



Le Grand Feu | Barbençon bonfire

Event planned for the month of February 2025



Grand Feu de Barbençon – Office du Tourisme de Beaumont asbl

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This event, celebrated on Mardi Gras day in Belgium (the equivalent to our pancake day), is a local tradition. Aside from the bonfire lit in the evening, expect to see a float dragged by *saqueux* (meaning "those who pull" in Walloon) to the top of the village. The *astoqueux* (married men) will try to stop the *destoqueux* (young and fit bachelors) in their task.

Program

- From 7:00 – gathering of the hay stacks
- 13:00 – *saqueux*, *astoqueux*, *destoqueux* and musicians arrive
- 14:00 – departure of the procession, the float is pulled around the lake
- 17:00 – stop on the village's main square

- 19:00 – end of the procession
- 20:00 – bonfire and traditional dances (which includes 7 jumps)

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We recommend that you check with the local supplier before you leave.

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