

# “ABSENT FRIENDS”

## Part 1: Table Round

Listener Crossword Dinner 2018

The (given) names of four absent friends are to be deduced. In each group, they form part of a sequence, to be generated from answers to the questions.

Even when questions refer to initials of people, when the answer is a person, you need the **full version** of their name. Either the given name (x) or the surname (y) contributes to the theme for each group.

### Group 1

1 Absent friend



2 In literature, *what* first name links: East End pork pies • an overweight bird of prey • Napier’s calculator • a Plymouth Argyle supporter • a barefoot runner?



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(5)



(4)



(4)

Anagram of *which* yellow pecker? (x)

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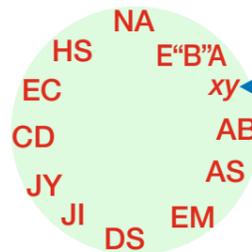
Name the alliterative actress (x)

5 Who is missing from the original (2010) line-up: NH, LP, LT and ZM? (x)



### Group 2

1



Who is missing? (y)

2 Who heads the list of champions in which SV, LH and AP are joint third and JMF is second? (x)

3 Absent friend

4 Who (start date 2015) is currently doing the sporting job previously held by CW (1997), AR (2004), BA (2006), MJ (2008) and SL (2011)? (x)

5 What name and numbers fill the gaps: ... S • H II • \_\_\_ • J • H III • E I • E II • E III • \_\_\_ • H IV • ...? (x)

### Group 3

1



The character (5)



The artist’s first name (4)



(3)

Anagram of *which* item of popular culture?

2



Name the borough highlighted in blue.

3 Absent friend

4 Who is missing from this 2001 film cast list? (y)

- Nicolas Cage as Captain Antonio Corelli
- \_\_\_\_\_ as Pelagia
- John Hurt as Dr. Iannis
- Christian Bale as Mandras
- David Morrissey as Captain Günther Weber



5 After *TKAM*, *who* kept us waiting 55 years for *GSAW*? (x)

### Group 4

1 What’s missing from this original (2004) TV list: WALTZ, CHA CHA CHA, QUICKSTEP, RUMBA, TANGO, JIVE, PASO DOBLE, SAMBA?



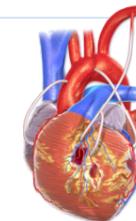
2 Name the establishment in which, “... in the master’s chambers,/ They gathered for the feast/They stab it with their steely knives,/But they just can’t kill the beast..”

3 Absent friend

4 What properly (i.e. according to the IBA) belongs in a Manhattan or an Old Fashioned, but not in a Rusty Nail?



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What six-letter word is represented here for the better?

When you have finalised your answers, please transfer them to your Master Answer Sheet (1 per table), and hand them in together with your answers to the microphone round and your entry for the clue competition.