**4th Annual Smokin’ Trackside Barbeque Bash**

The aromas of I-35 Speedway changed this past weekend, August 9 and 10, 2019 as the 4th Annual Smokin’ Trackside Barbeque Bash was held. A normal aroma is the smell of racing fuel as the powerful engines of the racing machines take to the track on Saturday night. A new aroma permeated the track beginning Friday as the smell of brisket, chicken, ribs, and pork cooking in the smokers of various Kansas City Barbeque Society competitors invaded the track. What can be more American, Racing and BBQ?

Friday night events included racing on the track and a People’s Choice BBQ event where teams voluntarily cooked chicken wings in a non KCBS sanctioned event. The wings were then taken to the Trackside Bar and Grill where the general public sampled the various cooked wings and voted for their favorite. Congratulations to **We Be Smokin’** for winning this contest and taking home the coveted trophy.

Saturday, thirty (30) Barbeque Competitors began turning in their brisket, chicken, ribs, and pork to the palates of the judges. With thirty teams this meant the Grand Champion of the Smokin Trackside BBQ contest receives an automatic entry in the American Royal Invitational BBQ contest. The American Royal Competition will be held at Kansas Speedway.

Congratulations to ***Boomerang,*** the team traveled from Lubbock, Texas to participate and currently sits as the Top Team of the Year Candidate in KCBS, they earned the **Grand Champion Award** with a score of 692.4800. ***Love 2 Que*** was first in Chicken. ***Boomerang BBQ*** prepared the first-place ribs. ***All Forked Up for Q*** scored 180.0000 to take the top prize in Pork. ***Man Meat BBQ*** also scored a 180.0000 in brisket. This score helped ***Man Meat BBQ*** earn the Reserve Grand Champion with a score of 691.3944. ***Hunka Hunka Burnin' Rub, claimed t***hird place 686.8116.

I-35 Speedway thanks Mark and Kim Curry for being the KCBS representatives for this event and all the teams for participating.