



Official Backyard Team

March 1, 2025

Payouts for the 2025 Rhythm & Ribs BBQ Festival Backyard Categories

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

First (per category): \$500 & Trophy
 Second (per category): \$400 & Trophy
 Third (per category): \$300 & Trophy

Fourth (per category): \$200
 Fifth (per category): \$100
 6-10th will receive acknowledgement of participation

Ancillary Competition

Steak, Bloody Mary, Tacos
 \$25 for each entry
 CASH Prize: \$100 FIRST place per category
Turn In: Saturday, March 1 at 9:30 am

People's Choice

FREE Entry, Meat Provided on Friday
 CASH Prize: \$150, plus a trophy
Turn in: Saturday, March 1 by 9:30 am
 This is a fundraiser for the Exchange Club of Tifton

CATEGORIES: PORK LOIN, RIBS, PULLED PORK

Backyard Turn-In Times

Preliminaries:

Pork Loin 10:30-10:45 am
 Ribs 11:00-11:15 am
 Pulled Pork 11:30-11:45 am

FINALS

Pork Loin..... 1:20-1:30 pm
 Ribs 1:40-1:50 pm
 Pulled Pork 2:00-2:10 pm

AWARD CEREMONY: 4:00 pm (Main Stage)

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 (butt, loin, etc).
- Pork Loin: A boneless loin of pork that includes no portion of the tenderloin. Loin may be divided into no more than 2 pieces for cooking purposes.
- 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.
- No official meat inspection will be done.
- 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.

Tentative SET-UP Schedule

Wednesday, February 26 through Friday, February 28, 2025

8 am – 5 pm Set-Up at Fulwood Park BY APPOINTMENT
 11 pm – 7 am Mandatory Quiet Time

Friday, February 28, 2025

5:30 pm Team Meeting (BY)