The Philip Larkin Society

December 2023 Pub Quiz Answers

1. King Charles I

Round 1 – some questions on Hull (with or without Larkin)

2. 1930
3. Liquid Crystal Display
4. 1993
5. Hull and East Yorkshire Eye Hospital, Anlaby Road, Hull
6. 25
7. A bench in the conservatory in Pearson Park
8. 5
9. On the new fountain in Victoria Avenue
10. On the Larkin seat on the concourse at Paragon Station
Round 2 – Sport in Literature
1. Catherine Morland
2. 'Brighton Rock', Graham Greene
3. Miss Joan Hunter Dunn
4. The Go-Between'
5. Mr Bleaney
6. The Grand National
7. MCMXIV
8. Zadie Smith
9. The Great Gatsby
10. John Irving.

Round 3 - Questions on music in Larkin and music in Hull.

1. Annus Mirabilis
2. Bessie Smith
3. Mick Ronson
4. The Fine Young Cannibals
5. Four
6. A slogan on the front of Turner's Furniture shop in Hull.
7. Nina Simone
8. (b) 'I'm your Man' - Wham
9. The Mechanicals
10. Sidney Bechet
Round 4 – Larkin generally
1. Vernon Watkins
2. He based a character in one of his novels ('Eating People Is Wrong') on her
3. Seamus Heaney
4. One
5. The Trees
6. An Arundel Tomb
7. Cut Grass
8. Going, going
9. Here
10. Ted Hughes

Round 5 – Stevie Smith, Oxford Book of 20th Century Verse & famous Phils.

1. 1903 (answers from 1901-1905)

3. Not Waving but Drowning

5. All Souls College Oxford.

4. Glenda Jackson.

2. Sylvia Plath

6. The General Post Office .
7. Psychologist
8. Miami Vice
9. Sally and Martin.
10. Electric Sheep
Round 6 (the last round) – PLS HVPs past and present
1. Glasgow
2. George Orwell
3. Both magicians
4. Niece
5. Veep
6. The Change
7. 10 years
8. Clare
9. Gordon Brown
10. Terry Wogan