



Kevin Fowler headlines first COOP Ale Works Beats & Bites event May 11
Family-friendly event kicks off four-concert summer series

NORMAN, OKLAHOMA (April 22, 2019) – Riverwind Casino’s COOP Ale Works Beats & Bites Festival kicks off its summer schedule with family-friendly fun, food trucks and a concert by Kevin Fowler on May 11.

Now in its fourth year, the Beats & Bites Festival is a free, outdoor event for families that brings together the best in music, food and fun. Each event is attended by as many as 10,000 people. It is located in the casino’s west parking lot and runs 6-10 p.m.

“Beats & Bites is a community-focused event that we take great pride in organizing and sharing with our patrons and the larger community as a whole,” said Justin Yahola, general manager of Riverwind Casino. “With a new sponsor and a terrific lineup of food trucks and performers, this first event kicks off our celebration of summer and what we hope to be one of our best Beats & Bites yet.”

The band Time Machine will open the show at 6 p.m. Fowler will take the stage at 8 p.m.

Fowler in concert is more than just a show: it’s an experience. The Amarillo, Texas, native’s wild-eyed charisma breathes new life into old favorites like “Beer, Bait and Ammo” and “The Lord Loves a Drinkin’ Man,” his twangy vocals riding atop the honky-tonk groove of his backing band.

Family Fun

In addition to music and food, the COOP Ale Works Beats & Bites Festival features a number of family-friendly activities and attractions, including inflatable bounce houses, face painting, games and handouts for kids, including bubble necklaces, sunglasses, slap bracelets and glow sticks; Rumble the Bison, the Oklahoma City Thunder mascot and the Thunder Girls; the OG&E ThunderBolt interactive truck and the Goldsby Fire Department.

Food Trucks

Mobile cuisine from across the metro area and up-and-down the I-35 corridor will be featured. Twenty-five food trucks are expected to participate, offering a range of traditional favorites to exotic dishes.

Oklahoma City-based COOP Ale Works will also have a variety of seasonal and signature craft beers on tap during the event.

Additional festival dates are June 8, July 6 and Aug. 10. The July 6 event will feature a firework show. All Beats & Bites events are free and open to the public. Future 2019 Beats & Bites events also will feature numerous food truck and merchandise vendors.

For more information on Beats & Bites, visit Riverwind Casino's website at www.riverwind.com/entertain/beats-bites-stage/.

List of Food Trucks for May 11

- 2 Cajuns Express (Ardmore – Cajun cuisine)
- Amore (OKC – Italian cuisine with “food truck flair.”)
- Chef Rays (Edmond – Modern twists on classic American dishes)
- Coits (OKC – Hot dogs and root beer)
- Cookie Dough To Go (OKC – Edible cookie dough)
- Cowboys and Angels (OKC – Chicken wings, Cajun catfish, fried pork chops)
- Dippin’ Dots (OKC – Unique ice cream)
- Dos Gringos (OKC – Fresh Tex-Mex)
- Eagle Scout Concessions (Shawnee – Hot dogs, drinks and snacks)
- Evolve the Burger (OKC – Burgers, fries, hot dogs, shakes)
- Filipino Fusion (OKC – Authentic and Filipino-inspired dishes)
- Kona Ice (OKC – Shaved ice)
- Let’s Do Greek (OKC – Greek cuisine)
- MacTastic (Norman – Macaroni and cheese dishes)
- MMP Concessions (Dibble – Corndogs, nachos)
- Phill Me Up Cheesesteaks (OKC – Cheesesteaks and other Philly-style sandwiches)
- Rolling Café (Yukon – Diverse, American-style food with Southwestern flair)
- Sadie J’s (Shawnee – Gourmet popcorn)
- Smokin’ Oak Pizza (OKC – Wood-fire, brick oven pizza)
- Span Devu (Davis – Loaded potatoes, nachos, tacos)
- The Flying Pig (OKC – BBQ and mobile smokehouse)
- The Fried Taco (OKC – Fried tacos with Caribbean influence)
- Tropical Smoothie Café (OKC – Smoothie drinks)
- Whole Latte Pie (Norman – Artisanal pie and coffee)
- Yum Pig (OKC – Variety of pork dishes)

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About Riverwind Casino

Riverwind Casino offers more than 2,800 electronic games and 19 table games, including Craps and Roulette, and 17 poker tables spread across its 287,000 square feet, providing plenty of heart-thumping action for gaming enthusiasts. The casino also includes an off-track betting lounge and offers dining and drinks at The River Buffet, Chips ‘N Ales and Seasons Food Court, in addition to shopping at the casino’s gift shop. For more information, please visit riverwind.com or get updates via Facebook at facebook.com/riverwindcasino; or Twitter, [@RiverwindCasino](https://twitter.com/RiverwindCasino).