

# Nigel Gatherer's Scottish Collection

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## King Robert the Bruce (2) (Archibald Morrison)

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**FEB 23** **1310** *King Robert the Bruce*

On this day in 1310 was the Declaration of the Clergy and the People in favour of King Robert Bruce from the Church of the Friars Minor in Dundee. Over the following years he controlled much of Scotland, thanks to a series of successful battles, especially in 1314 when, at the Battle of Bannockburn he defeated Edward II's English army.

It wasn't until 1320 after the Declaration of Arbroath that Scotland's independence took a larger step, and in 1324 the Pope recognised Robert as the king of an independent Scotland. Robert died in 1329.