



WV Strawberry Festival – Buckhannon, WV

The clip-clop of horseshoes will echo down the streets of Buckhannon this coming May 12, 2012, as the inaugural Horse and Carriage parade winds along the 2.5 mile Strawberry Lane. The event is being held in conjunction with the 71st annual West Virginia Strawberry Festival which takes place annually in the North Central West Virginia city.

Thousands of spectators are expected to line the route as dozens of horse-drawn buggies and carriages wind their way down Strawberry Lane. Individual horse and riders as and equestrian units will also be included in the line-up, which kicks off at precisely 5:00pm.

Each parade participant will receive a rosette ribbon while trophies will be awarded in various categories. One thousand dollars will be awarded to the "Most Outstanding Unit Overall." Four random drawings valued at \$250 each will be awarded to participants.

For applications, participants may access the WV Strawberry Festival website at:

www.wvstrawberryfestival.com – forms/contests or interested individuals may call: (304) 473-1653, (304) 472-1545, or (304) 613-0103.

Organizers encourage both spectators and participants to make plans now for this exciting new event. An enjoyable time is guaranteed for all! Remember to mark your calendars now for Saturday, May 12th, 2012 – the WV Strawberry Festival Horse and Carriage Parade – "It's the berries!"

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West Virginia Strawberry Festival

Association Inc.

2012 WV STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
HORSE AND CARRIAGE PARADE
MAY 12, 2012

Entry Contact Information

Name of Entry: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Parade Day Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

(All updates and announcements regarding the parade will done via email if available)

Entry Information

Please Indicate Entry Type:

Horse/Carriage Riding Group Mini/Cart Single Rider

List the parades which your horse and/or group have recently appeared, if any:

Years of riding/driving experience: _____

Equestrian Layout

Riding Groups

Number of riders in unit: _____

Number of outwalkers: _____

Number of tethered horses: _____

Horse-Drawn Vehicles

Length of Carriage/Wagon with horses(s) hitched: _____

Number of horses pulling Carriage/Wagon: _____

Number of Riders in the horse-drawn Carriage/Wagon: _____ (including driver)

Number of outwalkers: _____

(One outwalker per two horses required for each entry)

Questions: Contact Susie Miller at 304-613-0103 or smiller.jfm@citynet.net

Marcella Garrison at 304-472-2582 or marcella.garrison@us.army.mil



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Announcement Script

Please describe your entry for the announcer's script. Please introduce your entry and provide any fun information you would like to provide about you, your horses, your cart and your group or entry.

Please type or print clearly.

Judging

All entries will be judged and scored at the designated judges review area along the parade route.

- Grand Prize Winner - \$1000
- 4 Random Drawings (all participants included in drawings) - \$250 each
- Category Winners - Trophy
- Rosette for each Entry

Additional Details:

Once your application has been received, accepted and processed, you will be added to the 2012 Parade email list and will receive communication including parade updates, judging categories, etc. A week prior to the parade you will receive your parade line-up number and directions to your staging area.

Thank you for your entry and we look forward to seeing you Saturday, May 15, 2012 at the WV Strawberry Festival Horse and Carriage Parade.

Submit Applications to: WVSF – Susie Miller, 9 Thornwood Lane, Buckhannon, WV 26201
You may also fax application to: Attn: Susie Miller – 304-473-1409 or submit by email to smiller.jfm@citynet.net

Vehicle Information for Parking Planning

Describe your rig: _____

Please indicate the size of your rig, including towing vehicle: _____

How many rigs/vehicles will be with your group? Please describe: _____

REQUIRED INSURANCE COVERAGE

If you belong to a group or organization which provides insurance coverage, please attach your proof of membership and certificate of insurance.

If you carry individual insurance that covers you for parades and such, please provide a copy of certificate of insurance.

The WV Strawberry Festival Association strives to provide a safe event for participants, volunteers and spectators, but it's important that all entries cover themselves in case of an accident. Thank you for your cooperation.

Insurance Carrier Name: _____

General Liability Amount: _____

REQUIREMENTS

1. ALL ENTRIES MUST ATTACH PROOF OF INSURANCE TO ENTRY FORM
2. ALL ENTRIES MUST CARRY PROOF OF CURRENT COGGINS TEST ON DAY OF PARADE
3. EACH ENTRY MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE OUTWALKER
4. ALL OUTWALKERS MUST BE OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE
5. WV STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL STAFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PULL ANY CARRIAGE OR RIDER FROM THE PARADE FOR ANY REASON
6. ALL RIDERS AND CARRIAGE DRIVERS MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 16 YEARS OF AGE AND HAVE AN OUTWALKER ACCOMPANY THEM.
7. ALL CARRIAGE UNITS NOT TIED TO TRAILERS MUS BE CONTROLLED BY EITHER A HEADER OR A DRIVER ON THE SEAT (WITH REIGNS IN HAND).
8. NO PASSENGERS ARE ALLOWED IN THE CARRIAGE UNLESS A DRIVER IS ON THEIR SEAT (WITH REIGNS IN HAND).
9. NO BRIDLE WILL BE REMOVED WHILE HITCHED TO A CARRIAGE.

RELEASE

In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate in the WV Strawberry Festival Horse and Carriage Parade, by execution of this entry form, I (my organization) and any related participants, hereby release and discharge the following: Parade Committee, WV Strawberry Festival Assoc., City of Buckhannon and any other property owner, (this includes the officers, employees, representatives and management of presentation of WVSF Horse and Carriage Parade) of any and all know and unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments and/or claims from any course whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant, member or participant of the entrant's organization and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless all of the above in addition to any others involved in this event. In addition, I, my organization and participants, release all of the above, plus other volunteers from any and all liability resulting from the actions or conduct of entrants, entrant's guests, entrants' entry or unit, whether it be animal or animal drawn or otherwise, or any participant assistant or cooperating with entrant, whether under the direction or control of entrant, or not under said control or direction. I certify my entry, equipment, vehicle and animals as safe and "parade ready." The undersigned has read and agrees with the Parade Rules.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____