



## CASTLE CARY AND ANSFORD CARNIVAL 2023

**Date – Saturday 14 October**

**Procession Start – 7pm from Ansford Academy, Maggs Lane, BA7 7JJ**

### **GUIDANCE NOTES FOR ENTRANTS – REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION**

Please read these very carefully and retain for future reference.

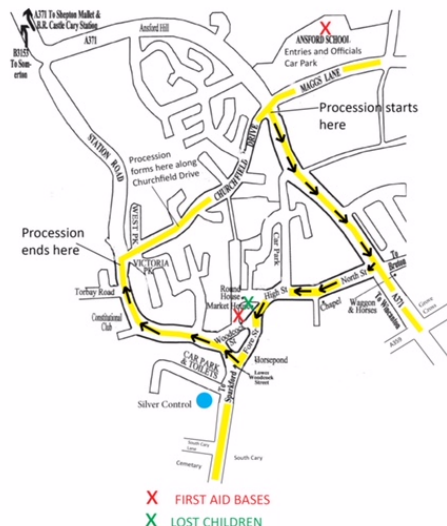
#### **ENTRIES**

1. To qualify as a local entry, masqueraders must reside within 5 miles of Castle Cary Market House. A local cart entry must have its place of registration within 5 miles of Castle Cary Market House.
2. Each entry can only enter one class.
3. Entrants must enter a class to which their entry is applicable. The Carnival Committee reserve the right to transfer entries which, in their opinion, have an unfair advantage due to incorrect classification.
4. The Carnival Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry which is considered to be of an objectionable nature.
5. Your Entry Number can be collected from the Castle Cary and Ansford Carnival Society caravan, located by the entrance to Maggs Lane, on the day of the carnival. Your entry number does not indicate your position in the procession.
6. Overnight parking for carts before or after the carnival may be secured by request.
7. Entries will continue to be received and included in the procession up to 12 noon on Friday 13 October 2023. Entries on the morning of the 14 October, carnival day, should be made direct to the Entry Secretary, Caroline Sharley, 07711 266969
8. Entries are fed into the procession from two directions:
  1. Carts, vehicle entries and wheeled props from the line-up in Churchfield Drive.
  2. Carnival Royals, Masqueraders, Majorettes with their attendant vehicles, Bands and Collection Vehicles from the line-up in Maggs Lane up to the school and Community Hall.

#### **PROCESSION ROUTE AND REGULATIONS**

**The requests made by the Chief Marshal and his Marshals must be complied with at all times.**

**In the case of an emergency all participants should move to the left.**



1. CARS, WHEELED VEHICLES AND WHEELED PROPS will be guided by Marshalls on duty from 4.00 PM to the Check-in Point near the bottom of Victoria Park. It is essential that you approach Churchfield Drive from Station Road. Carts and vehicles will be expected to comply with the appropriate regulations regarding dimensions and general roadworthiness. Please try to arrive no later than 6:00 PM

2. Please do not park in such a way to impede access to and from resident's properties. In addition, please exercise consideration when testing sound equipment in the hours leading up to the procession as playing the same music over and over again for

prolonged periods of time can be very irritating to nearby householders.

3. Cart/vehicle entrants will be expected to have valid insurance certificates available for inspection.
4. MASQUERADERS should assemble at Ansford School car park by 6:30 PM – when road closures come into force. Please make the Entries Secretary aware of any special requirements regarding the placement in the procession BEFORE carnival day.
5. Entry numbers MUST BE DISPLAYED in a prominent position at all times.
6. Owners of horses or other animals must be satisfied that they can be kept under control and will not be frightened by the noise from carts, bands, emergency vehicles etc.
7. The throwing or squirting of water or other liquids at floats or spectators along the procession route is strictly forbidden.
8. No alcohol is to be consumed on carts or by road crews during the procession.
9. The procession will move off at 7:00 PM.
10. ALL PERSONS ENTER THE PROCESSION AT THEIR OWN RISK.

## **JUDGING**

1. Judging will be done on route between specified points. NO JUDGING will take place coming down Cary Hill between the Waggon & Horses and the Methodist Chapel.
2. Any entry not completing the course will be disqualified. The finishing point (signed) is at the bus stop between Torbay Road and Victoria Park.
3. The decision of the judges is final and binding and should be accepted in the true spirit of the Carnival tradition in Somerset. We invite judges from different and wide-ranging Carnival Committees in-order to obtain as fair results as possible.

## **RESULTS AND PRESENTATION OF CUPS**

1. Results will be announced as soon as they are available. In the interests of accuracy, participants are asked to allow the process to be carried out without repeated requests for updates.
2. Results will be read out on the steps of the Market House, Castle Cary and posted on the Society's webpage [www.ccacs.org.uk](http://www.ccacs.org.uk) and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/CaryCarnivalSociety/>
3. Cups will be awarded at a Presentation Evening on 1 March 2024, at the Rugby Club, Castle Cary, BA7 7PF. Doors open at 7:00pm with the presentation beginning at 7:30pm

If you are delayed or need further information, please contact Caroline Sharley, Entries Secretary on 07711 266969.

## **HAVE A GREAT EVENING!**

### **Appendix - Sex Offenders register**

Castle Cary & Ansford Carnival Committee have a duty to protect the public as a whole, to reduce any risk of harm and safeguard their safety from the public at large. The same protections also apply to anyone who is on the Sex Offenders Register.

Therefore, anyone listed on the Sex Offenders Register is prohibited from participating/ associating with the carnival procession and carnival committee activities by any means; this includes fundraising, collecting, marshalling, road traffic marshals, toy sellers and any other role involved in the procession and line up/breakdown of the carnival. This is to safeguard both the public at large and those on the Sex Offenders Register. Furthermore, the Sex Offenders Register has lifelong convicted persons and those with a lesser sentence, all convictions must have been served and cleared by their handler/manager to be able to participate in a carnival parade.