

LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 7 APRIL 2016

QUESTIONS BY THE RAILWAY FLIERS

First Verbal Round

- Who was the first Prime Minister of India after it gained independence in 1947?
Jawaharlal Nehru
- What was the name of the computer that defeated the world chess champion Gary Kasparov in a match in 1997?
Deep Blue
- Who wrote the plays *The Crucible* and *All My Sons*?
Arthur Miller
- As of 31 March 2016, which NW Labour MP is Shadow Minister for Women and Equalities?
Kate Green
- The writer Dr. Samuel Johnson was born in which English city?
Lichfield
- Which film, directed by Milos Forman, won the Best Picture Oscar in 1985?
Amadeus **see note 1**
- What is the highest point in the Brecon Beacons?
Pen y Fan
- Which actress plays Clare Cartwright, the sister of Catherine Cawood, in the BBC series *Happy Valley*?
Siobhan Finneran
- What four-sided geometric shape takes its name from the Greek for 'table'?
Trapezium
- Who was the first Prime Minister of Ghana after it gained independence in 1957?
Kwame Nkrumah
- Who was the first person, in 1895, to swim the English Channel without the use of artificial aids?
Matthew Webb **see note 2**
- The crime novels of Stuart MacBride featuring the detective Logan McRae are set in which UK city?
Aberdeen
- As of 31 March, who is the Chief Constable of the Greater Manchester Police?
Ian Hopkins
- Which shipbuilders built the two aircraft carriers *HMS Ark Royal* in 1937 and 1950?
Cammell Laird
- What is the principal ingredient of the Middle Eastern dish *Baba Ganoush*?
Aubergine
- What name is given to a triangle with three unequal sides?
Scalene

17. Which computer defeated the Korean 9-dan Go professional Lee Sedol in a match in March 2016?

AlphaGo

18. In Spanish cuisine what are *albóndigas*?

Meatballs

19. What chemical element is also known as *natrium*?

Sodium

20. The poet William Wordsworth was born in which English town?

Cockermouth

21. The crime novels of Quintin Jardine featuring the policeman Bob Skinner are set in which UK city?

Edinburgh

22. Who holds the Major League Baseball hitting streak (at least one hit in every game) record of 56 consecutive games made in 1941?

Joe DiMaggio

23. Which actor played the eponymous *Doctor Thorne* in the March 2016 ITV series?

Tom Hollander

24. As of 31 March 2016, who is the Anglican Bishop of Manchester?

David Walker

25. Which film, directed by Bernardo Bertolucci, won the Best Picture Oscar in 1988?

The Last Emperor see note 1

26. Who in 1909 made the first flight across the English Channel in a heavier than air aircraft?

Louis Blériot

27. As of 31 March 2016, which NW Conservative MP is Chairman of the 1922 Committee?

Graham Brady

28. What is the highest point in the Pennines?

Cross Fell

29. Which shipbuilders built the liners Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth in the 1930s?

John Brown (& Co)

30. What chemical element is also known as *stibium*?

Antimony

First Written Round – THERE IS A THEME

31. Who were the three members of the 'Pontypool Front Row' who played as a unit for Wales in the 1970s and were immortalized in a song of that name by Max Boyce?

Charlie Faulkner, Bobby Windsor and Graham Price

32. Which company owns and operates the mobile network *Three*?

Hutchison (also accept 'CK Hutchison Holdings' or 'Hutchison Whampoa')

33. What are the names of the three buildings at the Liverpool Pier Head, known collectively as the *Three Graces*?

Royal Liver Building; Cunard Building; Port of Liverpool (or Mersey Docks & Harbour Board) Building

34. Which battle of 1805 is known as the 'Battle of the Three Emperors'?

Austerlitz

35. Who were the members of the First Triumvirate, formed in Rome in 59BC?

Caesar, Pompey and Crassus

(Gaius Julius Caesar; Gnaeus Pompeius Magnus; Marcus Licinius Crassus)

36. Who had a No. 1 hit in the UK in 1960 with *Three Steps to Heaven*?

Eddie Cochran

37. Who played the *Three Amigos* in the film of that name in 1986?

Steve Martin, Chevy Chase and Martin Short

38. Who wrote the play *The Three Sisters*?

Anton Chekhov

39. What were the names of the *Three Musketeers*?

Athos, Porthos and Aramis

40. Who wrote the music to the ballet *The Three-Cornered Hat*?

Manuel de Falla

Theme is the number three (celebrating Railway Fliers' three league victories in the season so far!)

Second Verbal Round

41. Which cider company makes the draught ciders *Green Goblin* and *Cheddar Valley*?

Thatchers

42. Who had a No. 1 hit in 1968 with *Those Were the Days*?

Mary Hopkin

43. Which play of 1956 has characters named Jimmy and Alison Porter, Cliff Lewis and Colonel Redfern?

Look Back in Anger

44. What is the name of the monument on Brandon Hill in Bristol?

Cabot Tower

45. Who is the regular presenter of the BBC Radio 4 programme *The Listening Project*?

Fi Glover

46. Who is the only footballer to have scored a goal in the Glasgow, Merseyside and Manchester derbies?

Andrei Kanchelskis

47. The cuneiform bones are found in which specific part of the human body?

Foot

48. In Greek mythology, who was chained to a rock and had his liver eaten every day (it was regenerated each night) by an eagle as a punishment?

Prometheus

49. In which city is the condiment Henderson's Relish made?

Sheffield

50. Apart from the piano what instrument did the jazz musician Charlie Mingus play?
Double Bass see note 3
51. Which Grade 1 listed building is the family seat of the Dukes of Rutland?
Belvoir Castle
52. Which computer company created the Java programming language?
Sun (Microsystems)
53. Which English writer wrote the original draft script for the 1933 film *King Kong*, the *Four Just Men* series of novels and the *J. G. Reeder* detective stories?
Edgar Wallace
54. Which Dutch artist produced the works *Drawing Hands*, *Ascending and Descending* and *Waterfall*?
M. C. Escher
55. Which instrument did the jazz musician Jack Teagarden play?
Trombone
56. Which cider company makes *Old Rosie* and *Stowford Press*?
Weston's
57. The Wallace Monument on the summit of Abbey Craig is near which UK city?
Stirling
58. The 2012 Disney film *John Carter* was based on *A Princess of Mars*, the first in the *Barsoom* series. Who was the author of the books?
Edgar Rice Burroughs
59. Who had a No. 1 hit in 1961 with *Walkin' Back to Happiness*?
Helen Shapiro
60. Which Danish physicist won the 1922 Nobel Prize for 'the investigation of the structure of atoms and of the radiation emanating from them'?
Niels Bohr
61. Who is the only player to have scored a hat-trick in all four tiers of professional football in England, the FA Cup, the League Cup and at international level?
Robert Earnshaw
62. Which city is the home of Colman's Mustard?
Norwich
63. Which German physicist, who won the 1932 Nobel Prize for 'the creation of quantum mechanics'; is best known for the *uncertainty principle*?
Werner Heisenberg
64. Which play of 1947 has characters called Blanche DuBois, Harold Mitchell and Stanley Kowalski?
A Streetcar Named Desire
65. Which Belgian surrealist artist produced the works *The Treachery of Images*, *Golconda* and *Not to be Reproduced*?
René Magritte
66. The trapezoid bone is found in which specific part of the human body?
Hand see note 4

67. Which establishment created the *Unix* operating system and the C programming language?
Bell Labs
68. Who is the regular presenter of the BBC Radio 4 programme *The Life Scientific*?
'Jim' Al-Khalili
69. In Greek mythology, who was punished by being bound to winged fiery wheel that was always spinning?
Ixion
70. Which building is the principal seat of the Dukes of Beaufort?
Badminton House

Second Written Round

71. What phrase, printed in red, is above the word 'News' on the masthead of the *Manchester Evening News*?
A friend dropping in
72. Maria Sharapova tested positive for which banned substance in March 2016?
Meldonium
73. Which feminist magazine got its name from the story of Eve's creation?
Spare Rib
74. Which ICI fibre, used in garments that required a permanently-pressed look, was named after a valley near Harrogate?
Crimplene (Crimple Valley)
75. Which building in London is home to the Royal Academy and five learned societies?
Burlington House
76. Who is awarded the Sid Waddell Trophy?
PDC Darts World Champion
77. Which utilitarian philosopher designed the Panopticon prison?
Jeremy Bentham
78. Which glandular organ secretes insulin?
Pancreas
79. In Greek mythology Pasiphaë was the mother of which monster?
The minotaur
80. Crewe's Whitby Morrison is the leading maker of what type of vehicle?
Ice cream vans

Spares

1. Who said "All science is either physics or stamp collecting"?
Ernest Rutherford
2. Which pundit donated his ponytail to the National Football Museum?
Robbie Savage
3. What's the common name for the ore uraninite?
Pitchblende

4. What is the longest muscle in the human body?

Sartorius

5. What was the only World War II battle fought in South America?

Battle of the River Plate

6. The Yucatán Channel separates which countries?

Mexico and Cuba

Notes

1. The year referred to in both questions is the year of the Oscar ceremony, not the year for which the Oscar was awarded, e.g. *The Last Emperor* won the 1987 Academy Award for Best Picture, which was presented at the ceremony in April 1988.
2. The given date would make Webb's achievement even more impressive as it would mean he swam the Channel twelve years after his death. The date should be **1875**.
3. 'Cello' is also an acceptable answer.
4. The trapezoid is one of the eight carpal bones that comprise the wrist, so 'wrist' is an equally-acceptable (and probably better) answer.

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