Volleyball, tug-of-war promise muddy fun for everyone

Kids rarely pass up a chance to jump in a mud puddle.

A couple of dirty events during Brady Days will allow participants of all ages to wallow in the mud without reprimand.

A 3-on-3 mud volleyball tournament during the annual community celebration Aug. 3-5 might make competitors a little messy but they won’t be alone.

The Hitchin’ Post is hosting the mud volleyball in a sloppy pit at Palmer Park beginning at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 4.

Registration is open to anyone and can be completed at the Hitchin’ Post or by calling 584-3777.

Volleyball players aren’t likely to be the only ones getting a little messy in the park.

Brady Days organizers have brought back the old-fashioned tug-of-war that was once a big draw during the three-day festival.

Several area businesses have received challenge invitations to compete for bragging rights and trophy prizes.

The contest is open to any five-member team. It will also be conducted across a mud pit in Palmer Park.

Pulling begins at 3 p.m. and pre-registration is requested.

Contact Deb Egenberger at 308-539-5781 or Michelle Walker at 402-276-1543.

If mud isn't appealing, there are several other contests during Brady Days that won't be quite so dirty.

On Friday, Aug. 3, the first six to volunteer during the family night meal can compete in a hotdog eating contest.

Or if baking is more up your alley, enter a pie in the apple pie contest. Pies must be delivered to the Community Center by 3 p.m. Aug. 3 with prizes awarded during the freewill donation meal.

There will also be the traditional horseshoe pitching contest in the park beginning at 1 p.m. and the famed turtle races downtown at 2 p.m.

Neither of those events require pre-registration.

There is also no pre-registration for the Minute-to-Win-It contest on the Community Center lawn during the firemen's barbecue Saturday evening, Aug. 4, but the number of competitors will be limited.

This contest involves strange skills used to advance through a variety of challenges and is based on the NBC game show of the same name.

Jeanene Lusk will be conducting the event.

There will also be a couple of athletic contests during Brady Days.

At 7 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 5, runners are invited to compete in a 5K or 10K road run or a one-mile fun race.

The starting line will be at the school. Pre-registration is requested but not required.

Medals will be awarded in six age divisions in all three races.

Contact Egenberger for entry forms.

The annual co-ed softball tournament also returns to the event lineup for Brady Days.

The first pitch will be tossed at 10 a.m. on Aug. 5.

Contact coordinator Steve Bourge at 308-539-3096 to enter a team.