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Illuminated Carnival Procession Saturday 4th October 6pm start





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FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MALDON CARNIVAL

I wouldfirstlylike to say aheartfeltthankyou to everyone who has supported Maldon Carnival throughout the year. Your generosity and enthusiasm have helped us raise vital funds, enabling us to host a vibrant and exciting procession, as well as a fantastic calendar of events — from Bingo and Quiz Nights to Sports Days and the Bonny Baby Competition.

It has been truly wonderful to see the community come together and get behind these events, making this year one to remember. Thankyou to all the local shops in our high Street who have once again supported us with Spot the Stranger Name the Reindeer and The Easter Trail.

I am incredibly proud of our new Carnival Court 2025/2026. It was an honour to watch them being crowned, and I want to extend a big thank you to our fantastic panel of judges who had the very difficult job of selecting the court. Our new ambassadors have already been out and about representing Maldon, attending their first carnival — and they were absolutely brilliant!

Looking ahead, the Carnival Committee is excited to invite you to join us for this year's carnival on Saturday, 4th October. This will be a truly historic occasion, as we host Maldon's first-ever illuminated procession, marking 130 years of carnival tradition. As the oldest traditional carnival in Essex, we're pulling out all the stops to make this celebration our biggest and best yet.

Thank you once again for your continued support — we can't wait to celebrate with you!

We would once again like to say a big thankyou to all our supporters and committee members without your continued support and hard work we would not be able tocontinue with our community spirited events. Warm Regards



Maldon Carnival Chairman



THE CARNIVAL COURT OF MALDON

The Carnival Court is an integral part of the Maldon Carnival, a tradition that has proudly included a Carnival Queen since its inception.

Today, the Carnival Queen's duties extend beyond the parade. She visits retirement and care homes, local pre-schools and attends significant town events such as Remembrance Day, VE Day celebrations and the Mud Race. Accompanying the Carnival Queen are her Princesses, who together form a charming and dedicated Court.

The Carnival Court also helps raise money for national charities like Children in Need and the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

Representing Maldon with pride, the Carnival Court travels throughout the county, bringing the spirit of our Carnival to other towns and villages with their festive float.

This year are court are really excited to be part of our 130th year celebrations. Queen Mia is looking forward to leading her court making new life long firends and having lots of adventures throughout her reign













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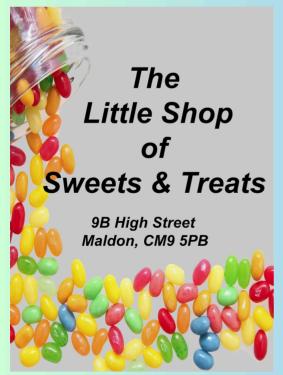


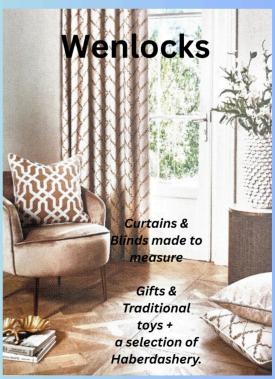


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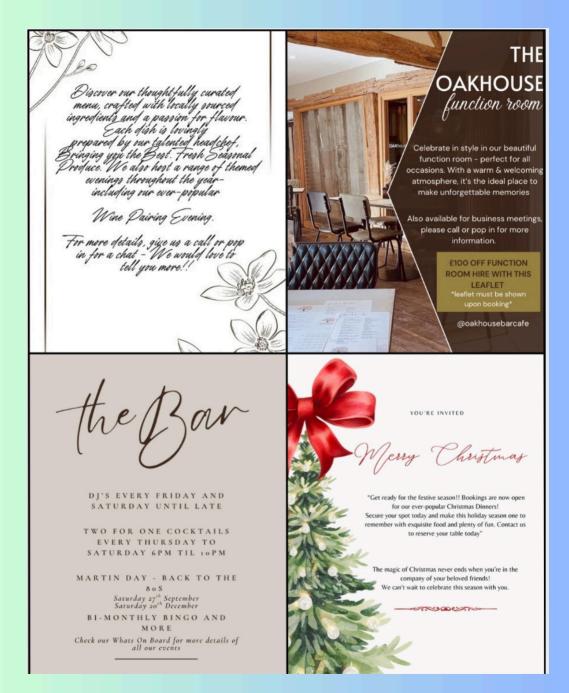
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IT'S CARNIVAL TIME

🎉 MaldonCarnival: A Glorious Tradition Marching On! 🐾

Nestled along the charming Blackwater estuary, Maldon is a town steeped in rich history, maritime spirit and has one of Essex's most beloved traditions: the Maldon Carnival! With roots dating all the way back to 1895, this spectacular event proudly holds the title of the oldest traditional carnival in Essex. Originally launched as a riverside celebration, the carnival has grown into a town-wide tradition that continues to bring joy, color, and unity to the local community year after year.

A Colorful History

The Maldon Carnival began in 1895 as a festive riverside gathering, complete with decorated boats, music, and community merriment. Over the decades, the celebration moved into the town's streets, evolving into a dazzling parade of floats, costumes, and performances. Despite the passing of time, its heart remains unchanged: a joyful celebration of Maldon's people, culture, and spirit of togetherness.

Carnival Day 2025: Bigger and Brighter Than Ever!

This year's carnival promises to be one for the history books! Mark your calendars:

Carnival Day: Saturday, 4th October 2025

Procession Start: 6:00 PM from Cross Roads

For the first time in our rich 130-year history, the Maldon Carnival will feature a spectacular illuminated procession! Expect glowing floats, sparkling costumes, and dazzling lights as the parade travels through the heart of Maldon in a magical, celebration.

Procession Route:

Cross Roads → Fambridge Road → High Street → Mill Road

It's a new twist on a classic tradition, and one that promises to light up the town like never before!

As always, proceeds from the event go to local charities and community projects, ensuring that the carnival continues to support the town long after the last float has passed by.

Come Be Part of History

Whether you'retakingpart, volunteering, or cheering from the

pavement, this year's Maldon Carnival is not to be missed. With the first-ever illuminated procession, it's the perfect blend of tradition and innovation—an event that honors our proud past while lighting the way to an even brighter future.

Join us on 4th October and see Maldon shine like never before!















CARNIVAL RESULTS



Mia Jessica Hetty & Amy 3rd Place fancy Dress



Easter Trail2025 Winner George



Maldon Carnival Spot the Reindeer



Bonniest Baby Boy 2025



Bonniest Baby Girl 2025



Maldon Carnival spot the stranger winner 2024



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Leading this year's carnival procession is the Fire Services and then the Maldon Carnival Court. This year's procession will include Visiting Courts, Maldon Pre-school, Church Boxing, Dance troupes and an array of fancy dress walkers.

Thereis still time to be partofthis year's carnival procession, as a volunteer or participant. To join the procession, please visit www.maldoncarnival.co.uk. If you can help on the day, please contact Keith on 07814 732256 or Christine on 07724 371775.

There are awards for The Queen's Floats, Best Adult Fancy Dress, Best Children's Fancy Dress, Best Community Floats, Most Imaginative Group Entry, Best Decorated Floats, Majorettes, Best Business and Best in Procession, who will win a £50 cash prize

THIS YEAR'S GOOD CAUSES

David Randal Trust

The DavidRandall Foundation was conceived by members of Maldon Cricket Club in 2012 when David Randall, then aged 27 and a member of the club since the age of 6 was diagnosed with terminal cancer.

In David's last few months his family tried to organise a variety of outings for him, so that he always had something to look forward to on the days he was well enough. So, the David Randall Foundation aims to give those with life limiting illnesses the opportunity to live life to the full for as long as possible and to create memories with their loved ones, by arranging outings and little treats for them on their "GOOD DAYS"

David was an exceptional cricketer and musician, so the other aim of the charity is to help overcome financial constraints that may prevent dedicated young sports people and musicians from fulfilling their potential, by giving annual Scholarships and Inspirational Awards.

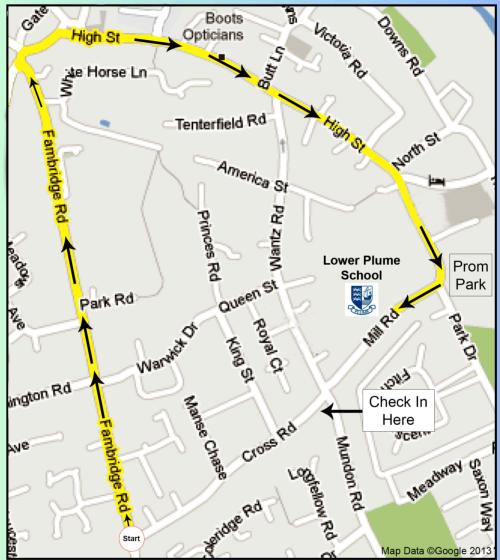
So far DRF has given GOOD DAYS to over 300 Essex families and financial assistance to 28 young people to help them achieve their dreams.

It can't be done without the support of our local community, so the David Randall Foundation is extremely grateful to Maldon Carnival for supporting our small local charity.





CARNIVAL PROCESSION



The procession starts at the junction of
Cross Road and Fambridge Road at 6.pm
The procession travels up Fambridge Road, into the High Street.
The Courts Majorettes and Bands will finish in Lower Plume and the floats will disperse in Cross Road.

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77 All our upcoming events can be found at www.maldoncarnival.co.uk – don't miss out!

We are so proud of our Court 2025/26 Here are some of our Results













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Hon. Secretary:

Hon. Treasurer:

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Queen and Court Chaperone:

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Committee Members:

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We would also like to take this opportunity to give a special THANK YOU to all of our volunteers who give up their time and without whom we would not be able to bring the carnival back to the community.

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