St. Paul Rodeo Great Western BBQ Cook-Off
Date: Tuesday, July 4, 2017
Time: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm
Judging: 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

2017 Rules and Regulations

Great Western BBQ Cook-off:

- Most importantly, this is to be a fun and light-hearted event, and a spirit of good sports-manship is vital.

- Ten or more amateur cook teams will be invited to participate. The teams will be judged by local media, local dignitaries, BBQ experts, and celebrities.

- Each team must come up with a team name (Example: *Arkansas Outlaw BBQ Team*). Each team will also be assigned trays with coded numbers – to keep the judging fair.

- Each team will be provided a cook station area about 10X10 in size in order to cook their meat. Your meat will be provided when you arrive on site. You will not be allowed to bring precooked meat to the cook-off in order to keep the contest fair. Any attempt at switching meats is grounds for dismissal. If you are participating in sales to the public, see **Sales Opportunity** below.

- For Sales Rules and Regulations see **Sales Opportunity** below.

- Each Team will be required to bring all their own sauces, utensils, enhancements, smok-ing chips (if wanted). You are required to bring your own cooking unit and should be small enough for you to off-load your truck (we will not provide a fork-lift). Propane is OK.

- All competitors will meet with the SPR officials at 10:00 am for a short orientation about the rules and to have any questions answered. Directly after the meeting, competition meat will be handed out and cooking may begin. All competition meat will be collected at 4:00 pm sharp by SPR officials and handed in for judging. No meat will be submitted before 4:00 pm. Your ability to submit on time is vital to your success.

- Teams must provide samples to each judge – on a paper tray – 2 cuts for each of the 4 judges minimum. The cooking team number will be written on the bottom of the tray, each cooking team will be assigned a number (unknown to the judges) – the team number is given the total points. A representative from the St. Paul Rodeo will provide tallies on the leader-board.

- Judges will tally points (from 1 to 40) for each tip (and team), based on overall tender-ness, meat juiciness for Best Rib.

- All judges' decisions are final. In the event of a tie, judges will base final decision on overall presentation of rib for additional points to determine a winner.

- Prizes will be awarded immediately after the judging tabulation and final confirmation. *Best Rib* trophies will be awarded in front of the crowds for recognition.

- If there is a dispute or there exists a need to modify an existing rule for unforeseen circumstances, the President of the St. Paul Rodeo Association has final say as arbitrator and impartial judge.

Sales Opportunity:

- Due to requests by both competitors and the public, select BBQ teams will be conducting sales to the public.

- The St. Paul Rodeo Great Western BBQ Cook-Off will be handling all ticket sales during the Lunch and Dinner hours.

Sales Rules:

- Teams who are conducting sales must have a valid and current food handling license from the State of Oregon, submitted to us prior to arrival.

- Teams who are conducting sales must have an insurance waiver, indemnifying the St. Paul Rodeo Association from harm, with a minimum of $1 million in coverage. Waiver is due prior to arrival on July 4.

- Cooking area must be clean at all times, and a hand washing station will be provided.

- St. Paul Rodeo will provide meats to the teams for sales and for the contest. Please do not bring chicken or any other meats to site.

- Event manager may ask you to open any coolers to verify compliance to any of the stated rules.

- If the event manager has any valid concerns for public safety or public welfare, the team will be asked not to sell to the public. Any ruling in this concern is final and not subject to debate. Any team violating health codes or endangering the public will be promptly removed from the site.

- Trash cans shall be provided for each team, and we expect each participating team to manage their areas professionally.

Sales Procedures:

- Tickets for sample plates will be sold upon entry to the tent for $12.00 each, and the St. Paul Rodeo Association will handle all monies.

- The consumer will trade the pre-purchased ticket for the sample plate from the chosen vendor – no money is to change hands during this event. Safeguard all collected tickets: They will be exchanged for cash at the end of the event – same day, before you leave.

- Take care in keeping track with us so things run smoothly. If you need plates for your cooking please bring colored ones. Ours will be white.

- Teams will earn $1.00 per plate to cover the cost of sauces and time. Meat will be provided.

- Beverages (Pop & Water) are $2.00 – we will have a beverage vendor on site.

- Beer is $5.00.

- The St. Paul Rodeo participating sponsors will provide rolls, potato salad and condiments during lunch and dinner hours. Please do not bring salads, fruits, or any other sale items.

- You may not sell sauces or other BBQ items (retail).

Signage:

- Each competitor may hang one (1) sign only on the front of the team's table: Competitors' signage must not interfere with or block the view of Sponsors' signage. Our Sponsors are a very valuable asset to this event, and without them, we would not be able to hold this competition.

No Alcohol on Site:

- We will be selling beer in the tent this year, and OLCC rules apply. Therefore, no alcohol can be brought into the tent.

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Waiver and Indemnification Form

You must READ and SIGN to Participate

I realize that participation in the St. Paul Rodeo Great Western BBQ Cook-Off may have some risks of personal injury. Such risks may include, but are not restricted to slips, falls, physical contact with your cooking unit, and risks associated with cooking food in an outdoor environment. I am over 18 years of age and able to sign this document.

I accept and assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, death, violence, property damage or loss.

I accept my responsibility to abide by the rules and regulations of the cook-off and local laws and regulations, to also ensure that I have adequate medical coverage, the ability to protect personal possessions, and obey all the rules set forth for the cook-off.

I accept full responsibility for my level of participation, sportsmanship, and use of my personal equipment by exercising my judgment, based on my own experiences and competence. In consideration of approval to participate in such activity, I and any personal representative, hold harmless, release and forever discharge The St. Paul Rodeo Association, their directors, officers, faculty, staff, marketing subcontractors, radio station partners, volunteers, agents, trainees, or employees from any and all actions, causes of actions, claims, and demands for damages, loss or injury, resulting from or arising out of my participation in such activities.

I also indemnify and save harmless the St. Paul Rodeo Association from any and all actions, causes of actions, demands, expenses or losses whatsoever which they may bear as a result of my participation in such activities, by reason of damage to any and all property and any and all personal injuries, including death of others or myself.

I agree to abide by the rules as set forth by the St. Paul Rodeo and St. Paul Rodeo Association which have been posted on the web site, given to and explained to me.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Additional members of cook-off team must sign to participate:

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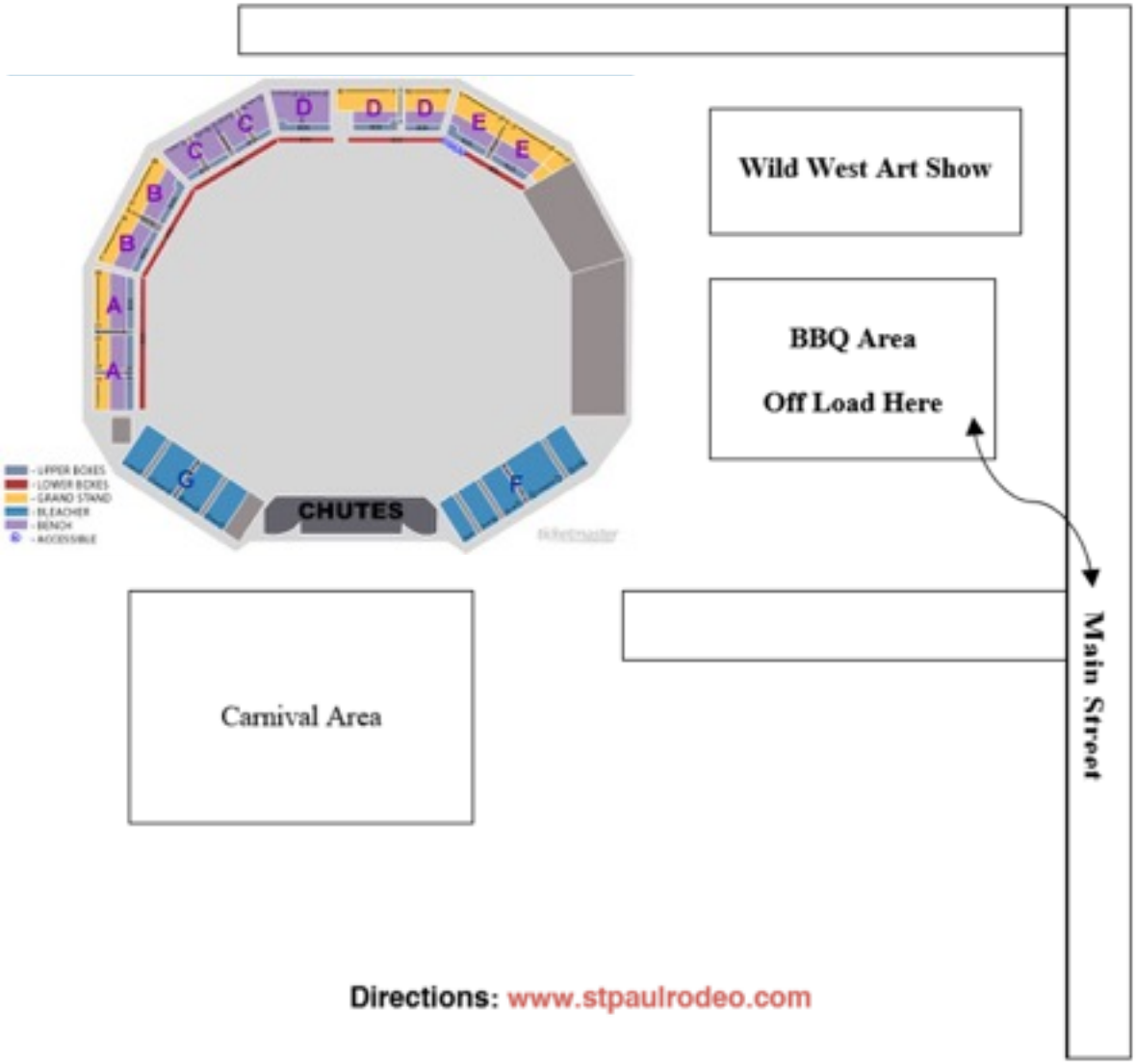
Great Western BBQ Cook-off Map



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