

Five things you need to know today



Live at Edinburgh Castle

Carnival Parade

Billy Connolly

Half price Tickets for Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Today at the Jazz Festival

The BBC concert staged at Edinburgh Castle on Saturday night fell victim to unrelenting fog making it difficult for some to see the stage at times.

If you missed it then you can see it [here on BBC iPlayer.](#)

Here are some photos of yesterday's carnival parade which we enjoyed very much.





We also have some others [here](#).

Tickets go on sale this morning for the extra show by veteran comedian Billy Connolly. Hope you're lucky!

More details of where and when the tickets are for sale in [our earlier article here](#).

A limited number of half-price tickets for the Thursday 31st July preview performance of this year's Tattoo will go on sale from the Tattoo Ticket Sales Office on Edinburgh's Market Street at 10am this morning. Tickets may also be obtained online at www.edintattoo.co.uk and by telephone (0131 225 1188) using a credit/debit card (a booking fee of £5.00 will be applied per transaction).

Ticket prices for this performance range from £12.50 to £30. Regular admission charges for the other entire 2014 Tattoo performances, scheduled to take place from 1-23 August, span between £25.00 to £62.00.

Tattoo Chief Executive & Producer, Brigadier David Allfrey, said: "This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone to see the Tattoo at a 50% discounted rate. While I know locals traditionally look forward to this opportunity each year, the Box Office is open to everyone and we are seeing an ever-increasing interest in the Preview both online and over the telephone. The queue starts in Market Street early in the morning and this all adds to the excitement. For us, the release of tickets for the Preview Show is one of the major milestones in the year. This summer, in particular, we have an extraordinary Show and are very much looking forward to taking the brakes off."

This year's 90-minute production features an exciting line-up for the 65th Tattoo, with acts from Singapore, New Zealand, Malta and the Middle East as well as from across the United

Kingdom. The theme, 'Our Home, Friends and Family' defines the 2014 production, which also features one the largest pipe bands to grace the Esplanade at Edinburgh Castle and 40 remarkable fiddlers from Shetland especially assembled for their Tattoo debut.

Today our pick of the Edinburgh Jazz Festival is Bill Salmond at the Tron Kirk.

Taking you back to the authentic sound of 1920's and 30's New Orleans with banjo/guitar man, Bill Salmond's famous group will play from 17.30 at the Tron Kirk. Tickets available [here](#) at £10 each.