BAR-B-QUE COOK OFF CONTEST RULES 2011 Fishin' Fiesta (Texas State Championship) Cookoff

Sponsored by Pier 30

Texas Gulf Coast BBQ Cookers Association Sanctioned Event

The Fishing Fiesta Bar-B-Que Cook-Off contest is sponsored by the Freeport Host Lions Club.

The contest will be held at the Freeport Municipal Park on July 2nd and 3rd.

Contest rules are as follows:

- 1) Entries must be received by June 28, 2011. Please mail entries to: **Freeport Host Lions, C/O Fishin' Fiesta, P.O. Box 2433, Freeport Texas 77541** or email to martinez1@coastal-link.net. Or drop off in person.
- 2) All sites must submit an original entry form with payment. Entry fee is not refundable and must accompany entry form. Entry fees are one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per site.
- 3) Check in and set up will begin at 9am on Thursday, July 1st for Reserved sites. The 39 teams that were with us on 2011 will have first choice to retain their site.

Unassigned teams may select sites after 10:00 am on a first-come first-serve basis on Friday July 1st. No electricity is provided so you need to have your own generator.

We do have a couple of spots that you can get water

A Chief Cooks meeting will be held Friday July 1st at 7PM at the park. At the small pavilion.

- 4) All contest meats for each team, are to be inspected by the Committee prior to cooking. All meat entered will be inspected at this time. **Non-inspected meats will not be accepted.** No pre-seasoned or pre-cooked will be allowed. Marinating allowed only after inspection. **No sauce or garnish** may be added to entries at judging time. Sauce may be used as a "sop" during cooking, but not poured on for presentation.
- 5) Fire must be wood or wood substance. No electric or gas fired pits will be allowed for contest entry meats. Fires may be in suitable containers, but at no time be allowed directly on the ground. Holes or dug pits are not allowed. Each pit must be equipped with at least a 10lb. multi-purpose and/or ABC fire extinguisher.
- *6)* The Chief Cook will be responsible for the conduct of his team and visitors. Absolutely no firearms or explosives will be allowed. Amplification equipment should be used in moderation and not to interfere with Live entertainment.

All such equipment must be turned off by MIDNIGHT.

City Ordinance states that "No GLASS CONTAINERS" (except food containers within site assignment) are allowed within the park area.

You will be allowed to bring in your own Beer up to 6pm Friday night. After that time beer will need to be bought from the Freeport Lions at the Beer Garden at our cost.

No live bands will not be allowed in the BBQ area.

Abuse of these rules will result in disqualification and will be ask to leave the BBQ grounds.

7) The Freeport Host Lions and its sponsors will not be responsible for theft or damage to equipment, supplies or personal belongings while participating in this event.

8) The decisions of the Chairman and Judges are Final.

- *9)* Each team will be allowed 2 vehicles and one sleeping quarter within the assigned site. All other vehicles must be parked outside the assigned site. All spaces will be approximately 30'x 30'. All teams must supply some form of Grease catch pan with absorbent for each Pit.
- 10) Trophies will be awarded for first through third place in each contest category beginning Saturday at approximately 5:00 p.m. Categories include:

STEAK (Jackpot – 1st Place Winner takes all. Trophies awarded to 2nd & 3rd Place Winners Brisket, Pork Spare Ribs, And Chicken.

Overall Champion will receive Trophy Texas State Champ.

	Brisket	Ribs	Chicken
1st	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
2 nd	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
3 rd	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
4 th	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
5 th	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
6 th	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
7^{th}	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
8 th	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
9 th	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
10^{th}	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00

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Total Pay Off \$5,000.00

- 11) Each team will be responsible for having their contest meat at the judging station, in provided containers at the designated time. Contest meat entries received after the designated time (determined by the Official Clock) will not be accepted for judging.
 - Brisket Seven (7) full slices approximately 1/4 to 3/8 thick.
 - Pork Spare Ribs Seven (7) individual cut pork spare ribs (bone-in) No babybacks or country ribs
 - Chicken Two half (1/2) chickens fully jointed (to include wing, breast, leg, thigh).
- 12) Contest Chairman reserves the right to amend or make additional regulations as situations may warrant.

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JUDGING

Friday July 1st

Steak (Jackpot) 8:00pm

The steaks will be provided by the Freeport Lions. Each Team will get 2 steaks with one to be turned in for judging.

SATURDAY July 2nd

CHICKEN 12 noon (Two fully jointed chicken halves)

PORK RIBS 1:30pm (7 Pork Spare Ribs - No babybacks or country ribs)

BRISKET 3:00pm (7 Full slices - 1/4 to 3/8" thick)

AWARDS - Approximately 5:00 p.m.