

BACK PORCH JAM CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT 2024



DATE: Saturday, March 16, 2024
TIME: Team Check in 11:00 am Play Noon
FORMAT: 2 player teams, doubles play

PRIZES

1st place team - \$100 cash and Trophy • **2nd place team** - Trophy • **3rd place team** - Trophy

Official Cornhole Tournament Rules

(Those we will adhere to on Saturday 3/16/2024)

- Captains will play Rock-Paper-Scissors to decide who plays first.
- Matches will consist of 1 game, first team to 21 points wins and moves on.
- Sudden death, single elimination throughout the tournament.
- There will be a championship game for the final two teams and a consolation game to determine the 3rd place winner.

Players must toss behind the foul line or lose their turn. The foul line is defined as the line stretching out horizontally from the front of the cornhole board. Each player's feet must be behind the foul line. Leaning over the foul line is permitted.

Play of the Game

Doubles Play - In doubles play two cornholers are partners against another team of two cornholers. In doubles play, one member of each team pitches from one Cornhole platform and the other members pitch from the other cornhole platform. (Team members stand on opposite sides).

Value of the Corn Bag

Corn Bag In-The-Hole - A corn bag in-the-hole (or Cornhole) is a corn bag which is thrown through the hole in the Cornhole platform or otherwise comes to rest inside the Cornhole platform (knocked in by another player or an act of God). A corn bag in-the-hole has a value of **(3) points**.

Corn Bag On-the-Board - A corn bag that is not in-the-hole but lands with any portion of the corn bag resting on the Cornhole platform is on-the-board (or called a woody). Any bag on the board has a value of **(1) point**. It must not touch the ground or any other portion of the court prior to coming to rest on the Cornhole platform. If a corn bag touches the ground before coming to rest on the Cornhole platform, it is a foul and must be removed from the Cornhole platform prior to the continuation of play.

Corn Bag Off-the-Board - A corn bag which comes to rest anywhere except on-the-board or in-the-hole is out-of-the-count and has no scoring value. A corn bag which is declared to be a foul is considered to be out-of-the-count (no matter where it comes to rest) and must be removed from the Cornhole surface prior to the continuation of play.

*****Cancellation Scoring***** - Per official rules, the tournament will be played with cancellation scoring, corn bags in-the-hole and corn bags in-the-count pitched by opponents during an inning (turn) cancel each other out. Only non-cancelled corn bags are counted in the score and "carried forward" for the total score.

Example:

The game begins and Team A scores two bags on the board for 1 point each and 1 bag in the cornhole for 3 points, this gives them a total of 5 points.....Team B scores one single bag on the board for a total of 1 point.....In cancellation scoring, Team A's 5 points are subtracted by Team B's 1 point and the overall score for the game is 4 to 0 with Team A leading.

Continuing: The two teams toss again and now Team B scores one bag in the cornhole for 3 points and three bags on the board for 1 point for a total of 6 points.....Team A scores two bags on the board for 1 point each for a total of 2 points..... Team B's 6 points are subtracted by Team A's 2 points and the overall score for the game is now set at 4 to 4 with Teams A and B tied.

In Review...Only the team who out scores the other team in a turn is able to carry their points forward to their total score. If both teams do not score on a particular turn or score the same number of points...the score negates and the overall score stays the same. Again, first team to 21 points wins, there is no win by two. **Scoreboards maintained on your assigned court – this will help you understand your overall score in your match.**

Delivery of Corn Bags

In doubles play, one representative from each team stands on each side along with their opponent. There are 8 cornhole bags per court, 4 varying colored cornhole bags given to each team. The participants alternate pitching corn bags until they have thrown all four corn bags, then the remaining players (pitching from the other cornhole platform) continue to alternate in the same manner until all four corn bags are delivered and the inning completed. The player/team who scored in the preceding frame shall pitch first in the next frame. If neither player/team scores, the player/team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next inning.

The Inning Must Be Finished

The Cornhole match can never end in the middle of an inning. Thus, if a team that pitches first reaches or exceeds 21 points, the game cannot end until the other team is allowed to pitch all of their corn bags and the inning is completed. **Ties:** - If the Cornhole match is tied at 21 or more at the end of an inning, play continues until one team achieves a higher score after both teams have thrown at the end of an inning and wins the match. There is no win by two.

(Our officiating/tournament staff has the right to alter these rules as fit prior to or during tournament play).