

# 81st National Sweetcorn Festival



## Schedule of Events



### Thursday, August 28, 2025

- 5:00 pm - Gates, Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Opens
- 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special
- 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Bingo (Jaycees Shelter)
- 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Souvenir & 50/50 Sales (Jaycees Shelter)
- 10:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Closes

### Friday, August 29, 2025

- 5:00 pm - Gates, Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Opens
- 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Bingo (Beer Tent)
- 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Kolten Taylor Band (Beer Tent)
- 11:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Closes

### Saturday, August 30, 2025

- 6:00 am - Flea Market Opens
- 6:30 am - 7:30 am - Bill Orr Memorial 5K Registration
- 7:30 am - 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk (Main/Market)
- 8:00 am - Bill Orr Memorial 5K (Main/Market)
- 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Car Show Registration (Southeast Corner of McFerren Park)
- 8:45 am - Little Corn Eaters Run (Main/Market)
- 9:00 am - Gates Open
- 10:30 am - Grand Parade (Downtown)
- 12:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Opens
- 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Carnival Ride Session 1
- 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm - Doc Ashton and the Root Canals (Center Stage)
- 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Souvenir & 50/50 Sales (Center Stage)
- 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm - **FREE SWEETCORN!**
- 3:00 pm - Car Show Awards (Southeast Corner of McFerren Park)
- 3:00 pm - Grandstand and Beer Tent Opens
- 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Afro D & Global Soundwaves (Center Stage)
- 5:00 pm - Demolition Derby (Annex)
- 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Carnival Ride Session 2
- 6:30 pm - National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary Competition (Civic Center)
- 11:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, Food Area, and Beer Tent Closes

## Sunday, August 31, 2025

8:00 am - Flea Market Opens  
9:00 am - Gates Open  
11:00 am - Kid's Fishing Derby Registration (Crabtree Shelter)  
12:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Opens  
12:00 pm - Kid's Fishing Derby (Lagoon)  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special Session 1  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - **FREE SWEETCORN!**  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Jaycees Soundtrack (Center Stage)  
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Souvenir & 50/50 Sales (Center Stage)  
1:00 pm - Ponytail Contest (Center Stage)  
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm - Princess Ariel Meet & Greet (Center Stage)  
2:30 pm - Kids' Pie Eating Contest (Center Stage)  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - James Michael Travis Band (Center Stage)  
3:00 pm - Grandstand and Beer Tent Opens  
5:00 pm - Demolition Derby  
5:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special Session 2  
6:30 pm - National Sweetheart Pageant Finals (Civic Center)  
9:00 pm - National Sweetheart Pageant Awards (Civic Center)  
11:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, Food Area, and Beer Tent Closes

## Monday, September 1, 2025

8:00 am - Flea Market Opens  
9:00 am - Gates Open  
9:30 am - 10:15 am - Cream of the Crop Pretty Baby Contest Registration (Civic Center)  
10:30 am - Cream of the Crop Pretty Baby Contest (Civic Center)  
12:00 pm - Midway, Vendor, and Food Area Opens  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special Session 1  
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm - The Woodchips (Center Stage)  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - **FREE SWEETCORN!**  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Souvenir & 50/50 Sales (Center Stage)  
12:30pm - 1:00 pm - Duck Race Sales (Crabtree Shelter)  
1:00 pm - Duck Race (Lagoon)  
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Bingo (Jaycees Shelter)  
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - The Back Paiges (Center Stage)  
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Carnival Ride Special Session 2  
7:00 pm - Vendor Area Closes  
9:00 pm - Midway Closes

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**This Schedule Is Subject To Change With Little or No Notice**