

BATTLE OF PINKIE 1547

16-17 SEPTEMBER 2017

1100	OPENING CEREMONY – small arena
1130	Review of the Scottish Army by Mary Queen of Scots; Scottish council of state (The Queen is presented to the soldiers prior to overseeing a council meeting in which the senior officers, the Earl of Arran, and the Queen Mother, Mary of Guise, debate the current problems facing Scotland)
1230	The Fiery Cross – battlefield arena (Beacons are lit and the fiery cross is sent out to assemble a Scottish army in response to the Duke of Somerset's invasion. Small Scottish garrisons attempt to delay the English march towards Pinkie)
1330	Fashionable Times – talk on the clothing of the age – small arena (Historian Jenn Scott discusses the high and low fashions of mid-sixteenth century men and women, as worn by some of the characters from our living history camps).
1400	Scottish Herald approaches English camp, leading to Contest of Champions – small arena (Inspired by the Earl of Huntly's offer to settle the conflict by a duel between teams, two small teams of our bravest warriors will complete three challenges in attempt to gain the prize for their nation)
1500	The Battle of Pinkie – battlefield arena (The highlight of the day, as the Scots Army marches out to attack the enemy. Witness the drama and spectacle of battle, complete with thundering cavalry charges)
1600	Somerset holds a victory council – English camp (Find out what the Duke of Somerset made of his victory, and what his plans will be now that he has won the day. Discover the origin of the phrase "The Rough Wooing")
1630	Governor Arran calms the mob; Scottish council of state – Scots camp (The Earl of Arran returns to his camp and finds a hostile reception. Can he continue as Regent after such a defeat, and what will now happen to the infant Queen Mary?)
1700	EVENT CLOSES

Ongoing: Have-a-go Tudor archery (free); Birds of Prey; Living History in the soldiers' encampments
Stalls, catering and information tents open 11am-5pm