

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Dear BBQ Cooking Teams,

You are invited to the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Ridge Spring Harvest Festival: BBQ Battle for the Ridge! Since 1981, The Ridge Spring Harvest Festival has been part of our community and this year we are inviting BBQ teams from South Carolina to help throw the biggest party Ridge Spring has ever seen. This cook-off will feature pork butts and a Rib Showdown and to be judged by bonafide SCBA Judges on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>. We are limited on space so we are inviting 15 teams on a first come, first served basis. For the first year we are going to keep it simple. We are going out 3 places for cash prizes and trophies for the top 5.

\*1<sup>st</sup> place BBQ will also have a flag with their cooking team's logo flown above the town for one year to commemorate the \*BBQ King of Ridge Spring!

**Cash Prizes for Butts:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place Butt – \$750

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Butt – \$300

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Butt – \$200

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Places – Trophy

We will provide 6 butts per team for judging and samples. We are also asking for teams that have room to cook more butts to let us know on the entry form. We will have volunteers to process and distribute samples for the public.

**Entry Fees:**

Received: \*Before August 31<sup>st</sup> = \$150 | \*Sept 1<sup>st</sup>-Sept 13<sup>th</sup> = \$175 | \*Sept14th – Sept 28<sup>th</sup> = \$200

Rib Showdown cash prize will be determined by the number of entries. We are going out 3 places for the ribs. Cookers will be responsible for bringing their own ribs. Entry for Rib Showdown will be \$50 per team.

**Facilities:**

We will have indoor heated/cooled restrooms for all cookers and teams. Spaces will be 20X30 with 15 amp power outlets and water spigots for each team. If you need additional power please bring a generator to accommodate your needs. Please limit your team count to 4 members.

**Breakfast:**

We will be cooking breakfast for you Saturday morning! Sausage, eggs, grits and biscuits.

## BBQ BATTLE FOR THE RIDGE COOKERS PACKAGE

The BBQ Battle for the Ridge will be held in the Town Square in Ridge Spring, SC on October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> 2017. We are asking teams to list the size of your setup so that we can arrange everyone in the best location. Cook teams can set up starting at 8:00a on Friday October 13<sup>th</sup>. First come, first to be set up. We will provide the butts, you provide the ribs and any rubs, spices, brines, sauces, etc.

Chief Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone- Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Setup Size: \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ ft. # of Team Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Power/Water Needs \_\_\_\_\_

How many butts are you willing to cook? \_\_\_\_\_

**Facilities:** Each team will have 20x30 sites available. We have a variety of outlets 15amp to 30amp and some 220 and will accommodate your team in any way we can, but we cannot guarantee availability to larger amperage outlets. Water spigots will be available for all teams. Indoor heated/cooled restrooms are available for all teams.

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**Waiver of Liability:** Contestant agrees to indemnify and hold the Ridge Spring Harvest Festival and BBQ Battle for the Ridge, the festival committee, it's employees, agents and volunteers harmless from any and all claims made against same, including without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgements, expenses, damages, or reasonable attorney fees arising out of or in connection with (1) any structures erected by contestants, (2) any apparatus, equipment, or personal property used by contestant, (3) any act or omission to act of contestant it's agents, invitees, participants, representatives, employees, servants, and assigns, and (4) any claims made on account of or resulting from contestant's participation in the contest.

*I agree to abide by all the Rules and Regulations of The BBQ Battle for the Ridge and The Ridge Spring Harvest Festival contained in this application and in the General Guidelines and Rules for Cookers of the SC Barbeque Association. I agree to notify all members of the team I represent about these rules.*

Signature of Team Contact (required): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks to be made out and mailed to: Ridge Spring Harvest Festival  
P.O. Box 444  
Ridge Spring, SC 29129

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