

## Plan Now To Attend This “Award Winning” Festival!

Looking for a special treat? Make plans now to be in Jasper on June 23rd & 24th for the 20th Annual Buffalo River Elk Festival! This award winning festival began in 1998 to celebrate the successful reintroduction of elk to Newton County. You'll find Jasper 19 miles south of Harrison, on Arkansas Scenic Byway 7 near the Buffalo National River in the heart of the beautiful Ozark Mountains. Meet us on the town square and sample the fun as this unique little community transforms into a lively festival ground.

It's a weekend filled with creative talent, including artisans from the Ozarks and several other states offering outstanding handcrafted wares. Throughout the day, performers will be showcasing live music with special performances by Doug Scallion, The Little Buffalo River Band, The Crumbs, Whistlin' Dixie, and more! There will be music and street dancing in the evenings and a brilliant fireworks display on Saturday night!

The festival features a wide range of activities for every taste and age, including a special area for youngsters. There will be a Kid's Fishing Derby, a Kiddie Korner, the Running with the Elk 5K, a Pie Competition & Auction, The Arkansas State Championship Elk Calling Contest, and Arkansas' Premier Dutch Oven Cook-off.

On Saturday, the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission will hold an educational & fun program and, once again, there will be an On Site Applications and Permits Draw.

Applications for one (1) either sex permit or two (2) antlerless permits will be accepted 1:00 p.m-5:00 p.m, Friday, June 23rd and 9:00 a.m-4:00 p.m, Saturday, June 24th.

Applications are limited to one per person. Applicants must provide a valid Arkansas drivers license or Arkansas identification card. Applicants under 16 must provide a hunter's education card. Anyone with 12 or more violation points is ineligible. The winner must be present at the draw. The draw will be at 5:00 p.m, Saturday, June 24th during the Festival.

The 20th annual festival offers a wide array of top quality creative talent, great food and educational opportunities, combined with small town charm. Come join us and make some memories and have a fun filled weekend.

### For Additional Information Contact

General Festival Info—501-208-6889  
AGFC—Activities Information—870-723-4885  
Running with the Elk 5K—carlaweeks@sbcglobal.net  
Kids Fishing Derby—Kirby Carlton at 870-446-5122  
Dutch Oven Cook-Off—Sandy Swayne at 870-434-5316

*Buffalo River Elk Festival*  
*PO Box 501*  
*Jasper, AR 72641*

*Schedule of Events*

[www.buffaloriverelkfestival.com](http://www.buffaloriverelkfestival.com)

# 20th Annual Buffalo River Elk Festival



*Friday & Saturday*  
*June 23rd & 24th*

Arts & Crafts \* Art Walk  
Live Music \* Dutch Oven Cook Off  
Running with the Elk 5K  
Kids Fishing Derby \* Kids Activities  
Elk, Photography Seminars  
Elk Calling Contest &  
Permit Drawings  
Pie Competition & Auction  
Great Music & Entertainment  
Brilliant Fireworks Display  
Fun for the Entire Family!

*Miss Elk Fest Pageant*  
*Saturday, June 3rd.*

# Saturday June 3rd

**MISS ELK FEST PAGEANT**  
**2:00 PM High School Cafeteria in Jasper, AR**  
 For additional information visit the website  
[www.misselkfest.com](http://www.misselkfest.com)  
 Hosted by the Jasper High School Key Club  
 and Newton County Kiwanis Club

# Friday June 23rd

**10:00am OPENING CEREMONIES**  
 Festival Opens - Booths, Art Walk, Kids Activities

**Noon "DONALD PAYNE" Local Impressionist**

**12:15pm "RONNIE LONG & FRIENDS"**  
 Very talented, Ronnie and his friends have long entertained in and around Branson and the Ozarks.

**1:00 pm ON-SITE PERMIT DRAW REGISTRATION**  
 Begins for day, Newton Co. Senior Center

**4:15 pm "BROTHER JAMES"**  
 A unique blend of blues, folk, red-dirt and 90s rock with originals thrown in the mix.

**5:00 pm ON-SITE PERMIT DRAW REGISTRATION**  
 ends for day, Newton Co. Senior Center

**6:30 pm "DOUG SCALLION", Festival Stage**  
 "Mr. Entertainment"! Great variety of music—Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Ray Stevens & more!

**8:30 pm "LITTLE BUFFALO RIVER BAND"**  
 Formed eight years ago on the banks of the Little Buffalo River, this band brings its own unique original set mixed with classic crowd pleasing covers.

**9:00 pm Vendor Booths closed.**

# Saturday June 24th

**7:00 am RUNNING WITH THE ELK 5K RUN/WALK**  
 Registration, Ponca Elk Education Center

**8:00 am American Legion Ladies Auxillary BREAKFAST, Legion Hut**

**RUNNING WITH THE ELK 5K RUN/WALK 5K Run Start**

**KID'S FISHING DERBY Registration**  
 At Bradley Park - up to 12 years old

**PIE CONTEST entries begin, Legion Hut**

**8:10 am RUNNING WITH THE ELK 5K RUN/WALK**  
 Kid's Dash begins.

**9:00 am KID'S FISHING DERBY BEGINS**

**ON-SITE PERMIT DRAW REGISTRATION**  
 At the Senior Center

**"PREMIER DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF OF ARKANSAS",** On Hwy 7 just south of the square at Harp & Associates Real Estate. Step back in time at the "Premier Dutch Oven Cook-Off of Arkansas". Teams dress in period clothing, & cook in large cast iron pots over open fires just like in the 1800's.

**10:00am OPENING CEREMONIES UNVEILING OF "NEWT" THE ELK STATUE**  
 NW Corner, Courthouse Square  
 Festival Opens - Booths, Art Walk, Activities

**PIE COMPETITION JUDGING BEGINS,**  
 with auction to follow

**ARKANSAS ELK—In the Court House**  
 Overview and status update of Elk in Arkansas.

**10:45pm RUNNING WITH THE ELK 5K**  
 Awards Presented on Festival Stage

**11:00am "UNASHAMED BLUEGRASS BAND"**

**Noon ELK PERMIT DRAWINGS—AGFC**

**FISHING DERBY AWARDS**  
 Awards Presented at the Stage

**ELK CALLING CONTEST REGISTRATION**  
 Festival Tent

# Saturday June 24th – cont.

**12:15pm "DONALD PAYNE" Local Impressionist**

**1:00 pm ELK PERMIT DRAWINGS—AGFC**

**DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF JUDGING**  
 Followed by "Tasting the Vittles" 1:15 pm

**ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ELK CALLING CONTEST, Festival Stage**  
 3 Divisions—Adult, Youth & Pee Wee

**2:00 pm ELK PERMIT DRAWINGS—AGFC**

**2:15 pm ELK CALLING CONTEST (continued)**

**3:00 pm ELK PERMIT DRAWINGS—AGFC**

**NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY LECTURE**  
 by acclaimed nature photographer, William Rainey

**3:10 pm DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF WINNERS**  
 Awards Presented at the Stage

**3:15 pm "STAYMORE", Festival Stage**

**4:00 pm ELK PERMIT DRAWINGS—AGFC**

**ON-SITE PERMIT DRAW REGISTRATION**  
 ends, Newton Co. Senior Center

**4:30 pm "HEDLEY LAMAR BAND", Festival Stage**

**5:00 pm ONSITE REGISTRATION PERMIT DRAWS**

**5:15 pm SHOTGUN SHELL DROP**

**6:30 pm "THE CRUMBS", Festival Stage**  
 Unique mix of Americana, bluegrass, and modern folk music. Has been described to harken "back to the times when iron men played wooden instruments."

**8:00 pm DRAWINGS FOR CANOE & PRIZES**

**8:30 pm "WHISTLIN' DIXIE", Festival Stage**  
 A talented five piece country band self-described as a "Red Dirt and Outlaw Country band from the mountains of Newton County, Arkansas with only one goal – to entertain audiences!"

**9:50 pm BRILLIANT FIREWORKS DISPLAY**  
 With more great music from WHISTLIN' DIXIE!