

**HOGSKIN HOLIDAYS  
PORK RIB COOK-OFF  
P.O. BOX 99  
HAMPTON, ARKANSAS 71744  
[www.hogskin-holidays.com](http://www.hogskin-holidays.com)**

TO ALL INTERESTED COOKS:

We wish to extend an invitation for you to join in our 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Pork Rib Cook-Off, which will be April 08, 2017, during Hogskin Holidays Festival.

We are enclosing, with this letter, an entry form, statement of liability, list of prizes and rules and regulations for the cook-off. Please take a few minutes to read these forms and complete them.

You will be our guest at a complimentary supper on Friday, April 7, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. Following the meal, we will have our contestants meeting. Contestants may begin setting up at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 07, 2017.

As in past years, you will again be able to sell barbecue by the pound; as well as sell food to eat on the premises. If you desire to have a food concession, please mark it on the application/entry form.

In addition to Pork Ribs, "Anything But" and dessert categories there will be a pork chop competition. There is no entry fee to enter the dessert competition. However, you are required to enter both the rib and "anything but" categories if you wish to compete for the best dessert. Prepare your favorite dessert and bring it to Hogskin Holidays.

For additional information about our festival you can check out the website. We look forward to seeing you in Hampton at the Hogskin Holidays Festival for one *pig-squealing, pork-cookin good time!*

Sincerely,

The Cook-Off Committee

26<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
HOGSKIN HOLIDAYS  
PORK RIB COOK-OFF  
CALHOUN COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS  
HAMPTON, ARKANSAS

## Ribs

FIRST PLACE-----	\$750
SECOND PLACE-----	\$500
THIRD PLACE-----	\$250
FOURTH PLACE-----	\$200
FIFTH PLACE-----	\$100

### "ANYTHING BUT" / PORK CHOPS

1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE-----	\$250
2 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE-----	\$150
3 <sup>RD</sup> PLACE-----	\$100

### DESSERT CATEGORY

1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE-----	\$100
2 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE-----	\$50

SHOWMANSHIP-----TROPHY

BEST RIG-----TROPHY

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM  
HOGSKIN HOLIDAYS PORK RIB COOK-OFF

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF COOK: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSISTANT COOK/NAMES ONLY:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

CORPORATE SPONSOR(if Any): \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CHECK THE CATEGORIES YOU WISH TO ENTER AND COMPETE:

(A) PORK RIB \_\_\_\_\_ (\$75 ENTRY FEE)

(B) "ANYTHING BUT.." \_\_\_\_\_ (\$25 ENTRY FEE)

(C) DESSERT \_\_\_\_\_ NO ENTRY FEE/MUST ENTER "ANYTHING BUT")

(D) PORK CHOPS \_\_\_\_\_ (\$50 ENTRY FEE)

HOW MANY ADDITIONAL PORK CHOPS, PROVIDED BY THE COOK-OFF,  
WILL YOU COOK? \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU GOING TO SELL FOOD TO EAT ON THE PREMISE?

( ) YES ( ) NO

OTHER THAN BARBECUE BY THE POUND, WHAT OTHER CONCESSIONS WILL  
YOU BE SELLING?

\_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU NEED A SPACE FOR A CAMPER OR RV?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SIGN THE STATEMENT OF LIABILITY & RETURN WITH THIS FORM.

TO: CHIEF COOK  
FROM: BARBECUE COMMITTEE  
RE: STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

As a precaution the Committee has determined that it is mandatory for each Chief Cook to sign and return the Statement of Liability. Failure to do so could result in disqualification.

Thank you for your cooperation. This must be signed and returned before you set up. You can mail it to:

HOGSKIN COUNTY COOK-OFF  
HOGSKIN HOLIDAYS FESTIVAL  
P.O. BOX 99  
HAMPTON, ARKANSAS 71744

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STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

As Chief Cook and a Contestant in the Hogskin County Cook-Off, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Hogskin County Cook-Off Committee and sponsors (HCCO), its employees and volunteers, from any and all claims made against HCCO, including without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgments, expenses, damages, or reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with:

- (1) any structure erected by contestant;
- (2) any apparatus, equipment, or personal property used by contestant;
- (3) any act or omission to act of contestant, its agents, invitees, participants, representatives, employees, servants and agents; and,
- (4) any claims made on accounts of, or resulting from, contestant's participation in this contest.

I further certify that I have read and understood all the rules and regulations associated with this contest. I understand that failure to comply with these rules will result in my disqualification from the contest.

CHIEF COOK \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1.) There will be three on site categories in the Hogskin Holidays Pork Cook-Off: Pork Ribs, "Anything But" and Pork Chops. Meat for the contest may not be precooked, sauced, injected, marinated, or cured in any way prior to inspection at the beginning of the contest.
  - a. -A PORK RIB ENTRY IS DEFINED AS PORTIONS OF THE HOG WHICH INCLUDE THE RIBS.
  - b. -"ANYTHING BUT" ENTRY IS DEFINED AS YOUR CHOICE OF FAVORITE GRILLED RECIPE. THIS ENTRY CAN BE ANYTHING BUT PORK RIBS, AS LONG AS IT IS COOKED ON THE PREMISES ON THE GRILL.
  - c. -PORK CHOPS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE COOK-OFF COMMITTEE.
- (2.) Each contestant competing in ribs and "Anything But" shall supply all of their own meat, cooking ingredients, individual cooking utensils, preparation tables, etc. Provided to the contestants are a regulation cooking area and necessary sanitary facilities. If a larger area is needed, special arrangements can be made by contacting the sponsor. All contestants must adhere to all electrical, fire and other codes by the city, county, state, or federal codes.
- (3.) Contestants may begin setting up at 11:00 AM, Friday, prior to the cook-off on Saturday.
- (4.) All meat must be inspected before cooking by a cook-off committee member. After the meat is inspected, you may marinate and begin cooking the meat.
- (5.) Each contestant must cook enough meat to provide the required samples for judging. The entries must be in pre-numbered Styrofoam boxes provided by the contest. You must have 8 (eight) separate pieces of ribs in the turn-in box. Garnish is optional and limited to leafy green lettuce. No decorations. Some will choose to enter 8 (eight) one bone ribs. But you can put in 8 (eight) two-bone ribs in the turn-in box. Pork Chop contestants will turn in two (2) Pork Chops in the pre-numbered box provided. Eight pre-numbered boxes will be provided to each cooking team for the "anything but.." competition. You must provide 8 (eight) individual servings of your "anything but..." entry. Eight (8) individual servings of your dessert must be provided in a container of your choice.
- (6.) The judging of the pork chops begins at 11:00 am Saturday. The judging of ribs begins at 1:00 p.m. Saturday. You will have five (5) minutes before and five (5) minutes after the turn-in time to turn in your entries to the judges. The judging of "anything but..." and dessert entries begins at 12:00 p.m. (noon) A cook-off committee member will come by and remind you of the time approximately 10 minutes prior to turn in time of each event.

- (7.) The team number used for judging will be assigned to you and marked on the turn-in boxes by the cook-off committee.
- (8.) There will be blind judging by qualified judges. There will be a brief explanation of judging procedures at the contestants meeting.
- (9.) Contestants may enter and compete in one or all categories. However, you must compete in the pork rib cook-off in order to participate in the "anything but" competition. Competition in both categories qualifies you to compete in desserts.
- (10.) Application Fees are based on category entered. The fees are \$75 for the rib category, \$50 for pork chops and \$25 for the "anything but" category. The selection committee reserves the right to reject any application. If your application is not accepted, your fees will be refunded by mail. No refunds of the application fees will be made once you have been accepted in the contest, whether you appear or not. All checks should be made to Hogskin County Cook-Off. You may mail your application to the following address:

Hogskin County Cook-Off  
Hogskin Holidays Festival  
P.O. Box 99  
Hampton, Arkansas 71744
- (11.) A meeting for all contestants will be held Friday, following the contestant supper. The rules, regulations and other necessary information will be discussed at that time.
- (12.) It is the responsibility of each contestant to see that the contest area is kept clean and that the area is cleaned following the contest. It is imperative that our clean up be thorough. Any space left in disarray or with loose trash and garbage will disqualify the team from future participation. Trash receptacles will be supplied.
- (13.) The chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his team and guests. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification. Under no circumstances are alcoholic beverages to be distributed (given away or sold) to the general public by contestants.
- (14.) The barbecue committee reserves the right to make additional regulations as the situation warrants.
- (15.) Decisions of the barbecue committee chairman and judges are final.
- (16.) Violation of Rules and Regulations of the contest may result in disqualification, expulsion from the grounds, and/or disqualification from future participation.
- (17.) If you have any questions, need additional information or if you cannot attend after being signed up, please write us at: Hogskin Holidays, P.O. Box 99, Hampton, Arkansas 71744 or Phone Liz Turner, Chairman, (870)866-1797.