

**King's Tree Trials
McCutchen Training Center
30 Ward Road
Kingstree, SC 29556**

**GPS Coordinates:
33.648374,-79.687607**

The King's Tree Trials is an annual event held at the McCutchen Training Center east of Kingstree in the Cedar Swamp Community. This event began in 1995 when thoroughbreds and quarter horses race in a beautiful farm setting in Williamsburg County.

The Williamsburg HomeTown Chamber along with the McCutchen Training Center sponsors the event. The races are held the first Saturday in November, falling on November 4, 2017, with the 22nd annual running of the King's Tree Trials. Jockeys and their horses from all across the southeast gather at the track. This yearly event is not to be missed by Williamsburg County natives and guests. Parking/tailgating spaces are available on a first come, first served basis and may be purchased at the Williamsburg HomeTown Chamber Office. Tailgating and concession stands are available. Tickets go on sale mid-October in the Chamber office.



**Williamsburg HomeTown Chamber Office
131 N. Academy St.
Kingstree, SC 29556
843-355-6431
WHTC@tc-i.net**



**Trio Community Festival
Trio, South Carolina**

GPS Coordinates: 33.485492,-79.717705

Trio Community Festival - The Trio Community festival is held Friday, and Saturday, annually on the third weekend of August, at Seaboard Square area, between Trio Fire Station and the Trio Mini & Swinnie Store. The festival starts on Friday, at 6 p.m. and on Saturday at 9 a.m. The weekend includes a BBQ Rib contest, food and novelty vendors, parade, car show, etc. 2017 will mark the 5th annual festival.

Trio is an unincorporated community in Williamsburg County and is located 9.4 miles west-northwest of Andrews, SC.

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**2104 Thurgood Marshall Highway
Kingstree, SC 29556**

803-397-1859



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- **Agriculture based activities that bring people to farms, ranches or other agricultural settings.**



A Little History:

After a previous incarnation of Williamsburg County, the current county was created in 1804. Williamsburg was named after William of Orange, which was one of 11 townships ordered by King George II in 1730 to develop the 'back country' of the Carolina Province. A white pine tree on the Black River was marked by early surveyor with the King's Arrow to claim for the King the tree was referred to as 'The King's Tree', and became the center of the new township. Kingstree eventually became the chief town of Williamsburg Township.

Williamsburg County has a population of 34,423

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**County Supervisor:
Stanley S. Pasley**



**Kingstree Pig Pickin' Festival
Kingstree, SC**

The Town of Kingstree hosts the annual Pig Pickin' Festival the third weekend in October.

There are activities for everyone to include BBQ Cook-off, carnival rides, arts and crafts, golf tournament, parade, live music and fireworks, car show and fishing tournament. The BBQ Cook-off has had as many as 65 cookers that come from North and South Carolina, and surrounding areas.

The Williamsburg HomeTown Chamber sponsors events downtown to include performances by dance studios, jumping houses; vendors and the shops and businesses are open along Academy Street for shopping.

**Kingstree Recreation
Center
375 Nelson Blvd. Kingstree,
SC
(843) 355-7484
www.kingstree.org/**



**South Carolina BBQ - Shag Festival
Hemingway, SC**

**GPS Coordinates:
33°45' 12" N 79°26' 45" W**



The Town of Hemingway was chartered on June 22, 1914 and named in honor of Dr. W.C. Hemingway. It is located just a short distance from the Grand Strand of South Carolina, as well as Florence, Columbia and Charleston. Hemingway is the home of the richest bar-b-que festival in South Carolina, "The Bar-B-Que Shag Festival." Hemingway is also home to the only Tupperware manufacturing plant in North America.

With a population of 573, the Town of Hemingway combines one of the famous flavors of South Carolina with the official state dance to create one of the most popular events in the state. The South Carolina BBQ Shag Festival is a reunion of sorts for natives. Visitors groove to the flavor of the famous barbecue and the popular shag dance. The three-day festival features a whole hog barbecue cook-off and an antique car show. There are also arts and crafts vendors, fireworks, food vendors, amusements and local bands. Come on out to the annual South Carolina Bar-B-Que Shag Festival and expect to have a great time in the Barbecue Capital of the World! There's a celebration of food and dance every spring in Hemingway, SC. The event features an earlier Beauty Pageant, carnival rides that begin on Thursday nights, and bands performing on Friday and Saturday nights and is an annual April event. The first festival was held downtown Hemingway in 1988, and continues to grow annually! The 29th SC BBQ – Shag Festival will be celebrated in 2017. **For festival information call or e-mail Committee Chair, John Michael Collins at 843-687-2240 or email: scbbqshagfestival@gmail.com**

**Post Office Box 968,
Hemingway, SC 29554
Telephone: (843) 558-2824
Mayor: Mr. Grady Richardson**



**The Renowned
Scott's BBQ located in
Hemingway, SC**

**Flag Day Festival
Greeleyville, SC**



The small Town of Greeleyville, with a population of 464, has put the 'memory' back in Memorial Day by hosting an annual Flag Day just before the annual national Memorial Day celebrations on the last Saturday in May

Greeleyville's town flag has a picture of old Town Hall, dating back to the 1890's, and two arms, one black and one white, holding a tobacco leaf and a cotton bowl. These images symbolize the cooperation among all of the people and honor the town's agricultural heritage.

The day is filled with vendors, commemorations, and other festivities, to remember those who have fought for our freedom down through the years.

It is a time for this quiet town, set back off of Highway 52, to welcome the whole county and neighboring counties into their serene environment to enjoy the commemorative environment.

A little history: Greeleyville became chartered on December 29, 1893. The town is located on the main stretch of U.S. Highway 521. Each Memorial Day weekend, the town hosts its annual "Flag Day" festival. This celebration has grown to be a very popular festival in the county.

**Post Office Box 212
3 Toby Place,
Greeleyville, SC 29056
Telephone: (843) 426-2111
Mayor: Mr. Jesse Parker**



The Historic C.E. Murray Library

**Lane Stag Festival
Lane, SC**



The Town of Lane, population of 496, hosts the annual Stag Festival every third weekend in September, begun in 2006 and features three (3) days of fun and activities! This festival features a 'Battle of the Bands' with the local high school bands showcasing their special skills; BBQ competition of ribs, pork and chicken; raffles of TV's and gas cards; special guest performances; music, bouncer houses, food and novelty vendors. The festival is held in the downtown park area of the Town of Lane.

Alternate Unofficial Names for Lane: Lanes, Lanes Station.

A little history: The Town of Lane, established in 1856, is a small farming community located between the Santee and Black Rivers. It is bisected by the main north-south CSX Railroad line and close to Lake Moultrie and Francis Marion National Forest. Located in a rural setting, Lane is situated a short distance southeast of the intersection of US Highways 52 and 521.

**Post Office Box 39
7 Oneita Ave., Lane, SC 29654
Telephone: (843) 387-5151
Mayor: Mr. Charlie Fulton**



**Black River Berries
Salters, SC**



In the rural area of Williamsburg County in the Salters Community on Hwy 521, you will find delicious strawberries that you can pick or they will have some already picked for you. Children and families enjoy the 'farm' experience and it makes for an excellent family outing.

This 5-acre strawberry farm is open 7 days a week from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, in season. The season usually starts in April, but unseasonably warm winter can produce the fruits earlier.

**5760 Hwy 521
Salters, SC 29590
843-372-2229
Walt Williams**

**Williams Muscadine Festival
Williams Vineyard & Farm
Nesmith, SC**



Nesmith is an unincorporated community and in the area known as Nesmith Corner, there is the Williams Vineyard & Farm where the annual Williams Muscadine Festival occurs every Labor Day weekend. For a most memorable, enjoyable and unique experience, finalize your official end-of-summer at the Williams Vineyard & Farm's Annual Muscadine Festival.

Bring your tents, campers and RVs and stay the weekend picking muscadines, enjoying wine tastings, pit-pig barbecue and fireworks! Tour the vineyard and learn the history of the early African-American farm and their self-sustaining life. The festival kicks off with a wine tasting on Friday at 7:30pm. There will be numerous activities on Saturday 8am-midnight, and on Sunday 1pm-midnight; there is a birthday celebration for the vineyard owner, Mr. David A. Williams. On Monday, the festival winds down but visitors are welcomed to continue to socialize and pick muscadines from 8am till dark through the month of September!

There is no admission fee to the festival and refreshments are available.



**Williams Muscadine Vineyard & Farm
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21 Gabriel Place, Nesmith (29580)
Contact: Cassandra Williams Rush;
crushcolumbia@aol.com
(803) 397-1859 or (843) 354-2169**

Owner: Mr. David A. Williams