



Smokin' Log - March 2021

Reminder - IBCA Award Nominations

Nominations for the [Hall of Fame/Citation of Merit](#) and [Jeff Shivers Sportsmanship](#) awards are open. Use the links above to be directed to the nomination forms and criteria on the IBCA Website. Nominations will close May 1, 2021



IBCA Scoring Tool 2.0

We held our first Test Run Event using our new version of the scoring system February 27 in Beeville. We didn't have the turn out with the cooks as we had hoped thanks to the winter storm. We had 10 of our head judges come out and work the system. The feedback we received from the cooks and head judges was very positive.

There has been some questions on how the points are calculated after seeing the reports. Judging will be 2 rounds. The first round judging will be using 3 criteria (appearance, taste, & texture). Each criteria is weighted based on the results of the survey that was sent out in September. Appearance points are weighted at .6, Taste points are weighted at 1.86 and Texture is weighted at 1.54. The second round judging will use 2 criteria (taste & texture). The weights in the 2nd round will use the same weights as the first round.

The number of trays advancing to the 2nd round will be determined by the number of teams at the event. For events with 15-40 teams, the top 10 highest scoring trays will advance to the 2nd round to compete head to head. Events with 41-99 teams, the top 15 highest scoring trays advance; and events with 100+ teams will have the top 20 trays advance to the 2nd round. These are the top scoring trays across all judging tables.

The judges' scores from the 2nd round will determine placement in the 2nd round and the top 10 trays will receive 2nd round points of 1-10. 10th place will receive 1 point and 1st place in the 2nd round will receive 10 points. These 2nd round points will be added to the total score from the 1st round to determine the overall placement for the category.

For example of the score sheet that was posted on Facebook on February 28th.

Total of Judge Score multiplied by criteria weight
 $(8 \cdot 6) + (9 \cdot 1.86) + (10 \cdot 1.54) = 36.94$

1st Round				2nd Round				2nd Rnd Pts	Final Score
Chicken	Appearance	Taste	Texture	Total	Chicken	Taste	Texture		
Judge 1	8	9	10	36.94	Judge 1	9	9	30.60	
Judge 2	8	9	9	35.40	Judge 2	10	10	34.00	
Judge 3	9	8	8	32.60	Judge 3	7	9	26.88	
Judge 4	10	7	8	31.34	Judge 4	6	5	18.86	
Judge 5	10	8	8	33.20	Judge 5	8	7	25.66	
1st Rnd Raw Score	45	41	43		2nd Rnd Raw Score	40	40		
Weight	0.6	1.86	1.54		Weight	1.86	1.54		
1st Rnd Score	27.00	76.26	66.22	169.48	2nd Rnd Score	74.40	61.60	136.00	8
									177.48

Tray placed 3rd in the 2nd round; 8 pts awarded for 2nd Rnd Pts

1st rnd raw score multiplied by criteria weight
 $45 \cdot 0.6 = 27$

Total 1st Rnd Scores

2nd Rnd Raw Score multiplied by criteria weight

Total 2nd Rnd Scores

Final Score = 1st Rnd Score + 2nd Rnd Points
 $(169.48 + 8 = 177.48)$

Cumulative points will be used to determine the Top 10 Overall of the event. The Ticket Summary report for the Test Event shows that a cook does not have to place in the top 10 of all of the meat categories to be in the Top 10 Overall. Sixth place overall only placed in the top 10 of one of the meat categories while 7th place overall placed in the top 10 of two of the meat categories.



Test Run Event

Feb 27, 2021 - Feb 27, 2000
 South Texas BBQ Emporium | Beeville | TX | 78372 | United States

Tickets Summary

Master Ticket	01- Chicken					02- Pork Chops					03- Steak					Overall	
	Ticket #	Round	Table	Place	Score	Ticket #	Round	Table	Place	Score	Ticket #	Round	Table	Place	Score	Place	Score
107	21433	1	1	14	132.20	21928	1	1	15	151.60	21638	2	1	1	181.96	11	465.76
113	21644	1	1	13	143.62	21413	1	2	13	158.00	21894	1	2	13	126.34	14	427.96
114	21895	2	1	3	182.60	21643	2	1	7	168.46	21607	1	2	12	128.92	8	479.98
118	21405	1	1	15	131.32	21898	2	1	4	178.10	21610	2	1	3	173.86	7	483.28
152	21637	1	2	12	149.12	21929	1	2	11	160.18	21432	2	1	9	159.08	10	468.38
159	21919	2	1	4	177.48	21611	2	1	5	174.24	21406	2	1	7	159.54	4	511.26
182	21924	2	1	8	162.72	21438	2	1	2	188.32	21401	2	1	8	159.18	5	510.22
184	21921	2	1	5	175.00	21640	2	1	1	194.86						15	369.86
222	21407	2	1	7	168.88	21612	1	1	14	155.56	21947	1	2	11	133.58	12	458.02
223	21897	2	1	9	160.28	21609	2	1	10	163.50	21404	1	2	14	108.24	13	432.02
244	21923	1	2	11	152.76	21437	1	1	12	159.04	21402	2	1	4	173.38	6	485.18
249	21642	2	1	2	185.68	21608	2	1	8	167.00	21896	2	1	2	178.92	1	531.80
250	21946	2	1	1	186.26	21641	2	1	6	171.40	21408	2	1	6	161.30	2	518.98
263	21403	2	1	10	160.24	21436	2	1	9	164.12	21922	2	1	10	149.92	9	474.28
283	21920	2	1	6	170.92	21434	2	1	3	179.52	21639	2	1	5	164.54	3	514.98

7th place overall placed 15th chicken, 4th Pork Chops & 3 Steak

6th place overall placed 11th chicken, 12th Pork Chops, & 4th Steak

1st place overall placed 2nd Chicken, 8th Pork Chops, & 2 Steak

If you are interested in seeing the new scoring system in person, we are having another Test Run Event at the Leander VFW Post 10427, 8760 Ranch Rd 2243, Leander, TX 78641, on April 2-3. We are capping the event at 50 teams. If you want to participate as a cook, please email us at judge_info@ibcabbq.org. The categories are chicken (any part/half), pork chops (2) and steak.

If you don't want to cook but would still like to see how the system works, come out and be a taste judge. Turn in times will be chicken at 11 am, pork chops at 12:30 pm and steak at 2 pm. The earlier turn in times and fast cook meats will allow cooks to sit as taste judges and get us to awards earlier so we can get home for Easter Sunday celebrations.

Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet

In case you missed the announcement, we will be at Burnt Bean Co in Sequin on August 13-14, 2021.

IBCA Showdown

The Showdown is still on schedule to occur November 12-13, 2021. The location is still being decided. We are working on an alternate location should it not be feasible to have it in Region 4. As

Hotel rates and the menu are being finalized and we will announce that in the upcoming weeks so everyone can begin making arrangements.

plans become more concrete, we will make those announcements as quickly as possible.

IBCA Lifetime Pins & Challenge Coins

The lifetime membership pins have shipped to us and should be received this week. We will be mailing these out to our lifetime members as soon as the pins are received.

The challenge coins should be shipped to us by the end of week. We will mail these to our members who received a Grand Champion this cook year that began July 1, 2020.

IBCA Website

We are continually making improvements to our website. We have added links to cooks names that will take you to other parts of the website to see more information. For example, from the Head Cook list & Event Results, members who have placed at an event will be contain a hyperlink to see the events they have placed at.

We are currently working on Member Only Access to certain parts of the website & member incentives from vendors.

Revised IBCA COVID Guidelines

The board has discussed the announcement Governor Abbott made to remove the Texas state mandate on face coverings and opening all businesses to 100%. We also asked our head judges to provide input on the feedback they have received from promoters. Taking all of this information into consideration, the board has decided to modify our guidelines. We found that some of the things that we implemented as part of original guidelines in October have worked well and will remain in place. Below is the revised guidelines and these will be posted on the IBCA website.

- **Most importantly**, if you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or the flu (i.e., fever, cough, nausea, loss of smell/taste, etc.), **STAY HOME**. Your health and the health of those around you are more important than the points earned. If you are exhibiting any symptoms that the promoter is not comfortable with, the promoter has the option to not allow you to participate in the event. It is their event and they have to look out for the wellbeing of everyone in attendance.
- If you have tested positive in the month prior to the event, please let the promoter know and let them know if you have met the CDC required quarantine standard or have a negative test. The promoter does not need the negative press after the fact if others find out.
- Face coverings will be left to the individual to wear as they are comfortable. Promoters may have different requirements. Be sure to confirm with the promoter in advance of arriving at the event.
- Hand sanitizer/Hand washing stations should made available to everyone entering the judging area.

- Participants and attendees should sanitize hands often throughout the day by washing or using hand sanitizer.
- All tables and chair backs in the judging area are to be wiped down between judging rounds.
- Judging tables should be doubled in width for preliminary rounds and triple width for final round judging.
- Each taste judge will be provided with individual trash bags that includes the necessary utensils for judging.
- Palate cleansers (i.e. crackers, pickles, etc) are not required. Bottled water is adequate for taste judges. However, if palate cleansers are provided, taste judges will be provided with an individual container and not a table shared container.
- Area for cooks meeting and awards should be large enough to allow attendees to spread out and not be crowded.
- Please notify promoters of your intentions to attend so that the proper preparations can be made for taste judges & supplies.
- If your plans change, please let the promoter know so the promoter can fill your spot. Many promoters have waiting lists for their event. Be considerate of the promoter trying to raise money and your fellow cooks who want to participate.

These revised guidelines do not mean that any of us should let our guards down and throw caution to the wind. We need to continue to be respectful of our fellow attendees at events and respect each other's opinions and beliefs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2-3

Test Run Event - Leander

April 9-10

Neal's Lodges - Concan - Reg 3
 Papalote VFD Cookoff - Sinton - Reg 3
 Carfest - Hondo - Reg 3
 Hamilton ISD Band Cookoff - Hamilton - Reg 1
 Marina Village Resort - Trinity - Reg 2
 Risk It For The Brisket - Gilmer - Reg 1

April 16-17

Fire in the Hole - Somerset - Reg 3
 Terrell Heritage Festival - Terrell - Reg 1
 Turkey Fest - Henrietta, Tx - Reg 1

April 23-24

Bexar Co Jr Livestock Show - San Antonio - Reg 3
 Cooking Against COVID - Beeville - Reg 3
 Freedom is not Free - Granbury - Reg 1
 Lonestar Pony Express - Montgomery - Reg 2

May 7-8

Aransas Co Boys & Girls Club - Rockport - Reg 3
 Butterfield Stage Days - Bridgeport - Reg 1
 Ropin at the River - Pleasanton - Reg 3
 Tiki Hutt Bar & Grill Summer Cookoff - Baytown - Reg 2

May 8

BOD Meeting - Kerrville

May 14-15

Jourdanton VFD Cookoff - Jourdanton - Reg 3
 Austin Matura Scholarship Cookoff - East Bernard - Reg 2
 Floresville Peanut Festival - Floresville - Reg 3

May 21-22

2021 Buffalo Wing Cookoff - Lubbock - Reg 5
 Coletto Creek BBQ Assoc - El Campo - Reg 3

May 28-29

Smoke on the Water - Port Neches - Reg 2

April 30-May 1

Chigger Hill - Huntsville - Reg 2

Knights of Columbus #6269 CARNIVORE

COOK OFF - Arlington - Reg 1

Mark Bloudin - Ft Worth - Reg 1

Cody Dragoon Memorial Cookoff - West - Reg 1

Cookin for Chayah - Beeville - Reg 3

Kress Fulla Bull - Kress - Reg 5



Kip Portis - Lockhart, TX
Joe Martinez - Stockdale, TX
Troy Justice - China Spring, TX
Tim Nugent - Damon, TX
Kevin Delcomyn - Humble, TX
Mike Gomez - Johnson City, TX
Chase Tinker - Haslet, TX
Russell Flowers - Hobbs, NM
Adan Turrubiarres - Houston, TX
Barry Dupuis - Aiken, SC
Joseph Copes - San Angelo, TX
Tyler White - Texas City, TX
Brian Brevard - Hutto, TX
Christopher Acevedo - Mission, TX
Roger Garcia - Lytle, TX
**Matt Mosley - Wills point, TX-
Lifetime**
Vanessa Garcia - Lytle, TX
Blake Pyles - Beeville, TX
Jay Hutchins Meridan, TX
Jared McCrory - Houston, TX



February Grand Champions

Ira Green/Flying G - Castaway
Classic - Seadrift
**Tyler Cannon/Cannonball
Express BBQ** - Central Texas
Regional Chili & BBQ Cookoff -
Glen Rose
**Stacy Breneman/Big Horn
Cookers** - Friends of Tri-Club -
Spring
Clifford Archer/Hooked BBQ -
Two Broke Cookers - Refugio
Allan Freeman/Chickapicow -
Buna Redbud Festival - Buna
**Ricky Bocanegra/We Dem Boyz
BBQ** - Irving Elks Lodge - Irving

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