

Little Pig Cookoff
July 8th 2023
BCDC Park – Beckemeyer, IL

COOKOFF GUIDELINES

This is a “Backyard Event”, not a sanctioned contest.

1. Setup

- Upon arrival, follow signs for Cookoff Contestant parking. (take 2nd street East past baseball diamond)
- After site is set, please remove vehicles from the cookoff area and park in other designated areas.
- Electricity not supplied (generators welcome!)
- No dumping of ashes on grounds

2. Steaks

- Each team will be provided 12 pre-cut, 5/8” thick, bone-in pork steaks.
- At noon steaks will be available for pickup: 12 to each team in sealed packages.
- Teams are expected to keep steaks at a proper temperature until consumption.
- Teams should have steaks fully cooked at 4:00pm. At which time judging will start.
- Teams will place one pork steak (cut into bite-size pieces) into designated containers for the judging panel to sample. Turn-in starts at 4:15.
- The remaining steaks should be cut and ready for "people’s choice" sampling starting at 4:30.

3. Blind Judging

- 1st place = \$400
- 2nd place = \$300
- 3rd place = \$200
- 4th place = \$100
- 5th-15th = \$50
- Team winnings are dependent on the number of team entries.
- Teams will be given a designated container for their submission
- Containers that are marked/altered may be disqualified.
- A team member will turn in their container of bite-sized, pre-sauced steak between 4:00 ~ 4:15 PM
- Judging will be on taste and texture only (garnishes acceptable)
- Separate entry fee and registration is required for each additional recipe

4. People's Choice Awards

- 1st place = \$200
- 2nd place = \$150
- 3rd place = \$100

- 4th-5th = \$50
- Team winnings are dependent on the number of team entries.
- Starting at 4:15pm, anyone may purchase a wristband for \$10 to sample pork steaks.
- Voters will have one ticket to cast for “Best Porksteak”.
- Cast votes at the cookoff site of choice.
- Teams are responsible for collecting vote tickets.
- Teams will turn in vote tickets no later than 5:30pm
- Teams have the right to refuse to offer samples to anyone for any reason

Ties will be determined by order of registration

Official announcement of winners will take place at the bandstand at ~6:00.

Things to Bring:

- Everything needed to cook (only meat provided)
- Plates/kitchenware for serving samples
- Washbowl & Soap
- Hand sanitizer
- disposable gloves for food handling.
- Pop-up tents or other shade
- Table & chairs
- Collection container for People’s Choice vote tickets.
- Decorations for your team’s cooking site
- Fire extinguisher
- First aid kit
- Generator

The Beckemeyer Community Development Club (BCDC) will have plenty of food, and a plethora of frosty beverages. Monies raised from food and drink sales will be used for park maintenance and upgrades.

Please support BCDC via our concession/beer stands.

Based on circumstance, any or all of these guidelines are subject to change, with or without notice, as determined by the cookoff committee.

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