



TEXANA CHILI SPILL



Cook-off Entry Form November 13 & 14, 2015

Team Name: _____ Sponsor: _____
 Head Cook: _____ Telephone #: _____
 Mailing Address: _____ E-Mail: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Friday		Total Entry Fees:	\$ _____
Salsa \$ 20.00		Cook-Site Pass:	\$ <u>5.00</u>
Margarita \$ 20.00		Additional Event Parking Passes:	\$ _____
Go-Texan Dutch Oven Dessert \$ 30.00		(Not cook-site passes) \$5.00 each	
Sausage \$ 30.00		Electricity \$10.00	\$ _____
Saturday		(Only if cook sites 1-32 are assigned)	
Saturday		Amount Due:	\$ _____
Beans \$ 20.00		<input type="checkbox"/> I will participate in Food Sampling with the opportunity to be awarded the "People's Choice Award" See page 4 of Cook-off Rules.	
Chili \$ 30.00		*All Proceeds Benefit Jackson County Youth Scholarships	
Seafood Gumbo \$ 30.00		*Mail Entry Form and Appropriate Fees to: Lavaca-Navidad River Authority P.O. Box 429 Edna, Texas 77957 (receipts and car passes will be mailed via USPS)	
Go-Texan Jackpot Ribs \$ 30.00		*If entering Go-Texan Cook-Off categories, please complete attached release form.	
Go-Texan Jackpot Chicken \$ 30.00			
Go-Texan Brisket \$ 130.00 ((\$3000 guaranteed payout for 1 st))			

For more information, please call
 Lavaca-Navidad River Authority at 361-782-5229, P. O. Box 429, Edna, TX 77957
 Jackson County Go-Texan Ambassador, Kurt Stancik at 361-771-8000

<i>Office Use Only:</i>	
Total Paid \$ _____	Received By: _____
Cash _____	Date Received: _____
Credit Card _____	Received Containers: _____
Check # _____ (attach copy of check)	Cook Site #: _____

GO-TEXAN RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, for being allowed entry into and participation in activities (the "Activities") associated with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Inc., Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Educational Fund and the Corral Club, Inc. (collectively, "HLSR"), the undersigned hereby enter into this **RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT** (this "Agreement") as of the date set forth below.

1. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS**: The undersigned recognizes and understands that there are risks associated with their participation in the Activities including, but not limited to, bodily injury or death to persons and damage to property. The undersigned further acknowledges and understands that they will be held liable and responsible for any and all damage to persons, livestock, vehicles, property and/or improvements to property that is caused by them and/or any persons (including, but not limited to, minors) under their care and control, and that arise out of, or are related to, the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities.

2. **APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE OF RELEASES AND INDEMNITIES**: For purposes of this Agreement, "Claims" shall mean any past, present and future claims, losses, costs, expenses, liabilities, demands, or causes of action, and costs of defense or settlement (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and court costs). The releases, waiver and indemnities contained in this Agreement expressly shall apply regardless of whether the Claims to be released, waived or indemnified against, arise, or are alleged to arise, from **(i) NEGLIGENCE (WHETHER SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT), GROSS NEGLIGENCE, NEGLIGENCE PER SE, and/or STRICT LIABILITY,** of HLSR or their respective present and former officers, directors, members, subsidiaries, affiliates, employees, staff and agents and any other person, firm or corporation bound to defend or pay judgments against them (the "Released Parties"); **(ii) personal injury, death or property damage;** **(iii) acts under the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act ("DTPA");** **(iv) acts of any other persons or guests;** **(v) theft, burglary, assault, or other crimes;** **(vi) fire, water, wind rain, and/or smoke and/or** **(vii) any other risks and hazards associated with the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities, including, but not limited to, the general conditions at the Activities, animals both wild and domestic that may be diseased and/or potentially dangerous, persons with firearms both on and off the premises used in connection with the Activities, and the driving or riding in any vehicles, whether belonging to Released Parties or to other persons.**

3. **RELEASED FROM LIABILITY**: The undersigned hereby **RELEASES, ACQUITS AND FOREVER DISCHARGES and WAIVES** any and all Claims against any of the Released Parties that arise from or relate to their entry and participation in the -Activities **including, but not limited to the types of claims enumerated in Paragraph 2** - and agree not to sue any of the Released Parties for such Claims. Without limiting the foregoing, the undersigned agrees that the Released Parties shall not be liable to them, their family, or their guests, for personal injury, property damage, or any other Claims arising from or related to the undersigned's entry into the participation in the Activities.

4. **AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS**: The undersigned agrees to **INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS** the Released Parties against any and all Claims arising from or related to the undersigned's entry and participation in the Activities - **including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2**. In addition, and without limiting the foregoing, the undersigned agrees to INDEMNIFY the Released Parties for any Claims for injuries to any minors under their care and control and/or his or her parent/guardian, and for any Claims asserted by, through or under the undersigned, arising from or related to the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities - **including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2**. As used herein, "INDEMNIFY" means to agree to assume the Released Parties' liability in a situation, thereby relieving them of responsibility, and/or reimbursing the Released Party for Claims asserted against them.

5. **PHOTOGRAPH/INTERVIEW RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**: The undersigned **GRANTS PERMISSION** to be **PHOTOGRAPHED or INTERVIEWED** in connection with the Activities. The undersigned understands that any such photograph or interview may be used by the Released Parties or television, film, video, visual, graphic or printed media. The undersigned agrees to **RELEASE and INDEMNIFY** the Released Parties with respect to any Claims related to the usage of such photographs or interviews by the Released Parties of any media - **including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2**.

As further inducement to **HLSR** to permit the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities, the undersigned represents that they thoroughly and completely understand that this is a complete and final release and indemnity agreement, that they are freely and voluntarily entering into this Agreement, and that no representations, promises or statements made by any Released Party, or any agent, attorney or other representative of any Released Party has influenced the undersigned in causing them to sign this Agreement.

The undersigned understands that this agreement shall be binding on their heirs, executors, successors and assigns that the Agreement will be governed by the laws of Texas, and that jurisdiction and venue for resolution of any dispute regarding this Agreement shall lie in a Texas State Court in Harris County, Texas. If any part of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it does not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement. The undersigned agrees to the terms and conditions above, and acknowledges receipt of this Agreement.

Signature of Team Coordinator

Name Printed

Date



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Cook-off Rules

November 13 & 14, 2015



Salsa

- No purchased or packaged mixes may be used. Entries must be homemade.
- Salsa may be prepared prior to the cook-off.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent Friday evening.
- Entries must be in provided container marked “S” at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Margarita

- No purchased or packaged mixes may be used. Entries must be homemade.
- Margarita may not be frozen or with ice.
- No garnish allowed.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent Friday evening.
- Entries must be in provided container marked “M” at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Sausage

- Entries must be homemade.
- Sausage brought in for judging must be whole and at least 10” length.
- No garnish allowed.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent Friday evening.
- Entries must be in provided container marked “SG” at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Go-Texan Dutch Oven

- The Dutch Oven Dessert competition will take place on Friday evening.
- Entry must be cooked on site.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent Friday evening.
- Entries must be in provided containers at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Chili and Bean

- No purchased or packaged mixes may be used. Entries must be homemade.
- Cooking must be done on site.
- Entry must be prepared in a sanitary manner.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent on Saturday morning.
- Chili entry must be in provided container marked “C” at turn-in.
- Bean entry must be in provided container marked “B” at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Seafood Gumbo

- Seafood Gumbo may also include chicken and/or sausage.
- No wild game may be used.
- Gumbo and roux must be made on site and homemade. No purchased or packaged mixes or roux.
- Entry must be prepared in a sanitary manner.
- Containers must be picked up from the Judging tent on Saturday morning.
- Entries must be in provided container marked “G” at turn-in.
- Entries must be turned into the judging tent at or before deadline time, or the entry will be disqualified.

Food Sampling

- Food sampling for tokens is on a volunteer basis by any team wishing to participate.
- Tokens will be sold to the public at the Texana Chili Spill Retail/Information Booth inside the Main Event Center from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. Tokens will be sold in lots of 5 tokens for \$10.00. Each token will allow for one (1) sample. Sample size is to be determined by the teams participating in the sampling program.
- Sampling customers will get one (1) voting ballot for each \$10.00 worth of tokens purchased to vote for the team of their choice “People’s Choice Award”. A Texas-shaped cutting board will be awarded for the winner. Ballots must be turned in no later than 6:00 p.m. on Saturday at the Information Booth.
- A map at the Information Booth will be available indicating participating cook off teams. Participating teams will display a sign at their cook-off site indicating their participation.
- Texana Chili Spill will reimburse each participating team \$1.00 (50%) for each token turned in at the end of the event. Tokens must be turned in no later than 7:00 p.m. to the Information Booth for reimbursement.

Go-Texan Bar-B-Que Rules

- Cookers must place name and contact # on site map at meat tag in.
- Cooks meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Saturday outside of judging tent.
- **All entries must be cooked on site.** No precooked meat allowed.
- **NO GARNISH ALLOWED. NO PUDDLING IN BOTTOM OF TRAY.**
- Beef brisket must be tagged at Go-Texan judging tent on Friday from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. or Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Once tagged, cooking may begin.
- Two tagged beef briskets per paid entry. Cookers may have 2 entries per pit
- Pre-seasoned brisket is allowed.
- All meat must be cooked on wood or charcoal. No electric or propane.
- You have 5 minutes to cut your brisket when a committeeman shows up at your booth. Brisket cutting will begin at 3:00 p.m.
- All meat is subject to inspection.
- Barbeque chicken is open style, but must be ample portions for approximately 12 judges. No Cornish game hens.
- Barbeque ribs must be pork ribs, spare or St. Louis style, and must be ample portions for approximately 12 judges.
- Go-Texan Barbeque chicken and ribs must be turned into the Go-Texan judging tent at or before deadline time or the entry will be disqualified.
- Containers must be picked up from the judging tent. Entries must be in provided containers at turn-in.

Cook-Off Registration

- Pre-registration: Forms may be mailed to P.O. Box 429, Edna, Texas 77957, or dropped off at Brackenridge Recreation Complex or the LNRA Main Office prior to the event. Forms are available at either location or www.texanachilispill.com
- Pre-registration is not required. Teams may register and select their cook-site on the day of the event.
- On Site Registration: Friday, November 13, 2015 until 5:00 p.m. for Salsa and Margarita and until 7:00 p.m. for Dutch Oven Dessert and Sausage at the judging tent.
- On Site Registration: Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the judging tent.

Cook-Off Site Rules

- Early registration and cook-site assignment will be available for past cook-off participants (2014 participants) beginning September 1, 2015 and ending on September 30, 2015. During early registration, the 2014 participants will have the option to reserve their previous (2014) site upon paid registration. After early registration ends (September 30th), any site that is not reserved will be available for assignment. Also at this time, requests will be accepted for those that want to change to a different site from last year's cook-off. You must register and pay for your cook-off entries before you can select a site. A cook-off site map will be available at LNRA Main Office during early registration and at the MEC after early registration has ended and at www.texanachilisfill.com. Pre-registration is not required. Teams may register and select their cook-site on the day of the event.
- Bar-B-Que cook-sites (sites # 1-80, 101-125) are reserved for Bar-B-Que teams. To secure more than one (1) cook-site, two (2) briskets must be entered. Each team must have a team name and designated head cook.
- Bar-B-Que cook-site is limited to 30' x 30'. One vehicle per booth with cook-site pass.
- Chili and Bean cook-sites are limited to 10' x 20'. No vehicles are allowed in this area.
- No vehicle traffic will be allowed in the cook-off site area between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- No glass containers will be allowed at the event. If found, they will be confiscated.
- Set up on Friday, November 13th after 10:00 a.m.
- All site items must be removed by Sunday, November 15th before 12:00 p.m.
- Participants are expected to keep their cooking area clean.
- Excessive noise will not be tolerated.
- Amplified music will not be allowed during the awards on Friday from 9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. and during the awards and scholarship auction on Saturday, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. or until the conclusion of the awards.
- Cook-off sites located on the perimeter (sites 1-32) have electricity and water available. If you choose one of these sites, you will be required to pay an additional \$10.00 electricity and water fee, regardless of whether it is used or not. All other sites do not have water or electricity available.

Turn-In Times

- Salsa - Friday, 6:00 p.m.
- Margarita - Friday, 6:00 p.m.
- Dutch Oven Dessert – Friday, 7:30 p.m.
- Sausage – Friday, 7:30 p.m.
- Beans – Saturday, 11:00 a.m.
- Jackpot Chicken – Saturday, 12:30 p.m.
- Seafood Gumbo – Saturday, 1:00 p.m.
- Jackpot Ribs – Saturday, 2:00 p.m.
- Chili – Saturday, 3:00 p.m.
- Brisket– Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Awards

Awards will be presented for Friday's cook-off at 9:00 p.m. on Friday. Saturday awards will be presented after the scholarship auction, which begins at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Salsa	1 st Place	\$200
Margarita	1 st Place	\$100
Sausage	1 st Place	\$200
Beans	1 st Place	\$300
Gumbo	1 st Place	\$300
Chili	1 st Place	\$400

1st Place Winners also receive a Texas-shaped cutting board

2nd – 5th Places all categories – Cutting Board

People's Choice Award – Texas-shaped cutting board

Go-Texan Brisket 1st place \$3000 and a plaque (sponsored by Texas Farm Bureau Insurance)
 2nd place \$1000 cash and a plaque
 3rd place \$ 500 and a plaque

Go-Texas Jackpots - 60% of entry fees go to payout and 40% go to Go-Texan

Go-Texan Jackpot Chicken 1st and 2nd place will receive a cash prize and a plaque
 3rd place will receive a plaque.

Go-Texan Jackpot Ribs 1st and 2nd place will receive a cash prize and a plaque
 3rd place will receive a plaque

Go-Texan Barbeque Cook-Off "Top Gun" will receive a trophy and \$500. Brisket, Ribs and Chicken are calculated for "Top Gun" award.

Go-Texan Most Colorful Cook-Off Team: will receive a trophy.

*Winning Go-Texan events does not constitute a trip to the Houston Livestock Show Cook-Off.

If you have any questions, please call:

Lavaca-Navidad River Authority at (361) 782-5229

Jackson County Go-Texan Ambassador, Kurt Stancik at (361) 771-8000

All proceeds benefit Jackson County Youth Scholarships!