

Strongsville City Club's Rib Burn Off will take place June 24-26

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STRONGSVILLE -- Local rib connoisseur's can have a finger-lickin' good time next weekend at Strongsville City Club's 24th annual Rib Burn Off.

The Burn Off is scheduled for June 24-26 at the Strongsville Commons at the intersection of Pearl and Royalton roads. The City Club estimates that 20,000 people will come out to enjoy delicious barbecue from restaurants throughout the nation, live entertainment and fun for the whole family.

Hours are from 4-11 p.m. June 24, 3-11 p.m. June 25 and noon to 11 p.m. June 26. Admission is \$2 and kids 10 and under are free. Everyone will be admitted free between noon and 3 p.m. Saturday.

Live entertainment is scheduled each evening from 6:30-10:30 p.m. The groups scheduled to perform are the Armstrong Bearcat on Thursday, Funkology on Friday and Second Time Around on Saturday.

As always there will be plenty of delicious barbecue available from restaurants across the United States.

There are several local eateries that are vying for the top spot at this year's burn off.

Desperado's BBQ & Rib Co. in Hinckley has racked up several awards during its 15 years at the burn off. Desperado's, which is known for its fall-off-the-bone pork ribs, has been awarded "Judge's Choice," "People's Choice" and "Best Sauce."

Lagerheads Smokehouse in Medina is returning to the burn off for its fourth year. Lagerhead's is known for its secret recipe barbecue sauce and hickory-smoked meats.

The Old Carolina Barbecue Company in Medina will bring the traditional flavors or roadside stands in North and South Carolina to the burn off. Old Carolina features dry rubs and slow-smoked with five different sauces.

Other entrants are Porky N Beans of Port St. Lucie, Fla., Smokin' Joe's Hog Wild Barbeque of Mansfield, Armadillo's Rib and BBQ CO. in Boardman, Smokin' T's BBQ in Bedford, Texas Pit BBQ of Willis, Texas, Two Fat Guys of Massillon and Cowboys of Waterford, Texas.

On June 24 and 25, burn off attendees can sign up to be a judge to determine the "Best Rib" and "Best Sauce." Ballots will also be available at the gates for the People's Choice award.

On June 26, local celebrities, including restaurant owners and chefs, will determine their favorites for the Judge's Choice Award.

Visit strongsvillecityclub.org for more information.