



Chuck Wagon Cook Off

Sweetwater TX ~ Nolan County Coliseum

October 2nd & 3rd, 2020

Entry Deadline: September 11th

Event Contact : Wendy Smartt 325-236-3201



Weekend Itinerary:

Friday-

Check In & Set-up: Friday Morning (Call Wendy 325-236-3201 for Thurs. arrival)

Wagon Judging: 2pm

Team Meeting: 4:30

Grocery Pick-up: 5:00-5:30

Team Meal/ Hospitality Dinner: 6:00

3rd Annual Sister's on the Fly- Way Out West Reunion

Round 1 of Ranch Rodeo Finals: TIME TBD (Call Nick 325-212-2736 for Rodeo Info.)

Saturday-

Chuck Wagon Meal Served 12:00-1:00

Awards Ceremony 4:00

Round 2 of Ranch Rodeo- A.M. Time TBD

Match Horse Race: Time TBD

Round 3 of Ranch Rodeo: Time TBD

Rodeo Dance: Time TBD

Cash Prizes Awarded:

*****1st - 3rd (\$300, \$200, \$100)*****

Meat, Bread, Beans, Dessert, & Potatoes

1st-3rd (\$350, \$250, \$150) Wagon/Camp

*****\$500 Cash Prize for Best Overall***** (2018 & 2019 Incentives Pictured Above)



**Complimentary Rodeo Tickets ~ NCFR Commemorative Gifts
Personalized Picture/Metal Plaque for each Team
Travel Incentives TBA in August**

FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US AT ANYTIME FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION!

Email: ncfrevents@yahoo.com or message us on Facebook at Nolan County Fair & Rodeo

Chuckwagon/Hospitality Event Chair: Wendy Smartt (325) 236-3201

Nolan County Coliseum Director: Terry Locklar (325)320-6349 (325)235-3484 Office

Sweetwater/ Nolan County Chamber of Commerce Director: Karen Hunt (325)235-5488

Ranch Rodeo Series Finals Information: Nick Coats 325-212-2736 or 325-829-6639

Matched Horse Races: Whitley May (325) 338-8545

Marketing/Sponsorship/Special Events Information: Alanna Glass (325)-721-3662 or email ncfrevents@yahoo.com

Host Hotels: Microtel, Hampton Inn, LaQuinta Inn & Suites, & Mulberry Manor B&B

Mention Guest of the Nolan County Fair & Rodeo/ Nolan County Coliseum for a Discounted Rate

LOOK FOR EVENT INFO ONLINE AT: nolancc.com or sweetwatertexas.org

Chuckwagon Competition Rules & Guidelines

Chuck Wagon Teams

TEAMS: Each chuck wagon team can have a designated head cook and three additional helpers. After the food samples are sent to the Judges additional personnel may assist with serving and cleanup.

JUDGES: The judges will be named and confirmed at a later time. They will be qualified and reputable with a separate group of three judges per each food group (15 judges) as well as a group of two judges to judge the chuck wagons/camp.

PRIZES: Cash Prizes Awarded for 1st - 3rd (\$300, \$200, \$100) in Meat, Bread, Beans, Dessert, Potatoes, and Wagon/Camp Site (\$350, \$250, \$150), and a \$500 cash prize for Best Overall.

AWARDS: Results will be announced, and prize money awarded at 4:00 pm on Saturday. Each chuck wagon teams' scores will be handed out or mailed to them after the event along with a personalized plaque/keepsake.

TRAVEL INCENTIVE: We are working with our local sponsors to ensure a travel incentive for 2020. Please check back for more details in August.

RV SPOTS: Please contact the Nolan County Coliseum (325) 235-3484 for RV parking.

LOCAL HOST HOTELS: Please contact Wendy at (325)236-3201 for discounted host hotels.

Wagon and Camp Judging

The wagon and camp judging will occur on Friday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm. All chuck wagons will be judged as Trail Wagons. Judging will be done using the ACWA Wagon Score Sheet. Reminder, everything must be able to fit inside the wagon.

WAGON/CAMP SPACES ASSIGNMENTS: Wagons will be set up in Newman Park. Wagons will draw for their spaces upon arrival. Spaces will be numbered and be approximately 60X40.

Upon arrival, at the Nolan County Coliseum/Newman Park, you will check-in with the Nolan County Coliseum Office (Small green building) and/or call Wendy at 325-236-3201. There will be no parking on the grassy camp areas. Additional parking will be designated at check-in. Please Call Wendy (325-236-3201) for directions/ early arrival.

Cook Off Rules

The Cook Off Chairman and Cooks' Meeting will begin at 5:00 pm on Friday, October 3rd. At the meeting the rules and procedures will be reviewed to include times for food distribution and food pickup for judging, as well as answer any of your questions. NCFR will provide food items to participating wagons at that time. Wagons must have coolers available to receive perishable products.

Cooks' supper is scheduled for 6:00 pm and all wagon teams are invited to eat. Teams will have complementary rodeo tickets to use at their discretion.

1. Cooks must furnish all cooking wood.
2. Food Products: Meat (cutlets for chicken fried steak), potatoes, onions, cotton seed/ cooking oil, pinto beans, eggs, canned fruit, flour, sugar, butter and milk will be furnished as basic items needed for the preparation of the meal.
Spices and other food item(s) which are not provided but will be allowed are salt, pepper, garlic, coriander (cilantro), cinnamon, nutmeg, dry mustard, allspice, vanilla, cloves, vinegar, can tomatoes, salt pork, ham hock, jalapenos peppers, bell peppers and buttermilk. No other food items are allowed. The food judges will be instructed on what food items are not allowed. Commercially prepared and packaged items such as sauces, pie crust, biscuit mix and cake mixes are prohibited. Gravy is optional.
3. Three 20-pound bags of ice will be given to each wagon. Please request additional ice if needed. Price for additional ice is \$3.00 a bag.
4. 5 gallons of bottled water will be provided to each wagon for cooking purposes.
5. Please bring 2- 50 foot hose and a Y-connector for wash water. Each wagon will be required to have a 3-station dishwashing area and handwashing station with an on and off spigot. A catch basin is required under water barrel on wagon as well.
6. Picnic/To-go Type Paper Goods will be provided by NCFR. All meals will be served in boxed containers.

Food Rules:

1. Menu shall consist of: Chicken fried steak, pinto beans, potatoes, (choice of method of preparation), bread and dessert using fruit provided by NCFR. Gravy is optional.
2. Bread category may be biscuits, rolls, or loaf and may be sourdough, yeast or plain.
3. The food judge coordinator will settle any disputes or violations of the contest rules. The decisions of the judges are final.
4. Scores will be sent to teams in the mail after the event.
5. Dutch oven liners (pan liners) will NOT be allowed. (Rule subject to change)

Additional Guidelines:

1. Each wagon must be prepared to feed a maximum of 50 meals. You will be notified of the exact number you are cooking for at the cook's meeting.
You will be provided food to serve 45 ticket holders, 1 turn in, plus 4 for your crew. The food that is served to the public must be prepared the same as what is submitted for judging. Meat must be chicken fried, gravy (optional), beans, bread, potatoes, and dessert for the public. Gravy shall not be turned in with meat or potatoes for judging.
2. All cooking must be on wood fires with firebox - no gas fueled fires allowed. Each wagon is responsible for conversational and cooking firewood. Propane shall only allowed for heating dish washing water. Each wagon shall have a 5 lb. fire extinguisher accessible within the camp at all times. Wagon team members should be dressed in period clothing.
3. Dutch oven liners (pan liners) will NOT be allowed. (Rule subject to change)
4. NCFR volunteers will come to each wagon at 11:45 to pick up food judging samples. The volunteers will bring the containers with them and will have you provide the judging samples directly from the cooking pots. Meals will be served from 12:00-1:00 pm. Wagon may start serving after food samples have been picked up.
5. The head cook will be responsible for the cleanliness of his or her area, during and after the contest, as well as the conduct of the team. Please be sure to cover any holes and pick up all coals and ashes from the ground before leaving the site. Compliance with Sweetwater Health Department Rules is required. Copies of the rules will be mailed after we receive registration and will be available at the Cooks' meeting.
6. All motor vehicles must be parked away from the wagons in the designated lot. The Nolan County Coliseum office will designate parking areas upon arrival. RV Spaces/hook-ups are available at the discounted rate of \$25 a night in West Parking lot. Please call NCC at 325-235-3484 or Wendy at 325-236-3201 to make arrangements. The NCFR will not be responsible for theft, damage or accidents. Sweetwater Police Department will be on patrol both Friday & Saturday night, however each wagon is responsible for their own property and securing it nightly. You may park in your campsite overnight.

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Entry Form

Wagon Name:

Contact Name:

Mailing Address:

City

State

Zip

Cell:

Email:

Fax :

Head Cook:

Plases Submit Entry Form & \$100 Deposit by September 11th to:

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