



**2026 Bands, Brews & BBQ Cook Team Registration Form
February 13 & 14, 2026**

We are excited to invite you to participate in the
Bands, Brews & BBQ event in Port Royal.

Please return this form and your payment as soon as possible. There is a cap of 25 teams. Applications are accepted until we reach 25 teams or until January 28, 2026 (whichever comes first).

Please include a check made out to Zonta Club of Beaufort.

Entry Fee: \$225

Waiver of Liability: Contestants agree to indemnify and hold Bands, Brews and BBQ, Zonta Club of Beaufort, the event committee, its employees, agents, volunteers, and the Town of Port Royal harmless from any and all claims made against same, including without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgments, expenses, damages, or reasonable attorney's fees arising out of or in connection with (1) any structures erected by the contestant(s), (2) any apparatus, equipment, or personal property used by the contestant(s), (3) any act or omission to act of contestant(s), its agents, invitees, participants, representative, employees, servants, and assigns, and (4) any claims made on account of or resulting from contestant's participation in the contest.

Zonta Club of Beaufort reserves the right to accept or reject any cook teams' application. **I have read and agree to abide by all rules and regulations for the February 13 & 14, 2026 Bands, Brews and BBQ Cook-Off.** Failure to follow the rules and regulations may result in the shutting down of a cooking site.

Print Chief Cook (Pitmaster) Name _____ SIGNATURE _____

Print Official Team Name _____

Team Members _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____

Contact Phone _____

Trailer Length _____

Returning Team Yes No Hometown Heroes Participating Team

Both your completed Form AND Payment will secure your spot!

Submit Application and Pay Online: <https://square.link/u/iAHyYm4h> (\$225.00 + \$9.00 booking fee) OR

Mail a check or money order (\$225.00) to: Zonta Club of Beaufort Attn: Bands, Brews & BBQ PO Box 2234 Beaufort, SC 29901

Questions – Email: zontabeaufortbbb@gmail.com, or call 843-812-7149



2026 Bands, Brews and BBQ Competition Rules and Information
Paris Avenue, Port Royal, SC 29935
February 13 & 14, 2026

The Chief Cook (Pitmaster) for each team must check in by 2PM Friday, February 13, 2026

Site Information:

- Paris Avenue, Port Royal
- Event volunteers will be on site at 8am on Friday, February 13 to assign spaces to each cook team. Setup prior to 8am on Friday, February 13 and without direction from event staff is prohibited. Waiver of Ordinance 2020-37 Chapter 15 Section 28 of the Port Royal Code of Ordinances prohibiting camping in public places in the Town of Port Royal does not go into effect until 8am Friday, February 14.
- Vehicles must move from the event area immediately after setup. No golf carts or other moving vehicles are allowed in the event space during event hours.
- Water and 20 AMP electricity will be supplied for the cook teams. **If you need more than 20 AMP power, please bring your own generator.**
- Each team must supply its own cooking supplies and equipment including: ice, grills, ingredients, water hoses, utensils, tent, tables, chairs, wood, gas or charcoal, and electrical cords. Zonta will provide serving supplies.
- Cook teams, vendors, sponsors, and the public are not permitted to bring pets into the event area. Per the Town of Port Royal, only service dogs are allowed.
- Teams are required to have a two-way BC fire extinguisher and to comply with all rules of the fire marshal.
- All Teams are responsible for disposing of grease and ashes generated from your space properly. No grease, dirty water, or ashes produced through cooking may be discarded in the road, gutters, drains, trash cans, or other permanent infrastructure in Port Royal. Anyone found doing this will be responsible for any and all environmental cleanup costs and subject to prosecution by the Town of Port Royal and/or State and Federal entities.
- Please note all South Carolina DHEC rules and regulations will be followed. Unsafe practices will result in disqualification.
- All tents and canopies must have weights attached to each leg.
- Cooking teams are asked to leave their sites intact until after the award ceremony on Saturday at 3:30 PM to keep the grounds attractive and event goes safe from moving equipment. All Cookers and other equipment must be removed from the premises by 8:00 PM on Saturday, February 14. Teams are responsible for cleaning up and around their areas before leaving. Please put all trash in proper containers.



Meat:

- Zonta will supply each team with 40 pounds of chicken wings and 10 Boston Butts. If you are not capable of preparing the 10 Butts provided, please contact the Organizer. Teams that do not cook all meat provided to you by Zonta on site and serve all meat to the public as directed are subject to disqualification from the event. Undercooked food will result in disqualification.
- Wings and butts will be available at approximately 1pm on Friday.
- An optional Ribs Competition will be organized by the Cook Teams. Zonta will supply the trophies but YOU PURCHASE YOUR OWN RIBS. Information will be forthcoming at the end of January.

Competition:

WINGS: Turn-in time for Chicken Wings will be at 5:45 PM Friday for the Wing Competition. Teams must be at their sites and be prepared to serve the public Chicken Wings between 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM on Friday, February 13th. Friday night competition will be judged by local community members. **Turn-In Location is TBD.**

BUTTS AND RIBS: On Saturday, February 14th turn-in time for BUTTS is 10:00 AM. Turn in time for RIBS is 11:00 AM. The festival opens to the public at 11am. Teams must be at their sites and be prepared to serve the public Boston Butt samples between 11:00am – 3:30pm Saturday, February 14th. **Turn-In Location is TBD.**

Cook's Notes:

A mandatory Cook's (Pitmaster) meeting will be held on Friday the 13th at 3:00pm with SCBA Marshals, a Town of Port Royal representative, and a Zonta Club representative. Rules and relevant information will be provided to the cooks, and any questions will be answered. **Meeting place is TBD.**

Teams may not sell other food or alcoholic beverages directly to the public. Teams may sell their own t-shirts, rubs or sauces.

"Quiet Time: Port Royal Noise Ordinance Chapter 15-18 (e) will be enforced between 11pm and 7am.

Coffee and donuts will be available for Cook Teams at 7:00am Saturday morning.

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UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BE GIVEN OUT BY THE TEAMS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC OR THEIR GUESTS. Team members are expected to be discreet in consuming any alcoholic beverages. The Pitmaster will be responsible for the conduct of their team and their guests.

Saturday judging is sanctioned by the South Carolina Barbeque Association. The rules and regulations for this organization will be followed. The Awards Ceremony will begin at approximately 3:30 PM on Saturday.

Questions – Please email zontabeaufortbbb@gmail.com



2026 BANDS, BREWS & BBQ PRIZES

Trophies and \$5100 in Cash Prizes

will be awarded in BUTTS & WINGS Categories

1st Place Butts - \$1500

2nd Place Butts - \$1000

3rd Place Butts - \$600

4th Place Butts - \$400

5th Place Butts - \$250

1st Place Wings - \$500

2nd Place Wings - \$250

3rd Place Wings - \$100

Hometown Heroes - \$500