



OFFICIAL BACKYARD TEAM ENTRY FORM

March 1-2, 2024

Team Name: _____

Pitmaster: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Describe any special requirements: _____

When do you plan to arrive to the competition? _____

Please indicate the categories in which you will compete. Teams may enter any or all categories. **Fees include a 20'x40' area, electricity (30 AMP) and water. ADDITIONAL SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL FEE, but is very limited.**

Backyard Registration Fees: \$300 by February 1 (Earlybird)/\$350 after February 1

____ PULLED PORK ____ RIBS ____ CHICKEN

____ Additional 20' of Space (\$50) (cannot be purchased to be used for an additional RV)

____ **Ancillary Competition** (optional) \$25 EACH (please circle) BBQ Sauce Bloody Mary Taco

(You can enter ANY KIND of taco that you like. More details will be sent at a later date.)

____ **People's Choice** (optional) (**FREE ENTRY (meat will be provided) - \$150 Prize Money**) (Fundraiser for the Exchange Club of Tifton, whose primary mission is the prevention of child abuse)

What are you bringing (please be specific in trailer size, etc.) (Note: please do not bring an additional RV. One per team is allowed, plus cook trailer, etc): _____

\$ _____ **TOTAL Entry Fee Enclosed**

****NOTE: Entry fees must be RECEIVED by February 1 for Earlybird Discount to Apply.****

****Payment can be made by Check, Money Order, Cashier's Check or Credit Card****

Please make checks payable to:

Outreach Marketing Group
P.O. Box 273, Tifton, GA 31793

Additional Info:
Angela Elder, 229.382.8700

Note: ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS! RAIN OR SHINE!

spearmanagency@friendlycity.net

Credit Card Authorization

Name on Card: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____ Type of Card: _____

Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Email (for receipt): _____

Signature: _____

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN THE BACKYARD AREA.

Payouts for the 2024 Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Festival Backyard Categories

Grand Champion: \$1,500 & Trophy, Reserve Champion: \$750 & Trophy

Ancillary Competition Winners: \$100 CASH per category

People’s Choice Award: \$150 Cash Prize & Special Trophy

First (per category): \$500 & Trophy

Fourth (per category): \$200

Second (per category): \$400 & Trophy

Fifth (per category): \$100

Third (per category): \$300 & Trophy

6-10th will receive acknowledgement of participation.

Backyard Turn-In Times

Ancillary Competition categories should be turned in between 9:15 – 9:30 am Saturday, March 2.

People’s Choice Meat Turn In: by 9:30 am on Saturday, March 2.

Preliminaries:

Chicken 10:30-10:45 am

Ribs11-11:15 am

Pulled Pork 11:30-11:45 am

FINALS

Chicken 1:20-1:30 pm

Ribs1:40-1:50 pm

Pulled Pork 2-2:10 pm

AWARD CEREMONY: 4:00 p.m. (tentative)

BACKYARD RULES

- There will be a MANDATORY backyard team meeting on Friday evening at 5:30 pm to review rules and judging guidelines. At least one team member should be present.
- Pulled pork can come from any cut of meat
- Do not turn in a whole chicken.
- Chicken can NOT be stuffed with anything.
- Ribs: Loin back, baby back or spare ribs only. No country style ribs.
- There must be a minimum of six (6) separate and identifiable pieces of meat in your box.
- All meats must be USDA inspected/passed. No pre-seasoning, injecting, marinating or cooking of any entry is to be done off-site. There will NOT be an official meat inspection.
- Do NOT use any kind of garnish or decoration in your box.
- The only approved cooking fuels are wood, charcoal or wood pellets. Gas is not allowed (except to start initial fire).
- All Ancillary competition categories MUST be cooked/made on site.

VENDING: Teams will be allowed to vend food to the public if desired. First come, first served. Teams that choose to vend must pay the **\$400** Food Vendor Fee. Please specify if you will be competing and vending from the same spot. ****Food Vendors are REQUIRED to use Coca-Cola as the exclusive provider of non-alcoholic beverage products. We will connect you with our local distributor, who you must purchase from and he will deliver products on-site.****

YES, I would like to vend food to the public at the Festival.

\$400 Enclosed Will you serve from competition booth or need separate location? _____

Tentative SET-UP Schedule

Wednesday, February 28 through Friday, March 1, 2024

8 am – 5 pm Set-Up at Fulwood Park BY APPOINTMENT

Friday, March 1, 2024

5:30 pm Team Meeting (BY)

11 pm – 7 am Mandatory Quiet Time

COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM & PAYMENT IN FULL MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE APPLICATION IS APPROVED.

RELEASE AGREEMENT (please sign, date and return with registration and payment; keep a copy for yourself)

➔**RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:** In consideration of the granting of the right to participate, entrants, participants and spectators, by execution of this form, I release the Tifton-Tift County Tourism Association, Rhythm & Ribs Festival Committee, City of Tifton and their officers, directors, and any representative or workers, or property owners, or occupiers, or sponsors connected with the presentation of the Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Festival of and from any claims, injuries, losses, damages or judgments that may be suffered by the entrant, participant, or spectator to his person or property and agree to indemnify the aforesaid parties any loss, liability, expenses, or payment resulting from any such injury to person or property.

➔I agree to abide by all Rules and Regulations of the 2024 Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Festival. I also agree to encourage my team members and other visitors to my cooking area to abide by the contest rules to the best of my ability.

Signature

Date