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## Dig for Brodie Castle's lost history with dad this Father's Day weekend

Dads and their children across the country are being invited to dig up the past of one of the country's most ancient castle grounds, at a special Father's Day event on 15-16 June held at the National Trust for Scotland's Brodie Castle in Forres.

Along with the charity's very own archaeologist, Dr Daniel Rhodes, doting sons and daughters can take their dad along to the historic Brodie Castle for a special Father's Day treat, to take part in a genuine archaeological dig for the day.

Built in 1566, parts of the historic Brodie Castle no longer stand, but it is thought there may be significant evidence of how life would have been still laying below ground.

Visitors will get to carry out archaeological excavations, uncovering the medieval landscape to understand more about what the estate looked like 500 years ago and how people lived and worked.

Dr Daniel Rhodes, an archaeologist at the National Trust for Scotland said: "The magnificent Brodie Castle is brimming with history and there is still a lot yet to be discovered of its medieval past.

This Father's Day dig is a first at the National Trust for Scotland and the team and I are looking forward to sharing our love for Scotland with dads and their children this weekend, and help people experience the castle in a whole new way."

The dig will be taking place on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 June and is open to all, costing just £5 to take part.

Surrounded by acres of Moray countryside, the turreted castle stands on the land once granted to the Brodie family by Robert the Bruce, making this the perfect event for dads enthused about history and archaeology alike.

To find out more or start planning your visit, please go to: https://www.nts.org.uk/visit/events/dig-with-dad-digging-for-brodies-lost-history.

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