

LEAGUE MATCHES 18 OCTOBER 2012

QUESTIONS BY HORSE & FARRIER

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First Verbal Round

- 1 Two West Indian cricket captains have played for both Radcliffe (Central Lancashire League) and Norton (North Staffs and South Cheshire League). Name either.

Frank Worrell and Gary Sobers

- 2 Which American city has a captured German World War II U-boat on display?

Chicago (at the Museum of Science and Industry; U-505)

- 3 Which British scientist has been described as the 'Father of Geology'?

James Hutton

- 4 During which World War I campaign was the indecisive battle of Suvla Bay fought?

The Gallipoli campaign

- 5 For which musical that opened in 1980 in Paris did Claude-Michel Schönberg write the music and Alain Boublil write most of the lyrics?

Les Misérables

- 6 In which German city is the headquarters of the chemical company Bayer AG?

Leverkusen

- 7 Which Manchester landmark was supplied by Gillett & Bland of Croydon?

The clock on the tower at Manchester Town Hall

- 8 In what year was the Battle of the Boyne?

1690 (12 July)

- 9 What does the acronym 'MPEG' mean in the field of audio and video?

Moving Picture Expert(s) Group

- 10 Which satirical 1961 novel has characters entitled Captain Aardvark and First Lieutenant Minderbinder?

Catch-22

- 11 In which Italian region is the province of Grosseto?

Tuscany

- 12 What in World War 2 was the purpose of *Operation Bernhard*, a German non-military operation?

A counterfeiting operation

(aimed at destabilizing the UK economy, as in the BBC series *Private Schulz* and the film *The Counterfeiters*)

- 13 In mainland Europe they are called 'Manchester trousers'. What do we call them?
Corduroy trousers
- 14 What in sport is the significance of 99.94?
Don Bradman's test match batting average
- 15 What is the meaning of the word *Boer*?
Farmer (in Dutch and Afrikaans)
- 16 What character did Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi (founder of the Inkatha party) play in the film *Zulu*?
King of the Zulus (or Cetawayo) (Cetawayo was actually Buthelezi's great-grandfather)
- 17 Which South African batsman has the second highest test match batting average after Don Bradman?
Graeme Pollock (60.97)
- 18 What products are sold in 'Manchester Stores' in Australia and New Zealand?
Linen sheets, bedding table cloths etc. (accept any version of this)
- 19 What on 30/31 May 1942 was the World War 2 *Operation Millennium*?
First 1000-strong bomber raid
(on Cologne, although Hamburg had been the intended target)
- 20 In which Italian region is the province of Asti?
Piedmont
- 21 Who played the part of Nately in the 1970 film *Catch 22*?
Art Garfunkel
- 22 What does the acronym RADAR stand for?
Radio Direction and Ranging (name coined by the US Navy) [see note 1](#)
- 23 Which Irish port is the nearest bridging point to the mouth of the River Boyne?
Drogheda
- 24 What in Paris are *Savoyarde* and *Emmanuel*?
Bells (at, respectively, Sacré Coeur and Notre Dame)
- 25 In which US city's suburbs is the headquarters of the 3M company?
St Paul (Minnesota) (in the suburb of Maplewood)
- 26 Who played Marius in the original London stage production of *Les Misérables*?
Michael Ball
- 27 Which French town was the site of decisive battles, leading to the fall of France, in both 1870 and 1940?
Sedan (Franco-Prussian War and WW2)
- 28 Who was the captain of *HMS Beagle* on its South American survey of 1831-1836?

Robert FitzRoy

- 29 Which is the only British town to have a World War II German U-boat on display?

Birkenhead

(U-534 at the U-Boat Story Exhibition; note that there are also German WW2 midget subs on display in London and Gosport)

- 30 Who was the last white cricketer to captain West Indies in a test match?

'Gerry' Alexander (1958-1960)

First Written Round

- 31 Which public figure is in the habit of writing letters described as 'black spiders'?

Prince Charles

- 32 Who asked their leaders "*where are the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic*"?

The Israelites (after they left Egypt) [see note 2](#)

- 33 In which two related sports did João Havelange, former FIFA President, represent Brazil in the Summer Olympics?

Water polo and swimming

- 34 What in the retail trade is a *UPC*?

A bar code (obviously accept 'universal product code')

- 35 The elements Nitrogen, Oxygen and Phosphorus are represented by three consecutive letters of the alphabet (N O P), but what three other elements are represented by three consecutive letters?

Uranium, Vanadium and Tungsten (U V W)

- 36 Which singer did jazz double-bassist Ray Brown marry in 1947?

Ella Fitzgerald

- 37 How do we now know the institution founded as *The Kynges College of Our Ladye*?

Eton College

- 38 Which leader is alleged to have died of a nosebleed on his wedding night?

Attila the Hun

- 39 Who presented the first Radio 6 Music John Peel Lecture in October 2011?

Pete Townsend

- 40 For what new post is Tony Lloyd, the MP for Manchester Central, a candidate?

Police (and Crime) Commissioner (for Greater Manchester)

Second Verbal Round

- 41 Which French actress asked for '*appiness*' as her luxury on *Desert Island Discs* and thus caused the host, Roy Plomley, some embarrassment?

Brigitte Bardot

- 42 In *Cold Comfort Farm* by Stella Gibbons, which reclusive character saw 'something nasty in the woodshed'?

Ada Doom

- 43 Which character in a Shakespearian tragedy "*lov'd not wisely but too well*"?

Othello

- 44 Of which satirical publication was *The Salopian* school magazine a forerunner?

Private Eye

- 45 What sporting first was achieved by Launceston Elliot in 1896?

First British Olympic gold medal

- 46 Which poet's last words are alleged to have been "*I have just had eighteen whiskeys in a row. I do believe that is a record*"?

Dylan Thomas

- 47 What was the first name of the Italian composer Vivaldi?

Antonio

- 48 Which English Queen had 'Calais written on her heart'?

Mary Tudor (Mary I or Bloody Mary)

- 49 In which sport did IOC President Jacques Rogge represent Belgium in the Summer Olympics?

Yachting (1968, 1972 and 1976)

- 50 Which actor did *Ready, Steady, Go* presenter Cathy McGowan marry in 1970?

Hywel Bennett

- 51 What, at 4528 square kilometres, is the UK's largest National Park in area?

Cairngorms

- 52 Which island group is the home of the Black Parrot?

Seychelles [see note 3](#)

- 53 Which 1950s singer, whose brother was much better known, had a backing group called The Cabin Boys?

Colin Hicks (brother of Tommy Steele)

- 54 In what sport did Launceston Elliott win his 1896 Olympic gold medal?

Weightlifting (one-handed lift)

- 55 Which fictional character said "*It is a far, far, better rest that I go to*"?

Sidney Carton (*Tale of Two Cities*)

- 56 About which character in poetry was it written "*Look on my works, ye Mighty, and despair!*"?

Ozymandias

57 Who was the first editor of *Private Eye*?

Christopher Brooker

58 In which TV sitcom was Ella the wife of Jamie Cotter?

Rab C Nesbitt

59 Which variety of spineless palm is native only to the Seychelles?

Coco de Mer

60 Which bank uses the post code GIR 0AA?

Santander

(it was originally the Girobank in Bootle and transferred to Alliance and Leicester and then to Santander)

61 Whose catchphrase in the 1960s was “*Oi’ll give it foive*”?

Janice Nicholls (on *Thank Your Lucky Stars*)

62 In which sport other than yachting did Jacques Rogge represent Belgium?

Rugby Union

63 Which British King’s last words were reported to be “*Bugger Bognor*”?

George V

64 What was the first name of the Italian composer Puccini?

Giacomo

65 What is the postcode area name for that part of the UK with the DG postcode?

Dumfries (Dumfries and Galloway)

66 What to ±25 square kilometres is the area of the Peak District National Park?

1437 square kilometres (accept 1412 to 1462)

67 Which writer’s last words are alleged to have been “*either that wallpaper goes or I do*”?

Oscar Wilde

68 Who were the two co-stars of the 1937 film *Way Out West*?

Laurel and Hardy

69 In *Cold Comfort Farm* by Stella Gibbons, what was ‘Big Business’?

A bull

70 Which opera singer asked for seven of her own recordings on *Desert Island Discs* (and one of Karajan conducting the Rosenkavalier prelude)?

Elizabeth Schwarzkopf

Second Written Round

71 How many members of the 2012 Team Sky in the Tour de France were born in the UK?

None

(although several of the Sky squad are from the UK, none of them took part in that race; Manxman Mark Cavendish was about the closest) [see note 4](#)

- 72 What country gets its name from the local language for 'Place of the Ostrich'?
- Kenya** ('Ki Nyaa' or 'Kira Nyaga' was the Kikuyu name for Mt. Kenya)
- 73 Which city is home to the 2012 World Pipe Band champions?
- Belfast** (Field Marshall Montgomery Pipe Band)
- 74 Why was Martha Payne in the press earlier this year?
- She was the 9-year old Scottish girl who blogged about her school meals**
- 75 Only two British women have ever won Gold medals in successive Olympics (not Paralympics). One is Victoria Pendleton, who is the other?
- Shirley Robertson** (Yachting at Sydney 2000 and Athens 2004)
- 76 What does 'going regimental' mean?
- Not wearing underwear** (specifically, under a kilt)
- 77 The first civilian victim of WW2 was James Isbister on 16 March 1940 in Bridge of Waith. Where is Bridge of Waith?
- Orkney Islands** (the Germans were bombing the Scapa Flow naval base)
- 78 In how many European countries do you drive on the left?
- Four** (Cyprus, Ireland, Malta and UK)
- 79 Which comic strip was set in Dogpatch?
- L'il Abner**
- 80 Where in the world is the *Sercquiais* language still spoken?
- Sark**

Spare

- 1 Who presented *The Good Old Days* from the Leeds City Varieties?
- Leonard Sachs**
- 2 What UK forest was the first to be designated as a European 'dark sky forest'?
- Galloway Forest**
- 3 What are the two principal elements in Munz metal?
- Copper (60%) and zinc (40%) with a trace of iron**
- 4 What is the senior Livery Company in the City of London?
- Mercers Company** (at the time of their foundation they were traders in luxury fabrics)
- 5 Which crime writer has a detective called Inspector Malcolm Fox?
- Ian Rankin**

- 6 Which fictional character's last request was for a Viking funeral in the middle of the Sahara Desert?
Beau Geste

Notes and corrections

- 1 RADAR stands for Radio **Detection** and Ranging.
- 2 This question involves a certain amount of paraphrasing as it was a complaint, rather than a question, by the Israelites. The King James version of the text (Numbers 11:5) is:
We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic.
- 3 In addition to the Seychelles, the Black Parrot is found in Madagascar, the Comoros Islands and Mayotte.
- 4 The given answer is correct as legally the Isle of Man is not part of the United Kingdom. It could be argued the question is a bit unfair as it requires teams to answer three questions in one: which riders were in the Sky team in the 2012 Tour? Where were they born? Is the Isle of Man part of the UK?
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