

CHARD CARNIVAL

Classes, cups and prize money:

Federation Classes

Class 1 – Feature

Movement, music and / or dance by cast or construction of float.

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

Class 2 – Tableau

No movement by cast or construction of float.

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

Class 3 – Comic

Subject matter, music and / or construction of float causing amusement.

1st £100 - Taunton Cider Co. Cup, 2nd £70 - J Newell Cup, 3rd £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.

1st £100 - Rosemarie Beasley Cup, 2nd £70, 3rd £50

Class 5 – Open (Mounted)

Some or all of cast on float (float not to exceed 15m), entries to have lights and music.

1st £50 - Wetherall Cup, 2nd £40, 3rd £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.

1st £30 – The Stone Family Trophy, 2nd £20, 3rd £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

1st £30 - Mann & Hummel Cup, 2nd £20, 3rd £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.

1st £40 - Cricket Malherbie Cup, 2nd £30, 3rd £20

Class 9 – Groups Walking

Three or more 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.

1st £50 - Chard Conservative Club Cup, 2nd £40, 3rd £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.

1st £50 - Ken Groves Trophy, 2nd £40, 3rd £30

Non-Federation Classes

Class 11 – Trade (entry fee applicable)

Class 12 – Majorettes

1st Long and Bartlett Cup, 2nd, 3rd.

Class 13 – Walking, Non-Federation

1st £25 - Oscar Mayer Cup, 2nd £20, 3rd £15

Non-Class Cups Awarded

Best In Procession (Grand Challenge Cup), **Best Entry Public Choice** (Chard & Ilminster News Cup), **Best Float from Chard** (C.H. Baulch Cup), **Best Youth Float Entry from Chard** (The Clarence Harvey Trophy), **Best Costume on Float** (Bert Phippen Trophy), **Best Lighting on Float** (Gardina Trophy), **Most Colourful Float** (Robert Oliver Cup), **Best Music on Float** (Norman Welch Cup), **Best Maintained Tractor/Lorry** (Lordleaze Cup), **Best Entry on Foot** (Oscar Mayer Cup), **Best Costume on Foot** (Reg Weaver Cup), **Best Youth Walking Entry from Chard** (Jan Lucas Memorial Trophy), **Best routine or Pose** (Committee cup), **Best Non-Federation Entry** (Domino Cup, Sponsored by Chard Garden Centre), **Best Makeup in Procession** (Sue Middleton Shield), **The Mayor's Choice** (The Mervyn Ball Crystal Vase), **Spirit of Carnival** (Spirit of Carnival Cup).

Chard Grand Procession

General:

1. Assembly details will be forwarded to you at a later date.
2. The Carnival will start at 7:30pm
3. All classes will be judged on route. This includes East Street.
4. The Carnival starts at the Numatics premises, on Tapstone Road. **The finish line will be at Clarkes Close and East Street Victoria Roundabout and Tapstone Road will be a 'rest area'. All entries must continue into Numatics to disperse.**
5. 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.
6. If any Carnival Club members not participating in the procession wish to collect, a percentage of the amount counted in their tin will be donated to their clubs funds.

7. **Rules:**

1. All entries must conform to the conditions laid down by the Avon & Somerset Constabulary Working Guide to the Management of Carnival Vehicles, and must have a valid VSO if required to do so. They must also adhere to the rules of the South Somerset Federation of Carnival Committees dated 2015.
2. All entrants and participants are advised to insure against **ALL RISKS**.
3. The Committee reserves the right to refuse entries which, in their opinion, may give offence or brings the name of Chard Carnival into disrepute.
4. Entries from organizations that are primarily for the purposes of advertising their trade or forthcoming events **MUST** enter Class 11 – Trade.
5. All entries take part in the procession at their own risk and Chard Carnival Committee Ltd will take no responsibility for personal injuries or damage to property however caused.
6. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
7. All connecting lines will be of sufficient length such that disconnection around corners is not required
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. In event of an emergency on the route, all vehicles/participants will move to the left. In the direction of the procession
11. 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.
12. All floats or Motorized entries will carry: an appropriate Fire Extinguisher, All fuel is to be carried in appropriate containers.
13. The driver of all entries must be in attendance at all times.
14. All trailer tow bars are to have ropes with '**DO NOT CROSS**' signs of a rigid (not paper) construction.
15. Entrants under 18 years of age must have adult supervision with them at all times
16. All entries will comply with the instructions of procession marshals.
17. Entries must TAKE PART in a minimum of two of the four South Somerset Federation Carnivals to qualify for Federation points and trophies.

18. **NO alcohol will be consumed by any entrant or road crew in the Assembly area of Numatics or during the Procession.**
19. **No SMOKING in the Assembly area of Numatics.**
20. Entries on roller skates, roller blades or skateboards will not be permitted.
21. No objects or liquids will be thrown from any entry.
22. **Float Dimensions will not exceed: Total Length – 30.5m, Total Height – 5.0m, Total Width – 3.35m. These dimensions are applicable at all times i.e. before, during and after the carnival.**
23. Procession numbers must be displayed on the nearside of the windscreen of towing vehicles
24. Chard Carnival Committee is licensed by South Somerset District Council to make a street collection. Organizations are **NOT ALLOWED** to collect for their own funds.

25. Classes 6 – 10

Costumes may have supporting castor wheels. No stand alone, separate prop permitted.

Costume - a complete style of dressing, including all the clothes, accessories, etc, worn at one time, as in a particular country or period.

Separate - Things forming units by themselves.

26. The closing date for entries is Friday 25th September for inclusion in any publicity. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.

Safety is paramount and it is the responsibility of clubs to ensure the safety of their members and the public at all times