



2023–4 Season: Week 7 – 16 January 2024

Set by the **Nags Head**; vetted by the **Pack Horse Bowling Club** and **Nags Head 'B'**.

Specialist Rounds

1	Arts & Entertainment	2	History
3	Birds (the Feathered Kind)	4	Science
5	Backing Groups	6	Sport
7	Geography	8	Celebrities We Sadly Lost in 2023

Round 1: Arts and Entertainment

1	Catherine Cawood and Tommy Lee Royce are the main characters in which British TV crime drama series?
	Happy Valley
2	Which British TV sitcom series centres around events that go on at Button House?
	Ghosts
3	Who is the latest actor, and first black actor, to play the role of Doctor Who?
	Ncuti Gatwa
4	Who succeeded John Humphries as the question master on <i>Mastermind</i> ?
	Clive Myrie
5	Sharing a similar name to that of one of Henry VIII's wives, who wrote the Shetland novels on which the TV crime drama series has been based?
	Ann Cleaves
6	Who wrote the novel <i>Catch-22</i> ?
	Joseph Heller
7	Who succeeded Jeremy Paxman as the question master on University Challenge?
	Amol Rajan
8	Often referred to by the media as the Goddess of Pop, who is the only solo artist, to date, to have had a number one single on a Billboard Chart in the USA in seven consecutive decades, from the 1960s to the 2020s?
	Cher

Supplementaries:

1	Which Irish author won the 2023 Booker prize with the dystopian novel <i>Prophet Song</i> ?
	Paul Lynch
2	Who is the presenter of the UK TV series <i>The Traitors</i> ?
	Claudia Winkleman

Round 2: History

1	Which US President was the first American to win the Nobel Peace Prize?
	Theodore Roosevelt (1906)
2	Who assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife in Sarajevo on 28 th June 1914, widely believed to be one of the key events that led to the outbreak of WWI a few weeks later?
	Gavrilo Princip
3	What was the code name for the German invasion of the Soviet Union during World War II?
	Operation Barbarossa
4	Who is commonly referred to as the person who created the first printing press?
	Johannes Gutenberg
5	Which city state did Athens fight against in the Peloponnesian War, 431 to 404 BC?
	Sparta
6	What was the name of the series of programmes and projects that President Franklin D. Roosevelt enacted during the Great Depression of the 1930s in America?
	The New Deal
7	Which was the first battle of the English Civil War in 1642?
	Edge Hill (23 October)
8	When Mount Vesuvius erupted in AD 79, two Roman cities were devastated. Pompeii was one; which was the other?
	Herculaneum

Supplementaries:

1	In which century did the Thirty Years' War take place?
	The 17th (1618 to 1648)
2	What was the number of the last Apollo mission that landed men on the moon – doing so in December 1972?
	Apollo 17

Round 3: Birds (the Feathered Kind)

The name of a bird appears in either the question or the answer.

1	What bird is to be found on the Lufthansa logo?
	A crane
2	What bird is found on the logo of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)?
	The avocet
3	Following a national poll in Britain in June 2015, which bird was chosen to be Britain's National Bird?
	The robin
4	What name is given to the fold of flesh that grows from a turkey's throat?
	The wattle
5	Who sang the James Bond theme song <i>Tomorrow Never Dies</i> ?
	Sheryl Crow
6	<i>La Gazza Ladra</i> is the Italian title for which well-known opera by Gioacchino Rossini?
	The Thieving Magpie
7	The third book in the Hunger Games trilogy, written by the American author Suzanne Collins?
	Mockingjay
8	One of the best-known poems of the American author, poet and literary critic, Edgar Allan Poe, written in 1845?
	The Raven

Supplementaries:

1	Which football club, currently playing in the English Football League, has the nickname The Bluebirds?
	Cardiff City
2	A fictional character, and the main protagonist of the <i>Pirates of the Caribbean</i> film series and franchise.
	Captain Jack Sparrow

Round 4: Science

1	Which department in a hospital is primarily concerned with conditions involving the musculo-skeletal system?
	Orthopaedics
2	How is Caisson's Disease better known to us as?
	The bends, decompression syndrome, or decompression sickness
3	What is the group of medicines called 'anti-tussives' used to treat?
	Coughs
4	How many sides (or faces) does an icosahedron have?
	20
5	Which element is extracted from the ore galena?
	Lead (galena is lead sulphide)
6	In biology, what scientific name is given to the naming and classification of all living organisms?
	Taxonomy
7	How is the mineral iron pyrites, a compound of iron and sulphur, more commonly known?
	Fool's gold
8	Castor and Pollux are the brightest stars of which constellation?
	Gemini

Supplementaries:

1	Karl Landsteiner received the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1930, for which discovery that he made in 1901?
	Blood groups (A, B, AB and O)
2	In 1909, the Danish chemist Soren Sorensen first introduced the concept of which scientific scale?
	The pH scale (for measuring acidity and alkalinity)

Round 5: Backing Groups

Please supply the best-known backing groups for each of the following artists:

1	Elvis Presley and the ... ?
	Jordanares
2	Gloria Estefan and the ... ?
	Miami Sound Machine
3	Bruce Springsteen and the ... ?
	E Street Band
4	Tom Petty and the ... ?
	Heartbreakers
5	Bobby "Boris" Pickett and the ... ?
	Crypt Kickers
6	John Lennon and the ... ?
	Plastic Ono Band
7	Billy J Kramer and the ... ?
	Dakotas
8	Johnny Kidd and the ... ?
	Pirates

Supplementaries:

1	Ian Dury and the ... ?
	Blockheads
2	Bruce Hornsby and the ... ?
	Range

Round 6: Sport

1	Cricket: The Sri Lankan batsman Angelo Matthews became the first batsman in international cricket to be given out by what method of dismissal, during the ICC Cricket World Cup match against Bangladesh in November 2023?
	Timed out
2	Football: Who became the first female referee in a men's Premier League game, at the match between Fulham and Burnley on the 23rd of December 2023?
	Rebecca Welch
3	Darts: Who is the current PDC World Darts champion?
	Luke Humphries
4	Formula 1: Max Verstappen and Sergio Perez, between them, won 21 out of the 22 Formula 1 races in 2023 – who was the only other driver to win a race?
	Carlos Sainz
5	General: This year celebrated 70 years of the BBC Sports Personality of the Year. Who won the very first one back in 1954?
	Sir Chris Chataway
6	Golf: Who successfully captained the European Ryder Cup team to win back the Ryder Cup at the Marco Simone Course in Rome, Italy, in September last year?
	Luke Donald
7	Rugby League: Rob Burrow and Kevin Sinfield played around 500 matches each for which Rugby League club?
	Leeds Rhinos
8	Tennis: Who won the 2023 Davis Cup, defeating Australia in the final?
	Italy

Supplementaries:

1	Olympics: The gold painted Royal Mail post box outside Macclesfield Library is dedicated to which 2012 London Summer Paralympic gold medallist?
	Dame Sarah Storey
2	Cricket: Earlier this month, India beat South Africa on Day 2 of their second test match in South Africa to finish the series 1-1. This was the shortest test match to produce a winner in the history of the game – how many balls were bowled in total?
	642 (accept 600 to 700 – the previous record was 656)

Round 7: Geography

1	Which island in the West Indies is shared by Haiti and the Dominican Republic?
	Hispaniola
2	What's the state capital of Western Australia?
	Perth
3	Name the warm, dry wind that blows off North America's Rocky Mountains.
	The Chinook
4	Brown Willy, at 1,378 feet (420 metres), is the highest point in which English county?
	Cornwall
5	By surface area which is the smallest of the Great Lakes?
	Lake Ontario
6	The Manzanares river flows through which capital city?
	Madrid
7	The Kalahari Desert is <i>mainly</i> found in which African country?
	Botswana (smaller parts are in South Africa and Namibia)
8	In which country would you find mountain ranges called the Eastern Ghats and Western Ghats?
	India

Supplementaries:

1	Name either of the two countries where the Pindus Mountains are found.
	Greece (Northern) or Albania (Southern)
2	Which long-distance footpath starts in Edale and ends in Kirk Yetholm?
	The Pennine Way (267 miles)

Round 8: Celebrities We Sadly Lost in 2023

1	Irish-English actor who died aged 82. He started his acting career with Laurence Olivier as one of the original members of the Royal National Theatre. One of his last roles was as Albus Dumbledore in the Harry Potter film series (2004-2011).
	Sir Michael Gambon
2	English stage and screen actress who died aged 89. She was known as the Grand Dame of British Cinema. Her best-known film roles include <i>My Teenage Daughter</i> (1956), <i>Ice Cold in Alex</i> (1958) and <i>The Tamarind Seed</i> (1974).
	Sylvia Syms
3	English professional ballroom dancer, teacher and competition adjudicator who died aged 78. He was the head judge on <i>Strictly Come Dancing</i> from 2004 to 2016
	Len Goodman
4	English politician who died aged 93. She was MP for West Bromwich West from 1973 to 2000 and Speaker of the House of Commons from 1992 to 2000.
	Betty Boothroyd
5	English author and playwright who died aged 91. She was born Franklin Birkinshaw and is best known as the writer of the novel <i>The Life and Loves of a She-Devil</i> .
	Fay Weldon
6	English film director who died aged 86. He directed the films <i>Chariots of Fire</i> (1981) and <i>Greystoke: The Legend of Tarzan, Lord of the Apes</i> in 1984.
	Hugh Hudson
7	American politician and diplomat who died aged 100. He was the US Secretary of State from 1973 to 1977 and the US National Security Advisor from 1969 to 1975. He was controversially awarded the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize for his role in negotiating the end of the Vietnam War.
	Henry Kissinger (born Heinz Alfred Kissinger)
8	English astrologer who died aged 80. She was born Margaret Anne Lake but is much better known by her stage name. She had a regular astrology column in <i>The Sun</i> and the <i>News of the World</i> . She first came to public attention when she hosted a guest spot on the first National Lottery draw in 1994.
	Mystic Meg

Supplementaries:

1	American and Canadian actor who died aged 54. He gained fame for starring as Chandler Bing on the NBC television sitcom <i>Friends</i> (1994-2004).
	Matthew Perry
2	English guitarist who died aged 78. He rose to prominence as a member of the rock band the Yardbirds. Probably best known for the hit single <i>Hi Ho Silver Lining</i> .
	Jeff Beck

General Knowledge

1	Which British car manufacturer was responsible for the models called Husky, Minx and Imp?
	Hillman
2	Who was the Greek god of war?
	Ares
3	Which European city is associated with the work of the architect Antonio Gaudi?
	Barcelona
4	Where did Wallace and Gromit visit in the animated film <i>A Grand Day Out</i> ?
	The Moon
5	What name is given to the art of clipping hedges and trees into various shapes?
	Topiary
6	Which fruit is used to make the brandy called Kirsch?
	Cherries (Morello cherries)
7	What is the Queen of Puddings topped with?
	Meringue
8	<i>À la Crécy</i> is a French cooking term that describes a dish served with or containing which vegetable?
	Carrot

9	Who was the first English King from the house of Lancaster?
	Henry IV
10	Which is the largest seaport in Morocco?
	Casablanca
11	With which holy city is the name Zion associated?
	Jerusalem
12	Which six-letter word can go after blue and before neck?
	Bottle or turtle
13	On which racecourse is the English Classic, the St. Leger, normally run each year?
	Doncaster
14	How many decades are there in a millennium?
	100
15	Who played Sally in the 1989 movie <i>When Harry met Sally</i> ?
	Meg Ryan
16	In the Renee Magritte painting <i>The Son of Man</i> what obscures the man's face?
	An apple



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17	Which well-known person said "To have a great idea, have a lot of them"?
	Thomas Edison
18	Which Midlands city did the pop group The Specials come from?
	Coventry
19	Over what length of time does J. D. Salinger's novel <i>The Catcher in the Rye</i> take place? (There is some leeway.)
	Two days (allow one to four days)
20	What is the name of the actress who plays Vilanelle in the British TV thriller, <i>Killing Eve</i> ?
	Jodie Comer
21	Which European country is known as The Land of a Thousand Lakes?
	Finland
22	Who was the only unmarried US President?
	James Buchanan (the 15 th US President)
23	Which nation won the 2019 Rugby Union World Cup?
	South Africa (beat England 32-12 in the Final)
24	Where specifically in the human body are red blood cells produced?
	In the bone marrow

25	If all properties on a UK monopoly board were listed alphabetically which would come last?
	Whitehall
26	On which date in 1066 was William the Conqueror crowned King of England?
	Christmas Day (the 25th of December)
27	What colour represents the Jubilee Line on a standard London underground map?
	Silver (accept grey)
28	In which US State would you find the Saguaro National Park?
	Arizona
29	<i>The Canterbury Tales</i> is a collection of how many stories?
	24
30	Which long-running musical was written by Matt Stone and Trey Parker (the creators of TV's <i>South Park</i>) and Bobby Lopez?
	The Book of Mormon
31	On which island would you find the small nation of Brunei?
	Borneo
32	Where was Mary Queen of Scots executed in 1587?
	Fotheringhay Castle



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33	Name either of the two British athletes who won gold medals at the World Athletics Championships held in Budapest last year.
	Josh Kerr or Katarina Johnson-Thompson
34	What was the title of the first colour film to be directed by Alfred Hitchcock, and is also a murder weapon in Cluedo?
	Rope (1948)
35	The Aye-Aye is native to which island?
	Madagascar (it's a lemur)
36	What note do orchestras tune up to?
	A (because every string instrument has an A string)
37	Who was the first presenter of Family Fortunes?
	Bob Monkhouse (from 1980 to 1983)
38	Which planet in our Solar System has moons named after characters from Shakespeare's plays?
	Uranus
39	In which kind of building would you find a transept?
	A church (or cathedral)
40	By what name is Hansen's disease more commonly known?
	Leprosy

41	What nationality is Ban Ki-moon, a former Secretary General of the United Nations?
	South Korean
42	What was Thomas Hardy's last completed novel?
	Jude the Obscure
43	With which well-known band did Joe Walsh join in 1975?
	(The) Eagles
44	In football, what is the maximum length of time that a goalkeeper can hold the ball for in open play?
	Six seconds
45	Which tax was replaced by VAT in the UK in 1973?
	Purchase tax
46	Which word can be a spot, a small burrowing animal or a scientific unit?
	Mole
47	Five of the six Nobel prizes are awarded each year in Stockholm. Which one is awarded in Oslo?
	Peace
48	What name is given to the Sunday before Easter Sunday?
	Palm Sunday



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49	According to the proverb, what is better than no bread?
	Half a loaf
50	On a ship or boat, what is a painter?
	A rope
51	In the TV programme 'Allo 'Allo! what is the name of Rene's wife?
	Edith
52	Canaletto was famous for painting his native city. Which city was this?
	Venice
53	Which is the only mammal that can fly?
	The bat
54	What do Americans call reindeer?
	Caribou
55	Used in many famous paintings, the medium tempera is made using which foodstuff?
	Egg (yolk)
56	Who said "Anyone who hates children and dogs can't be all bad!"?
	W. C. Fields

57	In which African country would you find the Serengeti National Park?
	Tanzania
58	Which British monarch was known as Brandy Nan?
	Queen Anne
59	The single-word name of which vegetable is the only one to contains all five vowels?
	Cauliflower (two words would be Jerusalem artichoke)
60	Which city is nicknamed 'Auld Reekie'?
	Edinburgh
61	What is the mean of the three numbers: 28, 40 and 52?
	40
62	How many tiles in total are used in the Chinese game of Mahjong?
	144
63	What type of creature is a dab?
	A fish
64	In Greek mythology, what type of creature was Medusa?
	A Gorgon



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65	Which group was made up of Billy Connolly, Gerry Rafferty and Tam Harvey?
	The Humblebums
66	Which acid was known as Aqua Fortis?
	Nitric acid
67	Who is the female companion of Flash Gordon?
	Dale Arden
68	In the 1950s, how were John Osborne, Kingsley Amis, John Braine, Alan Sillitoe and John Wain, among others, collectively known?
	Angry Young Men
69	The seven US banknotes show images of five former Presidents. Name either of the two other people featured on the US banknotes?
	Alexander Hamilton (\$10) or Benjamin Franklin (\$100)
70	Which land-locked African country is known as the Land of a Thousand Hills?
	Rwanda
71	Which human organ is responsible for regulating blood sugar levels?
	The pancreas
72	On what date do all racehorses in the Northern Hemisphere celebrate their birthday?
	The 1st of January

73	Where in London would you find a statue of Peter Pan, sculpted by George Frampton?
	Kensington Gardens
74	In London which road runs from Charing Cross to Fleet Street?
	The Strand
75	Which stretch of water separates Edinburgh from Fife?
	The Firth of Forth
76	In 1983 who became the first American woman in space?
	Sally Ride
77	What is the title of the West End musical about the wives of Henry VIII?
	Six
78	In which country did the English poets Keats and Shelley both die (in 1821 and 1822 respectively)?
	Italy
79	In which British graveyard was Pocahontas buried in 1617?
	Gravesend
80	In which country is the source of the Amazon?
	Peru



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81	Who directed the <i>Godfather</i> series of movies?
	Francis Ford Coppola
82	Who has scored the most test points for England in Rugby Union?
	Owen Farrell (1,237 points)
83	In Greek mythology, which king married his own mother?
	Oedipus
84	Which humanitarian organisation was co-founded by Henri Dunant in 1863?
	The Red Cross
85	What does a chandler make?
	Candles
86	What was the name of the Ewing family Ranch in Dallas?
	South Fork
87	How many yards are there in a mile?
	1,760
88	How many stars feature on the flag of China?
	Five

89	Whose fan did Oscar Wilde write about?
	Lady Windermere's
90	In which Scottish city would you find statues of Desperate Dan and Minnie the Minx?
	Dundee
91	What term is used in baseball when a batter swings and misses a pitch?
	Strike
92	Which song has been a hit for Harold Melvin and the Bluenotes, Thelma Houston and The Communards?
	Don't Leave Me This Way
93	Sunderland lies at the mouth of which river?
	The Wear
94	What is the Zodiac sign of the Balance?
	Libra
95	Hawthorn usually blooms in which month?
	May
96	What was the name of Dick Dastardly's canine sidekick?
	Muttley

Supplementaries:

1	Which 4 words appeared at the start of the closing credits for the TV programme <i>Dad's Army</i> ?
	You have been watching
2	Which Australian actor starred in Australia, Les Miserables and X-Men?
	Hugh Jackman
3	If you suffered from nephralgia, where would you have pain?
	In the kidney(s)
4	What nationality was Goliath, the giant slayed by David in the bible?
	Philistine
5	In music, what term describes a note that is neither sharp or flat?
	A natural
6	Which building now stands on the site of the original New York Waldorf Hotels, on Fifth Avenue?
	The Empire State Building
7	All species of lovebirds are native to which continent?
	Africa
8	Who plays the role of DCI Vera Stanhope in the British TV crime drama series <i>Vera</i> ?
	Brenda Blethyn