

5th Annual Montgomery County Old Threshers Dutch Oven Cooking Contest August 16, 2025 - Information

Many threshers had the meals brought to them in the field; many were prepared and cooked on site, so why not have a Dutch Oven Cooking Contest. All teams will enter in each category. **Entrée: One-Pot Meat** (3-4 lb. Pork Loin), **Vegetable Casserole:** Minimum of two types of vegetables, **Quick Bread:** using fruit or vegetables, all cooked in Cast Iron Dutch Ovens.

Who: Anyone may enter. We will have only one division again this year.

Team: must have at least one adult 18 years or older and one or two other team members of any age.

We are hoping for 6 teams or more. If you register to compete in the contest and are unable to attend, PLEASE let us know as soon as possible so we can plan our space for teams.

What: Dutch Oven Cooking Contest with each team entering one item in each category.

Entrée: One-Pot Meat (everything cooked in one pot) featuring Pork Loin.

Vegetable Casserole: Minimum of two types of vegetables (onion counts as one).

Bread: Quick Bread (from scratch, no mixes) using fruit or vegetables.

Showmanship: Having a neat cooking area, good interaction with the public, following the rules, attire and team spirit. We will not be awarding any prizes for this category.

When: Saturday, August 16, 2025, teams set up at 8:00 am

Where: Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 700 S. Sturgeon St., Montgomery City, Missouri 63361

Pre-Registration Deadline: Friday, August 8, 2025

Include one copy of your competition recipes each on one 8 ½" x 11" sheet of paper along with your team Pre-Registration form. Must include a list of the ingredients used in order; along with step by step instructions.

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per team (includes entry buttons for the 4 day show & a Saturday parking pass) Buttons are good all four days; please contact me to make arrangements for picking up before Saturday.

Check in and set up time: 8:00 – 9:00 am. Enter at the South gate from Hwy 19/ Sturgeon Street, turn East on “Long Road”, turn North at truck parking area to back gate. Parking is not allowed at competition site, after unloading you will be directed to the parking area.

New location: We will be setting up North of the Main Restrooms in the grass area along the North Entrance. We feel more people will see the competition and move away from the noise of the small engine ice cream maker. **This area worked very well last year.**

Registration time: 8:30 – 9:00 am. Team numbers will be assigned and given for each of your entries. Your cook camp area will be assigned.

Dutch Oven Inspections: 9:00 am. Chairperson will come around and will give you the okay.

Cooks meeting: 9:10 am. One team member must attend to get any last-minute instructions or ask any questions. Cooking will begin after the meeting.

Stone Soup Story: Pat will be doing the “Stone Soup Story” will also offer a bowl of soup for a donation of \$5.00.

Food Judging: Again this year we continue the judging with having a People’s Choice Judging to decide the winners. The people who donate for a tasting plate will have ballots to vote.

12:00 Noon: Food will be placed on the judging tables.

Time will be announced at 10 minutes and 5 minutes before deadlines.

Contestants Tasting: After photos, contestants will cut their entries into smaller portions for serving. Contestants will go first to sample all entries, you will also get to vote, then the public. Will have volunteers serve the food to control portions.

Public Judges Tasting: After the announcements, sampling of the entries will be offered for a donation of \$10.00 per plate, proceeds will go to the Central Missouri Honor Flight Program or to local VFW’s. (There was some concern the flight program may be cancelled)

Winners announced: about 1:00 pm when judging has been completed.

Prizes: One Pot Meat – 1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd	\$50 / 35 / 25
Casserole – 1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd	\$50 / 35 / 25
Bread – 1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd	\$50 / 35 / 25

Clean Up: Teams must have their area packed up and removed from the contest area.

Thank you! Any questions or concerns please contact Pat Korman, Chairperson

Phone: (home): 573-564-2312 (please leave a message) once registered will give out my cellphone number or you may send an email: patkorman@hotmail.com

Please put in subject line: Dutch Oven Contest