

# LEAGUE MATCHES THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY

## QUESTIONS BY HATTERS ARMS

### First Verbal Round

1. What common, three-word phrase comes from the place in the Houses of Parliament where members of the House of Commons can leave a petition that they do not want to publicly announce?

**In the bag** **see note 1**

2. This lighthouse is the oldest surviving sea-washed lighthouse and is situated 11 miles east of the Firth of Tay, off the Angus coast. What is its name?

**Bell Rock**

3. Who wrote the short satire *Battle of the Books*?

**Jonathan Swift**

4. In the Discworld novels by Terry Pratchett, the librarian of the Unseen University was turned into what kind of animal?

**Orang-utan**

5. In a TV ad, which insurance company said 'Let us quote you happy'?

**Norwich Union**

6. Which ex-England international footballer was player-manager for Stockport County for the 1978–1979 season?

**Mike Summerbee** (played eight times for England)

7. Fiordiligi and Dorabella are leading characters in which Mozart opera?

**Così fan tutte**

8. Who wrote *An Essay on Criticism*?

**Alexander Pope**

9. Which craft takes its name from the Arabic for 'striped cloth'?

**Macramé**

10. Following the death of Moses who became leader of the children of Israel?

**Joshua**

11. On the alphabet 10 pence pieces what does the letter K represent?

**King Arthur**

12. In a TV ad, which insurance company said 'We won't make a drama out of a crisis'?

**Commercial Union**

13. In the *Discworld* novels by Terry Pratchett what was the name of the Patrician of the city of Ankh Morpork?

**Lord Vetinari**

14. How did Sir George Scovell make a name for himself and become useful to Wellington during the Peninsula war?

**As a code-breaker** (he devised a system for breaking French military codes)

15. Which fictional British hero features in a book entitled *The Camels are Coming*?

**Biggles** (the 'camels' are Sopwith Camels)

16. Leporello and Donna Anna are characters from which Mozart opera?  
**Don Giovanni**
17. Who created the character Hannibal Lecter?  
**Thomas Harris**
18. Who came into the public eye in 2004 on the *Later with Jools Holland* show, with a performance of her song *Black Horse and the Cherry Tree*?  
**KT Tunstall**
19. Which group of fish can remain out of water for the longest duration?  
**Mudskipper** see note 2
20. In which craft would you find *Breton*, *Crow's Foot* and *Sprat's Head*?  
**Cross stitch**  
(answer must say 'cross stitch'. 'Embroidery' is not sufficient - they are types of stitches) see note 3
21. This lighthouse lies south west of the Calf of Man and 4.5 kilometres off Spanish Head on the Manx mainland. What is its name?  
**Chicken Rock**
22. Which feature film was the first to be granted permission to film in the Houses of Parliament?  
**Suffragette** (2015)
23. Who took the place of Judas Iscariot in the twelve disciples?  
**Matthias**
24. Which dangerous fish can be found buried under sand in British coastal waters with just its venomous dorsal fin showing?  
**Weever fish**
25. Which ex-England international footballer was player-manager for Stockport County from November 2001 to September 2003?  
**Carlton Palmer** (played 28 internationals for England)
26. On the alphabet 10 pence pieces what does the letter T represent?  
**Teapot** see note 4
27. In July 1799 the French Napoleonic soldier Pierre Francois Bouchard made a name for himself by discovering what?  
**The Rosetta Stone**
28. Which fictional British hero features in a novel called *The Black Gang*?  
**Bulldog Drummond**
29. Who was the first female artist to achieve a UK number one with a self-written song?  
**Kate Bush** (*Wuthering Heights* in 1978)
30. Who created the character Norman Bates?  
**Robert Bloch**

### First Written Round

31. In which Buckinghamshire town does the famous Shrove Tuesday Pancake race take place?  
**Olney**

32. Who founded the German Christian Democrat party?  
**Konrad Adenauer** [see note 5](#)
33. Which one of the following characters does **not** appear in the Gilbert and Sullivan *Mikado*?  
Ko Ko, Nanki Poo, Poo Bah, Titi Poo, Yum Yum or Pish Tush?  
**Titi Poo**
34. Every Friday morning at 7.50 a.m. the radio station Classic FM plays a certain piece of music to celebrate the 'freedom' of a listener for a particular reason, such as retirement. Which piece of music is it?  
**Liberty Bell** (by John Philip Sousa)
35. *Norway, Canary, Benguela* and *Kuroshio* are examples of what type of natural phenomenon?  
**Ocean currents**
36. Lester Joseph Gillis was shot and killed by the FBI in November 1934. How was he better known?  
**George 'Baby Face' Nelson**
37. What type of food is *matzo*?  
**Unleavened bread** (do not accept just 'bread' as the answer) ? [see note 3](#)
38. What name is given to the circular target in curling?  
**The house**
39. In which year did Lester Piggott first win the Derby?  
**1954** (on Never Say Die)
40. The Mason-Dixon Line was originally the boundary between which US states?  
**Maryland and Pennsylvania**

## Second Verbal Round

41. In English folklore what type of ghostly creature is 'Black Shuck'?  
(A large spectral) **dog**
42. The Scottish town of Aviemore stands on which river?  
**River Spey** [see note 6](#)
43. Which racecourse lies to the east of Chichester and to the west of Arundel?  
**Fontwell Park**
44. Which narrow gauge railway runs from Aberystwyth to Devil's Bridge?  
**Vale of Rheidol railway**
45. What is the state capital of Kentucky?  
**Frankfort**
46. Which British battle was fought on 29 March 1461?  
**Towton**
47. In the TV series *Last of the Summer Wine* who played the character of Wesley Pegden?  
**Gordon Wharmby**
48. Which racecourse lies just north west of Lewes and to the south east of Burgess Hill?  
**Plumpton**
49. Aldebaran is the largest star in which constellation?  
**Taurus**

50. Which geological period was named after a Welsh tribe? **see note 7**  
**Silurian**
51. Which narrow gauge railway runs from Porthmadog to Caernarvon?  
**Welsh Highland Railway**
52. The character of Job Trotter appears in which Charles Dickens novel?  
***Pickwick Papers***
53. Which geological period comes between Carboniferous and Triassic?  
**Permian**
54. Two French artists devised the art style 'pointillism', for which the major work was *Bathers at Asnières*. Name either of them.  
**Georges Seurat or Paul Signac**
55. A cake made with a 1:1:1:1 ratio of flour, eggs, butter and sugar is often referred to as what type of cake?  
**Pound cake** **see note 8**
56. Who caused Oscar outrage by sending a Californian Apache called Sacheen Littlefeather to decline the Best Actor Oscar he had just won?  
**Marlon Brando**
57. The Scottish town of Dumfries stands on which river?  
**River Nith**
58. What name is given to Irish potato pancakes that contain a mixture of mashed and grated potatoes?  
**Boxty**
59. Which Greater Manchester Brewery produces a beer called *Tiger Ruf*?  
**Millstone** (based in Mossley, Tameside)
60. In the TV series *Last of the Summer Wine* who played the character Howard?  
**Robert Fyfe**
61. Who was the first actor to refuse an Oscar?  
**George C. Scott** (for *Patton*)
62. Rigel is a star in which constellation?  
**Orion**
63. What type of creature is nicknamed a *Miller's Thumb*?  
**Fish** (also accept 'Bullhead')
64. In English folklore this person is a ghost associated with Windsor Forest and Great Park. He is mentioned in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, rides a ghostly horse and has antlers. What is his name?  
**Herne the Hunter**
65. In the art style 'Op Art' what does the word 'Op' stand for?  
**Optical**
66. Which Greater Manchester brewery produces a beer called *Old Git*?  
**Green Mill Brewery** (based in Broadbottom, Tameside)
67. Which British battle was fought on 14 April 1471?  
**Barnet**

68. By what name is the creature *echidna* better known?  
**Spiny anteater**
69. The character Josiah Bounderby appears in which Charles Dickens novel?  
**Hard Times**
70. What is the state capital of West Virginia?  
**Charleston**

## Second Written Round

71. The city of Volgograd was previously called Stalingrad. What was it called before that?  
**Tsaritsyn**
72. Which singer changed her name from Mary O'Brien?  
**Dusty Springfield**
73. The following words come from which 1931 American film?  
*"Mother of Mercy, is this the end of Rico"?*  
**Little Caesar** (spoken by Edward G Robinson)
74. Who told his players *"You've won it once, go out and win it again"?*  
**Sir Alf Ramsey** (before the start of extra time in the 1966 World Cup Final)
75. In the *Blackadder* TV series who played the part of the Witchsmeller Pursuivant in the first set of episodes?  
**Frank Finlay**
76. Tynt Meadow beer is the first of which style of beer to be genuinely brewed in the UK?  
**Trappist beer** (brewed by monks at the Mount St Bernard Abbey, Leicestershire) **see pedantic note 9**
77. In the cartoon series who is Popeye's mortal enemy?  
**Bluto** **see note 10**
78. In which year did Stockport Corporation cease to operate tramcars?  
**1951** (25 August; last tram route was number 82, Stockport to Reddish)
79. Powderham Castle is situated in which English county?  
**Devon**
80. In the nursery rhyme *One Two Buckle My Shoe* what do you do on Five and Six?  
**Pick up Sticks**

## Spares

1. Who said William Hague *"has no ideas, no experience and no hope"?*  
**Edward Heath**
2. What day of the year is Saint Crispin's Day?  
**25 October**
3. Who had a number one hit in the 1970s with the song *Son of My Father*?  
**Chicory Tip**
4. If it is noon GMT, what time is it in Panama City?  
**7 a.m.**

5. Liverpool signed Ian St John from which club?

**Motherwell**

6. Who wrote the novels *Westward Ho!* (1855) and *Hereward The Wake* (1866)?

**Charles Kingsley**

7. Where were the 1936 Winter Olympics held?

**Garmisch-Partenkirchen**

8. Which Latin phrase means 'let the buyer beware'?

**Caveat emptor**

## Notes

1. The phrase 'in the bag', meaning 'assured or secured', is of American origin (source: *OED*). It arose from a superstition of the New York Giants baseball team that if they removed the bag of balls from the field when in the lead they would win.

The bag in the House of Commons—behind the Speaker's chair—is where MPs deposit petitions presented to the House on behalf of members of the public or outside organisations (source: [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk)).

2. The African lungfish, which can survive out of water for up to two years, would appear to be the correct answer. Mudskippers can only last a few days.

3. If a specific answer is required it should be stressed in the wording of the question.

4. According to the Royal Mint website, T represents 'Tea', which is an acceptable answer. The coin itself has a teapot next to the T.

5. The CDU was founded in 1945 by a diverse group of former Weimar Republic politicians, among whom was Konrad Adenauer. More correctly Adenauer was the first **leader** of the CDU.

6. The River Druie is also an acceptable answer. It runs through Aviemore and joins the River Spey south of the town

7. There are **two** geological periods named after Welsh tribes. The other is the Ordovician period.

8. The same ingredients in the same proportions are used to make sponge cake, which is also a correct answer. Equally acceptable synonyms for pound cake are *quatre-quarts* (France), *panqué* (Mexico), *ponqué* (South America) and *Eischwerteig mit Fett* (Germany).

9. Strictly speaking Trappist beer is not a style of beer; it is beer that must be brewed in a Trappist monastery.

10. Bluto's name was changed to Brutus in the early 1960s and has sometimes reverted back, so either is an acceptable answer.

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