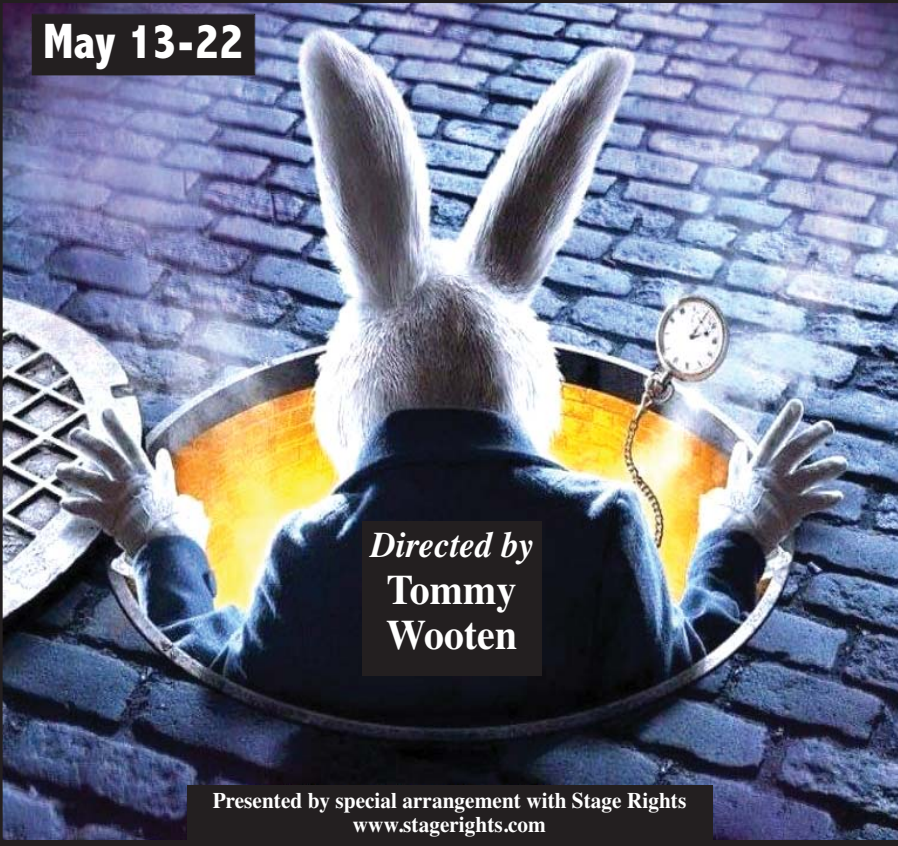


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## On the Road, on the Water. Don't Drink and Drive.

### State Law Enforcement Agencies and Mothers Against Drunk Driving Continue Sobriety Campaign

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, N.C. Highway Patrol and Mothers Against Drunk Driving will kick off the annual "On the Road, On the Water, Don't Drink and Drive" campaign with community events and safety check points throughout the state in advance of and on Memorial Day weekend, May 27-30.

The multi-agency safety initiative works to reduce alcohol-related incidents on the state's roadways and waterways, both which see increased traffic during summer months. The Wildlife Commission reported that 16 boating incidents in 2021 were alcohol related, resulting in four fatalities.

"Fatalities that could be avoided with more responsible behavior is always difficult to process," said Lieutenant Forrest Orr of the Wildlife Commission. "It's imperative to designate a sober driver whether you're in a vehicle or on a boat. Undoubtedly a designated driver will prevent alcohol-related incidents on the road and in the water and make everyone's holiday weekend more enjoyable."

During the campaign, law enforcement officers will be conducting sobriety checkpoints and promoting public awareness to deter impaired operation of cars and boats on various bodies of water and highways. In North Carolina, a driver or vessel operator with a blood-alcohol concentration that meets or exceeds .08 or is substantially impaired by alcohol and/or drugs, is subject to arrest.

For more information on boating safety and regulations, visit [ncwildlife.org/boating](http://ncwildlife.org/boating) or call 919-707-0031.

### Anson High School Sports Update

#### Anson High School Softball

• Tuesday, May 10 **1st Round State Playoffs** - (14) Anson vs (19) Brevard. Anson won 8-3. Gracie Stinson 1-3, 1 RBI, 1 BB; Jada Harrington 1-3, 1 BB; Cierra Lear 2-4, 1 RBI; Camryn Martin 2-3, 1 HR, 2 RBI, 1 BB; Lauren Dutton 1-3, 1 RBI; Susan Harrington 1-1; Erin Lookabill 1-4; Maci Sellers 2-3; Haileigh Boone (W) 7IP, 5 H, 3 BB, 12 SO.

• Thursday, May 12 **2nd Round State Playoffs** - (14) Anson @ (3) East Rutherford. Anson won 1-0. Gracie Stinson 1-3, 1 RBI; Cierra Lear 1-4; Camryn Martin 1-4; Mallory Sikes 1-3; Erin Lookabill 1-2, 1 BB; Maci Sellers 1-3; Haileigh Boone (W) 7IP, 4 H, 0 BB, 6 SO.

• Tuesday, May 17 **3rd Round State Playoffs** - Anson vs. Bandys High School. Anson won 5-4.

Softball JV and Varsity coach is Haily Jarman.

#### Anson High School Soccer

• Monday, April 25 - Anson vs Mt. Pleasant, 0-8 Mt. Pleasant. Goalie-Wykeria Little-18 saves; Rebecca Huntley 1 Shot on Goal.

• Tuesday, April 26 - Anson vs Monroe, 2-5 Monroe. Rebecca Huntley 1 Goal 2 shots on goal; Aliyaa Amin 1 Goal; Wykeria Little 25 saves.

• Thursday, April 28 - Anson vs Forest Hills, 0-10 Forest Hills. Rebecca Huntley 1 Shot on Goal; Wykeria Little 16 Saves.

• Monday, May 2 - Anson vs CATA, 0-5 CATA. Rebecca Huntley 3 Shots on Goal; Wykeria Little 21 Saves.

• Thursday, May 5 - Anson vs Parkwood, 0-9 Parkwood. Rebecca Huntley 1 Shot on Goal; Wykeria Little 25 Saves.

### Got to Be NC Festival Welcomes Guests Back this Weekend

The Got to Be NC Festival marks its eagerly awaited return to the state fairgrounds in Raleigh May 20-22 following a two-year break due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Antique rides, a barbecue buffet fundraiser on May 21, North Carolina food products, races, games, livestock, kids' activities, music and entertainment will welcome guests back.

"We're excited to be back and we've been busy planning for new attractions and activities as well as festival favorites," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. "North Carolina agriculture and agribusinesses will certainly be front and center as we celebrate an industry that has continued to keep us fed despite significant challenges the past few years."

The Food Lion Local Goodness Marketplace in the Expo Center will feature around 75 North Carolina food and beverage companies showcasing their sauces, snacks, wines, meats, skincare items and a variety of food products for sale. North Carolina distilleries will be showcased at the festival for the first time.

Hours for the Food Lion Local Goodness Marketplace are Friday from noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is \$3.

"We saw interest in local food and beverage products grow during the pandemic, and we want to continue that momentum as it helps support North Carolina farmers and agribusiness operators," Troxler said. "That, in turn, helps ensure we continue to have access to local foods moving ahead."

To further recognize the contributions of agriculture, the festival will feature a Young Farmer of the Day sponsored by the Farm Credit Association of North Carolina. Honorees will be selected from nominated farmers. Winners of the N.C. State Fair Junior Livestock Scholarships will also be recognized by Commissioner Troxler.

Other new changes or additions include a new location for livestock exhibits in the Jim Graham Building; the addition of Germ City – a popular handwashing activity and exhibit at the N.C. State Fair; demonstration by working dogs, including the two USDA-trained and NCDA&CS-handled dogs who look for spotted lanternfly, a highly destructive pest, and a display and demonstration of Police Dog Association animals; and the debut of the Keith King Bike Stunt Show at the festival.

The Children in Oxford will return May 21 with all-you-can-eat barbecue sampling. Around 20 chapters of Masons will compete for bragging rights in the one-day competition and fundraiser. Tickets are \$15 for ages 11 and up, \$5 for ages 7-10 and free for ages 6 and under.

On May 22, kids can check out Action Alley, where they can see and touch large trucks and work equipment. Firefighting equipment and dozers will be part of the hands-on activities. Families can also enjoy the cow milking demonstrations by the Mobile Dairy Classroom, tractor pulls, pedal car rides and the Kidz Corral activity area.

And, the festival wouldn't be the festival without its large display of antique farm equipment and a daily parade at 1 p.m.

The carnival features one price, ride-all-day wristbands on Friday and Sunday. Cost is \$20 for wristbands.

If you are planning to attend the 2022 State Fair, you can take advantage of the Caley's Big Ticket Weekend offer and buy tickets at discount prices. Tickets will be sold at the Waterfall Ticket booth. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. Prices at the gate for 2022 will be \$13 for adults and \$7 for kids.

Festival gate hours are noon to 10 p.m. May 20, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. May 21 and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 22. Building and exhibit hours are noon to 8 p.m. May 20, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 21 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 22. Carnival hours are noon to 10 p.m. May 20; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. May 21 and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 22.

Admission and parking are free. More information is available at: [www.gottobenefestival.com](http://www.gottobenefestival.com).

### Wadesboro Lions Club Welcomes New Members

The Wadesboro Lions Club meets at the Papa Joe's Restaurant the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information about these meetings or becoming a member, please call Lion Jim Chandler at 910-571-1448.

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