

**2014  
New Jersey  
State  
Barbecue  
Championship  
Competitors  
Manual**

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## **New Jersey State Barbecue Championship®**

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Greetings Competitors,

Welcome to the 2014 New Jersey State Barbecue Championship. This competition is one of the most sought after events in the region partly due to the selection process we adopted to foster higher levels of competitiveness as well as the location in the beautiful seashore resort town of North Wildwood. The event is operated by the Anglesea Volunteer Fire Company No.1 and is part of a larger fund raising festival for the fire company. This competition is in it's 16th year. When it was started in 1999 when we had space for 28 competitors.

About four years ago we moved the event from the lot adjacent to the fire house to the municipal parking lot along the seawall. The configuration of the lot allows use to host 66 competitors. In order to raise the bar on the competition we adopted a selection process that the top 2/3's (44 competitors) are invited to apply as a returning competitor and their space is held open for 30 days giving them time to get their application in without worrying about a selection process. The bottom 1/3 (22 competitors) receive a new competitor application at the same time as the close to one hundred others that sign up for an application. They have less than 24 hours to get their application completed, postmarked and in the mail for the drawing which takes place about a week later at the fire house. At the drawing the applications are sorted by postmark and are opened to see if they are complete (contain application, check and waiver). A separate drawing is conducted for each postmarked date until all applications are opened and each has a numerical standing in the drawing. The first 22 applications drawn are accepted the next 15 are held as standby applications in case any of the top 44 decide not to return. Some years it can be as high a 12-15 that do not return and other year less than five. When all 66 spaces are filled the entry fee is returned to those that didn't make it.

The New Jersey State Barbecue Championship is a Kansas City Barbecue Society (KCBS) sanctioned event in that KCBS representatives are brought in to run the actual judging of the event and all contestants must follow the KCBS rules. While you do not have to be a KCBS member to compete you must follow their rules and it would probably be beneficial to you join in order to keep up with changes and other trends in the barbecue competition field.

To give you insight into the inter-workings of the event - the Anglesea Volunteer Fire Company has a committee that operates the event. All committee members are either fire fighters or social members of the fire company. The committee meets throughout the year to put on this event. We are open for suggestions and criticism our goal is bring you the best possible event that we can within the given confines of the space and neighborhood limitations. Be sure to leave the competition area and walk to the main stage where quality Blues acts are playing continuously through the event. Also visit the vendors and sponsor displays.

Sincerely,  
NJBBQ Competitor Committee

## Location and Arrival Information



The event is located in a large parking lot that has been temporarily transformed into the competition area. Competitor check in will take place between 10AM and 7pm on Friday, July 11, 2014. An event representative will greet you as you enter the competitor area and show you to your assigned location. To safely enter the lot you must enter from Spruce Avenue at New Jersey Avenue and proceed to the lot entrance.

**Directions:** From the Garden State Parkway South, take exit 6. Make right at bottom of ramp onto Rt. 147-North Wildwood Boulevard. Proceed approximately 3.8 miles (6 traffic lights). At the sixth traffic light (McDonalds on the corner) make a left on to New York Avenue. Then make right onto Spruce Avenue and proceed to next

intersection - Old New Jersey Avenue. Make left onto New Jersey. Turn into the lot on the right hand side. There are three driveways consult the site map to see which driveway you should use. Every attempt is made for a smooth and quick check-in. Your patience is appreciated. PLEASE DO NOT PULL INTO THE LOT UNTIL YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO DO SO OTHERWISE YOU BLOCK THINGS UP.

Please remember that your competitor area is approximately 20' x 20' and will directly abut neighboring competitors. Teams with large cooking trailers or difficult to maneuver equipment should plan on arriving early for greatest ease of set up. Location of your assigned competitor space is at the sole discretion of the NJBBQ staff. All spaces are assigned prior to the event and are listed elsewhere in this manual. Take note of your space and which of the three driveways you have to come in to get to your space. We do not allow switching of spaces and RETURNING teams (as much as we can) are placed in the same location as last year. Even though you know your space you MUST CHECK IN to let us know you are here.

There is NO parking of vehicles in the competitor area. Once you have unloaded you must move your vehicle. Limited Parking is available within a short distance of the competitor area. You will be given directions at check-in. There is a No Parking allowed on Old New Jersey Avenue just outside the lot. This area will have the police command post, dumpsters, etc.

Departure. For the safety of all of our guests, no team will be permitted to load-out until after the awards ceremony on Sunday, July 13 at 4:30 pm. (Please note the time.) The safety of our guests is paramount. Your cooperation is appreciated.

For protection of personal property we request that you watch for electrical drops and hoses when you come in. We request that you do not hook up to electrical drops or run hoses to water outlets until the adjacent spaces are filed to prevent your hoses or cords being run over. No generators are allowed in the site area. We anticipate a sufficient amount of electric being available. You may have to share extension cords. We rent the electrical connection boxes and every year they somehow get damaged by someone running them over. You risk personal injury and injury to others when an electrical box is damaged.

**SAFETY FIRST** - We are a safety conscious event. If a hose or cord is crossing a walkway then it must be taped down to prevent a trip hazard. If you notice an unsafe condition please bring it to the attention of any of event staff. In the case where an "yellow jacket" cable or hose protector is provided on a walkway you must use it. Hot surfaces adjacent to a walkway must be marked as such and cordoned off with safety tape. If you find yourself in need of assistance in this area please contact any of the event staff.

## Site Information:

**Electric**-Competitors are provided access to basic electric to power radios, lights and other small items. You must supply your own power cords. Please be considerate of your fellow competitors and do not overload the power supply. Remember generators are prohibited in competitor spaces. Generally four competitors share a junction box and each box should be marked with the space they are to service. Due to end spaces and an odd number of spaces you may have to share your connection.

**Water**-Water is available to all competitor areas. You must supply your own hoses to tap into the water supply. Bring a WYE as you may have to split off a line from your neighbor. Water lines DO NOT cross the open walk ways unless they are covered with protection. Water lines run the length of the lot behind the competitor spaces near the electrical box. This is the only area to run the electric and water therefore you must think safety first and not mix water and electricity. With 2/3's of the competitors returning ask your neighbor where you should hook up.

**Trash**-Dumpsters are located within the festival confines. You **must** take your own trash to the dumpsters. Public Trashcans are located throughout the festival grounds. Please be considerate and do not overload the public trashcans-take your trash the short distance to the dumpsters. **Do NOT leave trash in your space on the last day.** Please put your trash in plastic trash bags - open containers and loose garbage only attract the sea gulls also know as "flying rats".

**Grease and Gray Water**-Separate barrels will be located within the competitor area for grease and gray water. These items do not mix. Please take care to use the proper barrels, which will be clearly marked.

**Ash and Coals**-An ash pit will be located within the competitor area. Only ashes and coals should be placed in this pit. Anything else will cause a fire!

**NOTE:** Do to the changing locations of Dumpsters, Grease and Gray Water Barrels and Ash pit that occurs annually their locations for this year will be covered in the **COOKERS Meeting** which is always on the Friday night at 7PM in the Anglesea Fire Company Hall. At least one representative must attend the meeting.

**Restrooms** - The competitor area is adjacent to public restrooms. The restrooms are exactly what they are, sinks and toilets and/or urinals. They are not showers or locker rooms so please be courteous to all by leaving the room in the same condition as you found it. Our volunteer staff is dedicated to making your stay as enjoyable as possible. If you have a suggestion or special need, let us know. We will do all we can to help. Teams that have ordered a Private Port-A-John for the teams use are responsible to move it to their site for the weekend. If you didn't order it in advance there will be NONE available on the day of the event.

**Campers, Trailers, RV's, etc.** - Vehicles are prohibited in the competitor spaces, with the limited exception of panel trucks that are converted to preparation stations, and able to fit within the individual competitor space. Utility trailers are allowed as long as they fit in their competitor space and are truly utility trailers (i.e. no rest room facilities). Cooker units on trailers are allowed as long as it fits in your space. Vehicles once unloaded will have to be removed from the competitor area. NO motorcycles, mopeds, golf karts or other motorized vehicles allowed in the common area or competitor space.

**Air Conditioned Tent** - The event has gone through considerable expense to have an air-conditioned tent on site along with the corresponding necessary generator. We envision that it will be a central location where competitors can meet and discuss Barbecue. The tent will also be the judging location during times when the KCBS representatives are using the tent it will be under their direction and at times entry maybe prohibited. Please keep the tent cool by closing the flaps and reporting issues with the air conditioning as soon as possible. The air conditioner will not always be on however once it is turned on it should be on until the end of the competition.

## Local Rules:

The Good Neighbor policy is practiced at all times. Remember the residents in the neighborhood, as well as your fellow competitors. Please do everything possible to keep our neighbors happy. Without their cooperation, future events will not be possible.

**Noise** - to conform to local ordinances we ask all competitors to lower or turn off amplified music after 11pm and before 8 am.

**Alcohol** - The City of North Wildwood prohibits open alcoholic beverages outside the confines of the event. Contestants that are extremely intoxicated will be barred from the competition.

**SALES** - Each year we are asked about sales by the teams of personalized products. Because of the nature of our event that features both competitors and separate barbecue vendors - Sales of products and/or food to the public by competitors is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**. Should you want to be a vendor you can ask to be put on the list and when a barbecue space is open you will be notified. Note we give returning vendors a preference so realistically there has been very few openings for food vendors. Should you want to rent one of the open air market street vendor spaces located down the street on Old New Jersey Avenue please ask and you will be put on that list. In these spaces there is no electricity or water and food sales (other than prepackaged items) is strictly prohibited. Each of these spaces come with considerably larger fees. Note: we cooperate with all state and local licensing, taxation and health departments so please be prepared for a visit if you want to sell things.

## Time for the STANDARD DISCLAIMERS

Contest producers may add or modify rules of event at their sole discretion.

While every effort is taken to assure that the content of this manual is the complete and final word on the event the New Jersey State Barbecue Championship reserves the right to change the content and rules. The ever changing conditions that exist in a seasonal resort town and the unknowns that we will come across with the competitor location and support units may cause things to change. In fairness we will make every effort to notify the competitor at the earliest time. Regarding the actual contest this is a Kansas City Barbecue Society sanctioned event and is under the direct control of the KCBS Contest Representatives that will make themselves available on site. If you should have any issues please don't hesitate to ask any of the event staff.

Once again we want to remind you that open consumption of alcoholic beverages is **ONLY** allowed in the festival area. Also being adjacent to the beach one might be tempted to take a late night stroll. Please be advised that there is a beach curfew from 10PM to 6AM with the beach being patrolled by police officers. If you are considering a late night swim - the inlet water (adjacent to competitor site) is an un-protected area, has steep drop offs and strong currents. Please don't take the risk

At the cookers meeting you will be provided with a phone number to call if there are any issues during the weekend. In the event of an emergency please don't hesitate to call 9-1-1 first to summons help. Your location is simply "the Spruce Avenue Municipal Lot". If you do call for emergency assistance send someone to the intersection to meet the police car, fire truck or ambulance and direct them to the specific site they are needed.

**TERRORISM** - as with all events we are no different. The local police department which has the responsibility to oversee the public safety aspect of the event will be taking precautionary measures. Backpacks (and similar containers) are prohibited in the main festival area. Explosive

sniffing K-9 dogs will be checking the area. If you see an unattended package or backpack please alert the police or a member of the NJBBQ staff. The police command post will be located across from the competitor area. Generally it will not be staffed during the event unless there is a situation. Should you need to contact the police the emergency number is 9-1-1 and the non-emergency number is 609-522-2411.

**Weather** - The event is a rain or shine event. Please if you leave your space during a downpour please make sure your tent and other stuff is secured. The thunderstorm that passes through will usually bring high wind and possibly hail but will only last several minutes. In the past some competitors would flee the rain and come back to a tent with a large pool of water on the top or the tent blown apart. Remember spaces are close together what blows off your space may damage or even cause injury to another competitor or visitor. Also with a rain there comes the problem of mixing electric and water. Use caution when cleaning up after the rain and moving electric lines. All our electric service has GFI protection and circuit breaker protection but nothing is perfect. Use the same common sense you would use at home. . . .

## ***BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND***

*Once again we are hosting a Cooking Class on Saturday at 11:00AM by ALYSON LUPINETTI awarding winning competitor and co-owner of Butch's "Smack Your Lips" Barbecue she will be sharing her cooking secrets with you. There is a registration fee for this class. For more information and to registration please visit our website at <http://njbbq.com/cookingclass.html>*

# Schedule of Events

Items in ***Bold Italics*** of particular Importance to Competitors

## Friday, July 11, 2014 - Festival Hours 4PM to 11PM

8:00AM Food Vendor Check-in Starts

***10:00AM Competitor Check-in Starts***

12:00PM Open Air Market Check-in

4:00PM - Opening Ceremony Main Stage - Festival Opens to Public

4:00 PM Live acts start on Main Stage for the Anglesea Blues Festival

107.3 FM - Cat Country will be on hand for fun and games

***7:00 PM - Distribution of Iron Chef Material and Cookers Meeting (in fire house hall)***

## Saturday, July 12, 2014 - Festival Hours 10AM to 11PM

***9:00AM - (tentative) Meat Inspection (starting time - it may take several hours)***

10:00AM-10:00PM Open Air Market

10AM - 3PM at 1<sup>st</sup> and Old NJ Avenues New Jersey 101.5 Big Joe Henry Live Broadcast

***11:00AM Cooking Class by ALYSON LUPINETTI in the turn in tent at Competitor area (registration fee required)***

11:00AM - 10:30PM - Live acts on the Main Stage for the Anglesea Blues Festival

***3:00PM Anything Goes Iron Chef Contest Judging Begins (turn in at judges tent)***

***3:30 PM Sauce Contest Judging Begins***

***4:00 PM Dessert Contest Judging Begins***

## Sunday, July 13, 2014 - Festival Hours 10AM to 6PM

10:00AM-6:00PM Open Air Market

11:30AM - 4:30PM - Live acts on the Main Stage for the Anglesea Blues Festival

***12:00PM KCBS judging begins (turn in is at judges tent)***

***12:00PM Chicken***

***12:30PM Pork Ribs***

***1:00PM Pork***

***1:30PM Beef Brisket***

***4:30PM Awards Ceremony Main Stage 2<sup>nd</sup> and Old NJ Avenue***

6:00PM Festival closes

All Day SoJo 104.9 Live Broadcast

# Prizes

(TOTAL PRIZES ARE \$10,000.00 a detailed list will be available on site)

**Grand Champion**  
Trophy and \$3,000.00

**Reserve Grand Champion**  
Trophy and \$1,500.00

**Individual Categories (Chicken, Pork, Pork Ribs, Beef Brisket)**

1st Place Trophy and \$500.00  
2nd Place Trophy and \$275.00  
3rd Place Trophy and \$175.00  
4th Place Ribbon and \$125.00  
5th Place Ribbon and \$100.00

**The Butch "Smack Your Lips" Lupinetti Best Ribs by a NJ Team**  
Trophy and \$200.00

**Iron Chef**  
1st Place Trophy and \$300.00

**Dessert**  
1st Place Trophy and \$250.00

**Sauce**  
1st Place Trophy and \$250.00

# COOKING RULES

**KCBS (Sunday Contest)** - See attached KCBS rules the only change is the turn in date. The rules say “typically on Saturday” our event the turn in is on SUNDAY.

**Anything Goes Iron Chief Contest (Saturday Contest)** - For this contest you will receive your main ingredient(s) after check-in on Friday after the cookers meeting.

**The Following Rules are to be used solely for the Iron Chef Contest.**

**Cooking Units-** Cooking Units are limited to "any grill or smoker." The Head Judge will settle any question regarding cookers.

**Fuel Source** - Any fuel source, such as wood, charcoal, pellet, propane, etc may be used.

**Smoking and Grilling** - The Iron Chef contest is a smoking and grilling contest. Items submitted for entry must be smoked or grilled. Frying or sautéing of the meat item will result in disqualification. Any questions regarding preparation or execution should be directed to the head judge.

**Main Ingredient(s)**- You will be supplied the main ingredient and possible additional ingredient(s). You must use all of the supplied ingredients in your entry. The supplied ingredient must be the focal point of your entry.

**Submission of entry** - Each contestant will be supplied a 9 x 13" aluminum pan. No other container will be accepted. The pan shall be covered with aluminum foil prior to submission.

**Garnish** - Garnish, presentation and decoration is at the pleasure of the chef.

**Judging** - Judging will follow the KCBS scoring system using the double blind system.

## TURN IN TIMES

**Anything Goes Iron Chef** - Turn in time will be 3:00 pm on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>

**Sauce Contest** - Turn in time 3:30 PM on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> (*Foam Cup will be provided for turn in*)

**Dessert Contest** - Turn in time 4:00 PM on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> (*Judging emphasis will be placed upon creative use of barbecue*) Entries must be assembled on site. Entries maybe submitted on any plate or vessel. Your plate or vessel will be left on a table by the entrance to the tent after the judging is complete.

# Miscellaneous and FAQ's

Annually we the same questions and at times it is easier to simply reprint the questions to clarify some the frequent issues. Many of these have been already answered elsewhere in this booklet. They are reprinted to place emphasis on the issue.

**Question #1 - Regarding fire code requirements** - We have checked with the North Wildwood Fire Official and have made arrangements that each competitor will be issued a permit (at no cost to the competitor) This permit is necessary for anyone who has propane *or* an open flame. **The only thing that will be REQUIRED is all competitors must have a "BC" or "ABC" fire extinguisher at their site.** The fire inspector will be around and visit your site. Most competitors should have one already. Also anyone that will store a propane container in a parked vehicle is required to post a sign on the front windshield with the words PROPANE on it. Additionally **NO** propane containers over the normal backyard BBQ 20 lb type will be allowed. Anyone with a tank that is over that size email the competitor email address for further instructions.

**Question #2 - Regarding check in time** - Check in time is Friday July 11th starting at 10AM and ending at 7PM. These are the times that someone will be there to greet you and show you to a space. The initial cookers meeting which will include the passing out of the Iron Chef ingredient will take place at 7PM on Friday. Checking in late or even the next day can present problems - while we have and will continue to accommodate those that broke down on the way or have gotten lost on the way - we ask everyone to check in during the prescribed check in time. This is when we will have staff available and by checking in on time will allow you and your team members to fully participate in the weekend event. For the first timers you should know that the competition is part of an event filled weekend that attracts over 78,000 people. There will be plenty of things for the family to enjoy during the times when you are not preparing your entries.

**Question #3 - Can I bring a golf kart or moped to get around** - While we would like to have a competitor area where everyone could bring their golf karts and campers, etc. the reality is our event is in a municipal parking lot on an island beach resort at the height of tourist season. The competitor area is only one portion of a larger event where there will be thousands of people walking around so you can see why we can't have any unauthorized vehicles within the event. Quite frankly the event staff has a golf kart for moving event equipment around and at times we have to put that away due to the crowds. You will have ample time to unload your vehicle on Friday and available parking is a just a short walk away. Please remember that all parking regulations and meters are enforced both inside and outside the event perimeters. **Motorcycles like your vehicle is prohibited from being in the competitor area - find a legal parking place on the street please!!**

**Question #4 - Can I sell Barbecue and other items?** Simply put **NO** - Our own rules prohibit it and the County Health Department, NJ Taxation and other regulatory agencies will be at the event as well as local Code Enforcement Officers. The event has a vendor area (which spaces cost 4 to 5 times the competitor entry fee) that for many years has little or no openings as most if not all vendors return annually. Anyone caught vending will be disqualified and asked to leave, as we cooperate with all regulatory agencies your information will be turned over to them.

**Question #5 - Can I switch spots? Can I pick my spot?** Simply put **NO** we have competitors that have been next to each other for years and like it that way. So do we. You are assigned a space and that is it. In the past we would give you a choice of the open spaces as the returnees had assigned spaces. This year all spaces are preassigned.

**Question #6 - Can I party?** Every team is different some are serious die hard competitors and some are casual competitors - whatever category you put your self in please be mindful of your neighbor. Late night sitting around talking and drinking can be annoying to someone trying to catch some shut eye. Please cooperate.

**Question #7 - Where can I get Ice?** The NJBBQ has contacted Sea Isle City Ice company to supply ice for the vendors and competitors. They generally come every three hours during the event and will park on Spruce Avenue just out side the lot. You can purchase what you need and pay at the truck. We will have the schedule available at the cookers meeting.

# FESTIVAL SITE DESCRIPTION

For those first timers that want to follow using google maps - go to maps.google.com and search for W. Spruce Avenue and N. New Jersey Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ. A bubble will point to the intersection - now zoom in and select Satellite view. You will notice a large parking lot that will be the competitor area. The lot is bordered by a sea wall on two sides and streets on two sides. This will be your home for the weekend.

Now follow North New Jersey Avenue (the street that ends at the inlet) south the first block between Spruce Avenue and Walnut Avenue will feature the open air market. Here will be crafters and vendors selling seasonal items, such as sun glasses, fishing poles, etc.

The next two blocks between Walnut and Chestnut and Chestnut and First Avenues are our sponsors row. This is where our sponsors set up - this year you can see the latest motorcycles at the Yamaha display, GEICO, Ford and Chrysler vehicle displays, and other sponsor sites. Many give out samples and literature about their products. Please take the time to visit our sponsors.

The next block is the main festival block running from 1st Avenue to the Fire house at Second Avenue. At the intersection of First Avenue is where our radio stations are located at on Saturday it is the Big Joe Henry Show and Sunday SOJO Radio live broadcast. We now move into the food court area where the food vendors are. There is available funnel cake, carmel corn, corn on cob, ice cream, plus many more bbq vendors. The fire company has several beer concessions including one of which will be featuring select Craft Beers. Anglesea Blues Festival and NJBBQ T-Shirts, and hats are available here. At the intersection of Second and N. New Jersey Avenues is the Main Stage where the Anglesea Blues Festival takes place. Acts that have preformed all over the United States are on the stage during the festival. There is a large eating area where people can enjoy BBQ and listen to the finest Blues Music. At Second Avenue is the Fire House. The hall entrance is located on the north side of the building towards the rear (for those that will attend the cookers meeting).

Attached is the competitors site plan. HERE is the overall site map . . .



# 2014 Competitor Space Assignment

## Space Number - Team Name - Team Captain

- 2 - B's Que - Brian Kennish
- 3 - Biker BBQ - Robert Caulford
- 4 - Finn's Finest BBQ - Brian Ferguon
- 5 - Pigheaded BBQ - Ron Templeton
- 6 - Slower Lower BBQ - Mike Jarrell
- 7 - Downbeach BBQ - Dan Greenberg
- 8 - Moon River Barbeque - Alex Campos
- 9 - Big Bad Wolves - James Lynch
- 10 - Smoke Or Be Smoked (S.O.B.S) - Lindwood Wilmer
- 11 - Rub Me Tender BBQ Of Smyrna - Bob Mari no
- 12 - Hot Rod's - BBQ - Anthony Sibona
- 13 - Bones & Bibs Swine Team - James Lamaina
- 14 - Smokin Swine - Doug Anderson
- 15 - Joe Mamma's Ribs - Joseph Quatse
- 16 - Open Bar BQ - Michael Donahue
- 17 - Nice Racks - Carlo Prestileo
- 18 - Week End Smokers - Henry Kellsch
- 19 - The Stu Pit - John Boris
- 20 - Hammstrings, Llc - Mark Poolos
- 21 - Smokin Tex BBQ - Tex Laudenslager
- 22 - Crooked Creek Grillers - Brian Zawacki
- 23 - Craigle Mack's BBQ Shack - Craig Rudzenski
- 24 - Ryan's BBQ Shack - Ryan Fennal
- 25 - Tom Tom Bob-A-Que - Tom Ritter
- 26 - Team Old School - Michael Somers
- 27 - Swine And Cheese - John D'Angelo
- 28 - Texas Smoke Barbecue - Scott Reid
- 29 - Beerbeque - Jason Olmo
- 30 - Carver Que's Buttered Pig - John Carver
- 31 - Wilbur's Revenge - David Marks
- 32 - Sir-Pork's-Alot BBQ - Michael Licciardello
- 33 - Smokopolis BBQ - Mark Sweetwood
- 35 - Jerzey Dan'z BBQ - Dan Clair
- 36 - Fire Ants BBQ - Al Puodziunas
- 37 - Team BoyBQ - Justin Drab
- 38 - Crotchwood BBQ - Brian Cordeiro
- 39 - Ribs Within - Doug Keiles
- 40 - Philly Blind Pig BBQ - Tom Bera
- 41 - B.B.Q. With The Barba Jew - Howard Spector
- 42 - Three Men And A Baby Back - Dana Reed
- 43 - Philly Smoke Formerly The Shane Pit - Chris Shane
- 44 - Mikey O's Real BBQ - Mike Rosenstein
- 45 - The Bubbas Barbikyu - Christian Aberin
- 46 - Tailgatejoe.com - Joseph Maino
- 47 - Sweeney's Wild Irish BBQ - Scott Sweeney
- 48 - Nice Rack BBQ - Joe Boyle
- 49 - Big Belly Beerbque - Phillip Hinman
- 50 - Lincoln Creek Smokehouse - Daniel Brunina
- 51 - Palmtree Smokehouse - Gerry Gannon
- 52 - Shady Crew - Paul Giordano
- 53 - Gonehoggin.Com - Paul Huff
- 54 - Honey Bears BBQ Team - Kenn Allen
- 55 - Coming In Hot BBQ - Sean Daly
- 56 - Whole Hog Cafe - Chris Maynes
- 57 - B' For Chicken - Stuart Jones
- 58 - Bar-B-Q-Dat - Jennifer Grelle
- 59 - Uncle Pig's Barbeque Pit - Ercole Chila
- 60 - Flavor Of Rub BBQ Crew - Keith Hess
- 61 - 3 Surfers And A Pig - Robert Crites
- 63 - Philly Pigs - Jim Boggs
- 64 - Cookin Commandos BBQ Squad - Wayne Shelton
- 65 - Local Smoke BBQ - Steve Raab
- 66 - The BBQ Guru - Bob Trudnak
- 67 - Anglesea BBQ - Michael Johnson

**NOTE: these space assignment are final. For those teams that are returning if you didn't compete last year you lost your space and are assign a new space which might NOT be the space you had two years ago. Returning space preference is based on the previous year standings. As with everything we do If we made a mistake please contact us ASAP and we will see if we can fix it. Some space numbers were intentionally omitted no need to let us know.**