

## S C G F C A County Cups, Classes, Rules and Judging Categories for 2024

Class		Cups	Rules	Judging Categories (See judges guidance for further info on this)	Judges class and Category Groups		
No	Title						
1	Tableau cart (open)	Starkey Cup Overall champions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Biffen 50th Anniversary Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Sedgemoor Enterprises Cup</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> The Robert Baggelaar Cup</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> The Elaine &amp; Tony Frazier Cup</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Midsomer Norton Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The North Petherton Cup</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> The Cecil Dodd Memorial Cup</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> The Richard Collins Memorial Shield</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have a minimum of eight personnel on the entry</li> <li>• All personnel must be fully mounted</li> </ul>	<p>Ground crew numbers are: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For 3-part entries - Min 9, Max 13</li> <li>• For 2-part entries - Min 7, Max 9</li> <li>• For 1-part entries - Min 5, Max 7</li> </ul> <p>Minimum age for ALL ground crew is 18 years old</p> <p>NOTE: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These are recommended maximum numbers, should you (subject to your club's risk assessment) choose to exceed these numbers please be aware that this may affect the ability for the judges to fully and fairly judge your entry</li> </ul> <p>Entries in classes 1 to 6 that cannot comply with the class rules regarding the minimum number of personnel ONLY will be allowed to enter the processions. Entries who enter under these circumstances: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WILL NOT be judged for any procession awards but may, at the sole discretion of the Town Carnival Committee be given the relevant appearance monies.</li> <li>• MUST comply with all other conditions of entry.</li> <li>• Must inform the individual town Committees prior to their carnival?</li> </ul> <p>This concession is made in order to encourage clubs that may be short of personnel to take part rather than not be able to enter and may be reviewed / withdrawn in future years.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation &amp; General effect</li> <li>2. Musical Appropriateness</li> <li>3. Stillness / Pose (for Classes 1 and 2) or Life and movement for (for classes 3, 4 and 6) or Comedy content (for class 5)</li> <li>4. Costume / Make up or mask</li> <li>5. Lighting</li> <li>6. Cart Build up</li> </ol>	<p>Class Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 1 Judges - Classes 1,2,5&amp;6</li> <li>• Group 2 Judges – Classes 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><i>Note - In Bridgwater this group will also judge Class 1 in order to award the joint class local awards. Class 1 will be judged by both groups of judges</i></p> <p>Category Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Categories 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>• Categories 3 &amp; 4</li> <li>• Categories 5 &amp; 6</li> </ul> <p><b>6 Judges per Group per Category</b></p>
2	Tableau cart (local)						
3	Feature cart (open)						
4	Feature cart (local)						
5	Comic Feature cart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Bridgwater Comic Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The George Widgery Memorial Cup</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> The Watchfield C.C. Cup</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have a minimum of six personnel on the entry</li> <li>• All personnel must be fully mounted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These are recommended maximum numbers, should you (subject to your club's risk assessment) choose to exceed these numbers please be aware that this may affect the ability for the judges to fully and fairly judge your entry</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General Effect &amp; Entertainment Value:</li> <li>2) Costume / prop &amp; Makeup</li> <li>3) Presentation &amp; Routine</li> <li>4) Ingenuity:</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE</b> - For all these classes, judging purposes and for compliance with the rules where the personnel are encased in a prop it should be considered as both a costume and a prop.</p>	<p>Category Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Categories 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>• Categories 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><b>6 judges per category</b></p>	
6	Juvenile cart <i>(See * below)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Bunch of Grapes Rose Bowl</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Burnham &amp; Dist. G&amp;F Wilquick Cup</li> </ul>					
7	Adult or mixed Adult & Juvenile walking group <i>(See # below)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Hot Rod Gremlin Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Marg &amp; Ern Holley Cup</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Six to twenty five persons to include the drivers of any vehicles.</li> <li>• Floats or other prop(s), towed or propelled by physical or mechanical means with or without a maximum of 3 personnel on board is permitted, the others must be pedestrians.</li> <li>• Up to six ground crew members are permitted to aid the entry in any way other than propelling any non-motorized props (except in emergency situations), these ground crew must be identified as such and not in costume.</li> <li>• Sound accompaniment is permitted. The equipment may be carried / propelled by the entry's ground crew</li> <li>• For class 8 only - all persons (excluding the drivers of any vehicles) must comply with the juvenile classes age limits below</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three to seven costumed persons.</li> <li>• Be self-propelled, with or without props, with a maximum of 2 persons on board any props, the others must be pedestrians.</li> <li>• Up to two ground crew members are permitted to aid the entry in any way other than propelling the props (except in emergency situations), these ground crew must be identified as such and not in costume.</li> <li>• No motorized vehicle accompaniment is allowed.</li> <li>• Sound accompaniment is permitted. The equipment may be carried / propelled by the entry's ground crew</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General Effect &amp; Entertainment Value:</li> <li>2) Costume / prop &amp; Makeup</li> <li>3) Presentation &amp; Routine</li> <li>4) Ingenuity:</li> </ol>	<p>Category Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Categories 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>• Categories 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><b>6 judges per category</b></p>	
8	Juvenile walking group <i>(See * &amp; # below)</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> The Nicola Putt Cup					
9	Adult, Juvenile or mixed Adult & Juvenile walking group. <i>(See # below)</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> The Eileen Brunton Cup					
10	Adult, Juvenile or mixed Adult & Juvenile Pair <i>(See # below)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Samvantra Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Associates 10th Anniversary Trophy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two costumed persons</li> <li>• Be self-propelled, with or without props, with a maximum of 1 person on board any props, the other must be a pedestrian.</li> <li>• Up to two ground crew members are permitted to aid the entry in any way other than propelling the props (except in emergency situations), these ground crew must be identified as such and not in costume</li> <li>• No motorized vehicle accompaniment is allowed.</li> <li>• Sound accompaniment is permitted. The equipment may be carried / propelled by the entry's ground crew.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One costumed pedestrian</li> <li>• Self-propelled, with or without props, no motorized vehicle accompaniment is allowed</li> <li>• Up to two ground crew members are permitted to aid the entry in any way other than propelling the props (except in emergency situations), these ground crew must be identified as such and not in costume.</li> <li>• Sound accompaniment is permitted. The equipment may be carried / propelled by the entry's ground crew</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General Effect &amp; Entertainment Value:</li> <li>2) Costume / prop &amp; Makeup</li> <li>3) Presentation &amp; Routine</li> <li>4) Ingenuity:</li> </ol>	<p>Category Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Categories 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>• Categories 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><b>6 judges per category</b></p>	
11	Adult Single Masquerader	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Doug. Letherby Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Gismo Cup</li> </ul>					
12	Juvenile Single Masquerader <i>(See * &amp; # below)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Phillips Memorial Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Don Clifford Cup</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only singles or pairs of Masqueraders are allowed</li> <li>• Entrants <u>must</u> use an un-motorised or motorised wheeled prop powered by battery limited to 48volt power supply</li> <li>• Sound equipment is allowed</li> <li>• All entrants must comply with general condition of entry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One costumed pedestrian</li> <li>• Self-propelled, with or without props, no motorized vehicle accompaniment is allowed</li> <li>• Up to two ground crew members are permitted to aid the entry in any way other than propelling the props (except in emergency situations), these ground crew must be identified as such and not in costume.</li> <li>• Sound accompaniment is permitted. The equipment may be carried / propelled by the entry's ground crew</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General Effect &amp; Entertainment Value:</li> <li>2) Costume / prop &amp; Makeup</li> <li>3) Presentation &amp; Routine</li> <li>4) Ingenuity:</li> </ol>	<p>Category Groupings: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Categories 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>• Categories 3 &amp; 4</li> </ul> <p><b>6 judges per category</b></p>	
13	Class for Single or Pairs	1 <sup>st</sup> Festival Lizards Cup					
14	Best decorated towing vehicle	1 <sup>st</sup> The Lime Kiln C.C. 50th Anniversary Cup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open to all mounted entries</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vehicle build up</li> <li>2. Presentation and general effect</li> <li>3. Lighting</li> </ol>	<p>A total of 6 Judges per class: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2 judging Categories 1 &amp; 2</b></li> <li>• <b>2 judging Categories 1 &amp; 3</b></li> <li>• <b>2 judging Categories 2 &amp; 3</b></li> </ul>		
15	Best dressed towing vehicle driver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> The Ralph Whitting Cup</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> The Bulldogs Cup</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open to all mounted entries</li> <li>• There are no recommended rules for this class however the recommended judge's guidance notes say it is recommended that in order to be judged for this class the driver should be visible from the waist upwards</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. General effect</li> <li>2. Costume</li> <li>3. Make up or Mask</li> </ol>	<p>A total of 3 Judges per class:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>1 judging categories 1 &amp; 2</b></li> <li>• <b>1 judging categories 1 &amp; 3</b></li> <li>• <b>1 judging categories 2 &amp; 3</b></li> </ul>		

\* In class 6 juvenile mounted entry, entrants must not have had their 18th birthday by the 1<sup>st</sup> November in the current carnival year. In effect entrants in class 6 must be 17 years or under on 1st November in the current carnival year.

\* In class 8 and 12 walkers must not have had their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday by the 1<sup>st</sup> November in the current carnival year. In effect entrants in classes 8 and 12 must be 16 years or under on 1<sup>st</sup> November in the current carnival year

# For all classes, all personnel shall be a minimum age of 5 on the 1<sup>st</sup> November in the current carnival year