

# NC Blueberry Festival Recipe Contest Scheduled for Friday, June 20, 2008 in Burgaw, NC

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The Star-News, the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will be hosting the 5th Annual NC Blueberry Festival Recipe Contest. The contest will be held on Friday, June 20, at the Agriculture Building, 801 South Walker Street in Burgaw. The competition is sponsored by the Star-News with cash prizes being awarded in each of six categories.

The North Carolina Blueberry Festival is held to promote North Carolina Blueberries. There is no better way than to share your favorite Blueberry Recipe and to compete for cash prizes!

## Blueberry Competition Rules:

1. The contest will be divided into six categories as follows –
  - Salads
  - Breads and Muffins
  - Cobblers, Crisps & Puddings
  - Pies & Pastries
  - Cakes
  - Miscellaneous: Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Sauces, Salsa, Soups, Glazes, Jams and Jellies
2. Each entry should contain at least 1 cup of fresh North Carolina Blueberries.
3. Type or print your recipe and submit with the blueberry entry. If internet access is available, please e-mail your recipe to [reatha\\_hoffman@ncsu.edu](mailto:reatha_hoffman@ncsu.edu) prior to the day of the contest. You will still need to bring a copy of your recipe with your entry the day of the contest. The correct ingredients and method of preparation should be listed. The recipe becomes the property of the NC Blueberry Festival, NC Blueberry Council, the NC Cooperative Extension Service and the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

4. The recipe should include the participant's name, address, and daytime/evening phone number in the upper right hand corner of the recipe page.
5. One entry per person will be allowed in each category.
6. Winning recipes from previous years may not be entered.
7. Prepared recipes should be brought to the Agriculture Building on Friday, June 20, and will be received between 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM. The judging will take place from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. The exhibit will be closed to the public during judging. Participants can collect their dishes from 3-5 PM on Friday.
8. Winners of each category will be awarded cash prizes as follows:  
Cash Prizes Total \$ 1,200
  - 1<sup>st</sup> - \$ 100.00 & Ribbon
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$ 75.00 & Ribbon
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$ 25.00 & Ribbon
9. Winners will be announced at the NC Blueberry Festival on Friday, June 20, at the Burgaw Depot 5-6 PM.
10. Entries will be judged on the following:
  - Taste/Appeal 30%
  - General Appearance 30%
  - Creative Use 20%
  - Ease of Preparation 20%
11. Recipes will be available for sampling by the public at 2:00 PM on Friday in the Agriculture Building.

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