WARRENS CRANBERRY FESTIVAL

# THE CRANFEST SCOOP

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## 2021 Warrens Cranberry Festival

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*The purpose of the Warrens Cranberry Festival shall be to promote the common good and general welfare of the community of Warrens, including holding an annual community festival and raising funds to be used exclusively for civic betterments and social improvements in the Warrens community.*

2020 was a challenging year with the cancellation of events all over the nation, people were eager to get back out and have fun again in 2021. We made necessary changes and adjustments to some of our events and were successful in pulling off a great Festival for 2021! The weather was a little rainy on Friday afternoon but the rest of the weekend was beautiful for hosting an outdoor fall event like the Warrens Cranberry Festival.

This year visitors enjoyed shopping, food, the huge Cranberries Jubilee Fry Pan, and cranberry marsh walking tours. Strolling down the streets visitors were able to see some fun entertainment including "The Village Statue", Josh Peters walking the streets on stilts, music by the 204th Army Band, Bree Morgan singing, Cassidy's Critters - monkeys", photo op area including a huge Cranfest chair. It was another exciting year for visitors and vendors to celebrate 48 years of cranberry extravaganza!

Planning is underway for the 49th Warrens Cranberry Festival, so mark your calendars… September 23-25, 2022.

### *Thank you for another successful year!*

*The Festival Board and membership would also like to thank everyone who attended and expresses a special thank you to everyone who volunteered their valuable time and energy to help us pull off another successful year! Every person involved with the Festival has the passion and vision of the event in mind and that shines through when the event is in full swing and the sun is shining down on our small Village, giving us all good things to be thankful for. We couldn't do it without YOU!*

## 2021 Winning Button Designs

Adult Button Design Winner
Cassie Grier, Carver, MN

Youth Button Design Winner
Kimber Houston, Harker Heights, TX

# 2021 Contest Winners:

# Congratulations to all the Winners!

## *2021 Biggest Berry Contest Winners*

*Biggest Berry Contest Sponsor: Potter Cranberry Co., Warrens, WI*

### Ada Nemitz Wins the Biggest Berry Contest!

**The winner of the Warrens Cranberry Festival's Biggest Berry Contest was Ada Nemitz, Beaver Creek Cranberry LLC, Warrens. Her Sundance cranberry tipped the scales at 5.47 grams. Ada received a trophy and a $45 prize from Potter Cranberry Company, Warrens.**

Honorable Mention honors went to Myla Nemitz, Bever Creek Cranberry LLC, Warrens for her Sundance cranberry weighing 5.25 grams and Katilea Jensen, Paradise Valley Cranberry, Warrens, for her Stevens cranberry weighing 5.09 grams.

Any variety of cranberry may be entered in the contest. The biggest berry in each variety class receives a blue ribbon. The class winners were as follows:

41—Cash Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.67 grams.
Ar-2—Cash Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.47 grams.
Bain 10 – Ryan Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 4.44 grams.
Baine Favorite #1 – Ryan Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 4.08 grams.
Ben Lear – Jameson Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 4.23 grams.
Centennial -- Leah Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.70 grams.
Crimson Queen – Myla Nemitz, JR Nemitz Cranberry, Warrens, 4.74 grams.
Crowley—Makenda Krebs, A&K Cranberry, Warrens, 1.770 grams.
Demoranville – Ella Huser, Rezin Berries, Nekoosa, 3.73 grams.
GH1 – Emma Frisbee, Potter Cranberry Company, Warrens, 3.930 grams.
Haines – Jaidyn Glodowski, Rezin Berries, Stratford, 4.15 grams.
Howe—Adella Bauman, Acorn Acres, Tomah, 3.24 grams.
HyRed - Ella Huser, Rezin Berries, Nekoosa, 3.78 grams.
LeMunyon - Ely Sutherland, Stillwater Cranberry Co,.Warrens, 3.87 grams
McFarlin – Lorry Erickson, Potter Cranberry Company, Warrens, 2.86 grams.
Midnight 8– Scarlett Gebhardt, Beltz Cranberry Company, Warrens, 4.10 grams.
Mullica Queen – Tayler Gebhardt, Nathan Gebhardt Cranberry, Warrens, 4.43 grams.
Olsen Honker – Ellie Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.460 grams.
Pilgrim - Ada Nemitz, James Potter Cranberry Marsh, Warrens, 4.67 grams.
Potter's Favorite - Ellie Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.87 grams.
Scarlett Knight – Chris Hawes, Hableman Bros., 3.180 grams.
Searles – Lorry Erickson, Potter Cranberry Company, Warrens, 2.87 grams.
Stevens - Katilea Jensen, Paradise Valley Cranberry, Warrens, 5.09 grams.
Sundance – Ada Nemitz, Beaver Creek Cranberry LLC, Warrens, 5.47 grams.
Walapa Red—Leah Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 2.61 grams.
Welker – Tayler Gebhardt, Nathan Gebhardt Cranberry, Warrens, 3.89 grams.
Wilcox - Leah Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 2.09 grams.
WSU 77 – Lily Normington, Saddle Mound Cranberry, Pittsville, 3.70 grams.

# WINNERS CONTINUED...

## 2021 Button Design Contest Winners

**Cassie Grier**, *Carver, MN* - 1st Place - Adult Design
**Mary Schill,** *Wisconsin Rapids, WI* – 2nd Place– Adult Design
**Kimber Houston,** *Harker Heights, TX* —1st Place—Youth Design
**Zoe Janecek,** *Fort Atkinson, WI* – 2nd Place– Youth Design

## 2021 Marsh Medallion Hunt Winner

**Kelsey McGarry** of *Warrens, WI* $100 cash prize - The medallion was found behind the Warrens School off the dirt road in a tree stump.

## 2021 Photography Contest Winners

### Adult Division:

**Marjorie Bazluki,** *La Crosse, WI* **- Wins Adult Best of Show**

**Sheri Erickson,** *Wilson, WI* - 1st Place - Favorite Festival Fotos
**Heidi Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 2nd Place - Favorite Festival Fotos
**Heidi Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 3rd Place - Favorite Festival Fotos

**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* — 1st Place - Cranfest Royalty Category
**Heidi Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 2nd Place - Cranfest Royalty Category
**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* — *3rd* Place - Cranfest Royalty Category

**Sheri Erickson,** *Wilson, WI* - 1st Place - Marsh Madness Category
**Heidi Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 2nd Place - Marsh Madness Category
**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* —3rd Place - Marsh Madness Category

**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* — 1st Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category
**Sheri Erickson,** *Wilson, WI* — 2nd Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category
**Heidi Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* —3rd Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category

**Marjorie Bazluki,** *La Crosse, WI* —1st Place - Enjoying Outdoor Warrens Category
**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* — 2nd Place - Enjoying Outdoor Warrens Category
**Lorry Erickson,** *Warrens, WI* —3rd Place - Enjoying Outdoor Warrens Category

### Youth Division:

**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* **- Wins Youth Best of Show**

**Alyssa Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 1st Place - Favorite Festival Fotos
**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* — 2nd Place - Favorite Festival Fotos
**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* — 3rd Place - Favorite Festival Fotos

**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 1st Place - Cranfest Royalty Category
**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 2nd Place - Cranfest Royalty Category
**Eva Betthauser,** *Warrens, WI* - 3rd Place - Cranfest Royalty Category

**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* — 1st Place - Marsh Madness Category
**Hanna Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* - 2nd Place - Marsh Madness Category
**Alyssa Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* — 3rd Place - Marsh Madness Category

**Eva Betthauser,** *Warrens, WI* — 1st Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category
**Eva Betthauser,** *Warrens, WI* - 2nd Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category
**Eva Betthauser,** *Warrens, WI* — 3rd Place - Marsh Flora & Fauna Category

**Alyssa Tubbs,** *Hixton, WI* —1st Place - Enjoying Outdoor Warrens Category

## 2021 Pictorial Cancellation Contest Winner

**Mary Schill**, *Wisconsin Rapids, WI* —1st Place—$50 cash prize

# Festival Membership

## 2021 Warrens Cranberry Festival Members

Dan Briggs
Tatianna Briggs
Amber Bristow
Dan Bristow
Jeanne Butzer
Jeff Butzer
Mark Chew
Mary Clark
Cody Copper
Bonnie Dana
Robert Dana
Karen Doers
Deanna Donaldson
Jacob Donaldson
Jessalyn Donaldson
Will Donaldson
Chelsie Engelson
Lorry Erickson
Deb Frost
Ardyce Garavalia
Amy Gebhardt
Tonya Gnewikow
Carolyn Habelman
David Hall
Jacquelyn Hancock
Jensen Cranberry Bogs, Inc.
Alex Knoepker
Brian Knoepker
Stephanie Knoepker
Amy Krultz
Jason Krultz
Dorna Mae Miller
Aleda Moseley
Sara Moseley
Danita Murdock
Randy Murdock
Curt Myer
Vicki Myer
Carol Myers
Sandy Nemitz
Vicki Nemitz
Kyra Neumann
Dave Oakes
Dottie Oakes
Jack O'Connor
Roxie O'Connor
Alan Olson
Sonia Olson
Joe Pearson
Karen Pierce
Zan Pierce
Debbie Popp
Tom Popp
Cara Potter
Gina Potter
June Potter
Todd Potter
Mickey Rezin
Jill Rutlin
Lisa Scheitler
Jody Schiel
Dale Schroeder
Kim Schroeder
Scott Schultz
Shelly Schultz
Shana Steele
Gale Sutherland
Jenna Van Wychen
Jim Van Wychen
Nodji Van Wychen

Thank You Members!

49th Warrens Cranberry Festival
Warrens, WI
September 23-25, 2022

## Sign Up & Join!

Join or renew your
Warrens Cranberry Festival
Membership for only $5.00

Memberships run Jan to Dec

*2022 Membership Form is available on page 5*

# Warrens Cranberry Festival
# Membership Application
# January 2022 - December 2022

Please print

_____New Membership _____Renewal

Annual Membership Fee $5.00

NAME:_____

ADDRESS:_____

_____

E-MAIL: _____
(We will not share your email)

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____ FAX: _____

Committees you are involved in? _____

Interested in volunteering? Tell us where you'd like to volunteer? _____

_____

_____

Newsletter: Email (monthly) _____ or Postal (quarterly) _____

Other communications: Email_____ Postal_____

Date membership paid_____ Amount $_____

Thank you for your interest in joining the Warrens Cranberry Festival. Festival memberships run from January 2022 through December 2022.

Membership dues are $5.00 annually.

The festival membership meets once a month, the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. There are no meetings in December & January.

For more information, contact the Festival Office at:

PO Box 146
Warrens, WI 54666
Phone: 608-378-4200

Fax: 608-378-4250
E-mail: cranfest@cranfest.com
Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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# Calendar of Events
## *What's around the corner…and beyond!*

### November 2021

25-26 – **Thanksgiving Holiday** (office closed)

### December 2021

3– **Warrens Youth Association Christmas** Party **& Community Meal**
4 –6 pm Lions Log Building

21 – **First Day of Winter**

24–25 **Christmas Holiday** (office closed)

31 – **New Year's Eve**

****Note**** No Festival Meeting in December

## Cranberry Festival Merchandise FOR SALE:

T-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, hats, tote bags,
prints, buttons, glasses, cookbooks and so much more!

***Items can be purchased at the Warrens Cranberry Festival call or stop by...608-378-4200, 402 Pine Street, Warrens.***

## Did You Know?

(Source: thetravelbite.com)

Wisconsin has been the number one cranberry producer in the U.S. for over twenty years and produces half of the world's cranberries. *(So they're not just known for cheese!)*

# Cranberry Cuisine

## Recipes Inspired by the Cranberry! Bon Appétit!

### No Bake Cranberry Yum Yum

*Recipe from thekitchenismyplayground.com*

*Yield: 9-12 Servings*

**Ingredients**

**Crust:**

- 1 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 6 T. unsalted butter, melted

**Cream Cheese Mixture:**

- 1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup confectioners sugar
- 2 cups whipping cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract, divided
- 3 T. granulated sugar

**Filling & Topping:**

- 1 (14 oz.) can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 3 T. chopped pecans

**Instructions**

**Prepare the Crust**

1. In large bowl, combine graham cracker crumbs, cinnamon, and melted butter. Blend with a fork until crumbs are moistened.
2. Set aside 1 tablespoon of crumbs for topping.
3. Press crumb mixture into the bottom of a 9x9-inch pan that's been sprayed with non-stick cooking spray.

**Prepare the Cream Cheese Mixture:**

1. With an electric mixer, cream together softened cream cheese, 1/2 cup confections sugar, and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla until smooth.
2. In a separate bowl, whip the whipping cream, 3 tablespoons granulated sugar, and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extra until stiff peaks form.
3. By hand, mix together whipped cream and cream cheese mixture until well combined.

**Assemble the layers:**

1. Spread a little less than half the cream cheese/whipped cream mixture evenly over the crust.
2. Stir cranberry sauce a bit in its can to break up. Drop cranberry sauce by large spoonfuls on top of the cream cheese layer. Gently spread cranberry sauce filling evenly over cream cheese layer.
3. Top cranberry layer with the remaining cream cheese/whipped cream mixture. Gently spread evenly over cranberry layer, coving it completely.
4. Combine chopped pecans and reserved 1 tablespoon graham cracker crumbs. Sprinkle evenly over the top.
5. Cover and refrigerate for several hours or overnight before serving. Enjoy!

**Note:**

You can substitute 8 ounces of Cool Whip non-dairy whipped topping for the homemade whipped cream in the cream cheese mixture if you'd like.

# Recipes Continued….

## Pretzel-Topped Sweet Potatoes

*Recipe from Taste of Home*

*Yield: 12 Servings*

### Ingredients

- 2 cups chopped pretzel rods (about 13)
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup butter, melted, divided
- 1 can (2-1/2 pounds) sweet potatoes, drained
- 1 can (5 ounces) evaporated milk
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

### Directions

1. In large bowl, combine the pretzels, pecans, cranberries, brown sugar and 1/2 cup butter; set aside.
2. In a large bowl, beat the sweet potatoes until smooth. Add the milk, sugar, vanilla and remaining butter; beat until well blended.
3. Spoon into a greased shallow 2-qt. baking dish; sprinkle with pretzel mixture. Bake, uncovered, at 350º for 25-30 minutes or until the edges are bubbly.

# Recipes Continued….

## Cranberry Pumpkin Bread

*Recipe from Taste of Home*

*Yield: 2 Loaves*

### Ingredients

- 3-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 cups sugar
- 4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 large eggs, room temperature
- 1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin
- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries, thawed
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

### Directions

1. In large bowl, combine the flour, sugar, pumpkin pie spice, baking soda and salt. In another bowl, whisk eggs, pumpkin and oil; stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Fold in cranberries and walnuts
2. Spoon into two greased 9x5-in. loaf pans. Bake at 350º for 70-80 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely.

## Cranberry Apple Topping

*Recipe from Taste of Home*

*Yield: 3-3/4 cups*

### Ingredients

- 4 cups fresh or frozen cranberries
- 2 medium tart apples, peeled and chopped
- 1-1/4 cups sugar
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 2 teaspoons grated orange zest
- 1/2 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons cold water

### Directions

1. In a 3-qt. slow cooker, combined the first six ingredients. Cook, covered, on low until bubbly, 3-4 hours. In a small bowl, combine cornstarch and water until smooth; stir into cranberry mixture. Cook, covered, until thickened, 30 minutes longer; cool.

# Festival News:

Monday, November 8, 2021, the Festival held its annual elections. The Festival Membership and Board of Directors elected incumbent Vice-President, Lisa Scheitler and Secretary, Stephanie Knoepker, also incumbent Tom Popp, Brian Knoepker and Amy Krultz were elected to serve Director positions. June Potter and Nodji Van Wychen were also appointed by the Board of Directors to serve another term on the Advisory Board.

Gale Sutherland decided to step down from the Advisory Board. We want to thank Gale for all her years of service. Gale started in 1973 and was chair of the Gospel Sing held at the Rex Moseley's farm. The Gospel Word singers were part of the festival from the beginning first know as the "Gospel Notes". Members were Norman Anderson, David Oakes, Gale Sutherland and Darrel Arity. Gale helped with the Art & Craft, Flea Market set-up and clean up after Festival. She was also chair of the Farm Market, helped in the early years with the horse show and gymkhana.

Gale was a board member for fourteen years and on the advisory board for six years.

Congratulations to all our elected Board of Directors and thank you to all the Warrens Cranberry Festival Membership who voted in this year's election. A special thank you to our Board of Directors for their years of continued support and dedication to the Warrens Cranberry Festival. We appreciate EVERYTHING you do for the Festival!

Happy
Thanksgiving
May the holiday bring you good
things in abundance that stay
with you all year long.