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## **BUTTS TO BROADWAY POSTPONED**

HOPEWELL, VA. Hopewell Recreation and Parks has announced that the Butts to Broadway Barbeque cooking competition scheduled for Saturday, June 1, has been postponed. The event did not reach its minimum required number of competitors.

Hopewell Recreation and Parks took the lead role with planning the event when the Hopewell Downtown Partnership expressed concern with being able to manage an event of this size with limited staffing. “The event has become one of the City’s signature events, one that patrons and competitors look forward to each year,” said Aaron Reidmiller, director of Hopewell’s Recreation and Parks Department. “It was important to us to see it continue to grow and attract large crowds to Hopewell’s historic downtown,” Reidmiller added.

The Recreation Department and the Hopewell Downtown Partnership will continue to work together to determine a new date for the event. Interested competitors are encouraged to contact the Hopewell Recreation and Parks Department to be added to the event’s contact list. Patrons are encouraged to follow Hopewell Recreation and Parks on facebook and Instagram for updates on the event, or to visit the departments website at [www.hopewellrecandparks.com](http://www.hopewellrecandparks.com).

\*\*Hopewell Recreation and Parks offers a variety of recreational opportunities and events to improve the overall health and wellbeing of the community. The department offers hundreds of programs each year and is responsible for more than 200 acres of parks and playgrounds.\*\*

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