LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 15 JANUARY 2015 QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

The cover of which 1969 Rolling Stones album features a Delia Smith-created cake?

Let It Bleed

2. In which country was actress Zsa Zsa Gabor born?

Hungary

3. With a namesake in Spain, which is the second most populous city in Argentina?

Córdoba

4. *L'apprenti sorcier* which translates into English as *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* is a symphonic poem that famously features in the 1940 Disney animation *Fantasia*. Which Frenchman composed it?

Paul Dukas

5. Which letter is worth four points in Scrabble and is represented by 'dot dash dash' in Morse code?

W

6. In anatomy, which seven-letter word means 'relating to the sole of the foot'?

Plantar

7. Born around 1188, Isabella of Angoulême was the second wife of which English king?

John

8. Who was the seventh President of the USA, who took office in March 1829? He was known as *Old Hickory* and his pre-political career saw him command the American forces that defeated the British at the Battle of New Orleans in 1815.

Andrew Jackson

9. In the Greek alphabet, which letter comes between pi and sigma?

Rho

10. What are the two official languages of Israel?

Hebrew and Arabic

11. Which coastal town in West Wales is at the mouth of the River Rheidol?

Aberystwyth

12. In which 1971 *Carry On* film do Sid and Beattie Plummer (Sid James and Hattie Jacques) own a budgie that can predict the outcome of horse races?

Carry On at Your Convenience

13. Which car company produces models called Lancer and Mirage?

Mitsubishi

14. Who was the lead singer of the 1980s group Altered Images?

Clare Grogan

15. Which country is home to IGNOU, the world's largest university with over 3 million students?

India (Indira Gandhi National Open University)

16. In which home counties town is the administrative centre of the Open University?

Milton Keynes

17. Who was the lead singer of the 1980s group T'Pau?

Carol Decker

18. Which car company produces models called *Accent* and *Sonata*?

Hyundai

19. In which 1975 film in the *Carry On* series do Fred and Ernie (Windsor Davies and Jack Douglas) go on holiday to a caravan site that is hosting an archaeological dig led by Professors Roland Crump and Anna Vrooshka (Kenneth Williams and Elke Sommer)?

Carry On Behind

20. The River Clwyd reaches the sea in which seaside resort in North Wales?

Rhyl (also accept 'Kinmel Bay')

21. What are the two official languages of Pakistan?

English and Urdu

22. In the Greek alphabet, which letter comes between sigma and upsilon?

Tau

23. Which President who took office in March 1929 was known as *The Great Humanitarian* and led the USA during the onset of the Great Depression?

Herbert Hoover

24. Isabella of France, born in 1295, was the wife of which English King?

Edward II

25. In anatomy which eight-letter word means 'relating to the arm', specifically the region between the shoulder and elbow?

Brachial

26. Which letter is worth three points in Scrabble and is represented by 'dash dash' in Morse code?

M

27. Which French composer wrote the 1913 ballet La boîte à joujoux, which translates into English as The Box of Toys?

Claude Debussy

28. Which city (after São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro) is the third most populous in Brazil? It is the capital of the state of Bahia and staged some games during last summer's World Cup, including Holland's 5-1 thrashing of Spain.

Salvador

29. In which country was actress Audrey Hepburn born?

Belgium

30. The cover of which 1963 Bob Dylan album features Dylan and his then girlfriend, Suze Rotolo, walking down a snowy New York City street?

The Freewheelin' Bob Dylan

First Written Round – THERE IS A THEME

31. Which critically-acclaimed, six-part BBC drama serial of 1986 had episodes that included *Skin*, *Heat*, *Clues* and *Who Done It*? It was notable for its often surreal musical numbers from the 1940s, including *Cruising Down the River*, *Teddy Bears' Picnic*, *We'll Meet Again* and *I've Got You Under My Skin*.

The Singing Detective

32. Who was the oldest of the three members of The Goodies? (full name required)

Tim Brooke-Taylor

33. Which children's television programme was narrated by Johnny Morris and featured GP the Guinea Pig, Roderick Rat and his best friend Hammy Hamster?

Tales of the Riverbank (also accept 'Further Tales of the Riverbank')

34. Which three-word title is shared by a 1954 western starring Randolph Scott and Ernest Borgnine and a 2010 romantic comedy starring Jennifer Aniston and Gerard Butler?

The Bounty Hunter

35. Which cocktail takes its name from the gradual change in colour as its ingredients settle at different levels throughout the glass? It is made by adding orange juice and grenadine to the spirit after which the drink is named.

Teguila Sunrise

36. Which of Shakespeare's plays has the most lines and also contains the longest single speaking part?

Hamlet

37. Which American country band had a 1998 UK top ten hit with the song Dance the Night Away? Its lyrics include:

I just wanna dance the night away With senoritas who can sway Right now tomorrow's lookin' bright Just like the sunny mornin' light.

The Mavericks

38. Which British author, who died at Cheadle Royal Hospital in 1967, was married to Evgenia Shelepina, a former personal secretary to Trotsky?

Arthur Ransome

39. What is the three-word name of the NFL team that won the Superbowl in 2001, 2003 and 2004? They play home games in Foxborough, a town approximately 20 miles south of Boston, Massachusetts.

New England Patriots

40. In the days before all-seater stadia, what was the popular name of the terraced area at the front of the East Stand at West Ham's Boleyn Ground (Upton Park)?

The Chicken Run

Theme is the films of Mel Gibson:

The Singing Detective (2003), Tim (1979), The River (1984), The Bounty (1984), Tequila Sunrise (1988), Hamlet (1990), Maverick (1994), Ransom (1996), The Patriot, (2000) and Chicken Run (2000)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which city will stage the final of this year's ICC Cricket World Cup on 29 March?

Melbourne

42. Which town on the Isle of Man is the largest conurbation on the west coast and home to the island's only cathedral?

Peel

43. Which breed of dog is crossed with a Corgi to produce the offspring known as a 'Dorgi'?

Dachshund

44. The French city of Lyon stands at the confluence of two rivers: the Saône and which other?

River Rhône

45. Which American state shares its northern border with Missouri and its southern border with Louisiana?

Arkansas

46. Which Rugby Union player, who played most of his club career in Scotland except for a brief stint at Gloucester, is the all-time record points-scorer for the Scottish national team? He made his international debut in 1999 and won his last cap against England during the 2011 World Cup.

Chris Paterson

47. Which Swiss city, the capital of the Vaud canton, is home to the headquarters of the International Olympic Committee?

Lausanne

48. Pennsylvania (or 'Penn') Station is underneath which other famous New York City building?

Madison Square Garden

49. Peridot is one of the few gemstones to occur in only one colour. What colour is it?

Green

50. Which opera by Verdi is based on the novel *The Lady of the Camelias* by Alexandre Dumas, son of the Alexandre Dumas of *Three Musketeers* fame?

La Traviata

51. Notable as a venue for performances of both satire and jazz, what was the name of the London nightclub that opened on Greek Street, Soho in 1961 and was part-owned by comedian Peter Cook?

The Establishment

52. The Man and the Hour in 1968 and Never Too Old in 1977 were the first and last episodes of which TV comedy?

Dad's Army

53. In July 2014 which prominent Conservative MP succeeded Andrew Lansley as Leader of the House of Commons, a position he still holds?

William Hague

54. The medical condition *perniosis* is inflammation of small blood vessels due to prolonged exposure to cold and dampness, resulting in painful or itchy skin lesions mainly on the hands, feet and ears. How is this condition more commonly known?

Chilblain(s)

55. Which Coventry-based company announced more than 2000 job losses over the recent Christmas period?

City Link

56. Which country adopted the Euro on 1 January 2015, becoming the nineteenth member of the Eurozone?

Lithuania

57. *Dupuytren's contracture* is an inherited medical condition that affects which part of the body? Notable sufferers of this condition include David Gower, Samuel Beckett, Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan.

The hands (accept 'fingers')

58. As at 8 January 2015, which Conservative MP for West Dorset and former Shadow Chancellor is the current holder of the post of Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster?

Oliver Letwin

59. First broadcast in 1975 and 1979 respectively, *A Touch of Class* and *Communication Problems* were the opening episodes in the two series of which TV comedy?

Fawlty Towers

60. Originally founded in the 1690s as a hot chocolate emporium in Mayfair and now located on St James's Street, what is the name of London's oldest private gentleman's club? Its members include Prince Charles and Prince William, whilst David Cameron resigned his membership in 2008 over the club's refusal to admit women.

White's

61. Which Verdi opera is based on the Victor Hugo play The King Amuses Himself ('Le Roi s'amuse')?

Rigoletto

62. What is the most common colour of the volcanic glass, obsidian?

Black

63. London Bridge railway terminus is immediately adjacent to which London landmark?

The Shard

64. Which city on the shores of Lake Geneva is home to the headquarters of European football's governing body, UEFA?

Nyon

65. Which Rugby Union player who played his entire professional club career for Munster is the all-time record points-scorer for the Irish national team? He made his international debut in February 2000 and retired from all rugby in May 2013.

Ronan O'Gara

66. Which American state shares its northern border with South Dakota and its southern border with Kansas?

Nebraska

67. The city of Aberdeen lies largely between the mouths of the River Dee and which other Scottish river?

River Don

68. What name is usually given to the so-called 'designer' breed of dog which is the offspring of a Poodle and a Cocker Spaniel?

Cockapoo

69. To be found in the north-east of the island, which town that holds five annual carnivals is the largest town on the Isle of Wight, with a population of just over thirty thousand?

Ryde

70. Which city will stage the final of this year's UEFA Champions League on 6 June?

Berlin

Second Written Round

71. Name any four of the five teams that are current members of the English Premier League and were also amongst the twelve founder members of the inaugural Football League in 1888–89.

Four from: Aston Villa, Burnley, Everton, Stoke and West Brom

72. In December 1981 who finished second in a men's downhill race in Val Gardena, Italy? It is still the best-ever performance by a British skier in an Alpine World Cup event.

Konrad Bartelski

73. 42 years and 322 days old at his inauguration, who is the youngest President in US history?

Theodore Roosevelt

74. Which domestic pet has the Latin name Cavia porcellus?

Guinea pig (also accept 'cavy')

75. Which British TV presenter and writer is best friends with Claudia Winkleman, has the nickname 'teacup', got married in November 2012 and has won two European Poker Tour titles?

Victoria Coren Mitchell (accept 'Victoria Coren')

76. It began life in 1842 as Store Street and in 1847 became London Road. By what name has it been known since 1960?

Manchester Piccadilly (accept any answer containing 'Piccadilly')

77. Name both the aircraft carriers that were part of the Royal Navy's Falklands Task Force in 1982.

HMS Hermes and HMS Invincible

78. A haulage business called Hammond Transport Services was central to which BBC TV drama that ran for seven series between 1972 and 1976?

The Brothers

79. Serigraphy is the art of printing onto what?

Silk

80. In which novel by Charles Dickens do the characters Edward Murdstone and Francis Spenlow appear?

David Copperfield

Spares

1. Which Scottish actor was a regular presenter of the BBC children's programme *Play School* and also played Gunner Mackintosh in *It Ain't Half Hot Mum*?

Stuart McGugan

The Circuit of the Americas, which has hosted Formula One's US Grand Prix since 2012, is in which American state?

Texas

3. Which actress married Mickey Rooney, Artie Shaw and Frank Sinatra?

Ava Gardner

4. Named after a US General and aviation pioneer, what was the nickname of the North American B-25 bomber?

Mitchell

5. Who wrote The Old Huntsman in 1917 and Counter-Attack in 1918?

Siegfried Sassoon

6. Which Shakespeare play features the characters Friar Laurence, Tybalt and Paris?

Romeo and Juliet

7. On which island did English king Richard I marry Berengaria of Navarre in 1191?

Cyprus

8. In 1958 which was the first English football team to install undersoil heating?

Everton

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