

## LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 2017

### QUESTIONS BY THE RAILWAY FLIERS

#### First Verbal Round

- Which Swiss cyclist, a world champion and Olympic gold medallist, had the nickname *Spartacus*?  
**Fabian Cancellara**
- Who played 'Hutch' in the 1970s TV series *Starsky & Hutch*?  
**David Soul**
- What is the capital city of Peru?  
**Lima**
- The Brightside brewery is located in which north west town?  
**Radcliffe**
- What is the administrative HQ of the county of Shropshire?  
**Shrewsbury**
- Who wrote the plays *Roots*, *Chicken Soup with Barley* and *Chips with Everything*?  
**Arnold Wesker**
- Which Australian directed the films *Strictly Ballroom* and *Moulin Rouge!*?  
**'Baz' Luhrmann**
- An *anemometer* measures the speed and direction of what?  
**Wind**
- Which group had top ten hits in 1966 with *Daydream* and *Summer in the City*?  
**The Lovin' Spoonful**
- On which ship did Simon Weston suffer 46% burns when it was bombed during the Falklands campaign in 1982?  
(RFA) **Sir Galahad**
- Who, as at 19 January 2017, is the chairman of the Exiting the European Union Select Committee in the House of Commons?  
**Hilary Benn**
- Pitchblende is a major ore of which metallic element?  
**Uranium**
- What surname is shared by a 20th century British potter and a Jamaican reggae singer?  
**Cliff** (Clarice and Jimmy) **see note 1**
- What is the capital city of Ecuador?  
**Quito**
- Which Greek god is the equivalent of the Roman god Mercury?  
**Hermes**
- The National League football team Forest Green Rovers are based in which town?  
**Nailsworth**

17. Who wrote the plays *The Birthday Party*, *The Homecoming* and *The Caretaker*?  
**Harold Pinter**
18. What is the administrative HQ of the county of Buckinghamshire?  
**Aylesbury**
19. The Jennings brewery is located in which north west town?  
**Cockermouth**
20. Which group had number one hits in 1965 and 1966 with *Keep on Running* and *Somebody Help Me*?  
**The Spencer Davis Group**
21. A *nephoscope* is an instrument used for measuring the altitude, direction and velocity of the movement of what?  
**Clouds**
22. Who, as at 19 January 2017, is the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union?  
**David Davis**
23. Which metal was discovered by William Gregor in Cornwall in 1791 and is named after pre-Olympian deities in Greek mythology?  
**Titanium**
24. What surname is shared by a British potter who developed Florian Ware and the last non-African to hold the men's world 5000 metres running record?  
**Moorcroft** (William and David)
25. The National League South team Whitehawk are based in which city?  
**Brighton** (& Hove)
26. Which Roman god is the equivalent of the Greek god Ares?  
**Mars**
27. Which Royal Navy ship was trapped in the Yangtze River for three months in 1949 during the Chinese Civil War?  
(HMS) **Amethyst**
28. Which Australian directed the films *Gallipoli* and *Picnic at Hanging Rock*?  
**Peter Weir**
29. Who played Lacey in the 1980s TV series *Cagney and Lacey*?  
**Tyne Daly**
30. Which French cyclist, winner of the Tour de France, had the nickname *The Badger*?  
**Bernard Hinault**

**First Written Round** **THERE IS A THEME**

31. Who was the youngest member of England's 1966 World Cup-winning team?  
**Alan Ball**
32. Which town known as *The Jewel of East Yorkshire* has a 13th century Minster and a racecourse?  
**Beverley**

33. Which former miner became Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Conservative Party Chairman in July 2016?

**Patrick McLoughlin**

34. What was the name of the building in Chicago, now known as the Willis Tower, which at its completion in 1973 was the tallest building in the world, a title it held for approximately 25 years?

**Sears Tower**

35. Who played The Joker in the *Batman* film of 1989?

**Jack Nicholson**

36. Which jazz pianist and singer, born with the forenames Thomas Wright, became known by a nickname reflecting his size?

**'Fats' Waller**

37. Which Scotch whisky was described by Michael Jackson of the *Whisky Magazine* as '*like biting into peanut brittle, then toffee, then liquorice*'?

**Teachers**

38. Who wrote the operas *Nixon in China* and *The Death of Klinghoffer*?

**John Adams**

39. Who had three top ten hits in the 1960s including *Cupid* and *Chain Gang*?

**Sam Cooke**

40. Which family-run furniture store in Castle Street, Edgeley has been operating for over 80 years?

**Tweedies**

**Theme is all answers contain the name of someone who married a sportsman:**  
Norma Ball (Bobby Charlton); Joy Beverley (Billy Wright); Coleen McLoughlin (Wayne Rooney);  
Kim Sears (Andy Murray); Rebekah Nicholson (Jamie Vardy); Kathryn Waller (Ian Botham);  
Poppy Teacher (Tony Adams); Victoria Adams (David Beckham); Stacey Cooke (Ryan Giggs);  
Cheryl Tweedy (Ashley Cole).

## Second Verbal Round

41. Which river runs through the Grand Canyon in the USA?

**Colorado River**

42. What was the name of the cook in the TV series *Upstairs, Downstairs*?

**Mrs Bridges**

43. The extinct bird the Dodo was endemic to which island?

**Mauritius**

44. Which English University is named after the man credited with calling the first parliament in 1265?

**De Montfort**

45. Which group had a number one hit in 1961 with the song *Blue Moon*?

**The Marcels**

46. The Cathedral Church of Christ, Blessed Mary the Virgin and St Cuthbert is located in which city?

**Durham**

47. Name the year: Buddy Holly died in a plane crash, Fidel Castro became Premier of Cuba and the Mini designed by Alec Issigonis is launched.

**1959**

48. Who painted *The Arnolfini Wedding* which hangs the National Gallery?  
**Jan van Eyck**
49. Which street in London was the scene of a gunfight between the police and two Latvian revolutionaries in 1911?  
**Sidney Street**
50. Who played the part of Timothy Evans in the 1971 film *10 Rillington Place*?  
**John Hurt**
51. Who, as at 19 January 2017, is the editor of the *Daily Mail*?  
**Paul Dacre**
52. What is the name of Death's horse in Terry Pratchett's *Discworld* books?  
**Binky**
53. In geometry what name is given to a line segment joining two points on a curve?  
**Chord**
54. Which classical composer wrote *The Lark Ascending*?  
**Ralph Vaughan Williams**
55. The Metropolitan Cathedral Church and Basilica of Saint Chad is located in which city?  
**Birmingham**
56. Which street in London was the scene of clash in October 1936 between the Metropolitan Police, protecting a march by members of the British Union of Fascists, and various anti-fascist demonstrators?  
**Cable Street**
57. Who played the part of John Reginald Christie in the 2016 BBC series *Rillington Place*?  
**Tim Roth**
58. Who, as at 19 January 2017, is the editor of *Private Eye*?  
**Ian Hislop**
59. In which city is The Arnolfini, a centre for contemporary arts?  
**Bristol**
60. In geometry what name is given to the point at which two line segments intersect (forming an angle)?  
**Vertex**
61. Who wrote the novels *Catch-22*, *Something Happened* and *Good As Gold*?  
**Joseph Heller**
62. Name the year: Otis Redding died in a plane crash, Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as Governor of California and the supertanker *Torrey Canyon* ran aground between Land's End and the Scilly Isles.  
**1967**
63. What is the name of Gandalf's horse in J. R. R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings*?  
**Shadowfax**
64. Which group had a top ten hit in 1963 with *Louie Louie*?  
**The Kingsmen** see note 2
65. Which classical composer wrote *The Swan of Tuonela*?  
**Jean Sibelius**

66. Which river runs through the Three Gorges in China?  
**Yangtze**
67. What was the name of the cook in the TV series *Downton Abbey*?  
**Mrs Patmore**
68. Which bird, a large flightless species of penguin living in the North Atlantic's rocky coasts and islands, was hunted to extinction in the 19th century?  
**Great auk**
69. Which Scottish University is named after a jeweller and an inventor?  
**Heriot-Watt**
70. Who wrote the novels *The Naked and the Dead*, *The Executioner's Song* and *Ancient Evenings*?  
**Norman Mailer**

### Second Written Round

71. Who were the four British boxers who fought Mohammed Ali?  
**Brian London, Henry Cooper, Joe Bugner and Richard Dunn**
72. What were the three male pseudonyms used by the Brontë sisters?  
**Acton, Currer and Ellis Bell**
73. What does the medical term *D & C* stand for?  
**Dilation and Curettage** see note 3
74. What is code of conduct whereby the lives of women and children are to be saved first in a life-threatening situation, typically abandoning ship, when survival resources such as lifeboats are limited?  
**Birkenhead drill**
75. What name connects the first UK country act to have a top ten album, with *Brave*, and the beer served in the Bull at Ambridge in *The Archers*?  
**(The) Shires**
76. Which officer of the Royal Household of the United Kingdom had the power to prohibit the performance of plays where he was of the opinion that '*it is fitting for the preservation of good manners, decorum or of the public peace so to do*', until this duty was abolished under the Theatres Act 1968?  
**Lord Chamberlain**
77. Which Greek classical author wrote the plays *The Birds*, *The Wasps* and *The Clouds*?  
**Aristophanes**
78. Who is the Leader of Trafford Council and the Conservative candidate for the Greater Manchester elected Mayor?  
**Sean Anstee**
79. Who succeeded Sir Ivan Rogers after his resignation as the UK's ambassador to the EU in January 2017?  
**Sir Tim Barrow**
80. Which singer's real name was Benjamin Earl Nelson?  
**Ben E. King**

## Spares

1. In which war was the Battle of Inkerman?  
**Crimean War**
2. *Pyelitis* affects which organ of the body?  
**Kidney**
3. Which American state is called *The Sunflower State*?  
**Kansas**
4. William George Perks is the birth name of which rocker?  
**Bill Wyman**
5. Which country has the *rufiyaa* as its currency?  
**The Maldives**
6. Who has been an Irish rugby international, a British Lion and CEO of the H. J. Heinz Company?  
**Tony O'Reilly**

## Notes

1. 'Perry' (as in Grayson and Lee 'Scratch') would also appear to be an acceptable answer.
2. The song was a top ten hit in the USA, but peaked at number 26 in the UK charts in January 1964.
3. The older term *dilatation* is an equally acceptable answer.

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