LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 30 MARCH 2023 QUESTIONS BY THE ALEXANDRA

First Verbal Round

1. Hotlegs, The New Wave Band, and Doctor Father were previous incarnations of which British band that had three UK number one singles during the 1970s?

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2. Which federal state of Germany has borders with Belgium and the Netherlands?

North Rhine-Westphalia (Nordrhein-Westfalen)

Composer Frederick Delius was born in which English city?

Bradford

4. Which controversial German economist and engineer is the founder and chairman of the World Economic Forum, which holds an annual meeting in Davos, Switzerland?

Klaus Schwab

5. Which US city is the state capital of New Mexico?

Santa Fe

6. Give a year in the life of English poet Thomas Gray

1716 to 1771

7. Who is the only one of the judges that has appeared in every series of BBC One's Strictly Come Dancing?

Craig Revel Horwood see note 1

8. Which Scottish golf course is renowned for its views of Ailsa Craig and the Isle of Arran? It last hosted The Open championship in 2009.

Turnberry

9. Conviasa is the national airline of which South American country?

Venezuela

10. What was shared with Mussolini, according to the title of a 1999 film directed by Franco Zeffirelli and starring Maggie Smith?

Tea

11. Which American boxer did Frank Bruno defeat at Wembley Stadium in September 1995 to become WBC world heavyweight champion?

Oliver McCall

12. For which three English football clubs did Gary Lineker play between 1978 and 1992?

Leicester City, Everton, Tottenham Hotspur

13. The 1970s/80s US sitcom Laverne & Shirley was a spin-off from which other TV series?

Happy Days

14. During the 1990s two films with animals in their title won the Academy Award for Best Picture. Name both.

Dances with Wolves (1990) and Silence of the Lambs (1991)

15. In a botanical context the surname of which current England cricketer can go after Arrow, Briar, Lotus, Bitter and Tap?

(Joe) Root

16. In a geographical context the surname of which current England cricketer can go after Barton, Filby, Oulton, Hickling, Ranworth and Wroxham?

(Stuart) **Broad**

17. During the 1990s two films with a nationality in their title won the Academy Award for Best Picture. Name both.

The English Patient and American Beauty

18. The 1970s UK TV drama Thomas & Sarah was a spin-off from which other series?

Upstairs, Downstairs

19. For which three English football clubs did Alan Shearer play between 1988 and 2006?

Southampton, Blackburn Rovers, Newcastle United

20. In November 1999 which American boxer did Lennox Lewis defeat to unify the major belts and become undisputed world heavyweight champion?

Evander Holyfield

21. According to the title of a 1601 Caravaggio painting in London's National Gallery, which meal was eaten at Emmaus?

Supper

22. Avianca is the national airline of which South American country?

Colombia

23. Of all golf courses that have staged the Open Championship, which is the nearest neighbour to St Andrews? Approximately 11 miles away, on the opposite side of the Tay Estuary, it last hosted The Open in 2018.

Carnoustie

24. In BBC One's *Strictly Come Dancing*, who was the first former contestant to join the judging panel? She replaced Arlene Phillips, who left at the end of Series 6.

Alesha Dixon

25. Give a year in the life of Scottish author Sir Walter Scott.

1771 to 1832

26. Which US city is the state capital of New Jersey?

Trenton

27. Originally founded to strengthen post-war ties between Europe and North America, which controversial organisation, comprising politicians and leading figures in business and academia, holds an annual behind-closed-doors meeting? It takes its name from the Dutch venue of the group's first meeting in 1954.

The Bilderberg Group

28. Composer Gustav Holst was born in which English town?

Cheltenham

29. Which German federal state has borders with France and Switzerland?

Baden-Württemberg

30. Which British band that had a string of hits in the 1970s, including two UK number one singles, chose their name after throwing a dart at a map and hitting a town in Michigan, USA?

Bay City Rollers

First Written Round REVEALED THEME - each answer contains something you might find in a garden

The round includes soundalikes.

To avoid rewarding guesswork using the already revealed theme, when the answer is a person both first and surname must be given.

31. Which Canadian actor played Commander Adama in the 1978 film *Battlestar Galactica* and the subsequent television series? Full name required.

Lorne Greene

32. Founded in 1969 *Sendero Luminoso* was a communist revolutionary group that fought a guerrilla war against the Peruvian government during the 1980s. By what two-word name was the group usually referred to in English?

Shining Path

33. Which veteran British actor's films include *The Devil Rides Out* (1968), *Black Beauty* (1971) and *Carry On England* (1976)? His TV work includes appearances in *Callan*, *Special Branch* and *Emmerdale*. Full name required.

Patrick Mower

34. What is the much more commonly used two-word title of the 1855 novel which has the subtitle: Or The Voyages and Adventures of Sir Amyas Leigh, Knight of Burrough, in the County of Devon, in the reign of Her Most Glorious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth?

Westward Ho

35. She Left Me on Friday, Getting Better and Chasing Rainbows were UK chart hits for which band that was formed in York in 1990?

Shed Seven

36. Which cricketer made his Test debut against England in 1978 and played his last Test against South Africa in 1994? He captained his country in 93 consecutive Test matches – still a world record today. Full name required.

Allan Border

37. Which singer's only UK top twenty single was Big Log in 1983? Full name required.

Robert Plant

38. In Dr Who Karen Gillan played which companion to Matt Smith's Doctor? Full name required.

Amy Pond

39. Which rock anthem begins with these lyrics?

If you like to gamble
I tell you, I'm your man
You win some, lose some
It's all the same to me

The Ace of Spades (by Motörhead)

40. The bespectacled, fez-wearing Morocco Mole was the sidekick to which cartoon character who made his TV debut in 1965? Two-word name required.

Secret Squirrel

Second Verbal Round

- 41. In which year did these events happen?
 - Rowan Atkinson's Mr. Bean made his TV debut
 - James 'Buster' Douglas inflicted the first defeat of Mike Tyson's professional boxing career
 - Nelson Mandela was released from prison.

1990

42. Which 2020 film starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren tells the true story of Kempton Bunton, a bus driver who becomes an art thief?

The Duke (Bunton stole Goya's Portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in 1961)

43. Which vegetable is the principal ingredient of soubise sauce?

Onion

44. A recording of the ragtime composition *Black and White Rag* by Winifred Atwell was used as the theme tune to which long-running BBC TV programme?

Pot Black

45. In 1993 country music singer Lyle Lovett married which Hollywood star?

Julia Roberts

46. In 1994 which football club became the first permanent appointment during the long managerial career of Sam Allardyce?

Blackpool (he was caretaker manager at Preston North End during 1992)

47. Chile shares a land border with which three South American countries?

Argentina, Bolivia and Peru

48. Give any year in the life of Queen Mary I of England, aka Mary Tudor or Bloody Mary.

1516 to 1558

49. For which month of the year is Emerald the birthstone?

May

50. Trustfall is a 2023 studio album by which American singer-songwriter?

Pink

51. Built in 1132, which visitor attraction can be found in the grounds of the UNESCO World Heritage site Studley Royal Park, near Ripon, North Yorkshire?

Fountains Abbey

52. What common name is usually given to birds that belong to the family Spheniscidae?

Penguins

53. Which chemical element, atomic number 56, takes its name from the Ancient Greek for 'heavy'?

Barium

54. Zipporah, daughter of Jethro, was the wife of which Biblical figure?

Moses

55. Name either the actor or the character that holds the record for most appearances in episodes of *Coronation Street*.

William Roache or Ken Barlow

56. Name either the actor or the character that holds the record for most appearances in episodes of *EastEnders*.

Adam Woodyatt or lan Beale

57. In *The Bible* who is the elder sister of Aaron and Moses?

Miriam

58. Which chemical element, atomic number 15, takes its name from the Ancient Greek for 'light-bearer'?

Phosphorus

59. What common name is usually given to birds that belong to the family Struthionidae?

Ostriches

60. Woodstock, Oxfordshire is home to which UNESCO World Heritage site?

Blenheim Palace

61. *Midnights* is a 2022 studio album by which American singer-songwriter?

Taylor Swift

62. For which month of the year is Ruby the birthstone?

July

63. Give any year in the life of King Richard II of England.

1367 to 1400

64. Vietnam shares a land border with which three Asian countries?

Cambodia, China and Laos

65. In 1998 which football club became the first of many during the long managerial career of Steve Bruce?

Sheffield United

66. In 2006 country music singer Keith Urban married which Hollywood star?

Nicole Kidman

67. The instrumental tune *Jessica* by the Allman Brothers Band has been used as the theme tune to which long-running BBC TV programme?

Top Gear

68. Made from shallots, pepper and vinegar, mignonette sauce is traditionally served as an accompaniment to which delicacy?

Oysters

69. Which 2021 film starring Mark Rylance and Sally Hawkins tells the true story of Maurice Flitcroft and his repeated attempts to trick his way into major competitions by posing as a professional golfer?

The Phantom of the Open

- 70. In which year did these events happen?
 - Roy Hattersley was replaced by a tub of lard on satirical TV show Have I Got News for You
 - The UK Independence Party (UKIP) was founded
 - The Grand National was declared void after a shambolic false start

1993

Second Written Round

THERE IS A THEME (note: the theme word may be a soundalike or part of a longer word/phrase)

71. Which nature reserve in Norfolk is home to England's largest seal colony?

Blakeney Point (accept any answer containing 'Blakeney')

72. Which Noël Coward song begins with the first ten notes of *Rule Britannia* and was supposedly inspired by an expression first coined by Rudyard Kipling?

Mad Dogs and Englishmen

73. In 1963 American artist Harvey Ross Ball created a graphic to raise morale amongst workers at an insurance company. He earned just \$45 for his troubles and may have come to regret not applying for a trademark. What was his design?

The smiley

74. This question requires a four-word answer, which must be arrived at using the 'Answersmash' format as featured in *Richard Osman's House of Games*.

A footballer who joined Manchester United for a then club record fee of just over £37 million in January 2014 and

The two-word name usually given to a religious cult founded in New York City in 1966

Juan Mata Hare Krishna see note 2

75. Name this album that was released in 1984. With over 20 million sales it is one of the best-selling of all time and includes the songs *No Surrender, Cover Me, Bobby Jean* and *I'm on Fire*?

Born in the USA (Bruce Springsteen)

76. A non-alcoholic cocktail consisting of iced tea and lemonade is named after which legendary American golfer, who is often attributed with the drink's invention?

Arnold Palmer

77. Which former soldier released the 2004 album *Back to Bedlam*, which became the biggest-selling UK album of the 'noughties' decade? The album features the hit singles *Wisemen*, *Goodbye My Lover* and *You're Beautiful*.

James Blunt

78. Played by Charlie Higson in the 1990s BBC TV comedy *The Fast Show*, what is the name of the presenter of country-related TV programmes who has a rather persistent cough?

Bob Fleming

79. Who appeared alongside Peter Glaze in comedy routines on the children's TV programme *Crackerjack* during the 1970s? He went on to host the religious show *Good Morning Sunday* on BBC Radio 2.

Don Maclean

80. What surname is shared by an author born in Harpurhey, Manchester in 1917; a dual-code English rugby international; and the lead singer of a band associated with the *Madchester* era, despite being founded in the West Midlands.

Burgess (Anthony, Sam and Tim of the Charlatans)

Theme is real or fictional spies/secret agents

(Percy Blakeney/George Blake, Johnny English, George Smiley, Mata Hari, Jason Bourne, Harry Palmer, Anthony Blunt, Ian Fleming, Donald Maclean, Guy Burgess)

Spares

1. Which town lies approximately one mile to the west of Rutland Water?

Oakham

2. Who is the Chairman and CEO of pharmaceutical company Pfizer?

Albert Bourla

3. In which town on the northern side of the Firth of Clyde is Hill House, a British Art Nouveau visitor attraction managed by the National Trust for Scotland?

Helensburgh

4. Dancing with the Stars is Ukraine's version of Strictly Come Dancing. Which celebrity won the first ever series in 2006?

Volodymyr Zelenskyy

5. Which Canadian city is the state capital of Alberta?

Edmonton

Notes

- 1. The answer to this question depends on how one interprets it. Anton Du Beke has appeared in every series and is now also a judge.
- 2. Although the answer contains the identity of a spy across the end of the first part and the start of the second part, it doesn't strictly adhere to the 'Answer Smash' format, which merges the last part of the first answer with the first part of the second answer, i.e. ab and bc become abc. In this case ab and cd have become abcd.