



# Chard & District Carnival



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**Chard Carnival Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

## General:

1. Assembly details will be forwarded to you at a later date.
2. The anticipated start of procession will be 7:30pm
3. All classes will be judged on route.
4. The Carnival will line up in Numatics and entry to the line up to for all mounted entries and vehicles will be via Millfield. The procession will start at the Numatics premises, on Tapstone Road. **The finish line will be the GATES RETURNING INTO NUMATICS and will be identified with signage. All entries must continue into Numatics to disperse there will be a scrutineer & a judge at the end of route any entry not returning will be disqualified.**
5. All entries must arrive within their time slot, if you are unable or are having problems please contact the committee as soon as possible.
6. The announcement of the results and the presentation of cups and prizes will be given out at the **Guildhall** as soon as possible after the procession has ended.
7. A deduction of points or disqualification may result from a breach of any rule. 10% of points may be deducted from any entry for any misconduct during the procession which includes not following marshals instructions or abusive behaviour
8. If any Carnival Club members not participating in the procession wish to collect, please contact the committee as a donation can be made to their club or selected charity.

## Rules

1. Safety is paramount, and it is the responsibility of clubs to ensure the safety and welfare of their members and helpers and members of the public at all times.
2. All entries must conform to the Carnival Handbook 2017 or Trailer Letter (where VSO does not apply) this can be found at <https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/advice/vehicles-and-roads/vehicle-special-order-for-carnivals>
3. Chard Carnival Committee Ltd will accept no responsibility for any Loss, Damage or Injury, however caused to, or by any person, article or vehicle. All entrants and participants are advised to insure against **ALL RISKS**
4. A Minimum recommended number of road crew are required for mounted entries and are **1-part entry is 2, for 2-part entries is 4 and for 3-part entries is 8.**
5. In the event of a breakdown or generator failure the following will apply:
  - Assembly area. The club will be given time to fix the problem and permitted to go out of order if fixed. If the problem cannot be fixed the float will be required to travel the route in the procession as directed by the Chief Assembly Marshal. The cast to be fixed in position and permitted to perform. Road and Emergency lighting to be used with Road Crew in attendance.
  - On route. If the lights fail, they will be given a short time to fix the problem. If the problem cannot be fixed the float will carry on in the procession. The cast to be fixed in position and permitted to perform. Road and Emergency lighting to be used with Road Crew in attendance.



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6. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry, which, in their opinion, may give offence or brings the name of Chard Carnival into disrepute or do not have the relevant documentation on arrival (as listed on the Tick list form which is available online and will be sent out with procession numbers) required at the time of inspection.
7. Entries from organisations that are primarily for the purposes of advertising their trade or forthcoming events **MUST** enter Class 11 – Trade and pay the relevant entry fee.
8. The judges' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
9. All connecting lines will be of sufficient length such that disconnection around corners is not required
10. All entries must complete the whole route to be eligible for a prize (unless altered by the committee). The route will not be deemed complete until the entry has passed the finish line. The responsibility of finishing the route is with each entry.
11. Winners of trophies will be held responsible for any damage or loss whilst they are in their possession and to ensure their safe return in due time for the following years Carnival. All trophies remain the property of Chard carnival LTD
12. In event of an emergency on the route, all vehicles/participants will move to the left. In the direction of the procession
13. If the procession is forced to stop for 3 minutes or longer, participants are permitted to relax but must not get off or leave their entry.
14. All carts or Motorised entries will carry-a minimum of 1 in date certified approved Fire Extinguishers per section (vehicle & 2 trailers would require a minimum of 3) & a bag of sand (please seek advice from a registered firefighting company to ensure you have the correct extinguishers and an adequate number for your entry)
15. The driver of all entries must be in attendance at all times.
16. All trailer tow bars are to have "**DO NOT CROSS**"-signs of an expandable nature so that they can be a physical barrier to show the danger areas and to stop entry
17. Entrants under 18 years of age must have adult supervision with them at all times
18. All entries will comply with the instructions of procession marshals.
19. **NO alcohol** will be consumed by any entrant or road crew in the Assembly area of Numatics or during the Procession.
20. **No SMOKING or vapeing / electronic cigarettes in the Assembly area of Numatics clubs ignoring this rule may have points deducted or be disqualified.**
21. Entries on roller skates, roller blades or skateboards may not be permitted, please contact the committee prior to entry.
22. No objects or liquids will be thrown from any entry.
23. **Float Dimensions will not exceed: Total Length –30.5m, Total Height – 5.0m, Total Width – 3.5m. These dimensions are applicable at all times i.e. before, during and after the carnival.**
24. Procession numbers must be displayed at the front of the towing vehicles and the rear of the entry and should be in a visible position on walking entries.
25. Chard Carnival Committee is licensed by South Somerset District Council to make a street collection. Organisations are **NOT ALLOWED** to collect for their own funds.



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## **CHARD CARNIVAL PROCESSION PRIZES & CLASS RULES**

**Class 1 – Feature** - *Movement, music and / or dance by cast or construction of float.*

1<sup>st</sup> £100 - Chard Working Men's Club Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £70 - Bryan Bishop Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup> £50

**Class 2 – Tableau** - *No movement by cast or construction of float.*

1<sup>st</sup> £100 - Tableau Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £70 - Percy Summers Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup> £50

**Class 3 – Comic** - *Subject matter, music and / or construction of float causing amusement.*

1<sup>st</sup> £100 - Taunton Cider Co. Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £70 - J Newell Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup> £50

**Class 4 – Youth** - *All cast on float to be under 18 years on the day of the first carnival of the South Somerset circuit.*

1<sup>st</sup> £100 - Rosemarie Beasley Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £70, 3<sup>rd</sup> £50

**Class 5 – Open (Mounted)** - *Some or all of cast on float (float not to exceed 15m), entries to have lights and music.*

1<sup>st</sup> £50 - Wetherell Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £40, 3<sup>rd</sup> £30

**Class 6 – Single Walkers Adult** - *One person walking in procession, no separate wheeled prop. Support vehicle must not exceed 10 metres, lights and music may accompany entry but will not be judged.*

1<sup>st</sup> £30 – The Stone Family Trophy, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15

**Class 7 - Single Walkers Juvenile (18 and under)** - *One person walking in procession, no separate wheeled prop. Support vehicle must not exceed 10 metres, lights and music may accompany entry but will not be judged. Person under 18 years on the day of the first carnival of the South Somerset circuit*

1<sup>st</sup> £30 - Mann & Hummel Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15

**Class 8 – Pair Walking** - *Two persons walking in procession, no separate wheeled prop. Support vehicle must not exceed 10 metres, lights and music may accompany entry but will not be judged.*

1<sup>st</sup> £40 - Cricket Malherbe Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £30, 3<sup>rd</sup> £20

**Class 9 – Groups Walking** - *Three or more persons walking in procession, no separate wheeled prop. Support vehicle must not exceed 10 m, lights and music may accompany entry but will not be judged.*

1<sup>st</sup> £50 - Chard Conservative Club Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £40, 3<sup>rd</sup> £30

**Class 10 – Walking Open** - **All cast to be walking.** *Motorised part of entry must not exceed 15 metres. Separate wheeled props are permitted, entire entry to be judged.*

1<sup>st</sup> £50 - Ken Groves Trophy, 2<sup>nd</sup> £40, 3<sup>rd</sup> £30

**Class 11 – Trade (entry fee applicable)**

Richard Townsend Cup

**Class 12 – Walking, Non-Federation**

1<sup>st</sup> £25 - Oscar Mayer Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15

**Class 13 – Majorettes**

1<sup>st</sup> Long and Bartlett Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chard Majorette Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Class 16 – Local Schools**

1<sup>st</sup> £50 Chard Schools Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> £40, 3<sup>rd</sup> £30

**Class 17 – Royalty**

1<sup>st</sup> Chard Carnival Royalty Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>



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## **Non-Class Cups Awarded**

**Best In Procession** (Grand Challenge Cup) Will be awarded (at the federation dance) from entries in classes 1 to 5

**Best Entry on Foot** (Oscar Mayer Cup) Will be awarded (at the federation dance) from entries in classes 6 to 9

**Best Float from Chard** (C.H. Baluch Cup)

**Best Youth Float Entry from Chard** (The Clarence Harvey Trophy)

**Best Adult Walking Entry from Chard** (The Haymaker Inn Cup)

**Best Youth Walking Entry from Chard** (Jan Lucas Memorial Trophy)

**Best Local Village Entry** (Chard Working Man's Club Village Cup)

**Best Local Build** (Coors Shield)

**Best Entry Public Choice** (Chard & Ilminster News Cup)

**Best Non-Federation Entry** (Domino Cup, Sponsored by Chard Garden Centre)

**Best Lighting on Float** (Gardina Trophy)

**Most Colourful Float** (Robert Oliver Cup),

**Best Music in procession** (Bill Garner Memorial Cup),

**Best Costume on Float** (Bert Phippen Trophy),

**Best Dressed Tractor Driver** (Hazel Garner Memorial Cup)

**Best Maintained Tractor/Lorry** (Lordleaze Cup),

**Best Makeup in Procession** (Sue Middleton Shield)

**Best Routine** (Chard Carnival Committee cup),

**Best Tableaux Pose** (Phoenix Hotel cup),

**Best Costume on Foot** (Reg Weaver Cup)

**Most Original Entry** (Wendy Cullow cup)

**Best Charity Entry** (Hayley Tigerfly Girls & Boys Charity Cup)

**Best Dressed Individual Collector** (Andy Facey Cup)

**Best Dressed Group of Collectors** (Andy Kenton Cup)

**Carnival Queens Choice** (Miss Chard Cup)

**The Mayor's Choice** (The Mervyn Ball Crystal Vase)

**The Chairman's Choice** (The Phoenix Engineering Cup)

**Spirit of Carnival** (Spirit of Carnival Cup)