



BARRHAVEN SANTA CLAUS PARADE 2017

We welcome you to our 20th Annual Barrhaven Santa Claus Parade. Please take note of the following parade details:

WHEN: Saturday, November 18th, 2017

TIMES: 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm: Vehicles and floats arrive.

4:45 pm to 5:00 pm: Walking groups, passengers and individual entries arrive.

5:15 pm: Listen for warning. Approach to parade route.

5:30 pm: The parade will start at Beatrice and Strandherd.

FORM-UP AREA: See map for details about how to access your numbered spots (From Woodroffe or Longfields, depending on your number). **Please be warned that any entry that is not adequately decorated may be refused entry.** Use of lights is **mandatory** for this evening parade- this includes walkers (lanterns, coloured flashlights, battery operated sting of lights necklaces, and so on.

3:30 pm: Barricades will be put up at the intersections to restrict traffic to parade vehicles and local traffic only.

4:45 pm: Walking Groups must be at their parade position by 5:15. To avoid congestion in the staging area only Parade Vehicles are allowed within the Staging Area. Float passengers/walkers for groups must be dropped off at the METRO mall, Chapman Mills/Jean Robert Gauthier schools or you may park at the Park n' Ride at Strandherd and Woodroffe parking lot and walk to your designated position. *Where you should get dropped off will depend on your position in the parade and form up area.* It is recommended that non-parade vehicles proceed to Canadian Tire or Park n' Ride parking lots to pick up people after the Parade or there is a shuttle will drive participants back to the Strandherd/Woodroffe park and ride immediately after the parade.

5:15 pm: All entries **MUST BE READY TO GO.** Listen for a warning horn to get to your float ASAP. If you are not at your float when the parade commences you will not be allowed to participate. Drivers must remain with parked floats at all times once in the staging area.

The judges' stand and announcement of entries will be at the corner of Longfields & Strandherd and will be to the left of your float. The majority of spectators will be to your right, along Strandherd.

DISPERSAL: After passing the reviewing stand the Parade will remain in formation on Strandherd and exit North into the OC TRANSPARK N' RIDE for dispersal. **NO PARADE UNIT WILL STOP FOR ANY REASON UNTIL DIRECTED TO BY SECURITY PERSONNEL. THIS IS A STRICT SAFETY ISSUE FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.**

Exercise extreme caution at all times – **DO NOT** throw candy or favors into the crowd. Walkers **MUST NEVER** cross the path of the moving float. They should be to the right of the float at all times. If handing out candy along the barricades to spectators, walkers must keep up to their float. Floats **MAY NOT** stop to wait for walkers. No paper of any kind may be distributed (this creates too much litter).

AWARDS: One for "BEST ENTRY" in each of two categories; Community and Commercial. There will also be one honorable mention in each category. Winners will be announced in local media and presentations made during the week following the Parade. The two winning school floats will receive \$1000 each.

Participants are advised to **dress warmly.** Please encourage your friends and relatives to come and view the Parade!

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