



2024 INVITATION DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF
BUFFALO RIVER ELK FESTIVAL, Inc.
JASPER, ARKANSAS
SATURDAY, June 29, 2022

Dear Dutch Oven Cooks,

The BUFFALO RIVER ELK FESTIVAL, Inc. Would like to invite you to participate in the DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF. THE FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ON THE JASPER SQUARE AND THE DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF WILL BE AT THE HARP REALITY OFFICE, Hwy 7 SOUTH. We are excited for our 25th anniversary. For information go to www.buffaloriverelkfestival.com click on Dutch Oven Cook-off from the menu. The Dutch Oven Cook-off is part of the 25th annual Buffalo River Elk Festival, Inc. which celebrates the successful reintroduction of elk to Newton County, Arkansas and the Buffalo National River. Starting on Friday, the Elk Festival features the drawing of elk permits, Ozark crafts, elk calling contests, kid's fishing derby, music and dancing each night, and many other exciting events. There will be prizes for all 4 categories, and over-all 1st prize will be \$300.00; 2nd prize \$200.00 and 3rd prize \$100.00. The popular PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD will be voted on by the public with a surprise prize. There will be 5 judges, with the high and low scores thrown out, prizes awarded on the remaining 3 score's average. We hope you will get out your Dutch Oven, season it, find some delicious recipes and join us for lots of fun and great food. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact me. We are looking forward to seeing you at the cook-off. Attached are the entry form and rules.

ENTRY FORMS ARE DUE MONDAY June 24, 2024

Thank you,
Sandy Swayne, Coordinator
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Jasper, AR 72641 870-434-5316
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BUFFALO RIVER ELK FESTIVAL, INC. DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF

SATURDAY, June 29, 2024

JASPER, ARKANSAS

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per team. Limit of 3 persons per team.

ENTRY DEADLINE: MONDAY, June 24, 2024

COOKING BEGINS AT 9:00 am.

JUDGING STARTS AT 1:00 pm PLEASE NOTE START TIME

You can dig your fire-pit and/or start your fire prior to 9:00 am. Please carefully remove sod before building your fire and replace it when the Cook-off is over. Dry beans can be presoaked. Rules are fairly simple. Food must be cooked on an open fire, either wood or charcoal. No camp stoves, smokers, propane burners or barbecue grills are allowed. You must bring your own wood/charcoal. Portable, elevated fire pans are encouraged. Teams are encouraged to dress in old west or pioneer attire. Judging of food entries will be blind, but attire, camp appearance and interaction with the public will be considered on the Showmanship Judging. You can have a corporate sponsor and display their logo at your camp without penalty in judging. We encourage you to display a sign identifying your team. You will be assigned a number for judging. SHOWMANSHIP: A secret "Field Judge" will be viewing your camp as you prepare your food. You will be judged on camp appearance and organization; team attire; interaction with the public; technical skill with utensils and ovens; and safe food handling practices.

FOOD: There will be 3 categories:

BREAD (must be yeast or sourdough; sweet, i.e. cinnamon rolls are acceptable);

MAIN DISH;

DESSERT. Separate dishes must be submitted for each category (i.e. a biscuit topped stew could not be entered in both bread and main dish categories).

Judging will begin at 1:00 pm You will fill out a Food Judging Sheet with TEAM NUMBER (not name), category, name of dish, and copies of the recipe, and present it with each food item to be judged. Entry MUST be presented in the Dutch Oven in which it was prepared, or on the lid. Please provide serving utensils with each entry, including a knife for cutting if necessary, Winners will be announced at the main stage on the square as soon as possible. Please have at least 1 team member present at the stage for the award ceremony and pictures.

AWARDS: 1st 2nd and 3rd place winner in each individual category (Bread, Main Dish, Dessert and Showmanship) will receive medallions.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place overall winners (total points in all categories) will receive a trophy and a cash award of: 1st place \$300.00; 2nd place \$200.00 and 3rd place \$100.00.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD- voted on by tasters, surprise prize.

We will return the food to your camp after each category is judged. After ALL judging is completed, we will provide tasting bowls to the public. They will come to your camp to be served. This is for "tasting," not a meal.

Please mail Team Entry Form and Fee to: Sandy Swayne, P.O. Box 268, Jasper, AR 72641

For further information please contact.

Sandy Swayne, sandyredrock@gmail.com, 870-434-5316

Team Entry Form and Disclaimer

ENTRIES DUE BY MONDAY, June 24, 2024



Team Name: _____

Team Members (up to 3 members):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: _____

e-mail Address: _____

\$10.00 Entry fee: paid by check / cash Rec'd by: _____

Disclaimer

I/we (team name) _____ hereby agree that we will compete in the Dutch Oven Cook-off sponsored by the Buffalo River Elk Festival, Inc.

I/we understand that the food cooked for competition will be given to the public in "tasting bowls" after the judging is final.

I/we agree that only legal ingredients and additives will be used in foods prepared. All reasonable safety, hygiene and cleanliness measures will be practiced as applicable to the cooking methods used.

I/we understand that the decisions of the judges will be final.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, June 24, 2024

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 please make check payable to Buffalo River Elk Festival, Inc.

Mail this form and your entry fee to:

Sandy Swayne

P.O. 268

Jasper, Arkansas. 72641