Festivus 2015 – Bilger Soccer Packet

- 1. This player once stated that his secret to success was "to have a smoke to calm your nerves, then toss back a strong drink to tone your muscles." While a youth player, he won a national championship playing for the ice hockey team of the club he came up with. This player's wife notably chastised him for yelling too much on the field, though he inspired that now-common practice for his position. This man conceded the only *olimpico* goal in World Cup history, but he saved 151 penalty kicks in his career. In 1963, he became the first and to this point only goalkeeper to win the Ballon d'Or. For 10 points, name this legendary Russian goalkeeper, nicknamed the "Black Spider." A: Lev Yashin
- 2. Fans of a club in this nation used a tifo featuring the Trollface to protest a ban on flares in stadiums. This nation's national team pulled off a famous comeback from 2-0 down against the Czech Republic to reach the quarterfinals of a tournament in which they also scored a last-gasp equalizer to force penalties against Croatia, the 2008 European Championships. This nation defeated host nation South Korea to earn third place at the 2002 World Cup. For 10 points, name this nation, whose "Big Three" clubs, Galatasaray, Besiktas, and Fenerbahce, all play their home matches in Istanbul.

 A: Turkey
- 3. Following this incident, one side's manager, Giovanni Trappatoni, commented "For this important game we needed a stronger referee an important referee." A 2015 interview revealed that one side in this incident received a 5 million Euro payment in exchange for not pursuing a legal case regarding it. This action was immediately followed by a goal scored by William Gallas. That goal led one nation involved in this incident to petition to be allowed into the field as the 33rd team in the 2010 World Cup. For 10 points, what is this incident, in which a French striker helped to defeat the Republic of Ireland by notably using an illegal method of controlling the ball?

 A: Thierry Henry handball vs. the Republic of Ireland
- 4. Jose Mourinho once criticized this tactic by calling it "sterile." This tactic sometimes utilizes a false 9 in order to help facilitate its main goals. The term used to describe this tactic was popularized by broadcaster Andres Montes. This tactic was successfully countered by a team managed by Roberto di Matteo in the 2011-12 Champions League semifinals. This tactic was utilized by the first nation to win three consecutive major international tournaments. For 10 points, name this passing-centered style of play famously used by the Spanish national team and FC Barcelona.

 A: Tiki-taka
- 5. 167 people notably combined to make 44 thousand pounds by betting on 175-to-1 odds that one of these events would occur. One of these events was followed by one of the involved parties scoring a 97th minute equalizer. The first victim of one of these events

was Dutch midfielder Otman Bakkal. The second one of these incidents resulted in a 10 match ban for its perpetrator, while a third spawned memes including one of the perpetrator looking at an Italian restaurant menu. That third one of these events saw that player banned from competitive football matches for 4 months, delaying his debut for FC Barcelona. For 10 points, what are these incidents, in which a certain Uruguayan striker sank his teeth into another player?

A: Luis Suarez biting people

- 6. This man's playing career ended after playing under a pseudonym in the 2003 season with Orange County Blue Star of the Pacific Development League. His popularity during his time at Tottenham Hotspur led to his induction into Madame Tussaud's. In his first managerial position, he succeeded former teammate Rudi Völler, and his side was knocked out in the semifinals of a World Cup by a late Fabio Grosso goal. This man was widely criticized in his current position after his team lost to Jamaica in the semifinals of the Gold Cup, as well as for leaving Landon Donovan off of the 2014 World Cup roster. For 10 points, name this current manager of the United States Men's National Team. A: Jürgen Klinsmann
- 7. This event was followed by a match that ended 1-0 after a foul on Zbigniew Boniek led to a penalty converted by Michel Platini. Its 20 year anniversary was commemorated by fans of one of the involved clubs held colored cards spelling the word "Amicizia." This incident started when fans clashed over a supposedly neutral area known as Section Z. It led to English clubs being banned from European competition for 5 years. This event saw fans of Juventus crushed against a concrete retaining wall by Liverpool fans, leading to 39 deaths. For 10 points, what is this stadium disaster that took place in 1985 in Brussels, Belgium?

A: Heysel disaster

- 8. This player suffered a life-threatening spinal cord injury in a swimming accident when he was 18 years old. His miraculous full recovery from that injury led him to become deeply Christian, and he still devotes large portions of his salary to tithes. This man was shown a red card in a World Cup match after an egregious dive by the Ivory Coast's Kader Keita. This man was the subject of a then-world record transfer fee in 2009; that move saw him go from AC Milan to Real Madrid. In 2015, he debuted in MLS, playing for a Florida expansion side. For 10 points, who is this Brazilian attacking midfielder, the centerpiece of Orlando City SC?
 - A: <u>Kaká</u> or Ricardo Izecson <u>dos Santos</u> <u>Leite</u> (accept dos Santos or Leite)
- 9. The first team to win one of these matches became embroiled in a domestic match-fixing scandal shortly thereafter, centered on team chairman Bernard Tapie. Jose Mourinho rose to fame by leading a team to a 3-0 victory over AS Monaco in one of these matches. For three straight years, matches of this type saw dramatic late goals, including a winner by Arjen Robben and equalizers by Sergio Ramos and Didier Drogba. The winner of one of

these matches receives a prize nicknamed "big ears." For 10 points, what are these matches that signal the end of the premier European club competition?

A: UEFA Champions League finals

10. One club with this nickname was recently announced as Sporting Kansas City's USL affiliate for the 2016 season. Another club with this nickname is currently managed by former Dutch star Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink and plays its home matches at Loftus Road. That team was on the receiving end of Sergio Agüero's title-winning goal for Manchester City. A club with this name went into administration in 2012 and reformed in their nation's 4th division, putting the matches of the "Old Firm" on hold. For 10 points, name this word that comes after "Queens Park" in one club's name and is also the name of a famous club from Glasgow that rivals Celtic.

A: Rangers

11. This former player now works as a sports psychologist at Bundesliga club TSG 1899 Hoffenheim. This player played the 2002-2003 season with the American team Carolina Courage. This player rejected an offer from Luciano Gaucci to move to an Italian club, fearing that she would merely ride the bench at AC Perugia. This woman played her last professional match in front of her home fans at the 2011 edition of the Women's World Cup, a competition for which she is the second all-time leading scorer. For 10 points, name this legendary German striker.

A: Birgit Prinz

- 12. This man is now a coach at the 7th-division club Hampton & Richmond Borough F.C. He met his future wife during the 1982 World Cup in Spain. This man debuted in his current position in 1974 thanks to an illness afflicting Gerry Williams. He currently works for Sky Sports, and he forms a team with Alan Smith for a notable video game series. He described a pass from Neil Mellor as a "lovely cushioned header" before a Steven Gerrard wonder goal. Many of his most famous moments include him shouting players' names when they score, such as "JIII," "ARSHAVIIIIN," "DROGBAAAA," and "AGUEROOOO." For 10 points, name this famous English commentator. A: Martin Tyler
- 13. This stadium was notably constructed in the same district as the horse racing track in the city it stands in. Fan actions at this stadium resulted in the largest fine ever levied against a club by UEFA. This stadium was designed by architect Ulisse Stacchini, and it was officially renamed in the 1980s to honor a player who won two World Cups for its home nation. The 2015-16 Champions League Final will be held in this stadium, where the *Derby della Madonnina* is played. For 10 points, what is this Italian stadium, the home of Internazionale and AC Milan?

A: Stadio San Siro (or Stadio Giuseppe Meazza)

- 14. This club recently parted ways with an executive who infamously justified a player signing by noting that that player had participated in a "little tournament in Brazil." That former executive is Nick Sakiewicz. Following that dismissal, this club brought in former USMNT player Earnie Stewart to serve as its new Sporting Director. This club remains embroiled in a lawsuit with Piotr Nowak, the first manager in its history. Over the summer, this club acquired Swiss midfielder Tranquillo Barnetta, who joined Vincent Nogueira, Maurice Edu, and the club's all-time leading scorer, Sebastien Le Toux. For 10 points, name this MLS club based in Chester, Pennsylvania.
 - A: Philadelphia Union (accept either)
- 15. This player's brother, Chris, is a former captain of the Samoan national team. He made his senior professional debut with Millwall in 1998. This player drew ire for celebrating a goal after his brother was arrested by crossing his wrists as though handcuffed. That incident happened while he was playing for Everton. In 2015, this player signed for the Chinese club Shanghai Shenhua, leaving an MLS side where he played for three seasons with Thierry Henry. This player almost immediately cancelled out an Arjen Robben opener by scoring a ridiculous volley off the crossbar at the 2014 World Cup. For 10 points, who is this Australian great?

A: Tim Cahill

- 16. At this tournament, Oleg Salenko became the first and only player to score 5 goals in a single match at such a tournament. Diego Maradona was expelled from this tournament after a blood test found ephedrine in his system. This tournament was the first of its kind to be decided on penalty kicks. After this tournament, Andres Escobar was killed for scoring an own goal that helped eliminate his native Colombia. Diana Ross infamously missed a penalty kick at the opening ceremony of this tournament. For 10 points, name this tournament, the first time the World Cup was hosted by the United States.

 A: 1994 World Cup
- 17. One former player from this nation is a 6'6" center back who acquired the nickname "The White Knight." Another former player from this nation, recently unveiled as an assistant coach at Belgian club Sint-Truiden, scored a brace in the 2003-04 Champions League round of 16 to help Porto defeat Manchester United. Those players are Matthew Booth and Benni McCarthy. This nation's two biggest club teams are Orlando Pirates and Kaizer Chiefs. This country's national team, nicknamed "Bafana Bafana," had perhaps its most famous goal scored by Siphiwe Tshabalala at Soccer City to open a tournament it hosted. For 10 points, what nation held the 2010 FIFA World Cup Final in Johannesburg? A: South Africa
- 18. One statue commemorating this match shows a naked man kicking a soccer ball into the beak of a trampled eagle. Another memorial to it is located outside of Dynamo Stadium, home of a club that furnished many of the players involved. This match was actually a rematch of a game from three days earlier that had ended 5-1. This match inspired a film

featuring Sylvester Stallone, Michael Caine, and Pele called *Escape to Victory*. This match saw home side F.C. Start defeat a team known as Flakelf. For 10 points, what term is commonly used to describe a match in which a Ukrainian team defeated a team of Nazi army personnel?

A: Death Match

- 19. In 2007, this player had to play wearing an electronic tag for 6 months after being convicted for assault. One of his recent achievements was commemorated by the creation of his own flavor of potato chips. This man, after being cut from his hometown club at the age of 16, notably worked 12-hour shifts in a carbon fiber splint factory. This man, the 2011-12 top scorer of the Conference Premier playing for Fleetwood Town, recently broke a record formerly held by Manchester United legend Ruud van Nistelrooy. For 10 points, name this player, who now holds the record for most consecutive Premier League matches with a goal scored, an English striker on Leicester City.

 A: Jamie Vardy
- 20. Two answers required. One of these clubs takes its name from the writing on shipping containers abandoned by workers to play a match. The other decided it would take its colors from the flag of the first ship to enter that port; the flag turned out to be Swedish. The biggest margin of victory in a professional-era match between these two teams, a 5-0 result, came in a January 2015 match, in which the losing side received three red cards. One of these clubs prompted riots when it was relegated for the first time in its history in 2011, while the other recently re-signed former academy product Carlos Tevez. Matches between these two teams are known as the *Superclassico*. For 10 points, name these two great Argentine rival clubs.

A: River Plate and Boca Juniors