

**LEAGUE MATCHES**  
**THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER 2013**  
**QUESTIONS BY THE BULLS HEAD**

**First Verbal Round**

1. The Peasants' Revolt and the Battle of Otterburn both took place during the reign of which English monarch?

**Richard II**

2. Name the year these three events occurred:  
NASA's Pathfinder space probe landed on Mars; Martina Hingis beat Jana Novotna to win the Women's singles title at Wimbledon; the first edition of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* was published in the UK.

**1997**

3. Who set three world land-speed records in the 1920s, in vehicles called *Ladybird*, *Mystery* and *Golden Arrow*?

**Henry Segrave**

4. What is the Arabic word for the irrigation tool consisting of a pivoted rod or pole with a bucket at one end and a counterbalance at the other?

**A shaduf**

5. Earlier this year the government announced its approval for the construction of Hinkley Point C nuclear power station. In which county is Hinkley Point?

**Somerset**

6. What event was Sir William Huskisson, President of the Board Of Trade, attending when he was killed on 15 September 1830?

**The opening day of the Liverpool to Manchester railway**

(He was knocked down and killed by The Rocket)

7. Who, as at 30 September 2013, is the Secretary of State for International Development?

**Justine Greening**

8. Which herb, a member of the parsley family, do the French call *céleri bâlard* (fake celery) because of its similarity in taste and smell to that vegetable?

**Lovage** see note 1

9. What mathematical term, symbolised by an exclamation mark, refers to the product of all positive integers up to and including that number (e.g.  $4! = 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 24$ )?

**The factorial**

10. Which TV programme was described by Judge Alan Berg in 2007 as "...human bear-baiting..." and "...a morbid and depressing display of dysfunctional people whose lives are in turmoil"?

**The Jeremy Kyle Show**

11. In his (unpublished) 1952 article entitled *Is There a God?* what object did Bertrand Russell ask us to imagine orbiting the sun somewhere between Earth and Mars, in order to illustrate that the burden of proof for scientifically unfalsifiable claims should rest with the person making the claim?

**A teapot**

12. Between March and August 2013 the Victoria and Albert museum held a special exhibition dedicated to the art and style of which musician?

**David Bowie**

13. Which Hindu goddess is usually portrayed with blue skin, a necklace of human heads and skirt of human arms and carrying a decapitated head in one hand whilst standing on the body of her husband, Lord Shiva?

**Kali**

14. Name any two of the three German capital ships that took part in Operation Cerberus (also known as 'The Channel Dash') in February 1942.

Two from: **Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Prinz Eugen**

15. Whose current album, released in April this year, is entitled *To Be Loved?*

**Michael Bublé**

16. Who sang the lead vocal on Daft Punk's recent hit single *Get Lucky*?

**Pharrell Williams** (accept 'Pharrell', as he is often referred to by his first name only)

17. Name both of the Royal Navy 'Force Z' capital ships that were sunk by Japanese air attacks off the east coast of Malaya in December 1941.

**HMS Repulse and HMS Prince of Wales**

18. In Jewish belief, which prophet will return to earth to herald the coming of the messiah?

**Elijah**

19. Between March and September 2013 the British Museum held a special exhibition of artefacts from which famous archaeological sites?

**Pompeii and Herculaneum**

20. The ever-optimistic Dr Pangloss, a character in *Candide*, is regarded as being a parody of which real-life philosopher and mathematician who claimed that we live in "*the best of all possible worlds*"?

**Gottfried Leibniz**

21. Which sitcom starred Will Smith as a teenager from Philadelphia who is sent to live with his rich Aunt and Uncle in Los Angeles?

***The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air***

22. In statistics and probability theory, what term, represented by the Greek letter sigma, refers to the variation and dispersion of data points around their mean value?

**The standard deviation**

23. Which perennial flowering herb, purported to have sedative properties, shares its name with the Roman emperor taken captive by the Persians following the Battle of Edessa in 260AD?

**Valerian**

24. Who, as at 30 September 2013, is the Secretary of State for Wales?

**David Jones**

25. At which London Underground station was Jean Charles de Menezes shot dead by police officers in July 2005?

**Stockwell**

26. In which US state would you find the Groom Lake military testing facility, more commonly known as 'Area 51'?

**Nevada**

27. Which English word meaning a dangerous situation is derived from the Old French term for 'an evenly divided game'?

**Jeopardy** (from *jeu parti*)

28. The last American driver to set a new world land-speed record was Gary Gabelich in 1970. What was the name of his rocket-powered vehicle?

**Blue Flame**

29. Name the year these three events occurred:  
Maria Sharapova beat Serena Williams to win the Women's singles title at Wimbledon; the Millau Viaduct was opened to traffic; the Cornish village of Boscastle was hit by flash floods.

**2004**

30. Which English monarch was the father of The Black Prince?

**Edward III**

**First Written Round**

31. The DynaTAC8000X, released in 1984, was the world's first commercially available portable cellular phone. Which company made it?

**Motorola**

32. Which British Prime Minister was born in Kelvinside, Glasgow, in 1836?

**Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman**

33. Which computer game franchise centres on a 26th century war between cybernetically-engineered soldiers known as Spartans and an alliance of alien races known as The Covenant?

**Halo**

34. Foodstuffs produced within the European Union can receive 'PDO' status if they are traditionally and entirely manufactured within a specific area and have acquired unique properties (e.g. champagne or Melton Mowbray pork pies). What does PDO stand for?

**Protected Designation Of Origin**

35. Stravinsky's *Rite Of Spring* opens with a solo played on which instrument?

**The bassoon**

36. What laundry care information is symbolised by a black triangle with a cross through it?

**Do not bleach**

37. Name either the politician that Johannesburg International Airport was named after between 1952 and 1994, or the politician it has been named after since 2006.

**Jan Smuts** (1952 to 1994) or **Oliver Tambo** (2006 to present)

38. What was 'Duke' Ellington's actual first name?

**Edward** (Edward Kennedy Ellington)

39. Which drink, originally made by Benedictine monks from Devon in the 1890s, has become associated with anti-social behaviour in Scotland where it is known (amongst many other nicknames) as 'Wreck The Hoose Juice'?

**Buckfast Tonic Wine**

40. Aspergillosis is a fungal infection that usually affects which part of the body?

**The lungs** (it can spread elsewhere but only accept 'lungs')

## Second Verbal Round

41. Designed in 1920, but never built, in which city would Tatlin's Tower, a 400m tall structure of two intertwining lattice spirals, have stood?

**Petrograd** (also accept 'St Petersburg' or 'Leningrad')

42. Give a year in the life of Suleiman I ('The Magnificent').

**1494 - 1566**

43. Which pop singer launched her first clothing collection in conjunction with River Island earlier this year?

**Rihanna**

44. Which horse won the Cheltenham Gold Cup in 1970 and 1971 as well as the 1975 Grand National?

**L'Escargot**

45. Which Academy award winning actor made his film debut playing Boo Radley in the 1962 version of *To Kill A Mockingbird*?

**Robert Duvall**

46. What is the capital city of Laos?

**Vientiane**

47. What does it mean if a bird is described as *nidifugous*?

**It leaves the nest immediately or shortly after hatching**

48. Which Italian cheese is made from an outer shell of solid mozzarella with a filling of mozzarella mixed with cream?

**Burrata**

49. In which Charles Dickens novel would you find the characters Mr Chuffey and Mr Nadgett?

***Martin Chuzzlewit***

50. Which athlete won the gold medal in the men's 800m (and set a new world record for the distance) at the 2012 London Olympics?

**David Rudisha**

51. Which poet's most famous works include *Ripostes*, *Hugh Selwyn Mauberley* and *The Cantos*?

**Ezra Pound**

52. What surname is shared by the singer who released the best-selling debut album by a British female artist in the 1990s, the pen-name of a children's author and an England international footballer currently playing for West Ham United?

**Carroll** (Dina, Lewis and Andy)

53. There are two families of animal belonging to the order *Sirenia*. Name either of them.

**Dugongs or Manatees**

54. Which artist's works include *Europe After The Rain*, *Une Semaine de Bonté* and *Ubu Imperator*?

**Max Ernst**

55. Which US biologist won the 1933 Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine for his pioneering work in genetics and heredity?

**Thomas Hunt Morgan**

56. Frederick Reines received the 1995 Nobel Prize for Physics for his role in the detection of what?

**The neutrino**

57. Which artist's works include *Liberty Leading the People*, *The Massacre at Chios* and *The Women of Algiers*?

**Eugène Delacroix**

58. Which marine animal has the Latin name *Monodon monoceros*?

**The narwhal**

59. What word links the Frankish military leader who defeated a Moslem army at the battle of Tours/Poitiers, the rapper whose real name is Stanley Kirk Burrell and a fictional detective who first appeared in the 1947 novel *I, The Jury*?

**Hammer** (Charles 'The Hammer' Martel, MC Hammer, Mike Hammer)

60. What was the title of the anthology of 32 Philip Larkin poems including '*An Arundel Tomb*' and '*A Study Of Reading Habits*' first published in 1964?

***The Whitsun Weddings***

61. Which athlete won the gold medal in the women's 100m at the 2012 London Olympics, retaining the title she won in Beijing in 2008?

**Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce**

62. Which of Shakespeare's plays is set in Messina?

***Much Ado About Nothing*** **see note 2**

63. *Malum punicum*, or 'Apple of Carthage', was an ancient Latin name for which fruit?

**The pomegranate**

64. The takahe, a large flightless bird, was thought to be extinct until it was rediscovered in a mountainous part of which country, in 1948?

**New Zealand**

65. What is the capital city of Belize?

**Belmopan**

66. Which actress played Helen, Jo's alcoholic mother, in the 1961 film version of *A Taste Of Honey*?

**Dora Bryan**

67. Which horse won the Cheltenham Gold Cup five times in a row between 1932 and 1936, as well as the 1934 Grand National?

**Golden Miller**

68. Which clothing company, known for using graffiti art, patchwork and intense colours in its designs, was founded by Thomas Meyer in 1984 and has its headquarters in Barcelona?

**Desigual**

69. Give a year in the life of Jan Hus.

**1369 - 1415**

70. In which city was the Bauhaus school and faculty based between 1925 and 1932?

**Dessau**

## Second Written Round

71. Which 20th century sculptor and painter appears on the front of the current 100 Swiss Franc banknote?

**Alberto Giacometti**

72. If white's opening move in a chess match is (pawn to) e4, what first move would black make to effect a 'Sicilian Defence'?

**(Pawn to) c5**

73. Which Conservative MP, who represented Aldershot between 1970 and 1997 is credited with remarking about Margaret Thatcher that "*She can't look at a British institution without hitting it with her handbag*"?

**Julian Critchley**

74. In which work by Berthold Brecht and Kurt Weill would you find the *Alabama Song*?

***The Rise And Fall Of The City Of Mahogany* [see note 3](#)**

75. What are the three colours of the flag of Botswana?

**Blue, white and black**

76. Appointed its Chief Executive in 2012, what did Julie Bentley describe as "*the ultimate feminist organisation*"?

**The Girl Guides**

77. Who was the only English player named as one of *Wisden's* five Cricketers of the Year in 2013?

**Nick Compton**

78. Which UNESCO World Heritage Site is located close to the town of Santillana del Mar in Cantabria, Northern Spain?

**(The caves of) Altamira**

79. Each September the small town of Lisdoonvarna in County Clare holds a festival dedicated to what?

**Matchmaking**

80. Between 1970 and 1973, Damo Suzuki was the lead singer of which band, contributing vocals to the albums *Tago Mago*, *Ege Bamyasi* and *Future Days*?

**Can**

## Spares

1. Which Peninsula War battle took place between the 3rd and 6th of May 1811?

**Fuentes de Oñoro**

2. In Victorian underworld slang, the term 'swell mob' referred to the most skilful and well-dressed practitioners of which activity?

**Pick pocketing**

3. Which bird is the emblem of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds?

**The avocet**

4. Which mountain range runs approximately 1,500km through Iran and Iraq, starting in north west Iran and running in a south easterly direction through to the Straits of Hormuz?

**The Zagros mountains**

5. The European Space Agency satellite launched in May 2009 that has been mapping cosmic microwave background radiation is named after which physicist?

**Max Planck**

### Notes and corrections

1. Lovage is a member of the plant family *Apiaceae*. This is commonly known as the parsley, or carrot, family.
2. Messina is also one of the settings for *Antony and Cleopatra*.
3. *The Alabama Song* also features in an earlier, related work by Weill and Brecht: *Mahagonny-Songspiel* (also known as *The Little Mahagonny*).

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