Step Into History: See the Stirling Bridge Sword Unveiled at the Stirling Highland Games

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This summer, history will come alive in spectacular style at the **Stirling Highland Games**, with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to witness the **first public display of a legendary sword used in the Battle of Stirling Bridge in 1297**. This remarkable event is more than a celebration of strength and tradition—it's a deep dive into the heart of Scotland's warrior past.

For the first time in centuries, one of only two known surviving swords from the famous battle will be on display. Having only recently returned home to Scotland, this priceless relic is already reshaping what we know about the Scottish Wars of Independence. Linked to the heroics of **William Wallace** and the rise of **Robert the Bruce**, the sword has become the centrepiece of new research that's changing our understanding of medieval warfare and Scottish identity.

Adding to the spectacle, **renowned historical fencing master and traditional storyteller Paul Macdonald** will guide audiences through the gripping stories behind Scotland's most iconic weapons. A master custom sword and knife-maker, Macdonald doesn't just display the arms—he brings their tales to life. From the blood-stained fields of **Prestonpans** to the highland exploits of **Rob Roy MacGregor**, Macdonald's storytelling weaves myth and history into an unforgettable live experience.

Among the relics on display will be:

- The **Prestonpans Sword**, tied to the fateful 1745 Jacobite victory.
- A weapon believed to have belonged to the legendary **Rob Roy MacGregor**, the Highland rogue and folk hero.
- And of course, the newly returned **Stirling Bridge Sword**, an artefact of national importance.

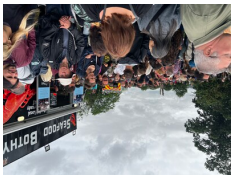
With each sword comes a rich and riveting tale—of rebellion, honour, and the undying spirit of the Scottish people. This unique exhibit is **exclusive to the Stirling Highland Games** and is expected to draw history enthusiasts, cultural explorers, and curious families from across the country.

Whether you're a fan of historic arms, a lover of Scottish lore, or simply looking for an unforgettable day out, this is your chance to **see history with your own eyes and hear it with your own ears**.

Don't miss this rare opportunity to be part of a moment where Scotland's past meets its present. Buy your discounted entry tickets online now at www.stirlinghighlandgames.com
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