



**Crosswater Yacht Club's
11th Annual Car Show & Rib Cook-off
To Benefit Folds of Honor
-October 18, 2025-**

- 2025 RULES AND REGULATIONS & TEAM ENTRY FORM -

This event is held by the Crosswater Yacht Club with all rules for cooking and judging as written on this form. No entry fee is required because teams are required to serve food they bring to the general public to raise money for Folds of Honor and compete for Patriot Awards (teams that raise the most amount of money.)

SETUP: Contestants entering the BBQ Cook-off may setup after noon on Friday the 11th and on Saturday the 18th from 6am to 9am. Entry form must be turned in prior to set-up. All contestants MUST vacate the CYC property by noon on Sunday. Security provided Friday and Saturday only. Rain out date is next day, Oct. 19th, 2025.

TEAMS: A team will consist of a Chief Cook and up to three assistants. Chief Cook will be held responsible for the conduct of the team. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification. Quiet time is from 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Only moderate amplification is allowed during the day. Contestants must be signed in before or at the cooks' meeting.

MEETING OF COOKS: A mandatory cooks' meeting for will be held on Saturday, October 18th, 2025 at 9:00am. The Chief Cook must attend.

COOKED ONSITE: Ribs entered must be cooked onsite, as defined without pre-cooking or marinating. Random inspections may be performed to assure that meat is not prepared prior to the official start of the competition. Rules and regulations may change without notice, if alternative site is chosen. No exceptions.

PARKING: The locations for pits are on a first come availability for the sites surrounding the parking lot. Those that finished first in the Patriot Award the year prior get first choice. All competitors will be required to place their own pit in the designated cooking areas. All vehicles will be removed from the concrete parking lot and surrounding grass areas by 9am Saturday morning and parked on the beach area below the parking lot or on the road leading to the beach. No vehicles are allowed to traverse the south side of the parking lot were the septic field (see attached map of area). Electricity will not be available to cooks, bring a quiet generator if you need electric. Campers will need to be placed on the beach if space is available and also will have not power or water available. There will also be no shade or cover provided. Please come prepared.

SANITATION: Cooks are to prepare and cook in as sanitary a manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by judging committee. Infractions identified by the judging committee shall be immediately corrected or the cook will be subject to disqualification. During and after the event, each team is required to keep the area clean of all trash. Water is potable and available by water spigots around the parking lot. If your set up requires water hose for a sink, please make arrangements to be early in the set up process to ensure your spot as they are limited. All waste water is limited to gray water and diverted away from the spectators and distributed on the grassy areas.

ENTRIES PER PIT: Only one entry (one Chief Cook) will cook on a given pit. It will be the responsibility of the promoter's to monitor entries. Notwithstanding, multiple entries in the same category by the same cook and multiple entries from the same piece of meat shall not be allowed.

Pit: Any commercial or homemade, trailered or not, pit or smoker normally used for competitive barbeque. A BBQ pit may include gas or electricity for starting the combustion of wood or wood products but not to complete cooking.

BYC: (Backyard Cooker) Any cooking device by design or nature that is inherently portable and designed is intended for recreational cooking. A BYC may include gas or electricity for starting the combustion of wood or wood products but not to complete cooking

Animal(s) of any kind WILL NOT BE PERMITTED in any contestant's space.

OPEN GROUND FIRES: NO OPEN/GROUND FIRES ARE PERMITTED!!!

CATEGORIES:

RIBS: Turn in at least 7 individual **cut** pork St. Louis style spare ribs (bone in).

SAUCE: You may cook with sauce but DO NOT add sauce, marinade, sop, juice, or garnishing to meat/container once the meat is prepared for turn-in. Aluminum foil will be provided when cook signs in for his/her tray. Use this foil ONLY. Meat is to be placed on the foil for turn in. Do not fold foil over meat or mark the foil in any manner. Head Judge or Designated representative shall inspect all trays at the time of turn-in to be in compliance. No exceptions. The Double Number System will be used on the trays. Two tickets bearing the same number will be utilized, one firmly attached to the top of the judging tray in a manner which hides the number and the other ticket that can be easily removed by the Head Cook for retention. Winning numbers will be announced between 4:00 and 4:30. The additional time may be required for judging the tie breakers after the initial judging.

Ribs will be judged on Aroma, Appearance, Color, Texture, Moisture, Taste and Overall Impression. **THE DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.**

TURN-IN TIMES: Turn in time for ribs will be 3:00pm. A turn-in window of ten (10) minutes **before** will be recognized. Judging trays received after 3:00pm will not be accepted for judging. A clock will be located at the turn in table and will be used as the official time.

JUDGES: Chief cooks and their assistants are prohibited to participate as judges.

JUDGING: Judges will assign a score from 1 to 10 for each tray sampled. A maximum of twenty (20) trays or containers will be assigned to each judging table. A Table will be made up of five (5) judges.

ANNOUNCING WINNERS: Announcement of the Cook-off winners will be held at end of judging or as close to 4:00pm as possible.

PRIZES:

Ribs 1st – 5th Trophies

PATRIOT AWARDS

Each team or cooker is expected to cook additional meat and sides and serve the general public in an effort to raise money for Folds of Honor (FOH). The team/cooker that raises the most money from their tip jar will receive the Patriot Award and get first pick for pit location next year. The 2nd & 3rd place fundraisers will also get a Patriot Award. If you or your team are not familiar with FOH, please go to www.foldsofhonor.org and educate yourself as to better prepare your team to raising money for this great organization. **This award personifies the fundraising spirit of this event**, those not participating in the Patriot Award will not be invited back next year.



FOLDS of HONOR

RIB COOK-OFF ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _____ Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Shirt Sizes: _____

- Please provide shirt sizes for 4 participants with application at no charge. Additional shirts are \$10 each for team members. Please include sizes and payment for any additional t-shirts for team members.

**For more information call:
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