

Minnesota

Boxelder Bug Days

September 6-8, 2024

Schedule of Events

Friday 9/6

8pm-midnight: Kick-off featuring Mario Callens and the Midwest Cowboys

All events will take place in Bug Square unless otherwise noted

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Saturday 9/7

6AM: 26th Annual Johnny Tilleman Memorial Chili Cook-Off cooking begins
 7:30AM: Registration for Family Fun Run begins (Bethel Church Parking Lot)
 8AM: Family Fun Run begins
 8-9AM: Set-up for Ribs Cook-Off Veterans Park East Lot
 9AM: Countryside Golf Course 3-person Scramble begins
 9AM-3PM: Craft/Vendor Sale (Veterans Park West Lot)
 9:30AM: Family Fun Run prize drawings (small stage)
 10AM: Ribs Cooks' meeting
 10AM-2PM: Bloody Mary Bar (City Hall Bar and Grill)
 10AM-6PM: Vietnam Memorial & History Center open
 10:30AM: Kiddie Parade Registration (small stage)
 11AM Kiddie Parade (small stage, sponsored by Bethel Fellowship) Free will donations for school supplies matched by Hope Lutheran endowment fund
 11AM: Chili Cook-Off Judging
 11AM Kids Pedal Tractor Pull registration (behind Gislason's)
 11:30AM: Pickleball Tournament starts (behind BMO bank)
 11:30AM: Chili Cook-Off Tasting
 11:30AM: Kids' Pedal Tractor Pull (behind Gislason's)
 12PM: Boxelder Bug Races (small stage)
 12PM: Dunk Tank on Jefferson St. (fundraiser for Senior Class)
 12-5PM: Opera Hall OPEN!
 12-6PM: FREE Inflatables on Jefferson St. (sponsored by EDF renewables)
 1PM: Kayla Daniels
 1PM: Minnesota Barrel Racing Series (Silver Spur Arena)
 1PM: Peter Gorton presentation: John Donaldson—former Minnesota pitcher and potential baseball Hall of Fame inductee (Opera Hall)
 1:30PM: Bean Bags Tournament Registration on Hwy 68 (32 team bracket, 100% cash payout)
 2PM: Bean Bags Tournament begins (Hwy 68)
 2PM: Ali Gray
 3PM: Up South
 4PM: Ali Gray
 4PM: Family presentation honoring Tom Bradley, Vietnam Vet (Opera Hall)
 5PM: Ribs turn-in and judging
 5PM: Kayla Daniels
 5:30PM: Public Ribs tasting
 6PM: Up South
 7:30PM: Queen Coronation (main stage)
 8PM: Shove the Bug/Adult Pedal Pull (behind Gislason's)
 8:30PM-12:30AM: Street Dance featuring Casey Muessigmann (Main Stage)

Tractor Show all day Saturday @Minnesota Grain Elevator!

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Sunday 9/8

8-11AM: Firemen's Pancake Breakfast (Fire Hall)
 8-11 AM: Bloody Mary Bar (inside City Hall)
 10AM: Community Worship Service
 11AM-5PM: Vietnam Memorial and History Center open
 11AM: Friends of the Library Pie Sale
 11AM: Ali Gray's Country Jamboree (main stage)
 1PM: Grand Parade
 Following the parade, Bug Square will have Captain Jack Sparrow, music by Ali Gray's Country Jamboree, and Sharon Cartway Wagon Rides
 3PM: Golf Ball Roll
 Queens' Meet and Greet will take place following the Golf Ball Roll