LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER 2023 QUESTIONS BY THE TIVIOT

First Verbal Round

1. Who was the first Englishman to win the Formula One Championship?

Mike Hawthorn

2. John Churchill, First Duke of Marlborough, won four significant battles, Blenheim, Ramillies, Oudenarde and Malplaquet, during which eighteenth century conflict?

War of Spanish Succession

3. The fashion label *Cefinn* was created by a designer who had previously been better known as the wife of an important man. Who was this designer?

Samantha Cameron see note 1

4. Who kills Mercutio in Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet?

Tybalt

5. Which mountain in southern France did Paul Cézanne paint dozens of times, mostly in the latter part of his life?

(Montagne) Sainte-Victoire

6. In which Welsh castle was the post-covid I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here based?

Gwrych Castle

7. What name did Whoopie Goldberg's character take upon entering a convent in the film Sister Act?

Sister Mary Clarence

8. Which vegetable is the distinctive ingredient in pasta alla Norma?

Aubergine

9. In musical notation what is the value of eight semi-quavers?

A minim

- Which *Coronation Street* character is the sister of George the undertaker? First name only is enough.
 Glenda (Shuttleworth)
- 11. Three of the species of a small bird to be found in Britain are Rock, Meadow and Tree. What bird is this?

Pipit

12. Which British city did the Romans call Camulodunum?

Colchester

13. In which Scottish abbey is the tomb of Robert the Bruce?

Dunfermline

14. Which female academic, broadcaster and stand-up comic sometimes "Stands up for the Classics"?

Natalie Haynes

15. On what date is Saint Swithin's day?

15 July

16. What is to be the pantomime at the Stockport Plaza this year?

Peter Pan

17. At which British racecourse would you find the Rowley Mile?

Newmarket

18. Which foreign group had a UK top ten hit in 1970 entitled The Witch?

The Rattles (from Germany)

19. A new station opened in Corwen last summer at the western end of which steam railway line?

Llangollen Railway

20. Today marks the anniversary of the founding of the English Football Association. Within two years either way, which year was it?

1863 (accept 1861 to 1865)

21. The majority of the county boundary between Devon and Cornwall is formed by which river?

River Tamar

22. As of 6 October this year who is MP for Kingston and Surbiton?

Ed Davey

23. Name Austria's highest mountain.

Grossglockner (also accept just 'Glockner')

24. Oswaldtwistle is a small town approximately two miles west of which larger Lancashire town?

Accrington

25. Adam in Moonshine in 1927 and Found, Lost, Found in 1976 are the first and last novels by which famous author?

J. B. Priestley

26. The disease Borreliosis is more commonly known as what?

Lyme Disease see note 2

27. What is the common name for the popular shrub Lonicera?

Honeysuckle

28. What links the acts which had the following UK top twenty hits?

It Doesn't Have to be This Way (1987)

Gimme, Gimme Good Lovin' (1969)

Banner Man (1971)

Animals (Blow Monkeys, Crazy Elephant and Blue Mink)

29. What word links a former brand of chocolate bar, a former Scottish pop group and a former Empire?

Aztec (the band is Aztec Camera)

30. In which Jean Anouilh play is Joan of Arc the heroine?

L'Alouette (also accept the commonly used English name, The Lark)

First Written Round No theme

31. Samuel Taylor Coleridge is well known as an author and poet. But in what field did Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912) become famous and popular?

Music (Composer and Conductor)

32. Which English poet and playwright was stabbed to death in a tavern brawl?

Christopher Marlowe

33. The funding of which British cathedral was funded by a tax on coal?

Saint Paul's (a tax on coal imported into the port of London)

34. In which year, with two years either way, was the University Boat Race (Oxford v Cambridge) first rowed? It was originally staged at Henley before moving to its current venue a few years later.

1829 (accept 1827 to 1831)

35. Which is generally regarded as the strongest woodworking joint?

Mortise and Tenon joint see note 3

36. Which TV drama series, first aired on the ITV network, concerned a small-scale solicitor working from the fictional Norfolk town of Market Shipborough? The drama ran for three series from 2007 to 2009.

Kingdom

37. What is the name of the bridge which opened to traffic in 2000 which runs between Denmark and Sweden? It is about five miles long.

Øresund

38. Name the popular podcast created by Rory Stewart and Alastair Campbell.

The Rest is Politics

39. What make of aircraft was responsible for disabling the German Battleship Bismarck during World War Two?

Fairey Swordfish (accept just 'Swordfish')

40. In the news recently highlighting a cause of the failing of concrete structures, for what does the acronym RAAC stand?

Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete

Second Verbal Round

41. In which George Bernard Shaw play does the main character have an arms manufacturer father?

Major Barbara

42. Which river forms much of the boundary between Norfolk and Suffolk?

River Waveney

- 43. Today is the anniversary of the Gunfight at the OK Corral. Within 2 years either way, what year was it fought?1881 (accept 1879 to 1883)
- 44. What word links a former brand of chocolate, a musical instrument and a well-known dancer?

Banjo (the dancer is Ashley Banjo)

45. As of 6 of October who is MP for South West Norfolk?

Liz Truss

46. An outline of Mount Triglav, the highest peak in the country, appears on which nation's flag?

Slovenia

47. Which town lies four miles east of Rawtenstall in Rossendale?

Bacup

48. *The Man Within* published in 1929 was which famous author's first novel? His last, *The Captain and the Enemy*, was published in 1988.

Grahame Greene

49. Pertussis is a disease more commonly known as what?

Whooping Cough see note 2

50. What is the more common name for the flowering shrub Philadelphus?

Mock Orange

- 51. What links the acts which had the following UK top twenty hits?
 - For America (1986)

Just One More Night (1978)

It Only Took a Minute (1962)

Colours (Red Box, Yellow Dog and Joe Brown)

52. Who won the first title of *Footballer of the Year*, awarded by the Football Writers' Association to the player who has been the best of the season in English football?

Stanley Matthews

53. Which Eighteenth century conflict saw Pitt the Elder as Prime Minister and the UK becoming the major force in Canada and India above France?

Seven Years War

54. Who designed Queen Camilla's Coronation dress?

Bruce Oldfield

55. In Shakespeare's Hamlet who is Ophelia's brother?

Laertes

56. Where did Claude Monet paint his many versions of Water Lilies?

Giverny (his house in Normandy)

57. The world's oldest topiary garden (started in 1694) is to be found at a property in northwest England. Which property?

Levens Hall

58. What was the name of the character played by Clint Eastwood in *The Bridges of Madison County*, a film he also produced and directed?

Robert Kincaid

59. Name the dessert composed of poached pear and chocolate sauce, usually with cream.

Poire Belle Helene see note 4

60. In musical notation how many crotchets make up a breve?

Eight

61. Which *Coronation Street* character recently moved into the flat above Roy's Cafe? First name is enough.

Evelyn Plummer

62. Three of the species of a bird to be found in Britain are Grey, Pied and Yellow. Which bird?

Wagtail

63. Which British city did the Romans call Ratae?

Leicester

64. In which French cathedral were the majority of French kings crowned?

Rheims

65. Who is the main presenter of BBC Radio's Woman's Hour?

Emma Barnett

66. On what date is All Soul's Day?

2 November

67. What musical show at the Sondheim Theatre was interrupted earlier this month by the Just Stop Oil campaign?

Les Misérables

68. At which British racecourse would you find Swinley Bottom?

Ascot

69. Which foreign group had a number one UK hit in 1976 with a song entitled Mississippi?

Pussycat (from The Netherlands)

70. The world's oldest working electric railway runs along the seafront of which British town or city?

Brighton

Second Written Round No theme

71. Which novel, set in the 19th century English countryside, was recently read out loud at the Ambridge Harvest Supper in *The Archers*?

Lark Rise to Candleford

72. Lundy Island officially forms part of which county?

Devon

73. How do we better know Mary Ann Evans?

George Eliot

74 The 'Dream' D-type (1949) was the first motorcycle fully designed and developed by which company?

Honda

75 Which author is currently writing a series of crime novels set in the English Lake District, all of whose titles contain the name of a Lake District town or village?

Rebecca Tope

76. During which century did Attila the Hun rule the empire of the Huns?

Fifth (434 to 453)

77. Sophia Loren won the Best Actress award for 1961 for which 1960 film?

Two Women see note 5

78. Which Italian football player served an eleven-game ban for pushing referee Paul Alcock to the ground?

Paolo Di Canio

79. What name is given to the fifteen elements from 89 to 103 (Lawrencium) in the periodic table? The name derives from the first element in the series.

Actinoids (from Actinium) see note 6

80. What type of cloud derives its name from the Latin for 'curl' or 'fringe' and is described as 'feathery' or 'hair-like'?

Cirrus

Spares

1. Who has recently replaced Paul Gambaccini on *Pick of The Pops* on Radio 2?

Steve Wright

2. Which battle between England and Scotland took place in 1513?

Flodden Field (also accept 'Branxton' or 'Brainston Moor')

3. Which cavalier poet penned the following line from his poem *Althea*, whilst he was in prison? *Stone walls do not a prison make nor iron bars a cage*

Richard Lovelace

4. On which US golf course was the Ryder Cup competed for immediately before the recent one in Rome?

Whistling Straits

5. Which actress played Police Inspector Maisie Raine in the TV series of the same name which first aired in the late 1990s?

Pauline Quirke

Notes

- 1. The use of the past tense 'was' might mislead people into thinking that the person is dead.
- 2. Teams are reminded that paired questions should be of similar difficulty. Many/most members of the general public will have heard the name *pertussis* and know it as whooping cough, whilst many medical professionals would struggle to identify *borreliosis*.
- 3. A joint's strength is dependent on many factors including the angle, materials and load-bearing capacity, so it is a bit of a stretch to say that mortise and tenon is regarded as **the** strongest joint. It is certainly **one of** the strongest joints, particularly for a ninety-degree joint, but there are other competing claims, e.g. dovetail joint, bridle joint.
- 4. A classic poire belle Hélène features ice cream rather than cream.
- 5. The question should have read: '... won the Best Actress Academy Award in 1961 for which 1960 film?'
- 6. 'Actinides' is an acceptable alternative.