

The Ness

Lowestoft is set to celebrate the town's unique position as the most easterly place in the UK with the development of a new park in the north of the town below the historic Lighthouse.

'The Ness' is to be established next to Birds Eye on Whopload Road, delivering a new gateway to Ness Point. The site will be regenerated with £1m secured from the Coastal Community Fund.

The location also includes the seafront walkway and Ness Point, the most easterly place in the UK. There are further plans to develop a public artwork at Ness Point, making it a Cardinal Point destination in line with Lands' End and John O'Groats, which would help to further promote Lowestoft as a tourist destination.

Lowestoft Town Council and East Suffolk Council - working in partnership - aim to secure the future of the net drying racks which were used by the fishing industry in the heyday of the herring trade, create a play and picnic area and celebrate the history of the Denes, including: The Grit - Lowestoft's lost Beach Village, Naval bases and defences from WWI and WWII, 'taking the waters' a popular Lowestoft activity in the 1700's and The Scores and Historic High Street.

The Ness is within the boundary of the Heritage Action Zone, which will bring further funding to the area to uplift North Lowestoft through heritage led regeneration.

The Ness, due for completion in 2020, will improve access, knowledge, participation and enjoyment of north Lowestoft and its unique maritime heritage. The Ness will be naturally landscaped to maintain its heritage features with improved cycling and pedestrian access to the sea wall and the coastal path.

An events programme has been developed to include heritage and education, sports and leisure, arts and culture events, along with festivals and markets arranged by both community groups and professional organisations.

<https://www.lowestofttowncouncil.gov.uk/events/>



QUIZ

TEST YOUR LOWESTOFT KNOWLEDGE



ABOUT THE QUIZMASTER

Dean Parkin is a local poet and writer and is launching the republished edition of *The Grit* at Christ Church, Whapload Road on 21 September 2019 as part of Heritage Open Days.

This bestselling book about the story of Lowestoft's lost fishing village, out of print for nearly 20 years, has been comprehensively revised and redesigned. Dean will curate a special *Grit* Exhibition and present three 20-minute slideshows sharing extracts and rare images. The paperback version and a limited-edition hardback of *The Grit* will be on sale throughout the day and Dean will be available to sign copies.

The *Grit* Book Launch and Exhibition, Christ Church Lowestoft, Christ Church Square, Whapload Road, Lowestoft, NR32 1XD

www.heritageopendays.org.uk/visiting/event/the-grit-book-launch-exhibition

www.poetrypeople.co.uk



PEARLS FROM THE GRIT

Using the words of his great friend Jack Rose as a guide, writer and poet Dean Parkin travels back in time to piece together the story of a fishing community. Audiences will meet no-nonsense fisherman, old Ned; Billy, a larger-than-life skipper; and Ruby [Billy's daughter], one of the tireless taskforce of women keeping the fishing industry afloat. At the 'pub' piano, 'Tickler' Sam will provide live music throughout. Together, they deliver a surprising, tender, entertaining family show.

Go to www.poetrypeople.co.uk for further ticketing information or call 01986 872033.

The Ness Quiz has been devised for Lowestoft Heritage Open Days, 13 -22 September 2019

THE QUIZ

ROUND 1: NAME NAMES

1. The name of the wind turbine, once the biggest in the country, built on Ness Point?
2. The name of the church that stood on the corner of London Road South and Belvedere Road?
3. The name of the museum in Sparrows Nest Gardens, established by Jack Rose and opened in May 1995?
4. The name of the department store which was situated opposite the railway station from 1888 to 1981?
5. The name of the bookshop which could be found in the High Street from 1973 to 2017?

ROUND 2: STREETS & ROADS

6. The street which formerly housed Lowestoft's police station until 1979?
7. In which area of the town could you once find Anguish Street?
8. Where could you find Pryce's hardware store?
9. Where could you find Bally Shoe Factory?
10. In which Score can you still find a crinkle-crankle wall?

ROUND 3: NUMBERS

11. The length of the Claremont Pier after its extension in 2012?
12. How many herrings could a quarter-cran basket hold?
13. St. Peter's Court, the town's only high-rise building, built in 1966-68, is how tall?
14. Christ Church in Whapload Road is celebrating what anniversary this year?
15. Earlier this year, a book was returned to Lowestoft Library that has been overdue since September 1967. The fine at the time would have been three old pennies a week. How much does the borrower owe?

ROUND 4: GREAT LOWESTOFTIANS

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ROUND 5: OLD NAMES

21. What is the current name of the school which was once known as the Alderman Woodrow School?
22. What stood on the site of WH Smiths in London Road North?
23. What is the current name for the cinema previously known as The Hollywood?
24. The name of the hotel which once stood on the site of the McDonald's fast food restaurant?
25. Previously the 'Spirit of Lowestoft', what is the name of Lowestoft's current lifeboat?

ROUND 6: SPORTING LIFE

26. What year did Lowestoft Town F.C. play in the FA Vase final at Wembley Stadium?
27. The name of the sports shop which could be found in Bevan Street until 2008?
28. The name of the footballer who grew up in the town and played for England in the 1986 and 1990 World Cups?
29. Which medal did Lowestoft boxer Anthony Ogogo win in the 2012 London Olympics?
30. Lowestoft Ladies won the FA Cup in 1982, beating Cleveland Spartans by what score?

ROUND 7: ALSO KNOWN AS

31. Which is the most northerly Score connecting the High Street to Whapload Road?
32. The nickname of Mr Fiske, a famous Lowestoft fisherman and skipper whose boat the Suffolk Warrior won the Prunier Trophy in 1964
33. The Beach Village pub also known as 'The Japanese Embassy'?
34. Which Oscar-winning film-star, whose real name is Maurice Micklewhite, married his first wife in Lowestoft in 1954?
35. Who was called the 'Father of Modern Lowestoft'?

ROUND 8: WHERE WAS THAT?

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ANSWERS

ROUND 1: NAME NAMES

1. Gulliver
2. St. John's Church
3. The Lowestoft War Memorial Museum
4. Tuffles
5. Panda Books

ROUND 2: STREETS & ROADS

6. Regent Road
7. The Beach Village aka The Grit (or near Whapload Road)
8. Suffolk Road
9. Raglan Street
10. Maltster's Score

ROUND 3: NUMBERS

11. 230 metres or 755 feet
12. About 1000
13. 42.60 metres or 140 feet
14. 150th
15. £33 and ten shillings

ROUND 4: GREAT LOWESTOFTIANS

16. Michael Foreman - Illustrator & children's author
17. Ada Roe at 122 - Lowestoft's oldest resident in 1970
18. Justin Hawkins - Lead singer of The Darkness
19. Paul Evans - Lowestoft athlete (runner)
20. Ruth Ford - Long serving councillor and Mayor in 2005-6

ROUND 5: OLD NAMES

21. Eastpoint Academy
22. The Odeon Cinema
23. East Coast Cinema
24. The Suffolk Hotel
25. Patsy Knight

ROUND 6: SPORTING LIFE

26. 2008
27. Sam Hooks
28. Terry Butcher
29. Bronze
30. 2-0

ROUND 7: ALSO KNOWN AS

31. The Ravine
32. Jumbo
33. The Rising Sun
34. Michael Caine
35. Samuel Morton Peto

ROUND 8: WHERE WAS THAT?

36. HIGH STREET Ronnie Cooks butcher shop
37. LONDON ROAD SOUTH after 1916 bombardment
38. BATH HOUSE in Hamilton Road at The Grit Beach Village
39. HORN HILL The old Co-op factory
40. LONDON ROAD NORTH Martins now Waterstones