

ALVIN VFW BBQ COOK OFF MAY 4, 2024

THIS IS A CBA POINTS EVENT

1. Entries for the Cook-Off may be obtained by going to alvinvfw.org and fill out the entry form deadline is **Apr 20, 2024**
2. All cook-off teams will receive 3 wristbands. These cook wristbands designate those individuals who belong to your cook-off team. At 9:00 AM day of the event, all persons not wearing a wristband are required to leave the cook-off area. Extra Bands can be purchased on entry form or head cooks meeting for \$30.00 each. Cook wristbands will be handed out at cooks meeting on **Apr 27, 2024** at 10 am at The Alvin VFW post located at 812 s douglas st Alvin Tx , 77511
3. Contestants for the Cook-Off will be those who have submitted the entry form with a \$150.00 entry fee and been approved as having satisfactorily met the Rules and Regulations governing the contest. All teams are asked to donate a brisket or pork shoulder to the Alvin VFW to be cooked and sold to the public by the Post.
4. Date and time of application receipt to Alvin Vfw will be the basis for the participants picking the location of the cook-off space. Teams will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. (Contestants must be 18 years of age or older).
5. Any special entertainment (i.e. bands, promotions, skits, shows, demonstrations, contests, etc.) must be fully described in writing and submitted with the application for approval by Alvin VFW Contest Committee. We ask if you play music in your spot during the Cook off that the music is not loud. It will be up to the BBQ Festival Chairman as to how loud.
6. Each contestant will be assigned a 40' wide by 30' deep cooking space. Rv and campers are welcome if they fit in your space. May purchase more than one space if needed. Tents not to exceed 699 square ft and no wall.
7. Contestants must supply ALL needed equipment and supplies. The Alvin VFW furnishes the cooking site only, no electricity, with access to water. Generators are allowed but must follow Alvin fire department rules.
8. All contestants must **check in and set up between 10:00 am and 8pm on Friday May 3, 2024,**
9. All Alvin VFW rules will apply.
10. Teams cannot sell any Bar-B-Que and no to-go plates will be allowed.

11. Fires must be charcoal, wood or wood substances. Electric or gas fires will be allowed for optional categories in which foods need to be cooked in that manner. Contestants must take all precautions necessary to prevent fire hazards. All fires must be contained in a suitable manner. Contestants may be disqualified if precautionary measures are not followed, or unsafe conditions exist. **Teams must carry 2 working fire extinguisher in cook area and 1 next to generator and must have a current inspection tag.**

12. All teams using extension cords must have the original cord tags stating the rating for the cords on them.

13. Holes or dug pits are not permitted. Any equipment or devices that may damage to the surface area of the contest site, in any way, is prohibited.

14. The Head Cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his team and guests. Misuse of alcoholic beverages and/or unacceptable conduct will be grounds of disqualification and forfeiture of awards. Glass beer bottles are not permitted in the contest area.

15. Alvin VFW WILL NOT be responsible for theft or damage.

16. Props, trailers, motor homes, vehicles, tent coverings, or any other part of the contestant's equipment MUST NOT EXCEED the boundaries of the assigned cooking space unless approved by the Bar-B-Que Committee Chairman, David Hamelmann or VFW Commander Kyle Swaggard

17. Contestants may drive two vehicles into the contest area for unloading purposes only. After unloading, all vehicles must be moved to the contestant parking area. The use of RVs and/or tents is permitted as long as they are contained within the team's cook-off site. Teams are not allowed to have any ATVs (3-wheelers, 4-wheelers, Gators, etc.) in the cook-off area at any time. No vehicles will be allowed in the cook-off area after 5pm on Friday, May 3, 2024.

18. It is the responsibility of the contestants to see that their respective areas are always kept clean, and that the cooking sites are cleaned and policed following the Bar-B-Que Cook-Off contest. Any space left in disarray or with unbounded trash or garbage will disqualify the contestant from future participation and awards. Area should look the same or better when you leave as when you arrive.

19. Trash receptacles will be provided and placed throughout the contest area for each contestant to use. Under no circumstances would the contestant have a receptacle within their assigned area for private use unless they have brought their own.
20. Judges will be chosen by cba rules.
21. Decisions of the Alvin VFW Cook-Off Committee Chairman and the Judges will be final. Interpretation of these rules will be at the sole discretion of the Alvin VFW Cook-Off Committee.
22. All Cook-Off areas must be cleaned and vacated on Saturday May 4, 2024 by midnight. Cook teams will be able to move out starting immediately following the awards .
23. No beer or ice will be allowed through the Gate after 5 pm MAY 3, 2024. We will have beer for sale in the Beer Garden. Ice may be purchased from the Alvin VFW. No vehicles will be allowed through the gate after 5pm on Friday, May 3, 2024. Any team caught tossing beer or ice over the fence (or any other means of sneaking it in) will be immediately disqualified.
24. Awards will be awarded in the categories of Brisket, Chicken, Pork spare Ribs,Pork Butt OVERALL Grand and Reserved champions. Will receive awards and cash
25. Decisions of the Committee Chairman and Judges are final. Alvin VFW will not be responsible for loss, damage or injury pertaining to this contest.
26. Head Cooks Meeting – Friday May 3, 2024 at 530 pm at the pavilion
27. KidsQue Cooks Meeting – Saturday May 4, 2024 at 9 am at pavilion
28. Categories- Brisket, Pork spare ribs, Chicken Half, Pork Butt Jackpots -Beef fajitas, and chief choice
29. .All Jack pots will be a split Pot with 50% going to Alvin VFW and 50% to the winner. Buy-in for Jackpot is \$25.
30. All teams will be required to full out a food permit with the city of Alvin, Fees are non profit are free and any other team will have to pay \$50 to the city. See permit Tab for forms. Must be paid between april 20 and may 2 at city of alvin heath department at 1100 w highway6 .
31. See attached city of alvin form for hand wash and utensil wash stations

Alvin VFw post 5237
812 S Douglas St

Alvin Tx, 77511

Cook Off Schedule

Team Set up Friday, May 3, 2024

- 10:00 am Gates open for Cook team set up
- TBA Fire Inspections will begin
- 5 pm Head cook and container pick up meeting at Pavilion
All vehicles removed from cookoff area

Judging times for friday jackpots

- 630pm Beef Fajitas Jackpot
7pm chief choice Jackpot

8 pm to 11:30pm Dance open to public

1am non-cook team members without wristbands out of park gate

Saturday, May 4, 2024

- 7:30 am vendor and car show set up
- 9:00 am KidsQue check in
- 10 am Gates open to public
- 11 am KidsQue judging

SATURDAY JUDGING TIMES

- 12 noon - Chicken Turn in
- 1:00pm- Pork Ribs Turn in
- 2:00 pm - Pork Turn in
- 3:00 pm - Brisket Turin in

5:00 pm Cook Off Awards Presentation at Main Stage

Clean up and move out immediately after awards presentation must be out by midnight