



2020 Barbeque Cook-off  
Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, 2020

### ***General Information***

The 14th Annual Come-See-Me Barbeque Cook-off will be held at the beautiful Winthrop University Lake and is open to the public. Four-person teams will compete for the title of "Best Barbeque at Come-See-Me 2020!"

All barbeque meat (butts) will be retained for sale at the Come-See-Me Tailgate Party on Saturday, April 25, 2020 beginning at 3p.m. until sold out.

Contestants may also enter the optional "Ribs" category. Participating teams will provide their own ribs and a \$25 entry fee. Winner pay outs will be 100 percent of entry fees.

### ***Cooking Instructions and Rules***

Barbeque for the contest may be prepared using wood, gas, or charcoal cookers, and the teams may prepare and cook the pork in any fashion they prefer, so long as it is suitable to be served to the public. The teams must prepare the barbeque on-site at the venue. Teams are to chop or pull their meat and put in pans provided for sale by Come-See-Me. ***You must wear gloves, chop the pork under a covering, and have a hand-washing station.***

The Festival will furnish the butts, which teams may pick up at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020.

Each team will have a total cooking area no larger than 25' x 25'. No two-story structures are allowed, and no on-site expansion beyond the allotted area is allowed. All belongings must be entirely contained within the 25' x 25' area. Please respect the University's property and be careful not to damage any landscaping or other property. ***No pets are allowed.***

Each team must supply their own ingredients, grill, tools, and any materials needed by the team. While electrical power will be provided for cooking equipment, you must use a generator for personal power needs (i.e., camper).

***Teams may not sell or distribute any form of beverages to the public, including alcoholic beverages.*** Team members should be discreet with use of alcoholic beverages on the premises, and are to respect the rights of others with special regard to music volume, profane language, and infringement on adjoining sites. **Team members must conduct themselves in a professional manner or may be asked to leave.**





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**Registration at Venue**

Each team must register upon arrival at the Come-See-Me Information Booth located at Winthrop University Lake on Friday, April 24, 2020. The team’s number & cooking area assignment will be issued then. All head cooks must attend a cook's meeting Friday evening at 5 p.m. at the venue. The location will be confirmed at time of check-in.

**Judging & Awards**

Judging will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2020 and will be conducted by the SC Barbeque Association. Judging rules will be explained further at the cook's meeting Friday evening. The head cook shall be the team member permitted to present the barbeque during the judging process.

**Friday evening, April 24, 2020 ~ Anything but Butts Night**

Judging by the Come-See-Me celebrity judges will begin at 6:30 p.m. with sales to the public beginning immediately after.

- Anything but Butts Prize      Plaque and \$300
- Second Place                      Ribbon and \$150
- Third Place                         Ribbon and \$75
- People’s Choice                 Free entry to 2021 event

Teams are required to provide and cook *anything but butts* for this night. The entry fee for this event is included. Teams should be prepared to provide small samples for at least 200 people to taste. Samples are to be prepared on site, no desserts please. Samples will be judged by Come-See-Me representatives and winners awarded around 9 p.m. Friday evening.

**Saturday morning, April 25, 2020 ~ Come-See-Me Barbeque Cook-off**

Blind judging will begin when determined by the Barbeque Marshall on Saturday, April 25, 2020, and no later than 10 a.m.

**Butts**

- First Place      Trophy and \$1,000
- Second Place    Trophy and \$700
- Third Place      Trophy and \$400
- Fourth Place    Plaque and \$250
- Fifth Place      Plaque and \$225

**Ribs (Provide your own ribs) 100 percent of entry fees awarded**

- First Place      50 percent of entry fees
- Second Place    30 percent of entry fees
- Third Place      20 percent of entry fees





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### **Clean-up & Exiting**

Teams are required to clean up their assigned cooking areas and return the site to pre-competition conditions. **The area must be cleaned before 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2020**, and the head cook will be responsible for fulfilling this requirement. A \$25 clean-up fee is required and will be refunded upon inspection and clearance by Come-See-Me personnel.

For the safety of our event attendees, teams not staying for the remainder of the Tailgate Party and Fireworks Extravaganza (from 3 to 10 p.m.) will be required to vacate the *premises no later than 2:30 on Saturday, April 25, 2020*. Anyone failing to leave by the designated time will be required to remain until all Come-See-Me guests have left the venue.

### **How to Apply**

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Complete attached application and submit it, with your application fee.

### ***Fees/Discounts for 2020***

***Early entry fee - Teams entering prior to March 2, 2020 will have a discounted entry fee of \$175.*** Entries must be postmarked prior to that date to be considered; ***Entries postmarked on or after March 2, 2020 will be required to pay the full entry fee of \$250.*** The competition is limited to a total of 30 teams. You do not have to be a member of the South Carolina Barbeque Association to participate.

Come-See-Me Festival reserves the right to reject any application. If your application is not accepted, your money will be refunded. However, no refunds will be made after you have been accepted into the contest. All photos taken of your team become the property of the Come-See-Me Festival and may be used for promotional purposes without your prior consent.

Contestants agree to indemnify and hold the Come-See-Me Festival and Winthrop University, its employees, agents, sponsors, and volunteers harmless from any and all claims made against Come- See-Me Festival and Winthrop University, its employees, agents, sponsors, and volunteers, including, without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgments, expenses, damages, or reasonable attorney's fees arising out of or in connection with (1) any structure erected by the contestants, (2) any apparatus, equipment, or personal property used by contestants (3) any act of omission on the part of the contestants, its agents, invitees, participants, representatives, employees, and servants, and (4) any claims made on account of or resulting from contestants' participation in the contest.

***Cook-off dates: April 24 & 25, 2020***

Barbeque sales: April 25, 2020 from 3 p.m. until sold out. Location: Winthrop University Lake, 1162 Eden Terrace - Rock Hill, South Carolina

For additional information, please e-mail us at [comeseeme@comporium.net](mailto:comeseeme@comporium.net) or contact Jim Armour at 1-800-681-7635 or visit [ComeSeeMe.org](http://ComeSeeMe.org).





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**Come-See-Me Barbeque Cook-off Application**

The entry fee of \$175 + \$25 clean-up fee must be received with each completed application and postmarked, or hand-delivered, no later than **March 1, 2020. Entry fees after March 1, 2020 will be \$250.**

Team name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Head cook name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, state, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Team member names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anything but Butts entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Cooking method:       Propane     Charcoal     Wood  
Are you member of the SC Barbeque Association?     Yes     No  
Are you interested in receiving additional  
information about the SC Barbeque Association?     Yes     No

Complete this form and return, along with the entry fees, to:

Come-See-Me Festival  
PO Box 4221  
Rock Hill, SC 29732

**Make checks payable to** Come-See-Me Festival

Please include the team name on your check. No refunds will be given once a team is accepted into the competition.

By signing below, I confirm and hereby agree to abide by the terms and rules of the contest set forth above and further explained in the event rules documentation.

Head cook's signature (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

