

**Best Event Over
\$75,000**

**Fun Fest,
Visit Kingsport, TN**

Detailed description of the event

Since 1981, Fun Fest has been a staple festival in Kingsport and throughout the region. For nine days in July, the community celebrates the Kingsport spirit with nearly 100 events in more than 30 locations around the city. From day one, the goal of Fun Fest has been “Community Unity.” We want to create an experience that promotes unity, harmony, inclusion and fellowship among friends, neighbors, families and co-workers. Festus, a bright red and yellow sun, and the Fun Fest mascot, champions and promotes the community spirit all year. Fun Fest continues to foster the belief that Kingsport is a good place to work and live by providing events that highlight entertainment, athletics, arts and history. We strive to make Fun Fest a festival that becomes a tradition for families throughout generations and offers affordable ways to make memories that last a lifetime. In 2024, Fun Fest welcomed 100,000 visitors from 32 states. Throughout its nine days, Fun Fest hosts events like a parade, road races, sporting events, senior events, children’s events, hot air balloons, fireworks, concerts, food trucks, pet events, block parties, guided hikes and SO. MUCH. MORE. Fun Fest is made possible each year by more than 150 corporate and community sponsors who put their financial support, time and energy into making each event a success. The weekend leading up to Fun Fest is known as Block Party Weekend. 40 different block parties were held from July 12 to 14, 2024. Block Parties can be public or private and are free to attend. Public block parties are advertised on the Fun Fest social media pages and on the Fun Fest website. Churches, businesses and neighborhoods all take part. Block Party Weekend serves as a way to build excitement for the upcoming festival and all the events that happen during it. Block Parties are free to register for, and hosts are given a party kit with branded cups to use at their event. Many block parties are filled with cook outs, games, inflatables, music and much more. There are several other Pre-Fun Fest events that happen in the week between block parties and the kickoff day. Some of the 90+ events during Fun Fest happen daily. One very unique event is the Fun Fest Medallion Hunt. It’s a city-wide treasure hunt! A member of the Fun Fest team serves as a clue writer, working on riddles up to a year in advance. At least one medallion is hidden each day of the festival and clues are announced on the radio and social media every few hours until the medallion is found. Clues are riddles that key in to specific pieces of history or fun facts. This is an event that gets people talking! Guesses are posted in comments and groups go out to chase leads. Thanks to our sponsor, Kubota of Kingsport, the hidden medallion is shaped like a tractor. The Medallion Hunt takes on a life of its own each day and keeps people learning more about the city and its history each day. A parade marked the official Fun Fest kickoff. In 2024, we had 100 parade entries. They consisted of floats, marching bands, emergency service vehicles, jeeps and horses. Thousands of people lined the streets of downtown Kingsport to watch and wave as the parade passed by. Although the parade didn’t begin until the evening hours, people began setting up chairs along the sidewalk as early as 6 am. Night one closed out with a free concert on the streets just a block away from the parade route. Multiple food trucks were also on-site throughout the evening to serve up a variety of foods and desserts. The next eight days of Fun Fest were filled with good food, great music and a whole lot of laughter and smiles. Day two of Fun Fest 2024 brought a fishing derby for the kids, a bird walk, pickle ball and volleyball tournaments...and that was all before lunch! One of the more anticipated events of day two was the Downtown Street Fair. This event brought together a variety of different cultures and celebrated what makes them each special. Stage performers included cloggers, Irish dancers and fusion dancers. Downtown Street Fair also included exhibitors from around the world, showcasing food, art, music and more.

Food trucks and a touch-a-truck event also added to the event, making it a must-do for families. The Crazy 8s, a world-renowned 8K, closed out Fun Fest's second day. National and international runners travel to Kingsport to compete for the gold. The race is offset with children's and special needs races, as well as a 3K walk for all ages. A craft fair, vinyl record show, beauty pageant and live music were some of the activities the community could enjoy on day three. A giant outdoor picnic took on the grounds of the historic Allandale Mansion. There were food trucks, inflatables, gellyball and croquet that could all be enjoyed by kids of any age. The beginning of the week offered free kid's events during the day with special activities and stage performances at the Kids Central event. A special needs picnic allowed people of all abilities to feel seen. They enjoyed music, pizza, dessert treats and a visit with Festus, the Fun Fest mascot. A favorite among many children is the Fun Fest Splash Dance. The Kingsport Fire Department brings their tallest ladder truck sprays water from the hoses while children throw beach balls and splash around in the puddles. The last few days of Fun Fest continued to get bigger and better. A giant food truck rally, known as The Taste, began on day six. 18 food trucks lined Memorial Park and served ice cream, pizza, bbq, chicken, burgers, noodles, seafood, kettle corn and more. The Taste is a completely alcohol-free event and is meant to be a time for families and friends to gather and try new food while supporting local businesses. On the street adjacent to the food trucks, a giant, inflatable movie screen was set up for a dusk movie night to close out day six. Our radio partners brought trucks and personalities to emcee the event and crowds enjoyed the movie, "Up." The final three nights of Fun Fest feature concerts by nationally-recognized artists. These concerts are held in J. Fred Johnson Stadium, a high school baseball/football stadium that fits around 12,000 people. The stadium is across the street from Memorial Park where The Taste is set up, allowing concert-goers to grab dinner and enjoy a concert in the same place. In 2024, Fun Fest was excited to present Crowder and Blessing Ofor for the night seven concert, Tyler Hubbard of Florida Georgia Line, Emily Ann Roberts and local-favorite Carson Peters performed on night eight and the festival concerts ended with Phillip Phillips opening for the Goo Goo Dolls on night nine. Tickets for these concerts were sold in 36 states, helping boost the local economy and filling hotels. We also saw a 20% increase in ticket sales in 2024 from the previous year. Arguably some of Fun Fest's most recognizable events are the Hot Air Balloon Rally, Balloon Glow and Breakfast with the Balloons. In 2024, 45 hot air balloon pilots and crews made the trip to Kingsport to inflate and fly 18 different balloons. At the Balloon Glow and Balloon Rally, people were invited to get up close and personal with the hot air balloons. Pilots were present to answer questions and the balloons inflated (but stayed tethered to the ground) so people could take pictures. Breakfast with the Balloons kicked off the final day of Fun Fest with the balloons once again inflating and hoping for the perfect wind conditions to take off. Hundreds of people came out for breakfast from food trucks and to see the balloons once again. Fun Fest ends each year with a giant fireworks show. In 2024, we had the largest fireworks display to date. The second the Goo Goo Dolls performed their final song, the lights in the stadium went down and a countdown began for the 20-minute fireworks show. The fireworks are set to music and can be seen from locations all around the city. They say it takes a village and Fun Fest is proof that when a community comes together great things can happen. The partnerships Fun Fest has with the City of Kingsport, police, fire, EMS, public works, churches, businesses, restaurants, organizations, volunteers and countless others keep the festival running. It takes thousands of people and lots of sponsor dollars to pull off nine full days of events.

Planning for the next year begins with shared notes while the current festival is taking place. Another aspect that makes Fun Fest a success is its marketing campaign. Our mascot, Festus, is utilized in social media videos all year and is present at events each day of the festival. We work hard to promote each event and the sponsors who make them possible. In 2024, we had more than 976,000 visits to the Fun Fest website, a Facebook reach of more than one-million and an Instagram reach of 19,000. We gained 2,300 new social media followers and began building a TikTok following to reach another demographic of people. A yearly line of merchandise is created and sold to help promote the festival and help offset some of the cost. Nearly 8,000 t-shirts were sold in 2024 and other specialty items like blankets, hats and mugs were available for purchase.

Estimated number of attendees?
100,000+

Environmental or pet-friendly? Explain how.

The very first event Fun Fest hosts happens before the festival even begins! The Trash Barrel Paint-In is a partnership between Fun Fest and Keep Kingsport Beautiful. Hundreds of people, adults and children, meet on the grounds of Allandale Mansion to design and paint the trash barrels that are used at Fun Fest and other events throughout the year. This event encourages kids of all ages to focus on keeping their community clean and refrain from littering. In 2024, more than 475 trash barrels were reserved to be painted. During Fun Fest, the trash barrels are also a talking piece. Painters seek out their cans at different events over the nine-days so they can take pride in their work. Another Fun Fest partnership that encourages a green environment is Trashbusters. For 40 years, volunteers have served at a variety of Fun Fest events, picking up litter and helping to keep the grounds trash free. Trashbusters are made up of church and workplace groups, families, individuals, students and more who want to make a difference. As a thank you to those who volunteer, Trashbusters are given a special-edition t-shirt and a ticket to a Fun Fest concert of their choice. During Fun Fest 2024, 15 tons of garbage was collected. At Fun Fest we love our furry friends! We have designated events specifically focusing on pets. Our Parks and Recreation Department hosts a Free Day at the Dog Park. Dogs and their humans are given a free pass to spend the afternoon playing at the park. The Fun Fest Dog Show is a favorite event from year to year. Pets and their people come out to compete in a variety of categories. Dog owners are encouraged to showcase the unique talents and personalities of their pets. Judges select Waggiest Tail, Best Costume, Best Tricks, and prettiest male and female pups. As with all Fun Fest events, we aim to keep events completely free or very low cost. The dog show is free to attend and open to the public and costs \$1 to pre-register dogs to compete. One of Fun Fest's newer events is called Walk N' Wag. It's an event that encourages people to get outdoors with their pets and take them on walks. The event is hosted by a local doggie daycare and features a variety of activities for animals and humans. A new addition to the event in 2024 was a 50-yard dash. Other activities included a scavenger hunt, photo booth, pup cups, freeze dance and more. Vendors were also on site with giveaways and information on pet care. Event sponsors hope this event encourages people to get a few steps in, connect with neighbors and learn about local small businesses.

Video link: <https://www.eventeny.com/files/3959-application-open-question-rwdqglcyvnnv1738158776.mp4>

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Category: Best Festival or Event Over \$75K
Entry: Fun Fest





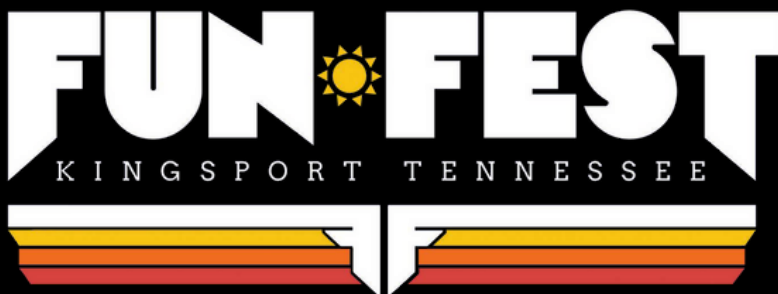
ABOUT FUN FEST

Fun Fest is a 9-day Festival that began in 1981, featuring 90+ events in 30+ locations around Kingsport, TN. The majority of the events are free and open to the public. More than 100,000 people come together to participate in activities and events throughout the festival.

Events range from a parade, 8K race, sporting events, senior events, hot air balloons, concerts, food trucks, moonlight hikes, outdoor movies, block parties, fireworks and more.

FUN FEST LOGOS

Standard Logo



2024 Logo



FESTUS AND HIS FRIENDS



OLDEST FESTIVAL IN THE REGION SERVES AS HOST FOR FAMILY & CLASS REUNIONS, VACATIONS, VISITS HOME AND MORE

Kickoff Parade
featuring 100 entries and
thousands of spectators



Crazy 8's Race
brings participants from 27
states and multiple countries



Hot Air Balloons
draws visitors from across the
country to see their ascension into
the sky and a special nighttime glow



44TH FUN FEST AND ONE OF THE BEST YET!

Three nights of music with
visitors from 32 states



Concert headliners included Crowder,
Tyler Hubbard and the Goo Goo Dolls



Firework Finale with the region's
largest firework show





By The Numbers

80+ Events and 5 New Events
1,600 Rides on the Carousel
475 New Trash Barrels Painted
15 Tons of Garbage Collected
7,900 T-Shirts Sold
125 Parade Entries

35 Food Vendors
40 Block Parties
Visitors from 32 States
3,200+ Crazy 8 Event Participants
Concert ticket sales increased by
20% over 2023

Facebook Reach of 1 Million +
Instagram Reach of 19,000
976,000 visits to the
Fun Fest Website
More than 2,300 New Followers

FUN FEST MERCHANDISE









FUN FEST

INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET
<u>REVENUES</u>		
TOTAL EVENT INCOME	870,626.12	842,000.00
TOTAL RESALE ITEMS INC	147,469.97	126,000.00
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	29,800.23	10,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	1,047,896.32	978,000.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
TOTAL SALARIES	85,607.71	110,500.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	42,855.25	46,900.00
TOTAL PROMOTIONS	9,145.22	13,000.00
TOTAL RESALE ITEMS	70,744.70	50,000.00
TOTAL EVENT EXPENSE	837,158.95	757,600.00
TOTAL MISC EXPENSE	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,045,511.83	978,000.00
NET INCOME	\$ 2,384.49	\$ 0.00

Fun Fest 2024 Media Coverage Examples:

https://www.timesnews.net/news/local-news/photo-gallery-trash-barrel-paint-in-draws-crowd-for-39th-year/article_b842e452-4385-11ef-969c-13ec2c125fef.html

https://www.timesnews.net/news/local-news/trashbusters-to-mark-40-years-of-keeping-fun-fest-litter-free/article_d57f9cf6-4441-11ef-9f79-87a8fff90afa.html

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1436383177061635>

<https://wcyb.com/news/local/fun-fest-to-kick-off-with-parade-on-friday>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3AEvHB0-Hjw>

Community/Vendor Feedback to Fun Fest 2024:



Judy Lett
Gets better every year ...

26w Like Reply



Chris Williams
Really enjoyed it. Saturday night was so much fun!

26w Like Reply



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Great Week 😊 ...

26w Like Reply



Phyllis Booher
Thank you for keeping fun fest going all these years it's my vacation time of year. ...

26w Like Reply



Claire Jackson Kilgore
Missing it already!!!! ...

26w Like Reply



Blended Pedaler

July 28, 2024 · 🌐

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How it started vs How it ended 🤔🤔🤔

Our Pedaler's thrived in the chaos of Kingsport Fun Fest last night! We absolutely loved serving each & every one of you all and meeting new faces & seeing seasoned Pedaler customers!

Our Superfood Truck crew worked together in harmony for our best ever event. I am so proud of everyone!

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Tonight is the last night of Fun Fest! Please be careful tonight if you're traveling around the area of Dobyns-Bennett High School and the mall. Also, make sure you hydrate properly if you are enjoying the festivities.





Tory B Lorimer
One of the best events there is!!!!

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22w Like Reply



Newana Page
My granddaughters had a blast!

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24w Like Reply



Karen Bledsoe
We love this event! This is my family all 19 of us.

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20w Like Reply Edited

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Comment



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10w Like Reply

Fun Fest 2024 Schedule

Pre-Fun Fest Events

~~A Civil War Evening: Songs and Stories from the Civil War Era with Bobby Horton (Ticket Required)~~

Sponsored by: Tri-Cities Civil War Round Table, Kingsport Office of Cultural Arts

July 8

7 PM- 9 PM

Kingsport Renaissance Center Theater

\$10 - Tickets available at Fun Fest Store until noon on July 8th.

Remaining tickets available at 5pm at the door

Block Party Weekend (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Culligan of Tri-Cities

July 12-14

Various times and locations

Registration ends June 28

More information at FunFest.net

Adult One Pitch Softball Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks & Recreation, Wheelhouse Print & Design

July 13

9 AM - 9 PM - Mens Open

Brickyard Park

Register online at

www.kingsportparksandrecreation.org or in person at V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex

\$150 per team; Registration runs from June 24 - July 8 at 5 PM

Trash Barrel Paint-In (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Domtar Packaging, Keep Kingsport Beautiful

July 16 (Rain Date July 17)

9 AM - 2 PM

Allandale Mansion, 4444 W. Stone Dr.

Judging begins at 11:30 AM

\$5 per barrel

(Bring water-based paint, brushes, sponges, stencils, spray paint etc.) Food Trucks on-site

**Most people bring white spray paint to cover previous year paint designs before starting their own design*

Daily Events

Keep Kingsport Beautiful Trashbusters

Sponsored by: Domtar Packaging, Keep Kingsport Beautiful

Various events throughout Fun Fest

Register for free to be a Trashbuster at the Fun Fest Store

Fun Fest Medallion Hunt

Sponsored by: Kubota of Kingsport
July 20-27
Various times and locations

Rediscover Kingsport Scavenger Hunt

Sponsored by: Friends of the Archives, Archives of the City of Kingsport
Downtown Kingsport
Various Times and Locations
Pick up forms at the Fun Fest Store or Kingsport Public Library

Fun Fest Wiffle Ball (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Hales Chapel Christian Church, Down to Earth, The Lollipop Shop
July 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27
12 PM - 6 PM
The Sandlot Wiffle Ball Park- 280 Hales Chapel Rd, Gray, TN
Open to ages 15 and under
\$25 Registration Fee per team - Register at FunFest.net or at the Fun Fest store
All balls & bats supplied
Friday, July 19

Pickle in the Park (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks & Recreation
8 AM - 9 PM

Riverview Pickleball Courts

Register online at <https://secure.rec1.com/TN/kingsport-tn/catalog>

\$40 Team Registration Fee - only one person will need to register each team

Senior 55+, Mixed Doubles, Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles, Youth Division

Friday Lunchtime Live w/ Daniel Byrd's Boogie Machine

Sponsored by: Friends of the Kingsport Public Library, Downtown Kingsport Association

12 PM -1 PM

Glen Bruce Park

Free and open to the public

Free Day at the Dog Park

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks and Recreation

12 PM - 3 PM

Dogwood Park Dog Park (800 Granby Rd.)

Free park entry

Fun Fest Parade presented by Food City (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Food City, K-VA-T Food Stores

6:30 PM

Downtown (begins at Clinchfield/W Center St.)

\$30 per entry (up to 3 vehicles) *Registration ends July 18

Patriotic Tribute Variety Show by LampLight Theatre (Ticket Required)

Sponsored by: LampLight Theatre

7 PM - 10 PM

LampLight Theatre - 140 Broad St.

Tickets available at LampLight box office or online at www.LampLightTheatre.com

\$15 - Adults, \$10 - Students, Free - 5 & under, veterans, military, police and first responders

Broad Street Boogie presented by HMG - featuring Conch Republic

Sponsored by: Holston Medical Group

8 PM or following Parade

100 Block of Broad Street, Downtown Kingsport

Saturday, July 20

FiA Free Ladies Workout

Sponsored by: FiA - Females in Action

7:30 AM

Centennial Park - 245 E. Main Street

Bring a mat and hand weights if you have them

Fun Fest Fishing Derby

Sponsored by: Optimist Club of Colonial Heights, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency

8 AM - 10 AM

Warriors Path State Park/Duck Island

Open to ages 4-16 (Valid fishing license required for those over age 12)

Free Registration at the Fun Fest Store or on-site day of event

Birding Kingsport Bird Walk

Sponsored by: Riverfront Seafood, Birding Kingsport, Tennessee Ornithological Society

8 AM - 9 AM

Fort Patrick Henry Dam/TVA

Free, guided walk to look for birds of all types

Adult Outdoor Volleyball Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Women's Triples A, BB, B; Men's Doubles A, BB, B

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks and Recreation

8:30 AM - 8:30 PM

Eastman Park at Horsecreek - 2969 Sullivan Gardens Pkwy

Registration Fees: Doubles - \$30, Triple - \$45, Quads - \$60

Register online at kingsportparksandrecreation.org by July 17th

Pickle in the Park (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks & Recreation

8 AM - 9 PM

Riverview Pickleball Courts

Register online at <https://secure.rec1.com/TN/kingsport-tn/catalog>

~~\$40 Team Registration Fee - only one person will need to register each team~~

Senior 55+, Mixed Doubles, Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles, Youth Division

Downtown Street Fair

Sponsored by: First Horizon Bank, Eastman, Downtown Kingsport Association
10 AM - 2 PM
Downtown Kingsport

Chalk Walk (Pre-Registration Required)
Sponsored by: Select Seven Credit Union
8 AM - 1 PM
Downtown Kingsport - Broad Street
Registration required: \$15/individual \$30/group up to 4
*One box of chalk is provided
Register at the Fun Fest Store or at FunFest.net

Touch-A-Truck
Sponsored by: Glass Machinery and Excavation, Inc.
10 AM - 2 PM
Downtown Kingsport
Days Gone By - Old Tyme Games
Sponsored by: Select Seven Credit Union
10 AM - 2 PM
Downtown Kingsport

Kingsport Carousel's 9th Birthday Party
Sponsored by: Kingsport Office of Cultural Arts 10 AM - 5 PM Kingsport Carousel - 350
Clinchfield St. FREE Rides All Day

ReArt at the ReStore (Pre-Registration Required)
Sponsored by: Holston Habitat for Humanity Restore
10 AM - 2 PM
Holston Habitat for Humanity ReStore - 750 E. Main St.
Registration deadline is July 15
Netherland Inn & Hammond House Tours
Sponsored by: The Netherland Inn, Hammond House 12 PM - 4 PM Netherland Inn - 2144
Netherland Inn Rd. Free Event

Bays Mountain Gem & Mineral Show _____
Sponsored by: Kingsport Gems and Minerals Society, Bays Mountain Park & Planetarium
12 PM - 5 PM _____
Bays Mountain Park _____
*Admission to Gem & Mineral Show is free with park entrance fee (\$7 per vehicle)

Patriotic Tribute Variety Show by LampLight Theatre (Ticket Required)
Sponsored by: LampLight Theatre

2 PM & 7 PM

LampLight Theatre - 140 Broad St.

Tickets available at LampLight box office or online at www.LampLightTheatre.com

\$15 - Adults, \$10 - Students, Free - 5 & under, veterans, military, police and first responders

CRAZY 8's RACE

Little 8s Youth Field Day (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Pediatric Dentistry, We Run Events LLC

6:58 PM (Field Day Activities begin 6 PM)

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Age group races including Special 8s

Registration: \$15 thru July 18; \$20 beginning July 19; Special 8s -No fee

Almost Crazy 3K Run/Walk (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Eastman Credit Union, We Run Events LLC

7:58 PM

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Registration: \$25 thru June 30; \$30 thru July 18 ; \$35 beginning July 19

Niswonger Children's Network Crazy 8's 8K Run

Sponsored by: Niswonger Children's Network, Ballad Health, Gatorade, The Regional Eye Center, Martin Dentistry, Mycroft Signs, Food City, Associated Orthopedics of Kingsport, Culligan Water of Tri-Cities, JA Street, We Run Events LLC

8:58 PM

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Registration: \$35 thru June 30; \$40 thru July 18; \$45 beginning July 19

Totally Crazy 8K/3K Combo Registration: \$55 thru June 30; \$60 thru July 18; \$65 beginning July 19

Sunday, July 21

~~Adult Outdoor~~ Volleyball Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Reverse Coed Doubles A, BB, B; Coed Quads A, BB, B, 50+

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks and Recreation

8:30 AM - 8:30 PM

Eastman Park at Horsecreek - 2969 Sullivan Gardens Pkwy

Registration Fees: Doubles - \$30, Triple - \$45, Quads - \$60

Register online at kingsportparksandrecreation.org by July 17th

Big Lon's Vinyl Record Expo

Sponsors: Flanagan Brothers Bierworks, Well Made Music, LLC, Century Records, PD's Records and Tapes, Dowda's Records, Cheap Thrills Records, Big Lon's Crateful Dig, Yevette Lynn Photography LLC, Radio Bristol, WEHC, Model City Tap House, Smoke Stack Records

10 AM- 4 PM

Kingsport Civic Auditorium

This event is free and open to the public

Lazy Days of Summer Handmade Market

Sponsored by: Tennesotan Handmade

11 AM - 5 PM

Kingsport Farmers Market

Bays Mountain Gem & Mineral Show

Sponsored by: Kingsport Gems and Minerals Society, Bays Mountain Park & Planetarium

12 PM - 5 PM

Bays Mountain Park

*Admission to Gem & Mineral Show is free with park entrance fee (\$7 per vehicle)

Miss Kingsport & Miss Sullivan County Scholarship Pageant (Ticket Required)

Sponsors: Thompson Delivery Services, DMC Auto, Kingsport Heating and Air, Jim Williams and Associates, Spivey, King, Spivey LLP, Taylor Hamilton Insurance, Ballard Health

2 PM

Ross N. Robinson Middle School - 1517 Jessee Street.

Tickets- \$10/general admission, \$25/scholarship ticket

Hamlett-Dobson Farm Fest

Sponsored by: Hamlett-Dobson Funeral Home, Exchange Place Living History Farm

2 PM - 5 PM

Exchange Place - 4812 Orebank Rd.

This event is free and open to the public

Allandale Family Picnic

Sponsored by: State of Franklin Healthcare Associates

3 PM - 6 PM

Allandale Mansion

Days Gone By - Old Tyme Games

Sponsored by: Select Seven Credit Union

3 PM - 6 PM

Gellyball - ages 6 and up

3 PM - 6 PM

Food Truck Rally

3 PM - 8 PM

Allandale Mansion Tours

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks and Recreation

3 PM- 6 PM

Croquet at Allandale

Sponsored by: Friends of Allandale, Kingsport Parks and Recreation

3 PM - 6 PM

Eternals in Concert

Sponsored by: First Christian Church of Kingsport, Phips Sams - Minister

6 PM - 7:30 PM

First Christian Church of Kingsport - 106 E Charlemont Ave.

This event is free and open to the public (donations are appreciated)

Music at the Mansion: Symphony of the Mountains presents "When the Stars Come Out featuring Roy Cornelius Smith" (Ticket Required)

Sponsored: Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce, Bravissima!, Rose Marie Burriss, C. Bascom Slemple Foundation, City of Kingsport, Eastman Credit Union, Eastman Chemical Company, Engage Kingsport, FORUM at Lees-McRae College, Marcia & Marvin Gilliam, Jr. Foundation, John & Joan Gregory, The McGlothlin Foundation, National Endowments for the Arts, Ian & Dr. Matthew Riggins, James & Laura Rogers Foundation, Perry & Vivian Stuckey, Tennessee Arts Commission, The United Company, John & Karen Vann, Ty & Julann Warren Family Foundation, Women's Symphony Committee

7 PM - 9:00 PM

Allandale Mansion Amphitheater

Adult ticket - \$20; Children and students are free

Monday, July 22

Kingsport Ruck Walk

Sponsored by: Farm Bureau Insurance - Travis McMurray

~~5:30 AM~~

Meet at Church Circle

All ages welcome - Ruck Sack not required

Birding Kingsport Bird Walk

Sponsored by: Riverfront Seafood, Birding Kingsport, Tennessee Ornithological Society

8 AM - 9 AM

Warriors Path State Park - Duck Island

Free, guided walk to look for birds of all types

Kids Central presented by Niswonger Children's Hospital

Sponsored by: Ballad Health Niswonger Children's Network

10 AM - 3 PM

V.O. Dobbins, Sr. Complex

Kid-friendly stage show at 3 PM

Spin, Sprint, Splash Kids Triathlon

Sponsored: Kingsport Parks & Recreation

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

V.O. Dobbins, Sr. Complex

Registration is on-site & free

Creating Chocolate Elegance Treats - Chocolate Pop-It Class (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored: Chocolate Elegance • Cafe & Kitchen

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Chocolate Elegance Cafe, 1420 E. Stone Drive

\$6 Registration - Register at the Fun Fest Store (Limited Spots Available)

Fun Fest Pool Party

Sponsored by: City of Kingsport, Kingsport Aquatic Center

4 PM - 8 PM

Kingsport Aquatic Center

Admission \$5 (\$4 if wearing 2024 Fun Fest T-shirt)

Special Needs Picnic

Sponsored by: Kingsport Lions Club, Moose Lodge #972, Goodwill Industries TN VA, Palace Vending Inc., Domino's Pizza Colonial Heights and Food City Moreland and Fort Henry Dr.

5 PM- 7 PM

Kingsport Miracle Park Pavilion - 2017 Brickyard Park Dr.

The Has Beens Big Band Dance

Sponsors: The Has Beens Big Band

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Kingsport Civic Auditorium

This event is free and open to the public

Adult One Pitch Softball Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks & Recreation, Wheelhouse Print & Design

6 PM - 10 PM

Brickyard Park - 2017 Brickyard Park Dr.

Register online at www.kingsportparksandrecreation.org or in person at V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex
\$150 per team; Registration runs from June 24 - July 15 at 5 p.m.

FiA Free Ladies Workout

Sponsored by: FiA - Females in Action

6 PM

Centennial Park - 245 E. Main Street

Bring a mat and hand weights if you have them

Appalachian Express Chorus (Ticket Required)

Sponsored by: Appalachian Express Chorus, Kingsport First Assembly of God

6 PM - 8 PM

Kingsport First Assembly of God - 2213 Brandon Lane

\$5 - Tickets available at the Fun Fest store

PEAK's Fun Fest Dog Show (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Appalachian Community Federal Credit Union

6 PM - 8 PM

Allandale Mansion

\$1 per category entered, register at the Fun Fest store

Tuesday, July 23

F3 Men's Workout

Sponsored by: F3 Northeast Tennessee

~~5:30 AM - 6:15 AM~~

Veterans Memorial Parking Lot - Corner of Ft. Henry and N. Eastman Road

FiA Free Ladies Workout

Sponsored by: FiA - Females in Action

5:30 AM

Centennial Park - 245 E. Main Street
Bring a mat and hand weights if you have them

Baseball Skills Camp - Age 6-13 (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Wheelhouse Print & Design, Jones Sports Management

10 AM - 12:30 PM - Check-In at 9:30

Domtar Park

\$15/participant (includes shirt); \$20 on-site (shirt if available)

Putt-Putt Fun Fest Tournament (FREE Ticket Required)

Sponsored by: Putt-Putt Golf Course

9 AM - 6 PM

Putt-Putt Golf Course - 346 W. Stone Dr.

Free Tickets available at Fun Fest Store

Creating Chocolate Elegance Treats - Make Your Own Fruit Pizza Cookie Class (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored: Chocolate Elegance • Cafe & Kitchen

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Chocolate Elegance Cafe, 1420 E. Stone Drive

\$3 Registration - Register at the Fun Fest Store (Limited Spots Available)

Financial Literacy for Teens

Sponsored by: Alan Pickle - Operation Hope, Kingsport Public Library

12 PM - 1 PM

Kingsport Public Library Auditorium

Free event - for teens in grades 6-12

Kids Central presented by Niswonger Children's Hospital

Sponsored by: Ballad Health Niswonger Children's Network

1 PM - 5 PM

V.O. Dobbins, Sr. Complex

Splash Dance at Kids Central

Sponsored by: Kingsport Fire Department

5 PM - 6 PM

V.O. Dobbins, Sr. Complex

Festus Canvas Painting (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Brushstrokes n' More

6 PM - 8 PM

Brushstrokes n' More - 1001 E Stone Drive, Suite H

\$25 Pre-Registration includes cost of class and supplies - Register at the Fun Fest Store

Adult One Pitch Softball Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks & Recreation, Wheelhouse Print & Design

6 PM - 10 PM

Brickyard Park - 2017 Brickyard Park Dr.

Register online at www.kingsportparksandrecreation.org or in person at V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex
\$150 per team; Registration runs from June 24 - July 15 at 5 p.m.

Sunshine Tie-Dye

Sponsors: Kingsport Public Library and Archives

6 PM-7 PM

Glen Bruce Park

*Bring your own item to dye (one item per person)

Music Bingo

Sponsors: Nick's Restaurant

6:30 PM - 8 PM

Nick's Restaurant - 2406 Memorial Boulevard

Come out and have dinner at Nick's then stay for Fun Fest themed Music Bingo

Cholesterol-free Cooking Class (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored By: Kingsport Seventh Day Adventist Church

6 PM - 7:30 PM

Kingsport Seventh Day Adventist Church - 3025 Fort Henry Drive

\$5 Registration Fee - Register at Fun Fest Store

Appalachian Express Chorus (Ticket Required)

Sponsored by: Appalachian Express Chorus, Kingsport First Assembly of God

6 PM - 8 PM

Kingsport First Assembly of God - 2213 Brandon Lane

\$5 - Tickets available at the Fun Fest store

14th Annual Wolf Run (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored By: Skelton Law Racing, Bays Mountain Park

6:30 PM - 8 PM

Bays Mountain Park

\$30 thru July 5; \$50 after July 5

Applications can be picked up at Bays Mountain Park or at Mark Skelton Attorneys at Law

Community Square & Round Dance Party

Sponsored by: Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital, Eastman Square and Round Dance Club

7 PM - 9 PM

Kingsport Civic Auditorium

Free event - No registration required

Wednesday, July 24

Kingsport Ruck Walk

~~Sponsored by: Farm Bureau Insurance~~ - Travis McMurray

5:30 AM

Meet at Church Circle

All ages welcome - Ruck Sack not required

Dollar Day at Bays Mountain Park

Sponsored by: Bays Mountain Park

8:30 AM - 8 PM

Bays Mountain Park

Reduced admission at the park - \$1 per car

Basketball Knockout Tournament (Free Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: West Colonial Hills Baptist Church
3 PM - 7:30 PM (Kids Round 3-4:30, Adults Round 6-7:30)
Location: West Colonial Hills Baptist Church
Free - Register at wchbc.org

Smiles & Sight Community Appreciation Day

Sponsored by: Frank Oglesby Vision Source, Martin Dentistry - Cosmetic and Implant Dentistry
4 PM - 8 PM
Parking Lot of 1599 Fort Henry Drive

The Taste

Sponsored by: Bank of Tennessee
4 PM - 9 PM
Memorial Park - 1625 Fort Henry Dr.

Rhythm & Riverview

Sponsored by: Eastman, Goodwill, Champion Chevrolet, Kingsport Housing and Redevelopment Authority, South Central Kingsport Community Development
4 PM - 10 PM
V.O. Dobbins, Sr. Complex
Featuring live music from Free Flow
Free and open to the public

Giant Screen Outdoor Movie - featuring Up

Sponsors: Bristol Broadcasting Company, Inc. WXBQ/WAEZ/WEXX/WFHG/WWTB, Holston Medical Group
7 PM - 11 PM (movie begins at dusk)
Fort Henry Drive at Indian Court

Thursday, July 25

F3 Men's Workout

Sponsored by: F3 Northeast Tennessee
5:30 AM - 6:15 AM
Veterans Memorial Parking Lot - Corner of Ft. Henry and N. Eastman Road

Birding Kingsport Bird Walk

Sponsored by: Riverfront Seafood, Birding Kingsport, Tennessee Ornithological Society
8 AM - 9 AM
Kingsport Greenbelt - meet in the parking lot at Riverfront Seafood
Creating Chocolate Elegance Treats - Make Your Own Fruit Pizza Cookie Class (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored: Chocolate Elegance • Cafe & Kitchen
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Chocolate Elegance Cafe, 1420 E. Stone Drive
\$3 Registration - Register at the Fun Fest Store (Limited Spots Available)

The Taste

Sponsored by: Bank of Tennessee

4 PM - 9 PM

Memorial Park - 1625 Fort Henry Dr.

FiA Free Ladies Workout

Sponsored by: FiA - Females in Action

6 PM

Centennial Park - 245 E. Main Street

Bring a mat and hand weights if you have them

Night with the Kingsport Axmen (Ticket Required)

Kingsport Axmen vs. Bristol Stateliners

7 PM

Hunter Wright Stadium - 800 Granby Road

\$5 if purchased at Fun Fest store

Sunset Concert Series - Crowder, featuring opener Blessing Offor (Tickets Required)

Sponsored by: Eastman, Cardinal Glass, Cooks Mechanical, Domtar Packaging, Eastman Credit Union, Goodwill Industries of Tennessee, Carter Trent Funeral Homes, Tele-Optics, Inc, Appalachian Power, GRC Construction and CRW Architects, Honda Kingsport, Visit Kingsport, 88.3 WCQR, WJHL News Channel 11

7 PM (gates open approx. 5 PM)

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Tickets \$20 thru July 18, \$25 beginning July 19

Moonlight Hike at Bays Mountain Park (Free Ticket Required)

Sponsored by: Bays Mountain Park & Planetarium, Tennessee Eastman Hiking and Canoeing Club, Kingsport Lifesaving Crew

8:30 PM

Bays Mountain Park

Must have hike ticket from <https://secure.rec1.com/TN/kingsport-tn/catalog> (Tickets can also be picked up at the Bays Mountain Park Nature Interpretive Center)

\$7 Parking Fee per vehicle to access park

Friday, July 26

Kingsport Ruck Walk

Sponsored by: Farm Bureau Insurance - Travis McMurray

5:30 AM

Meet at Church Circle

All ages welcome - Ruck Sack not required

Eagles Nest Disc Golf Tournament (Pre-Registration Required)

Sponsored by: Kingsport Parks and Recreation

5 PM - 9 PM

Borden Park Disc Golf Course

\$5 Registration (Register online at secure.rec1.com/TN/kingsport-tn/catalog)

The Taste

Sponsored by: Bank of Tennessee

4 PM - 9 PM

Memorial Park - 1625 Fort Henry Dr.

Sunset Concert Series - Tyler Hubbard, featuring openers Emily Ann Roberts and Carson Peters (Tickets Required)

Sponsored by: Eastman, Cardinal Glass, Cooks Mechanical, Domtar Packaging, Eastman Credit Union, Goodwill Industries of Tennessee, Appalachian Power, GRC Construction and CRW Architects, Honda Kingsport, Visit Kingsport, Electric 94.9, 96.9 WXBQ, WJHL News Channel 11

7 PM (gates open approx. 5 PM)

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Tickets \$25 thru July 18, \$30 beginning July 19

Hot Air Balloon Glow

Sponsored by: Ballad Health, Marsh Regional Blood Center, Admiral Propane, Adventure Time Ballooning, Bare Bones BBQ, Chef's Pizzeria

8 PM (Dusk)

Fort Henry Drive - Weather permitting

Saturday, July 27

Breakfast with the Balloons

6am-9am

Memorial Park

*Select vendors from The Taste will be open for breakfast

Hot Air Balloon Rally

Sponsored by: Ballad Health, Marsh Regional Blood Center, Admiral Propane, Adventure Time Ballooning, Bare Bones BBQ, Chef's Pizzeria

6:30 AM Fort Henry Drive (Weather permitting)

Hot Air Balloon Rally Blood Drive

Sponsored by: Marsh Regional Blood Center

8 AM - 12 PM

Civic Auditorium

*All donors will earn the exclusive Hot Air Balloon Rally T-shirt

FiA Free Ladies Workout

Sponsored by: FiA - Females in Action

7:30 AM

Centennial Park - 245 E. Main Street

Bring a mat and hand weights if you have them

Walk N' Wag

Sponsors: Bark Bound, Healthy Kingsport

10 AM - 12 PM

694 Clinchfield Street

Fun Fest Car Show Cruise-In

Sponsored by: The Dan'l Boone Car Club, The City of Kingsport

10 AM - 2 PM

Main Street - Citizens Bank Area (Subject to change)

No registration fee. Attendees will pick up a car placard for posting on windshield

The Taste

Sponsored by: Bank of Tennessee

4 PM - 9 PM

Memorial Park - 1625 Fort Henry Dr.

Sunset Concert Series - Goo Goo Dolls, with opener, Phillip Phillips (Tickets Required)

Sponsored by: Eastman, Cardinal Glass, Cooks Mechanical, Domtar Packaging, Eastman Credit Union, Goodwill Industries of Tennessee, Appalachian Power, GRC Construction and CRW Architects, Honda

Kingsport, Visit Kingsport, Electric 94.9, 96.9 WXBQ, WJHL News Channel 11

7 PM (gates open approx. 5 PM)

J. Fred Johnson Stadium

Tickets \$25 thru July 18, \$30 beginning July 19

Hot Air Balloon Rally

Sponsored by: Ballard Health, Marsh Regional Blood Center, Admiral Propane, Adventure Time

Ballooning, Bare Bones BBQ, Chef's Pizzeria

7 PM Fort Henry Drive (Weather permitting)

Eastman Fireworks Spectacular

Presented by Eastman

Approximately 10 PM or following the concert

Memorial Park/J. Fred Johnson Stadium area