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Garstang Museum
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Participants can either choose their own teams of six or come along on the night and let us decide your teams for you.

Doors open at 6:30 pm and the quiz will start promptly at 7pm, trowels at the ready!! **To book your tickets visit https://payments.liv.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/events-at-liverpool/victoria-gallery-museum**

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In order to carry out any experimental research necessitating outdoor space, ACE acquired a plot of land at Ness Botanic Gardens. This site, which is located near to the Ness Henge is designated specifically to undertaking experimental archaeology projects.

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