring an entry by judges.

5 'you dah king'

4 'queen grade'

3 typical

2 it's okay.

1 hope you have a day job.

Any ties will be determined by a coin toss.

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Awards:

1st Place

2nd Place

3rd Place

Best Overall Team Name (this category will be determined by the Organizer)

Award Ceremony will follow the completion of the group meal.