

BIG NAMES IN COMPETITION BBQ "MEAT" UP IN BHC FOR 6th ANNUAL SLAB-O-RAMA BBQ COMPETITION

In January 2020, the Rotary Club of Bullhead City hosts its **6**th **Annual Slab-O-Rama BBQ Competition**.

What is Slab-O-Rama? Think of it as a gigantic picnic... All your friends will be there for some good old-fashioned family fun... great BBQ, listening to great music, and of course, sampling great beer (because you can't have BBQ without beer) and tasting great BBQ. What could be better than this?

The Slab-O-Rama BBQ Competition is a Kansas City Barbeque Society sanctioned contest which will allow the winning team to automatically qualify for the annual American Royal and Jack Daniels competitions. BBQ teams and grilling gurus from across the nation will be descending upon Bullhead City to cook some tasty BBQ and compete for \$18,000.00 in prizes, and some serious bragging rights. The teams will go head-to-head in the KCBS sanctioned categories of Chicken, Ribs, Pork, and Brisket, and in the open categories of Sausage, Appetizers, Desserts, and Cook's Choice. With over 60 BBQ teams, over 100 judges, thousands of attendees, and support from the City of Bullhead City and Smithfield during our event last year, we anticipate even greater participation for the 6th Annual Slab-O-Rama Barbeque Challenge, making it one of the largest BBQ Competitions!

The fun starts on Friday, January 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. We invite the whole community to come down to Rotary Park and sample beers, visit local vendors and sponsors, hear some great music from DJ Loke and participate in the Public Sampling, which will give community a chance to sample some very tasty BBQ grub prepared by participating teams.

As part of the 6th Annual Slab-O-Rama Barbeque Challenge, the Rotary Club of Bullhead City will be bringing back the Kids-Q Competition for the Little Pitmasters. This year our Kids-Q is sponsored by Green Mountain Grills, who has donated as a prize for our overall winner a Davy Crocket WiFi Grill.

And new to this year's competition, the 6th Annual Slab-O-Rama BBQ Challenge will introduce its first ever Steak Cookoff, sponsored by DOT Foods, Grill Grate and the Steak Cookoff

Association. This competition is open to anyone who wants to compete and anyone who thinks their steak is the best around.... \$3,000 in prizes is on the line, as well as a set of Grill Grates to our 1st place winner courtesy of Grill Grates. The fun continues Saturday January 18, when the competition will be in full force. Join in the Public Sampling will continue throughout the day, which will allow the community to sample some great BBQ. And don't forget, the Rotary Club will also be hosting a Winter Beer Garden, Bloody Mary Bar, a Margarita Bar, corn hole tournament for the adults, live music, line dancing, a root beer float station for the kids, Big Boys Toys, bouncy castles, face painting, vendors, and so much more!

The Rotary Club of Bullhead City is a non-profit organization, one of many in the world organization of Rotary. As Rotarians, we provide humanitarian service and help build goodwill and peace in the world. The Rotary Club of Bullhead City works year-round to improve the quality of life for residents of Mohave County. Our projects include:

- The creation of Rotary Park and its continued beautification and expansion to include additional soccer fields and baseball fields, which is where Slab-O-Rama is being held;
- Scholarships to local high school seniors for college or vocational careers;
- Sending local high school students to the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards to participate in leadership camps and meet other high school student from all over the world;
- Sponsor participation in Rotary Youth Exchange, the world's largest exchange program for high school students;
- Continue to sponsor Interact Clubs in the area. Our Club sponsors the Interact Club at Mohave High School. Members of the Interact Club develop leadership skills and perform many local and international service projects, including their current project, Crutches for Africa, where the students are collecting crutches, canes and wheelchairs from the community and flying to Africa to distribute to the disabled.

The Rotary Club of Bullhead City also contributes to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Rotary International is committed to creating lasting change all over the world. Recent projects include polio vaccinations in India, funding a new health complex in Tanzania, and providing safe drinking water and sanitation facilities in developing nations.

We hope with Slab-O-Rama our Rotary Club will continue to support our local community. Of course, none of the projects or events our Club participates in would be possible without our sponsors and our community. We hope you join us at Rotary Park on January 17th and 18th and start the New Year in BHC with great BBQ and great fun!!!