Town of Jackson

Hook & Cook Festival

2016 OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES

COOKING

1. **ENTRY FEE**: Entry fee is non-refundable. $200.00 butts only, $250.00 butts and ribs, and $10.00 desserts. **AWARDS: BUTTS 1st - $1000.00, 2nd - $400.00, 3rd - $200.00, 4th - $100.00, and 5th - $100.00 with trophies awarded to first 3 places. Ribs 1st $500.00, 2nd $200.00, 3rd $100.00 with trophies awarded to first 3 places. A Grand CHAMPION Prize of $1000.00based on total accumulative score. Dessert competition Friday Night October 21, 2016 1st - $100.00** and trophy, **2nd - $50.00** and trophy.
2. **COOKING**: Wood, gas or charcoal permitted. Meat must be prepared on site of festival. Pits should be enclosed with a suitable barrier.
3. **COOKING SITE & PREPARATION:** You are required to have a tent, fire extinguisher, hand wash station with catch can or bucket, and tarp or mat under cooker or grill. You are limited to a 25x25 site that you are expected to keep clean during and after event.
4. **PRESENTATION**: Meat may be presented with or without sauce as the contestant wishes. One large plate will be submitted for judging by team represented. **DO NOT SEND SAUCE ON THE SIDE WITH MEAT.**
5. **GARNISH: NO GARNISH, MEAT ONLY IN FOOD BOX.**
6. **COOKED MEAT**: All BBQ Meat and ribs will be retained by the Town of Jackson and sold by the Festival for the 8th annual Hook & Cook BBQ. Pork will be sold Saturday starting at 11:00 am until sold out. We are asking cooking teams to cook 6 butts , dependent on number of entries, and to process the meat (pans will be provided). Your help would be greatly appreciated.
7. **FOOD SAFETY**: All meat must be kept at 40 degrees F or below before cooking. Pork must be cooked to 155 degrees F. Potentially hazardous food should be kept at 130 degrees F or above at all times. DHEC requires you to bring a working meat thermometer. Disposable gloves must be used while cooking and handling of food. Teams are expected to adhere to all county, state and federal electrical, fire and heath codes.
8. **JUDGING**: Judging will begin at 10:00am for butts and 11:00am for ribs with **South Carolina BBQ Association SBCA Certified Judges**. Winner will be announced at 1:00 PM. Each Judge will judge no more than 8 entries generally fewer by teams of 6 or more judges. Entrees will be judged blind on appearance, aroma, taste, tenderness and overall impression. In the unlikely case of a tie in overall scoring the tie will be broken by recalculating the scores from the cards and giving the highest value to taste, then tenderness, then aroma.
9. **PETS**: All pets must be on a leash.
10. This is a **FAMILY EVENT**, please be **DISCRETE** with your "adult beverages". (PLASTIC CUPS, ETC.) We also ask you to limit noise from the hours of 12:00 am and 7:00 am. All teams are expected to respect the rights of others with special emphasis against loud music, profane language, and infringement on adjoining sites.
11. **ENTRY FORMS**: Entry forms will be available and pre-registration at Jackson Town Hall, 106 Main Street, Jackson, SC. Form and fees may be mailed to the Hook & Cook, PO Box 369, Jackson, SC 29831 but must be received prior to October 17, 2016.
12. **WAIVER OF LIABILITY**: By signing the entry form, you waive and release any and all rights and claims of any nature you may have against the Town of Jackson, and any other organization or individual connected with this event; their representatives, successors, heirs and assigns for all injuries, fatal accidents, or personal property damage of any nature while taking part in any activities associated with above mentioned tournament.
13. **COOK'S MEETING** will be held at 5:00pm. Rule explanations and questions will be addressed at this time. Butts, ribs, and turn-in containers will be available after meeting.

2016 OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Chief Cook: _____

Team Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: Primary: _____ **Alternate:** _____

Email: _____

Electrical Service Needed: 50 AMP_____ **30AMP**_____

Signature and Waiver: _____ **Date:** _____

Each team must provide their own shelter and all necessary equipment. There is a limited number of 50AMP sites.

Cooking sites will be assigned by order of payment and registration.

Each team will be allocated one 25' x 25' outside space, along with electricity and water. *If you require a larger cooking area, please describe your reasons, including the sizes of grills, props and any other items in your cooking set up. We will attempt to make arrangements to help all teams be successful. Entries forms can be mailed to Town of Jackson P.O. Box 369 Jackson, S.C. 29831.*

To show our appreciation and to help the cookers a full breakfast will provide for the cooking teams at 6:30 am Saturday morning.

ENTRY FEES AFTER OCTOBER 17, 2016 MUST BE PAID IN CASH OR MONEY ORDERS

PLEASE CHECK THE FOLLOWING CATAGORIES IN WHICH YOU WISH TO ENTER

BUTTS ONLY $200.00 _____

BUTTS AND RIBS $250.00 _____

DESSERT (Friday night) $10.00 _____

TEAMS MAY NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES SELL ANY PORK, RIBS OR CHICKEN ON SATURDAY OF COMPETITION AS THIS IS A DIRECT CONFLICT WITH THE TOWN'S DINNER FUNDRAISER. ANY VIOLATIONS COULD RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION!