

Introduction

Welcome to the 72nd Berwick Gala Days Grand Street Parade! Whether this is your first Berwick Gala Days Parade entry, or your sixtieth, preparing for such a large event is always exciting, often challenging, and occasionally an intimidating experience.

You will find a parade application attached to the end of this document. Please make sure you fill out a description of your float. If there is not enough room on the application form, use extra paper and attach it to your application. This will assist the parade announcers and judges in properly identifying and recognizing your float.

The 72nd Annual Berwick Gala Days Grand Street Parade will take place **Monday, September 4th, 2017. Line up starts at 11:00am at the Grand View Manor.** Applications should be submitted to the committee on or before August 25th, 2017. Pre-registering will eliminate confusion and possible parade delays. Late entries will be accepted. However, early submission will ensure an assigned place in the parade line and a number for the judge's consideration. **The parade will begin at 1:00pm** by travelling down Commercial Street and concluding at the Berwick Legion on Main Street.

Category Selection

Entries in the parade are divided into categories for judging purposes and to determine the placement of your float in the parade. Please indicate on the attached application which category your float will fall under. There are 9 categories that will be judged. Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each category. Judging will take place prior to the parade; **you must have your entry in line by 12:00pm to be considered for judging.**

1. Best Overall – all floats will be considered for this award
2. Most Artistic– all floats will be considered for this award
3. Judges Choice– all floats will be considered for this award
4. Most Comedic– all floats will be considered for this award
5. Best Commercial– commercial or merchandising float
6. Best Community Group– including Kinsmen, 4-H, church groups, Scouts, etc.
7. Best Walking Entry
8. Best Livestock– including horse drawn floats
9. Best Antique Vehicle

Berwick Gala Days Grand Street Parade

Parade Application

Please complete and return this form to the Parade Coordinator

Berwick Recreation Department

236 Commercial Street

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1. All parade entries must be **assembled at the Grand View Manor** complex **no later than 11:00am**. The parade will **begin at 1:00pm on Monday, September 4th, 2017** by travelling down Commercial Street and concluding at the Berwick Legion on Main Street.
2. For their own safety an adult must **accompany any children under the age of 10**, participating in the parade. (Children are also encouraged to enter the "Children's Parade" on the morning of the 5th.)
3. Due to safety considerations parade entries are **prohibited from tossing anything to the spectators** during the parade (i.e. Candy, gifts).
4. Entries should be visibly marked for recognition from all sides.
5. The parade line up requires a great deal of work, **please arrive early to line up** to prevent congestion at the entrance of the Grand View Manor. You will receive our line up number and parking position at the time.

DESCRIPTION OF PARADE

ENTRY: _____

NAME OF PARADE ENTRY: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

CATEGORY: _____

I hereby authorize the Berwick Gala Days Committee to share my contact information with other community Parade Committees, if requested.

Signature _____

Date _____