

# 2021 Chili When it's Chilly – A Major Funding

## Cooking Categories w/ Guidelines, Rules, and COVID CAREFUL Regulations

### Summary / Highlights of the Rules:

1. You usually have to cook outside where everyone can see what you are up to. However, the Rona has made being outside somewhat sketchy, so, cook in your RV or cabin if you want, or outside, just needs to be on site. No precooking.
2. You have to cook in clean pots and be ready for someone to call you out if you are being nasty. Wash your hands, etc. A lot.
3. If what you turn in looks bad, smells bad, or seems raunchy, it might not get judged. Don't be mad.
4. All judging is anonymous. You must turn in your entry in the container provided.
5. This is NOT a sanctioned cook-off. We do what we can, but that stuff is just too much.
6. Illegal substances are not allowed.
7. Cook extra- We usually have an official tasting process for the spectators. Again, COVID is making that hard to manage. Please be responsible with handing out samples, but feel free to do so responsibly. Clean containers, clean hands.
8. For this year, no garnish. No fancy decorations. It sucks, but it's the Rona-Responsible thing to do.
9. The judges of this event are not trained chefs, some can't even spell chef. This is a charitable, fun event. If your entry isn't judged like you think it should be judged, bring an extra serving to Big Al later for an honest opinion.

# CWIC 2021 Hot Shit Team Award “RONA ADJUSTED” Chili Tasting / Hot Shit Team Award Plan

## 1. Purpose

- Allow patrons to the event to interact with the cooks and other participants
- Encourage interaction between teams
- Allow for a “Hot Shit Team” voting system

## 2. Requirements

- “Hot Shit Team” voting ends at 3:45pm
- CWIC will supply odd colored raffle tickets used for hot-shit team judging.
- Each team will supply and display a “tip jar” type receptacle for patrons to place voting tickets in throughout the event.

## 3. How it works

- Each attendee armband gets 2 voting tickets
- Additional voting tickets can be purchased for \$.50
- Each team needs to prominently put up a “tip jar” for people to drop their vote tickets in. Teams without the receptacle clearly displayed may get passed, and not receive any voting tickets.
- Each team will solicit voting support through decorations, outlandish antics, and other shenanigans.
- There is a pre-determined turn-in time for the tip jars, **4:00pm on Saturday**, and the team that turns in the tip jar with the most “voting tickets” will determine the recipient of the hot shit team award.

## I. General Rules and Guidelines

A. Each team or individual can enter as many different entries into as many categories as is desired. A separate entry fee will be paid for each entry into each category, regardless of the originating team. So then, for example, a single team or entrant might want to enter three different recipes in the Camp Slop contest may do so but each entry will require its own entry fee.

B. INSPECTION OF COOKING CONDITIONS - Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the judge supervisor or his/her designee.

C. Generally speaking, all preparations and cooking must be done at the site of the cook-off. Cooking and preparation, except as noted here, must be done no earlier than the Friday before the contest date. Recipe does not have to be published, but all recipe components must be food or beverage products. All final preparation or cooking must be done at the cook-off site outdoors in an all-access cooking area. Mixing or cooking inside motor homes, for example, is allowed this year because of the damn Rona.

Exceptions noted are below:

**I.** Due to possible inclement weather and other considerations ...entrants may pre-cook base meats prior to the cook-off. In the interest of cleanliness and sanitation, pre-cooked meats should be in sealed containers and stored in such a way as to promote a safe and edible final product. However, as with all ingredients, it must be clearly identified and be a single ingredient. No pre-seasoning of meats cooked off site is permitted.

**II.** Beans to be used may be pre-soaked in the interest of time and due to the possibility of inclement weather.

**III.** Each team or entrant understands that presented items may not be completely judged if an individual judge or the judging "supervisor" deems an entry to be not fit for human consumption. If you turn something in that looks spoiled, rotten, or otherwise just plain nasty, you can't expect someone else to put it in their mouth.

**D. Each team or entrant may be required to take a large bite / sample / taste / swallow of whatever they are entering at the time they turn in to the judges table. If the cook won't eat it, it won't be judged.**

E. Judging General Rules

**I.** Entries will be turned in to the designated judging area in an unmarked container provided by judging committee. The container will have affixed a two-part numerical ticket inside an envelope taped to the container. Winners will be presented based on ticket numbers and the contestant must present the signed ticket to be declared as such.

**II.** Judging sheets will be tabulated anonymously by the judging committee in plain view. Judges may tabulate individual scoring sheets, but not the final cumulative score sheets. Individual judges will not know the winner upon completion of the judging.

**III.** Tie scores in the top three of each category will be broken by a judging re-taste from a judge selected that wasn't a part of the original judging. Most likely, it will be Big AL.

F. This cook-off is NOT sanctioned by any entity recognized in the world of Chili Cooking. Further, AMF (www.amajorfunding.com), CWIC and its sponsors, nor the campground are responsible to resolve disputes or disagreements arising from this event. This is for fun, people, so let's keep it that way.

## **I. Grilled, Burnt, or Otherwise Prepared Jalapeno Contest**

### **A. Rules for Contents:**

- I. Fresh jalapeno's must be used in the recipe (not pickled or jarred).
- II. Peppers may be cooked in any way, but must be cooked outdoors. Uncooked peppers are also illegal for 2021
- III. Foreign objects must be clearly identified, such as toothpicks.

### **B. Rules for Judging**

- I. Each entrant team must turn in at least **8 peppers** (more is better) for judging. Leftovers after judging will be made available for sampling by any attendees who want to try them, while they last.
- II. Judging for this contest will be a multiple judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.
- III. Entries will be judged anonymously on a scale of 0 – 10 with 10 being the highest available score based on a summary judgment of appearance, flavor, and originality.
- IV. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample from 0-10 on the above characteristics for a combined possible high score of 10 or a combined possible low score of 0.

## **II. Regulation Style, Honest-to-God Texas Chili Contest**

### **A. Rules for Contents**

I. CHILI COOKED FROM SCRATCH - Commercial chili powder and spices are permissible, but complete commercial chili mixes ("just add meat" mixes that contain pre-measured spices) are NOT permitted.

II. NO FILLERS IN CHILI - Beans, macaroni, rice, hominy, or other similar ingredients are not permitted.

### **B. Rules for Judging**

I. Each entrant team must turn in 1 full container of the entered chili for judging. Leftovers are doubtful but will be managed properly.

II. Judging for this contest will be a 6 judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.

III. COOKS MAY HAVE TO TASTE THEIR CHILI - At the discretion of the head judge or judging supervisor, chili cooks may be required to remove the lids from their chili containers and taste their chili before turning in for judging. (If a contestant refuses, his or her chili will be disqualified.)

IV. Each judging sample must be taken from the container in a clean, unused spoon. Once the judging panel has completed scoring the entry, re-tasting is not allowed.

V. EACH CHILI MUST BE SCORED - If a judge determines (by aroma, consistency, and/or color) that he/she does not want to taste the chili, that chili still must be given a score.

VI. JUDGING CRITERIA AND SCORING - A single score takes into consideration the five criteria for scoring chili, a scale from 0-10 with 10 being the highest.

1. Aroma 2. Consistency 3. Red Color / Appearance 4. Taste

VII. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample on the above characteristics for a possible high score of 10 or a possible low score of 0

### **III. Friday Night Great Steak Challenge**

#### **a. Rules for Contents**

- i. All entries must be beef.
- ii. Any cut of meat may be used other than cheek meat, intestinal meat, or recently removed genitals.
- iii. As the cut and seasoning of individual entries will vary, each entry will be judged on its own merits and not compared to other entries.
- iv. Sauces, while an un-necessary crutch to a properly cooked steak, may be included in the entry container in a separate container. Judges will individually decide if the sauce is to be tasted when judging. Most likely, if the steak needs sauce, it ain't going to win.
- v. No other side dishes or accompaniments are allowed. No greenery, decorations, or other nonsense. Just the steak.

#### **b. Rules for Judging**

- i. Each entrant must turn in at least one steak to be judged. The steak should be of adequate size to allow for proper tasting by judges and as well the judging supervising team, if it looks really good.
- ii. Judging for this contest will be a multiple judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.
- iii. Each judging sample must be taken from the container on a new clean fork...steaks may be presented sliced and ready to eat, but may be presented any way the entrant desires.
- iv. Once the judging panel has completed scoring the entry, re-tasting is not allowed.
- v. Entries will be judged anonymously on a scale of 0 – 10 with 10 being the highest available score considering the following Characteristics: 1. Flavor 2. Tenderness 3. Juiciness
- vi. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample on the above characteristics for a possible high score of 10 or a combined possible low score of 0.
- vii. Losing steaks will be fed to the dogs. If the dogs won't eat it, the judges will be sent to the local medical facility for evaluation.

#### **IV. Friday Night Red, White, and Brew Throw-down**

- a. What goes better with a steak than a good cold beer????
- b. Rules for Contents
  - i. All entries must be presented in originally bottled condition, with no markings or labels visible on the container.
  - ii. Any style of beer may be entered. Upon receipt, all entries will be placed in a cooler with ice, so if it should be served warm, you will likely lose.
  - iii. As the style and makeup of individual entries will vary, each entry will be judged on its own merits and not compared to other entries.
  - iv. No accompaniments are allowed. Entries will be poured from original container to individual tasting cups.
- c. Rules for Judging
  - i. Each entrant must turn in one beer to be judged. The beer should be in its original bottled container and at least 12 fluid ounces. The container / bottle must be sealed from the original bottling. Beer that is sensed to be flat or stale upon opening will not be judged.
  - ii. Judging for this contest will be a multiple judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.
  - iii. Each judging sample must be taken from the container in a new clean tasting cup.
  - iv. Once the judging panel has completed scoring the entry, re-tasting is not allowed.
  - v. Entries will be judged anonymously on a scale of 0 – 10 with 10 being the highest available score on the following characteristics:
    1. Aroma
    2. Taste
  - vi. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample on the above characteristics for a combined possible high score of 10 or a combined possible low score of 0.
  - vii. Losing beers will be poured in the toilet, with hopes it will serve to help clean the bowl, since it clearly wasn't worth drinking.

## V. **Freestyle CAMP SLOP Contest**

### a. Rules for Contents

- i. Nothing can be included in the recipe that is not a recognized food product in some part of the world. Everything is okay as an ingredient as long as it is food. Toe jam, navel lint, rocks, lampshades, etc are not allowed.
- ii. Pre-prepared ingredients are allowed. Canned products are allowed as an ingredient but not as the final product. Beans, rice, and other communist-type ingredients are also allowed. Tofu is allowed but not encouraged.
- iii. The Slop must be a dish served warm-to-hot, and be some variant of “bowl food” like soup, stew, gumbo, jambalaya, mac-n-cheese, etc.
- iv. Preparation and cooking must be done somewhere, anywhere, indoors or out... but someplace other than public restrooms or in Nebraska.
- v. Each entry will be judged on its own merits and taste, not in comparison to other entries. This is a freestyle contest so any entry is acceptable that will fit in the judging container.

### b. Rules for Judging

- i. Each entrant team must turn in 1 full container of the entered concoction for judging. Leftovers are doubtful but will be managed properly. Leftovers with tofu will be fed to the dogs, if they will eat it.
- ii. Judging for this contest will be a multiple judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.
- iii. Each judging sample must be taken from the container in a clean, un-used spoon. Once the judging panel has completed scoring the entry, re-tasting is not allowed.
- iv. Entries will be judged anonymously on a scale of 1 – 10 with 10 being the highest available score taking into consideration the following characteristics:
  1. appearance
  2. aroma
  3. overall flavor
  4. originality / creativity
- v. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample on the above characteristics for a possible high score of 10 or a possible low score of 0.

## **VI. Genuine, Proper Barbequed Ribs**

### **a. Rules for Contents**

- i. Ribs presented must have the rib bone intact.
- ii. Pre-prepared ingredients are allowed, such as marinades, rubs, or sauces. Cooking of the ribs must be done on site.
- iii. The animal from which this rib is served must have started life as a pig, cow, white-tailed deer, AXIS deer, or Giraffe. No other meat is allowed.
- iv. The container turned in must contain at least 10 cooked ribs to be judged.
- v. Preparation and cooking must be done on site at the event.
- vi. Each entry will be judged on its own merits and taste, not in comparison to other entries.

### **b. Rules for Judging**

- i. Each entrant team must turn in 1 full container for judging. Leftovers are doubtful but will be managed properly.
- ii. Judging for this contest will be a multiple judge panel. Each judge will receive a sample from the entry and score it before going to the next entrant. Crackers and cheese with drinks will be available to judges to clear the palette between samples to be judged.
- iii. Each judging sample must be taken from the container and placed on a clean, un-used plate. Once the judging panel has completed scoring the entry, re-tasting is not allowed.
- iv. Entries will be judged anonymously on a scale of 1 – 10 with 10 being the highest available score taking into consideration the following characteristics:
  1. appearance
  2. aroma
  3. overall flavor
  4. texture
  5. mostly it's about flavor
- v. Judges will be instructed to rate each sample considering the above characteristics for a possible high score of 10 or a possible low score of 0.