

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 30 APRIL 2015

QUESTIONS BY THE STAR

First Verbal Round

1. Name the actor who had the lead role in the film *The Left Handed Gun* (1958).
Paul Newman
2. What is the currency of Bangladesh, which is split into 100 *poisha*?
Taka
3. Since the pop charts were formed, which Beatles song was the 200th No.1, in August 1965?
Help
4. Which film cowboy had a horse called Topper?
Hopalong Cassidy
5. Which battle took place on 14 June 1645 and was a victory for Lord Fairfax?
Naseby
6. Dagda was a god who acted as father-figure and protector in which island's mythology?
Ireland
7. Which band had a debut album released in 1979 called *Live at the Witch Trials*?
The Fall
8. Which assistant of Sir Humphrey Davy was lauded by Einstein and described as 'one of the greatest scientific discoverers of all time' by Rutherford?
Michael Faraday
9. Which Italian football team are nicknamed the *Giallorossi*?
AS Roma
10. The *csárdás* is a dance originating from which country?
Hungary
11. What name links the surname of a former Scottish Rugby Union captain, a former RAF transport aircraft and an English battle?
Hastings
12. What product had the advertising slogan '*the taste of paradise*'?
Bounty
13. In which county would you find the YHA hostel Once Brewed?
Northumberland
14. Which comedian/actor has written four of the *Young Bond* series of spy novels for children?
Charlie Higson [see note 1](#)
15. In the American TV series *Starsky and Hutch*, what are their first names?
Dave and Ken
16. Name the male lead actor in the film *Yanks* (1979).
Richard Gere

17. What was the former currency of Slovenia, which was split into 100 *stotinov*?
Tolar
18. Since the pop charts were formed, which All Saints song was the 800th No.1, in September 1998?
Bootie Call
19. Which film cowboy had a horse called Champion?
Gene Autry
20. Which battle took place on 29 March 1461 and was a victory for the Duke of York, later Edward IV?
Towton
21. Marduk was the patron god of which ancient city?
Babylon
22. For which dancer and choreographer did Mark E. Smith and The Fall provide the soundtrack to the ballet / *Am Curious, Orange*?
Michael Clark
23. Which carcinogenic solvent, whose structure was discovered by Kekulé, was first isolated by Michael Faraday?
Benzene
24. Which Italian football team are nicknamed the *Bianconeri*?
Juventus
25. The *mazurka* is a dance originating from which country?
Poland
26. What name links the Christian name of a deceased French writer and poet, a now defunct British comic paper and an RAF bomber?
Victor
27. What product had the advertising slogan '*splash it all over*'?
Brut
28. In which county would you find the YHA hostel Boggle Hole?
North Yorkshire
29. Name the British mountaineer who climbed the north face of Everest in 1996 and is now writing children's fiction, including the *Mortal Chaos* trilogy.
Matt Dickinson
30. In the American TV series *Hart to Hart*, what are their first names?
Jonathan and Jennifer

First Written Round THERE IS A THEME

31. In the 1958 film, who played the title role in *The Sheriff of Fractured Jaw*?
Kenneth More
32. Which TV series was presented by David Attenborough from 1954 to 1963?
Zoo Quest

33. Which band leader (1911-1965) was known as *The King of Corn*, and called his band his City Slickers?
'Spike' Jones
34. Which group had their last Top 30 hit in 1969 with *Snake in the Grass*?
Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich
35. In naval timekeeping what shift occurs between 1600 and 1800 hours?
The first dog watch
36. In Greek mythology Clio was the muse of what?
History
37. What did R. L. Stevenson say was 'a better thing than to arrive'?
To travel hopefully
38. In which ship, now on display at Dundee, did Robert Falcon Scott command the 1901–1904 Antarctic expedition?
Discovery
39. Complete this line from the Sherlock Holmes story *A Study in Scarlet*: 'Where there is no imagination, there is no _____'
Horror
40. What were Thin Lizzy waiting for in the charts in 1979?
An alibi
- Theme is each answer contains the name of a TV channel:**
More, Quest, Spike, Dave, Watch, History, Travel, Discovery, Horror, Alibi.

Second Verbal Round

41. How is the reggae producer Rainford Hugh Perry, born in 1936, better known?
Lee 'Scratch' Perry (a.k.a. 'Pipecock Jackxon' and 'The Upsetter')
42. Name the German philosopher, born 1724, who wrote *The Critique of Pure Reason* and predicted the existence of Uranus.
Immanuel Kant
43. How many hours ahead of GMT is Singapore?
Eight
44. The last words of John Le Mesurier were said to be "It's all been _____". What are the missing words?
Rather lovely
45. Which musical is the song *Flash Bang Wallop* from?
Half a Sixpence
46. What are the names of the two sets of twins in Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors*?
Antipholus and Dromio
47. During the approach to the American Civil War, which was the first state to secede from the Union?
South Carolina
48. Name the year: Air France Concorde crashes, Pete Sampras beats Pat Rafter to win Wimbledon and Harold Shipman is jailed for life.
2000

49. What is the name of the official 2014 FIFA World Cup football, produced by Adidas?
Brazuca
50. *I'll Be There For You* by The Rembrandts was the theme tune to which US TV series?
Friends
51. The garden plant *Dianthus barbatus* has which common name?
Sweet William
52. Which American historical character has been played by Phil Carey, Robert Shaw and Ronald Reagan?
George Custer
53. What is the capital of Lesotho?
Maseru
54. Which Marx brother died on 30 November 1979?
Zeppo
55. According to the Met Office, how is the wind described at 4 on the Beaufort Scale?
Moderate Breeze
56. Which Junior Murkin song did Lee 'Scratch' Perry produce in 1976? The Clash did a cover version the following year.
Police and Thieves
57. Name the English philosopher, born 1561, who wrote *The Advancement of Learning* and became Viscount St Albans.
Francis Bacon
58. How many hours behind GMT is Honduras?
Six
59. The last words of Nancy Astor were said to be "Is it _____, or am I dying?" What are the missing words?
My birthday
60. Which musical is the song *If I Ruled the World* from?
Pickwick
61. Bertram and Helena are married in which Shakespeare play?
All's Well that Ends Well
62. In the American Civil War, which was the last state officially to join the Confederacy?
Tennessee
63. Name the year: Ajax beat AC Milan to win the Champions League, Nick Leeson is arrested for his role in the collapse of Barings Bank and Cliff Richard is knighted.
1995
64. What was the name of the official 2010 FIFA World Cup football, produced by Adidas?
Jabulani (also accept 'Jobulani' which was used only in the final)
65. Who sings the theme to the American TV Series *The Big Bang Theory*?
Barenaked Ladies
66. The garden plant *Antirrhinum majus* has which common name?
Snapdragon

67. Which American historical character has been played by Charlton Heston, Paul Newman and Joel McCrea?
'Buffalo' Bill (Cody)
68. What is the capital of Liberia?
Monrovia
69. Which Rat Pack member died on 24 December 1984?
Peter Lawford
70. According to the Met Office, how is the sea described at 12 on the Beaufort Scale?
Phenomenal

Second Written Round

71. Patrick Hill, Richard McIlkenny, John Walker, William Power, Gerard Hunter and Hugh Callaghan are better known as what?
The Birmingham Six
72. Who wrote the ballet *Billy the Kid*, first performed in Chicago in 1938?
Aaron Copeland
73. Who rode Stroller to a silver medal in the Mexico Olympics?
Marion Coakes
74. The satirist H. L. Mencken coined the term *ecdysiast*, defining a person who performs what act?
Striptease
75. What is the name of Dolly Parton's children's literacy foundation?
Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
76. Which sport has variations including Guts, Dodge Disc, Ultimate and Freestyle?
Frisbee
77. Four British railway stations have a Platform 0 (zero). Stockport is one; name any of the others.
Cardiff Central, Kings Cross, (Edinburgh) Haymarket
78. As of 31 March 2015, which football club supplied the highest number of players to the England team (73)?
Aston Villa (subsequently overtaken by Tottenham)
79. '*That is no country for old men*' are the first words of which poem by W. B. Yeats?
Sailing to Byzantium
80. Which comedian observed that 'the problem with Freud is that he never had to play the Glasgow Empire second house on a Friday night'?
Ken Dodd

Spares

1. The artwork *Gift Horse* by Hans Haacke can be seen where?
The fourth plinth, Trafalgar Square

2. What was the name of the civil servant who was tried in 1985 for leaking secrets to Tam Dalyell about the sinking of the Belgrano?

Clive Ponting

3. 0131 is the STD code for which UK city?

Edinburgh

4. Which nation won the first Copa America in 1916?

Argentina

5. Who, born in 1799, found the first ichthyosaur and plesiosaur fossils at Lyme Regis?

Mary Anning

6. What is the name of the game where a ball is driven by a mallet along an alley and through an iron ring?

Pall Mall (or Pell Mell or Paille-Maille or Palle-Malle)

Notes

1. Higson has written five *Young Bond* novels.
2. The first South American national football championships took place in 1916 and were **hosted** by Argentina, but won by Uruguay. The tournament wasn't known officially as the *Copa América* until 1975, when the winners were Peru.

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