

Bosworth Medieval Festival 2018 – Handy Things to know.

Keep checking our website, Facebook page and Twitter feed for the most up to date information and news about the event.

Site telephone number: 01455 290429 – This will be staffed from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm on both days of the event.

Email: Bosworth@leics.gov.uk – This will be monitored from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm on both days

Website: www.boswrthbattlefield.org.uk

Instagram: www.instagram.com/bosworthbattlefield/

What time do the gates open to the public?

The event starts at 9.30 am each day and finishes at 5.30 pm – visitors are requested to be off site by 6.00 pm.

Do you sell Day tickets?

Yes tickets are available on the gate on both dates. By purchasing your ticket in advance you receive a 10% discount. The Two-Day ticket offers even better value for money.

How do I get there?

By car

Surrounded by a network of motorways, the M1, M6, M42 and only 9.5 km from Junction 1 on the M69. Located close to Market Bosworth, 5.5 km North from Hinckley and only 19 km from Leicester

- Follow the Brown Tourist signs.
- Our post code is - CV13 0AD
- Our GPS coordinates are - 52°35'49.3"N 1°24'20.2"W

By bus

Catch the 153 bus service (does not run on Sundays) from Leicester to Market Bosworth. The Heritage Centre and Country Park is located three miles south of Market Bosworth. Taxis are available although they do need to be pre-booked, or you could take a pleasurable walk..

By rail

Regular services are available from London to Nuneaton and Leicester.

What clothes should I wear?

The main arena field is pretty open and there is little cover, so it's worth checking the weather forecast before you arrive. You can always leave your coats in the car and go and get them if required. Sturdy footwear is advisable due to uneven ground in the main event field.

What happens if it rains?

The show will go on, unless the weather is extreme in which case certain elements may be delayed or cancelled for safety reasons. Please check the forecast and bring appropriate gear.

Can I purchase “Author Talks” tickets in advance?

Yes tickets will be available in advance in person from the Ticket Office (Open 7 days a week from 10.00 am to 4.30 pm) or by calling 01455 290429 (Open 7 days a week from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm – please note that there is a £2 transaction charge for postal orders). **A valid day ticket for the Medieval Festival is also required; Author Talks tickets cannot be purchased on their own.** Tickets will not be available online.

What’s happening throughout the day?

Our FREE programme which will be available as you enter the site has a full list of activities taking place throughout the day. There will also be tannoy announcements for the major events like the battle re-enactments.

Can I bring my own food and drink?

Yes, but there are a number of food stalls, a Real Ale Tent and The Tithe Barn Café on site selling a variety of things, which will save you carrying heavy bags around.

Will there be vegan/vegetarian/gluten free stalls?

Yes – the list of food available is shown on the event listing for the event.

What about accessibility issues?

There are ample Disabled Parking places on site. The main arena is a grass field, so there might be issues in some areas depending on the weather. If you have any specific requirements please contact us before the event. The Exhibition, Heritage Room and Tithe Barn Café are fully accessible. There are Disabled toilets located in the upper courtyard and on the main arena field – see site maps for details.

Can I bring my camping chair into the arena?

There is no seating in the main arena field, so you can bring your own chairs but please don't place them in a position where others may fall on them or leave them unattended. No gazebos or similar as this may interrupt sight lines or affect the horses

Can I bring my dog?

Dogs are allowed on site as long as they are on a lead. With the exception of assistance dogs, they are not allowed in the Exhibition, Heritage Room or Tithe Barn Café. Please be aware that there are LOUD bangs during some of the events in the main arena, so please keep an eye on the programme for details and timings.

Can I leave the site and return?

Your tickets are valid all day, so you can leave the site if you need to, but please be aware that there will be a lot of traffic entering the site, so it might take some time to exit the site and return.

Do I have to pay for car parking?

No this is included in the cost of your ticket.

What activities do you have for children?

There are lots of FREE activities for children including; medieval storytelling, medieval dancing, bill drill, fancy dress competition, arts & crafts, have a go archery, artillery weapons and a dressing up photo booth.

What facilities do you have for babies?

There are baby changing facilities in the toilets opposite the Tithe Barn Café and in the Disabled Toilet in the upper courtyard. There are a limited number of high chairs in the Tithe Barn Café.

Lost Property

If you've lost an item go to the Ticket Office in the upper courtyard as this is where details of all lost property will be logged and items that have been found will be kept pending collection.

First Aid

There are trained paramedics on site for the duration of the event. In the case of an emergency go to the First Aid Station alongside the Tithe Barn Café, contact a member of staff in a hi-vis vest or go to the PA tent in the Main Arena where they will be able to contact a First Aider.

Can I get a refund for my ticket?

No all our tickets are **NON-refundable** as stated in our Term and Conditions of booking.

Can I bring my Bike?

We encourage people to arrive using sustainable transport, so yes. The dedicated bike parking area is along the timber fence of Car Park 2. Our car parking team are aware of this and will direct you. Please bring your own bike lock. Cycles are not allowed within the courtyard or on the main event field.

Can I take photographs?

Photography for personal use is fine, however, professional photographers will require a pass which needs to be obtained in advance by calling **Communications Officer Natalie Missenden** on **0116 305 5866** or emailing natalie.missenden@leics.gov.uk.

Can I just visit the Exhibition, Shop, Café or Toilets on site?

Only customers with a valid ticket to The Bosworth Medieval Festival will be allowed onto the site. If you want to go for a walk we suggest that you park at Shenton Station and walk towards Sutton Wharf.

What Local Facilities are there?

The list provided below is for information purposes and does not mean that Leicestershire County Council endorses or recommends any of the companies.

Local Taxi Companies

- Market Bosworth Private Hire (Paul Burns) – 01455 290894
- Arnie's Private Hire – 07580 824511
- A2Z Taxis – 01455 448053 (Hinckley)
- Waterfall Private Hire – 01455 823157 (Newbold Verdon)
- Gold Cars – 01455 291999/ 07973 532444 (Barlestone)

Local Garages (Mechanical)

- Saunders Garage (Ashby Road, A447 near Greenacres Garden Centre) – 01455 290281
- Station Garage Market Bosworth – 01455 290633

Local Petrol Stations

- Saunders Garage 01455 290281
- Morrison's (A47 Normandy Way towards A5) – 01455 230322

Nearest ATM Machines (there are none on site)

- HSBC- CV13 0JR (Market Place Market Bosworth)
- Morrison's – LE10 1YA (A47 Normandy way towards A5)
- Co-Op – LE9 9NP Newbold Verdon

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