

BALLYMENA



Details at a glance

Parade starts: 12.30m.
On parade: 27 lodges, 15 bands and lambegs.
Return parade: 4.30pm.

Guests from Scotland and Australia to visit Ballymena

Twenty-seven lodges and 15 accompanying bands and lambeg drums will take part in the annual Twelfth celebrations in Ballymena. There will also be two Ladies Lodges and two Junior lodges on parade, namely Ferniskey WLOL No. 74, Sister Turtle Memorial WLOL No. 14, Ferniskey Rising Sons JLOL No.

265 and Duke of Edinburgh Memorial JLOL No. 621. The town is the only location in Northern Ireland which has a Twelfth demonstration every year. Belfast City also hosts an annual Twelfth parade. This year the honour of hosting the parade belongs to the members of Tullygarley LOL 473, who will be accompanied

by lambeg drums. The parade will assemble at Meeting House Lane Car Park. At 12.30pm it will proceed to the demonstration field at community centre/playing fields Tullygarley via Meeting House Lane, Castle Street, Church Street, Wellington Street, Lower Mill Street, Galgorm Road, Waveney Road,

Harryville Bridge, Queen Street, Toome Road, Tullygarley Road and Riverdale. Return Via Riverdale, Tullygarley Road, Toome Road and Queen Street. The parade should finish around 2.30pm. In the field, the platform proceedings will begin at 3pm, with Guest Speakers Wor. Bro. Henry Dunbar (Scotland) and

Wor. Bro. Herbie Mailey (New South Wales Australia). The Religious Service will be led by Wor. Bro. Rev. Ian McClean, Grand Chaplain. Presentation of awards will be made for best band on parade, best turned-out lodge and best Lambeg drums. The return parade will leave the field at 4.30pm.



Brethren had to contend with wet weather in Ballymena in 2023, but that certainly didn't dampen the spirits of the crowds who lined the streets.

Welcome from the District Master Wor. Bro. Willard Logan

As Worshipful Master of Ballymena District L.O.L. No. 8 it is my honour and privilege to invite you to join with us in Ballymena to celebrate 334th anniversary of King William's victory at the Battle of the Boyne. The annual Twelfth Demonstration in Ballymena, hosted this year by Tullygarley L.O.L. No. 473, is a significant event that brings together the brethren of Ballymena District, along with their families and visitors from near and far, to celebrate and uphold their cultural heritage. The procession consisting



of 27 lodges, 2 ladies lodges, 2 Junior lodges, and accompanying bands and lambeg drums displays the pride and traditions of the Orange Order in Ballymena. The

demonstration not only celebrates the history and values of the organization, but also highlights the importance of upholding these traditions and passing them down to future generations and allows attendees to witness and engage with the rituals, regalia, and music that are central to our Orange culture. Parading as a single District every year, the event encourages a sense of belonging and promotes a sense of togetherness and shared values. One of the key aspects of the Twelfth Demonstration in Ballymena is the warm and

welcoming atmosphere that permeates the event. The town of Ballymena is known as a place where locals and visitors experience a friendly and inviting environment. The Twelfth Demonstration encapsulates this spirit, providing a safe space for all who attend to enjoy the festivities. Visitors to the event are greeted with open arms and receive a warm welcome from the brethren, contributing to the overall enjoyment and positive experience of the demonstration. The annual Twelfth Demonstration in Ballymena is of

immense importance as it not only preserves our cultural heritage, but also fosters a sense of community and provides a warm and welcoming atmosphere for all who attend. The event also serves as a celebration of the Orange Order's values and traditions, and showcases the pride and unity within the Ballymena District. By joining with us at our demonstration, individuals will have the opportunity to engage with a rich cultural experience and contribute to the vibrant tapestry of Ballymena's heritage.

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- 1** Parade Start Point
- 2** Field
- 3** Parade Dispersal Point
- P** Car Parking
-  Family Activities
-  Stalls
-  Food and Catering
-  First Aid
-  Toilets

