

2009 SWISS WINE FESTIVAL



5TH ANNUAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

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TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

Qualification rounds for the Sunday Tournament will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings. Friday will have heats starting at 5:00, 6:00 & 7:00pm. Saturday's heats will be played at 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 and 7:00pm. The games will be played in a reserved area of the baseball field at the Paul Ogle Riverfront Park. There are reserved slots available for 84 teams to play in the qualifying heats. The entry fee for each team is \$20.00 for all teams that register by August 20, 2009. After August 20th, the registration fee will be \$25.00. Teams will be accepted until all heats are filled. Tournament officials reserve the right to drop a heat if the registrations don't warrant having it. Team members can be any age. Entry forms and fees can be turned into the Swiss Wine Festival office, the Switzerland County Visitor's Center or dropped off at the home of Sheri Deaton. Please be sure to have the person accepting your entry enter the date and time received in the bottom right hand corner as this information will be used to give preference to the heat you will be assigned. (Keep in mind that the number of teams are limited, so get your forms in as early as possible.)

Qualifying heats will consist of up to 12 teams. The top 4 teams from each heat will receive commemorative t-shirts and qualify for the finals tournament on Sunday. Teams playing on Sunday will need to sign in beginning at 1:00pm to draw for bracket positions. **Teams not signing in by 1:20pm will forfeit their spot in the finals.** Tournament play will begin at 1:30pm.

In order to promote the festival and local businesses, winners will receive the first \$50.00 in prize money in the form of festival bucks. The festival bucks can be used at participating vendors within the festival or can be redeemed at any of several local participating businesses. The balance of the prize money will be issued in the form of one check made out to both team members.

PRIZE MONEY TO BE AWARDED AT SUNDAY'S TOURNAMENT
1ST PLACE -- \$300.00 2ND PLACE -- \$150.00 3RD PLACE -- \$50.00

All preregistered teams will be notified by Wednesday, August 26, 2009 as to what time they are scheduled to play. Teams will need to sign in at least 15 minutes prior to their start time. Any team not signing in by 5 minutes prior to their start time will forfeit their spot and entry fee.

In the past the tournament has been a great success due to the co-operation and sportsmanship of all the participants. It is our hope that this year will be even better. We want to wish everyone the best of luck and hope that you have a great time competing.

If you should have any questions regarding the tournament, feel free to contact Sheri Deaton at 812 427-3480.

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OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES

GAME PLAY

Partners shall stand at opposite boxes on the same side facing each other so there is no advantage given to one team.

Each team shall have 4 bags of one color.

All 8 bags will begin at one end.

A coin flip shall determine who has honors to go first in round one.

One of the partners on the team who has honors shall begin by throwing a bag at the opposite box.

A player may throw from anywhere within the pitching area behind the foot foul line.

Game continues by alternating throws between the two opponents until all 8 bags have been thrown, ending the round.

If a bag hits the ground then bounces up onto the board, that bag shall be taken off the playing surface.

The next round starts when the other player on the team, which has honors, throws their first bag.

The game continues until one team reaches 21 or more points or the 20 minute time limit has been reached. If no team has scored 21 points by the time limit, the team with the most points at the end of the round shall be declared the winner of the match.

FOULS

A foul occurs when any of the following happens.

A player's foot goes past the foot foul line, termed a foot foul.

A player goes out of turn.

The player who commits the foul loses the throw when the foul occurred and the bag shall be removed if it landed on the playing surface.

QUALIFICATION HEAT SCORING

The score will be calculated after all bags have been thrown for the round. No bags are to be moved until the score has been agreed upon and recorded by the scorekeeper.

Points shall be awarded as follows:

Three points for a bag that goes through the hole.

One point for a bag that is on the playing surface.

One point for a bag that is hanging into the hole.

One point for a bag that is hanging off the edge but not touching the ground.

Zero points for a bag that is on the playing surface, but also touching the ground.

Zero points for a bag that is hanging off the front edge and is resting on a bag that is on the ground, unless the bag on the ground can be removed without making the hanging bag fall to the ground, then one point is given.

Each team is given a score for the round as calculated above. The team with the most points for the round, adds the difference of the two scores to their game score.

The team who wins the round shall be given honors to throw first in the next round.

If both teams have the same round score then the game score stays the same and the honors stays with the team who had it the previous round.

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If time should run out before either team reaches a score of 21, the team with the most points at the end of the round will be awarded a score of 21 with the opposing team receiving the score they had at the end of the last round completed.

The decision of the scorekeeper will be final in all debates over the scoring.

QUALIFYING FOR THE SUNDAY FINALS

Winners of each qualification heat will be determined by adding the scores each team received in the 3 games played during the heat. The top 4 teams will receive t-shirts and advance to the Sunday's single-elimination finals.

In the case of a tie for the 3rd team, the 2 teams involved will have a sudden death pitch off. The pitch off will be completed by rounds giving each team member one toss until one team has scored more points than the other at the end of the round.

SUNDAY SINGLE-ELIMINATION FINALS

Teams advancing to the Sunday finals will need to be at the playing area by 1:00 to sign in and draw a team number.

Your team number will determine when and who you play.

No time limit will be imposed on the games played on Sunday. Each game will be played to completion.

The same scoring rules will be imposed as was used for the qualification rounds with the exception of the time limit.

The bracket structure for Sunday will not be determined until after the number of teams involved is known. The maximum number of teams that will be playing on Sunday is 28.

Prize monies will be awarded as follows:

1st place team - \$50.00 in festival bucks and a check for \$250.00.

2nd place team - \$50.00 in festival bucks and a check for \$100.00.

3rd place team - \$50.00 in festival bucks.

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ENTRY FORM

PLAYER #1

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

PLAYER #2

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Please mark your qualification round preferences as 1,2 or 3. We will attempt to schedule according to your preference but cannot guarantee which round you will be placed in. Teams will be notified by August 26, 2009 as to when they will be playing their qualification round.

FRIDAY

5:00PM _____

6:00PM _____

7:00PM _____

SATURDAY

4:00PM _____

5:00PM _____

SATURDAY

6:00PM _____

7:00PM _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY & ACCEPTANCE OF RULES

We also acknowledge that risk of injury is part of participation in the CornHole Tournament. We accept this risk and agree to hold harmless the Swiss Wine Festival, Inc., Vevay Park Board, Town of Vevay and any other persons or entities involved in this event (Event Organizers). Furthermore we do hereby grant full permission to the Event Organizers to use any photographs, videotapes or other recordings of this event and to do so without compensation to either of us. This release shall be construed under the law of the State of Indiana.

Our signatures hereto are acknowledgement that we have carefully read and agree with the above terms of the release of liability. By signing below, we also verify that we have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules of the tournament as outlined on the attached sheet. We further understand that the decisions of the event chairperson will be final.

IF EITHER TEAM MEMBER IS UNDER 21, THIS AGREEMENT MUST ALSO BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

Player's Signatures

1 _____

2 _____

Parent/Guardian Signatures

1 _____

2 _____

Return form with entry fee to:
Swiss Wine Festival
Office
105 W. Pike Street
Vevay, IN 47043

or

Sheri Deaton
53 Highway 156
Vevay, IN 47043

or

Switzerland County Tourism Office
128 W. Main Street
Vevay, IN 47043

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