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ON THE MARCH: Soldiers of the Sealed Knot Society marching to the Naseby Battlefield to lay a wreath and, below, soldiers firing their 12-musket salute

'Soldiers' mark war dead - from 1645

ARMED soldiers marched through the countryside at the weekend to lay a memorial for fallen Civil War cavaliers. Members of the Sealed Knot re-enactment group saluted the memory of cavaliers who died after the Battle of Naseby in 1645, on Saturday. The group, dressed as Royalist soldiers and armed with muskets, marched for seven miles

from Naseby Church to Marston Trussel via the battlefield to lay a wreath at St Nicholas church, where a group of cavaliers were killed by Oliver Cromwell's Roundhead soldiers after they had escaped following the battle. After a short service, a 12-strong group fired a salute to the soldiers. The sponsored march was held

by the group to raise cash for the Naseby Battlefield Project, which aims to improve visitor facilities at the battlefield. Sharon Badger, one of the wardens at St Nicholas's Church, said: "There were about 40 people in the march. It was a really hot day but they enjoyed it. "They fired a salute at the churchyard memorial and laid a wreath."

