PLATE FINAL THURSDAY 17 MAY 2018 QUESTIONS BY HMRUFC AND SUN & CASTLE

First Verbal Round

1. In 1579 Sir Francis Drake landed at a place he called 'Nova Albion'. He claimed this territory for England. What is it called now?

California

2. Meryl Streep's first Oscar was for Best Supporting Actress for which film?

Kramer vs. Kramer

This actor's TV credits include Last Tango in Halifax, River and, more recently, Collateral and The Split. Who is she?

Nicola Walker

4. With which sport do you associate Phil Bentham, Ben Thaler and James Child?

Rugby League (they are referees)

5. Which fictional spaceship had the registration NCC-1701?

USS Enterprise

6. The Iroquois Cup is competed for in which sport?

Lacrosse

7. In Australia what would you purchase in the Manchester department of a shop?

Bedding, sheets, towels etc

8. What does The Monument in London commemorate?

The Great Fire of London

9. The book and film Watership Down are set in which English county?

Hampshire

10. Based on the Airbus A330 airliner, this transport aircraft is named after an aquatic creature and is used to transport components between different Airbus sites. What is its name?

Beluga (XL) (not 'Guppy', which was its predecessor and isn't based on the A330)

11. What boy's name links the title of an opera by Benjamin Britten and an orchestral piece by Prokofiev?

Peter (Peter Grimes and Peter and the Wolf)

12. Who was the beggar in Jesus's parable of the rich man and the poor man?

Lazarus (a different Lazarus to the one 'raised from the dead')

13. Which jazz great, who died in 1991, was nicknamed The Prince of Darkness?

Miles Davies

14. Who did Sara Jane Moore attempt to assassinate in San Francisco in 1975?

President Gerald Ford

15. In the new Channel 4 series Kiss Me First, what name does the central figure, Leila, adopt as her avatar?

Shadowfax

16. In Greek mythology, who was the muse of history?

Clio

17. In which Shakespeare play does Duke Vincentio disguise himself as a friar?

Measure for Measure

18. Which conflict did Jorge Luis Borges describe as 'two bald men fighting over a comb'?

Falklands War

19. This song was originally recorded by The Left Banke, who took it to number five in the US charts in 1965, but got nowhere in the UK charts. The Four Tops' cover version reached number three in the UK charts in 1967. What was the song?

Walk Away Renée

20. This stadium was originally an athletics and cycling track. It held two Rugby League Challenge Cup finals, one England v Scotland Rugby Union match and was the home of the cycling events for the 1934 Empire games. What was its name?

Fallowfield Stadium (also accept 'Reg Harris Stadium')

21. What 'first' did Minette Batters achieve in February of this year?

First female President of the National Farmers' Union

22. What is the name of the largest prison (by capacity) in Scotland?

Barlinnie

23. Musically, how are Pitti-Sing, Peep-Bo and Yum-Yum collectively known?

Three Little Maids from School (Mikado)

24. Which UK Prime Minister was in office at the start of the 20th century?

(Third) Marquess of Salisbury (also accept 'Robert Gascoyne-Cecil')

25. It is now known by its native name Denali. How do we usually know it?

Mount McKinley

26. Who designed the steam locomotives of the Standard Class produced by British Railways between 1948 and 1960?

Robert Riddles

27. Which country did the king announce last month was to be renamed eSwatini?

Swaziland

28. Which jazz musician was the leader of the Hot Five band and was married to pianist Lil Hardin?

Louis Armstrong

29. At 540 metres Brown Clee Hill is the highest point in which English county?

Shropshire

30. Eight members of the Crow family (*Corvidae*) are native to the UK. Five of them are the Carrion Crow, Rook, Raven, Magpie and Jackdaw. Name any two of the other three.

Any two from: Jay, Chough and Hooded Crow

First Written Round THERE IS A THEME

31. Who had a UK number four hit in 1975 with *That's the Way (I Like It)*?

KC & the Sunshine Band

32. Who played both Georgia Simpson in *Brookside* and Elizabeth Morrison in *Hollyoaks*?

Helen Grace

33. Name the female star of The Other Boleyn Girl and Jackie?

Natalie Portman

34. What was the name of the agreement signed in 1973 which attempted to form a power-sharing Northern Ireland Executive and a cross-border Council of Ireland?

Sunningdale Agreement

35. Dave Guard, Bob Shane, and Nick Reynolds were the three members of the folk group that had a 1958 hit with the song *Tom Dooley*, which was also covered by Lonnie Donnegan. Name the group.

The Kingston Trio

36. Who was the Chief Secretary to the Treasury for almost all of the period of David Cameron's coalition government?

Danny Alexander

37. Who was the first presenter of the BBC programme Newsround?

John Craven

38. Which song was a 1976 UK number three hit for Hank Mizell and was also covered by The Fall in 1997?

Jungle Rock

39. Who played DS John Watt in Z-Cars?

Frank Windsor

40. London Underground's District Line has two south-western termini. One is Richmond, name the other.

Wimbledon

Theme is UK sporting venues:

KC Stadium (Hull City FC and Hull Rugby League), Grace Road (Leicestershire Cricket), Portman Road (Ipswich Town), Sunningdale (Golf), Kinston Park (Newcastle Falcons Rugby Union), Alexander Stadium (Athletics), Craven Cottage (Fulham FC) or Craven Park (Hull KR Rugby League), The Jungle (Castleford Rugby League), Windsor Park (Northern Ireland football), Wimbledon (Tennis and Croquet)

Second Verbal Round

41. With 30,537 flights between the two airports in the year up to February 2018, which is the busiest international air route in the world?

Kuala Lumpur to Singapore

42. Which is the largest country by area in Africa?

Algeria

43. For what was a *clepsydra* used?

Telling the time (it's a water clock)

44. Granadilla is another name for which fruit?

Passion fruit

45. An ophidiophobe would be afraid of which creatures?

Snakes

46. Which Magic Roundabout character rode a tricycle?

Mr McHenry

47. Olympic silver medallist Harold Sakata played which screen villain in 1964?

Oddjob (in Goldfinger)

48. In which sport is the standard weight of the ball between 23 and 25 grams?

Squash

49. Tony Hall, Director General of the BBC was created a Life Peer in 2010. What is his formal title?

Baron (or Lord) Hall of Birkenhead

50. Which poet used the pseudonym Brunette Coleman?

Philip Larkin

51. Which cricketer holds the record for the most first-class centuries?

Sir Jack Hobbs

52. How many tales are there in *The Canterbury Tales*?

Twenty four

53. Name the birth city of civil rights campaigner Martin Luther King Jr.

Atlanta

54. On 27 June 1938 which airline operated the first scheduled flight at the newly-opened Ringway Airport?

KLM

55. What is the name of the pub inside Harrods?

The Green Man

56. Matthew Keith Hall is the real name of which comedian?

Harry Hill

57. Which member of the *Carry On* team was born in Bramhall, Cheshire?

Peter Butterworth

58. Give a year in the War of Jenkins' Ear, a conflict between Spain and Britain.

1739-1748

59. Which animal has the scientific name Pan troglodytes?

(Common) chimpanzee

60. Give either the title or the real name of the last person in Britain to be executed by beheading.

Lord Lovat or Simon Fraser

61. What surname is shared by a witchfinder portrayed on film by Vincent Price, a pianist who recorded with The Beatles, The Kinks, The Rolling Stones and The Who, and a former *Apprentice* contestant and former *MailOnline* columnist?

Hopkins (Matthew, Nicky and Katie)

62. Name the English actor who directed *The Night of the Hunter* starring Robert Mitchum. It is the only film for which he is credited as Director.

Charles Laughton

63. What title links a 2018 film written and directed by Jeremy Dyson and Andy Nyman, and a 2014 album by Coldplay?

Ghost Stories

64. Golfer Jon Rahm finished fourth in the 2018 US Masters. In which country was he born?

Spain

65. How many stars appear in the Premier Inn moon-and-stars logo?

Three

66. Name the Matchbox Twenty singer who had a hit in collaboration with Santana in 1999.

Rob Thomas

67. Who is the only British Prime minister to serve under three monarchs?

Stanley Baldwin (George V, Edward VIII and George VI)

68. Which major river is sometimes referred to as The Road to Mandalay, after the poem by Rudyard Kipling?

Irrawaddy

69. One and Other was a 2009 exhibit on the fourth plinth in Trafalgar Square. Various members of the public were given one hour to perform as they wished. Which artist was given the commission?

Antony Gormley

70. Who was the first person to win an acting Oscar and reach number one in the UK singles chart?

Frank Sinatra

Second Written Round

71. What is the only triply landlocked US state, where one must travel through three states, or two states and a Canadian province, to reach an ocean, gulf or bay?

Nebraska

72. Which snooker player, a quarter-finalist in the recent world championships, is nicknamed *The Captain*?

Ali Carter

73. Speedway legend Ivan Mauger, who died in April 2018, was born in which country?

New Zealand

74. Carbrook, Cricket Inn Road and Leppings Lane are tram stops in which British city?

Sheffield

75. Which celebrity owns the car registration COM 1C?

Jimmy Tarbuck

76. Elton John, Meat Loaf and Hugh Laurie had cameo appearances in which 1997 movie?

Spice World

77. AMF (American Machine and Foundry) is a prominent name in which sport?

Ten Pin Bowling

78. In which year did Madonna have hits with Crazy For You and Into the Groove?

1985

79. What name connects a Welsh rock band from the 1960s and three holes at Augusta National?

Amen Corner

80. In which European country is the cathedral town of Teruel?

Spain

Additional Written Round (for use as 'extra time' in the event of a tie)

1. The world's first house to be lit by hydro-electric power is situated in Northumberland and is the home of the Armstrong family. What is its name?

Cragside

- 2. The Alan Newton Way is a cycle path from Marple to Stockport. What was Alan Newton's claim to fame?
 - First person from Stockport to win an Olympic medal (bronze in team cycling, 1952)
- 3. What important industrial chemical is manufactured by the Haber process?

Ammonia

4. Which inventor and industrialist currently appears alongside Matthew Boulton on the current UK £50 note?

James Watt

5. Foreign ambassadors to the UK are officially accredited to which Royal Court?

Court of St James

6. At last week's Television BAFTA Awards, which programme was voted Best Drama Series?

Peaky Blinders

7. England defender Lucy Bronze left Manchester City in 2017 for which French club?

Olympique Lyonnais (also accept 'Lyon')

8. At 2.5 miles Interstate 11 (I-11) is the shortest Interstate in the USA. Which state is it in?

Nevada

9. What is the common name for hydrated Magnesium Sulphate?

Epsom salts

10. What is the name of the U.S. Secretary of State who Donald Trump fired in March and who is alleged to have called Trump a "f*****g moron"?

Rex Tillerson

Spares

1. In which North West town is the CAMRA Pub of the Year for 2018 situated?

St Helens (Cricketers' Arms)

2. With a population of just over 100, which is the only civil parish in the City of Manchester?

Ringway

3. Which Coventry-born singer was a member of The Specials, Fun Boy Three and The Colourfield?

Terry Hall

 Give the full name of either of the basketball teams that are currently contesting the NBA's Eastern Conference finals.

Cleveland Cavaliers or Boston Celtics

5. Katharine Viner is Editor-in-Chief of which British national daily newspaper?

The Guardian

Nearest-the-Bull tie-breaker

1. What is the European attendance record for a match between two football clubs?

147,365 (1937 Scottish Cup Final, Celtic v Aberdeen at Hampden Park)

2. How high, in feet, is Manchester's tallest building, the Beetham Tower?

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