



**2026 OMAR Bootleggers Annual Bar-B-Que Cookoff
Berkeley Shrine Club
649 Lakeside Dr
Moncks Corner, SC
February 27th & 28th**

Dear Cooker:

You are cordially invited to compete in our Annual OMAR Bootleggers Bar-B-Que Cook-off. This event will be held at the Berkeley Shrine Club in Moncks Corner, SC. This year's event will feature a "two meats" category Boston Butts & Pork Ribs. The team receiving the highest number of points in the Butts & Ribs events will be declared overall Grand Champion and second place will be declared Reserve Grand Champion.

The Overall Grand Champion will receive the Ultimate Belt Trophy & \$800 with the Reserve Champion receiving the Ultimate Turnover Chain Trophy & \$400. The overall Grand Champion will also receive an invitation to compete in the Southern BBQ Network's (SBN) Invitational Competition held in November.

Judging for the Butts & Ribs will be held on Saturday morning. Judges will be provided by the Southern BBQ Network (SBN) and judging will begin promptly at 9:00 AM (see attached rules for judging times for each event).

Only the first 25 cookers will be assured a spot due to our limited space. So, get your entry in early!

For additional information or questions, please call Greg Hardee @ (843) 364-5595, Skeeter Roberson @ 843-870-8925, Paul Port 843-499-2720, or email @ hardeegr@homesc.com..

Sincerely,
Greg Hardee

Saturday Events: \$250 entry Fees

1. Boston butts Contest: (Includes 4 Boston butts provided by OMAR)

1st Place:	\$800.00
2nd Place:	\$600.00
3rd Place:	\$500.00
4th Place:	\$400.00
5th Place:	\$300.00
6th Place:	\$100.00

RULES:

- 1. Judging will begin promptly at 9:00AM.**
- 2. Only Boston butts furnished by the event will be allowed in the contest.**
- 3. Boston butts may be cooked by wood, charcoal, gas, electric or combination thereof.**
- 4. This will be a “Blind” judging event (No on-site judging).**
- 5. Entry portions may be chopped and/or pulled but must be pre-sauced (No garnish please).**
- 6. Contestants will submit their entry in a box supplied by the SBN and shall not “mark” their entry boxes in any way.
Note: We will discuss what constitutes “marking” at the mandatory cooker’s meeting at 5PM Friday evening.**
- 7. Cookers will turn over the remaining BBQ not being judged to the OMAR Bootleggers**
- 8. All health regulations shall always be followed during the competition. (See general rules)**
- 9. Violation of any rule or health regulations may result in disqualification.**

Saturday Events (Cont.)

2. “BEST” BBQ PORK RIBS: (Cookers will provide ribs for contest)

1st place:	\$400.00
2nd place:	\$200.00
3rd place:	\$100.00

RULES:

- 1. Judging will begin promptly at 10:00AM.**
- 2. No “country style” boneless ribs allowed.**
- 3. Entry box shall contain no less than eight (8) individual ribs.**
- 4. Entries must be pre-sauced (No Garnish).**

GENERAL CONTEST RULES:

1. Official check-in will be Friday February 27th after 9:00AM.
2. A cooks' meeting will be held in the Shrine Club Oasis at 5:00 PM in the afternoon.
3. Each contestant will be provided a space of approximately 20'x20' unless prior arrangements are made with the cook-off organizers. There are spaces available for trailers & tents on a limited basis.
4. A total of (4) Boston butts will be available to each cooker following the cooker's meeting.
5. Each contestant must provide his/hers own cooking supplies.
6. Contestants must comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Berkeley County Health Department.
7. Violations of events, SBN rules (see SBN website), or health regulations can result in disqualification.
8. Excessive display and/or use of alcoholic beverages are not permitted. Under no circumstances are alcoholic beverages distributed to the public by contestants or their guests. No loud profane, abusive, or unacceptable language is allowed.
9. The contest organizers reserve the right to make any additional rules deemed necessary to protect all contestants and ensure a fair contest. All decisions by the organizers and judges are final.



OMAR BOOTLEGGERS ANNUAL BBQ COOK-OFF Entry Form

Name of Team: _____ Date _____

Pitmaster: _____ Email address: _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number (____) _____

**** This entry form must be signed and returned no later than Feb-20th****

Mail to: Greg Hardee
1521 Cedar Ave
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

**** Please make checks payable to OMAR Bootleggers****

Waiver of Liability: I hereby agree that the OMAR Bootleggers, BBQ Cook-Off Organizers, The Berkeley Shrine Club, their members, directors, employees, sponsors, club officers and fellow contestants of the OMAR Bootleggers BBQ Cook-Off will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage, regardless of how much loss, damage or injury is occasioned and therefore indemnify and hold harmless the above stated parties from any claims, suits and/or judgments, including the cost of defense of any such claim and/or suit incurred by the OMAR Bootleggers BBQ Cook-Off organizers brought by anyone as a result of any loss, damage or injury to any person or property occasioned by any action or inaction of contestants, either solely or in conjunction with the OMAR Bootleggers BBQ Cook-Off. Further, I hereby grant full permission to the OMAR Bootleggers BBQ Cook-Off organizers and/or agents to use any photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings, or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose. I also agree to abide by all contest rules and regulations.

I, _____, on behalf of the above-named team do hereby state that I have read and agree to abide by the above stated conditions of this contest.

Signed _____ Date _____

Amount Enclosed _____

WHO'S COMING FOR THE BELT!