

State Fair Rabbit Holes

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Hello, State Fair visitor! We've collaborated with the North Carolina Rabbit Hole newsletter (ncrabbithole.com) for a special 2023 State Fair scavenger hunt. Visit each site and write down the highlighted letter found in the numbered blanks provided below. Unscramble the words to get a prize from the Expo Center Information Booth!

Stop 1: Sam Rand Grandstand

The Sam Rand Grandstand (say it five times fast!) Site of the last real NASCAR dirt race in 1970. Sorry, Bristol doesn't count if you put a bunch of dirt over the pavement. Who won?

Stop 2: Near Gate 10

This is the original location of the pig races for a LONG time. Also allegedly, this is the place where NASCAR legend Richard Petty autographed this animal.

Stop 3: Poultry Tent

There are more turkeys living in North Carolina than people. Which N.C. county has the most turkeys?

Stop 4: Wilbur (or Orville) State Fair flyer

Look, we all know that North Carolina was first in flight, but we didn't put it on the state license plate until 1982 and that retro design is still the state's most popular license plate. What is depicted in the design?

Stop 5: Dorton Arena

Designed by architect Mathew Nowicki and opened in 1952. This was the first structure in the world to use a cable-supported roof. There is still no air conditioning. When first constructed the building was used to show livestock, earning it the name _____.

Stop 6: Waterfall

Upper Whitewater Falls in Jackson and Transylvania counties stands 411 feet tall and is the tallest waterfall east of the Rockies (The water flows over a lot of cascades vs. Niagara Falls' 180 foot straight drop). This here waterfall is ____ feet tall, and it's manmade, in case you couldn't tell.

Stop 7: Heritage Circle

Heritage Circle - You want some heritage? Consider this: North Carolina used to just keep going to the west. (Some refer to this as "Long Carolina."). But in 1789, it gave back land between the mountains and the Mississippi River to the federal government. In 1796, those North Carolina leftovers became this state.

Stop 8: Jim Graham Building

Jim Graham served as agriculture commissioner from 1964 to 2000. What size are the shoe imprints left in the concrete floor of the building?

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8	9	10	11			

