

The 18xx games are in order of starting from p2 onwards. Railway Rivals RR2563ZM is below, Outpost M21 is on p8, St. Petersburg M8 is on p9. The Games That You Play is on p10.

New Games: None. No lists are brinking on full.

I have just heard from Steve T - so many/most of you will already know - that Jeff Edmunds passed away last Saturday "after a long struggle with colorectal cancer". Another one gone - and such a lovely and generous man. Plus chatting to Angela as she wrote Christmas cards was always a MidCon pleasure. The last time I saw Jeff & Angela was at their place with John & Claire Dodds - and John has also died in the interim. Heigh ho and all that.

Well, that's taken the edge of the sunshine, and the timing means that you get to share in my reaction to the news. Miraculously I seem to be subject only to the normal vicissitudes of old age with no added bonus ailments. That is of course - as far as I am aware. And we know that "things" can change so quickly. Right, that's that then. Time to get this distributed and to turn to more upbeat thoughts. I have been playing 18SJ at 18xx.games and enjoying it. A pretty straightforward title. In both games I have been able to use the nationalisation rules to save one of my companies from having to buy a train at my expense. Which was nice.

RAILWAY RIVALS RR2563ZM
ROUND 2 BUILDS [16 POINTS]

The game identifier as above. This time all companies converge on or near Kitwe. GITCO is first through DR Congo and GRAZ gets halfway across.

DHAN - Brown (B53) --- ---- Kitwe; (X17) - Ndola; (Kitwe) ---- --- - Solwezi
Brad Martin Points: 43 = 26 +18/Towns -2/GITCO +1/GRAZ

ZRR - Red (Q23) -- Mumbwa - T24 ---- Kabwe; (R22) - S22 - S21 - T20 -- T18 --- Kitwe - X16
Mike Ruffhead Points: 35 = 26 +12/Towns -2/GITCO -1/GRAZ

GITCO - Blue (Z13) - Z14 --- - Mufulira - X16 - Kitwe - V16 - Chingola; (X16) - Ndola;
(F41) -- Kasama - --- J43
Tony Sait Points: 49 = 29 +12/Towns +2/DHAN +2/ZRR +4/GRAZ

GRAZ - Green (V27) - --- X26 - Lusaka --- Kabwe ----- Mufulira - Y15
John Webley Points: 40 = 38 +6/Towns -1/DHAN -4/GITCO +1/ZRR

Building Allowances & Run Length

The building allowance for each of rounds 1-6 will be built from three (six-sided) die rolls with no roll below 3 and only one roll that is 3 or 4. The building allowance in round 7 will be 12 points (including known payments to rivals) and will then decrease by 2 for each subsequent round.

In the rainy season (rounds 3, 6 & 9) it costs 4 points to bridge a river.

The minimum run length is 6 hexes.

RAILWAY RIVALS RR2563ZM
NEXT - ROUND 3 BUILDS – 14 POINTS

WAITING	1829 SOUTH NORTH	David H, John S David H
	1830	Mike B, John W
	1835	Graham L
	1846	~
	1856	~
	1861	John S
	1870	Mike B, John S
	18EU	John S, David H
	RAILWAY RIVALS	~
	ST. PETERSBURG	Brad M, John W

DEADLINE: FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2025

HOST : ROB THOMASSON

OR11 only this time by request. Similarly, we will stop after OR12 next time if a diesel is purchased during that very OR12 ...

Operating Round 11

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
NYC	MR	57:F16:1			370	Y	155C	35	5 3	A D
B&M	TS	9:C11:3			160	N	90E	490	4	
B&O	MH	25:I13:4	[8]		200	Y	110D	334	4	
CPR	JS	23:C11:6	[9]		180	Y	82E	918	4 [+3]	B
C&O	AM	15:H10:6	[57]		270	Y	80F	10	5 3	D
NYNH	JS	57:B10:1			220	Y	80F	1	5 +3	C D
Erie	TS	9:D12:3			170	N	67G	580	4	
PRR	MR	8:E15:2			330	Y	70G	869	3 3	D

Notes A \$120 to Bank for a mountain C \$311 to the CPR for a 3 Train
 B \$1 to the NYNH for a 3 Train D At Train Limit

Tiles	1/0	2/1	3/2	4/2	7/1	8/5	9/4	14/0	15/0	16/1	18/1	19/1
	20/1	23/1	24/3	25/0	26/1	27/0	28/1	29/1	39/1	40/1	41/1	42/2
	43/1	44/1	45/2	46/1	47/0	53/2	54/1	55/0	56/1	57/2	58/1	59/2
	61/0	62/0	63/1	64/0	65/0	66/1	67/1	68/0	69/0	70/1		

Trains 6/2(\$630) then D/6(\$1,100)

Cash Flow	Start	OR11	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Mark Hancock	664	155	819	1,519	14.2	6 - 6	
John Shelley	313	339	652	1,957	18.3	13 - 13	
Tony Sait	307	69	376	1,552	14.5	13 - 13	
Mike Ruffhead	1,054	489	1,543	3,163	29.6	13 - 13	
Andy Muir	788	368	1,156	2,503	23.4	13 - 13	

Portfolios	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M
Mark Hancock	1	-	-	5P	-	-	1	-
John Shelley	1	1	5P	1	1	-	6P	-
Tony Sait *	1	-	2	-	-	6P	-	6P
Mike Ruffhead	6P	6P	-	1	1	-	1	-
Andy Muir	1	3	1	-	6P	-	2	1
Bank New	-	-	1	-	2	3	-	-
Par	67	82	100	100	67	67	71	76
Bank Pool	-	-	1	3	-	1	-	3
Quote	70G	155C	82E	110D	80F	67G	80F	90E
Credit	\$869	\$35	\$918	\$334	\$10	\$580	\$1	\$490
Tokens Left	1	2	2	-	1	2	-	-

The OR12 operating order is - NYC, B&O, B&M, CPR, C&O, NYNH, PRR, Erie.

Two of the new companies buy a new 4 train ...

Operating Round 6

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
B&O	JS	14:J14:1	[57]		240	Y	126A	400	4 3	
NYNH	MB	1:F20:2					90A	700	+4	E
PRR	MB	23:H8:6	[8]		110	Y	100D	45	3	D
CPR	TS	7:B18:1					82B	520	+4	F E
NYC	DH	57:E19:2					76C	600	+3	G
C&O	TS	26:G5:5	[9]		100	Y	90E	264	3	A B
RDR	DH	54:G19:5			110	Y	80F	453	3	C F

Notes	A	\$10 from the CStL Private	E	\$300 to the Bank for a 4 Train
	B	\$15 from the D&H Private	F	\$80 to Bank for a river
	C	\$20 from the M&H Private	G	\$300 to the RDR for a 3 Train
	D	\$25 from the C&A Private		

Tiles	1/0	2/1	3/2	4/2	7/3	8/7	9/6	14/1	15/0	16/1	18/1	19/1
	20/1	23/2	24/3	25/1	26/0	27/1	28/1	29/1	53/1	54/0	55/1	56/0
	57/3	58/2	59/1	69/0								
Trains	4/2(\$300)		then	5/3(\$450)	6/3(\$630)	D/6(\$900)						

Cash Flow	Start	OR6	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 17
Tony Sait	8	82	90	1,282	25.4	12 - 12	
David Hooton	13	101	114	1,200	23.8	10 - 10	
John Shelley	38	170	208	1,174	23.3	8 - 8	
Mike Bennett	47	90	137	1,383	27.4	11 - 11	

Portfolios	Privates	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M	RDR
Tony Sait	-	-	-	6P	-	6P	-	-	-	2
David Hooton	-	1	5P	-	1	-	-	-	-	6P
John Shelley *	SVR	1	-	-	6P	1	-	-	-	-
Mike Bennett	-	5P	-	-	1	-	-	6P	-	1
Bank New	-	3	4	4	2	-	10P	4	10P	-
Par		82	90	90	100	76		100		90
Bank Pool	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	1
Quote		100D	76C	82B	126A	90E		90A		80F
Credit		\$45	\$600	\$520	\$400	\$264		\$700		\$453
Tokens Left		1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	-

Privates Owned by ShareCos : PRR - C&A | C&O - CStL, D&H | RDR - M&H.

The OR7 operating order is - B&O, PRR, C&O, NYNH, CPR, RDR, NYC.

The NYC prepares to operate. OR7 only next time by request.

Stock Round 4

* share from the pool

John Webley	Mike Ruffhead	John Shelley	Mike Bennett
+IC	+NYC/P(300)	+IC*	+GT
~	+NYC	+GT	+GT
~	+NYC	~	+C&O

Cash Flow	Start	SR4	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 12
Mike Ruffhead	603	-600	3	1,743	28.8	8 - 8	
John Shelley	443	-390	53	1,583	26.1	7 - 7	
Mike Bennett	561	-527	34	1,746	28.8	9 - 9	
John Webley	240	-195	45	983	16.2	5 - 5	

Portfolios	Privates	B&O	C&O	GT	IC	NYC	PRR
Mike Ruffhead	-	-	-	5P	-	4P	1
John Shelley	-	-	-	1	6P	-	1
Mike Bennett	-	-	1	3	-	-	6P
John Webley *	-	-	4P	-	2	-	-
Bank New	-	10P	5	1	2	6	2
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote			137	195	195	150	165
Credit			\$654	\$1,288	\$955	\$600	\$425
Trains			4	4 2 2 2	3-5 2 2		3-5 2 2 2
Tokens Left		3	2	1	-	3	2

Privates Owned by ShareCos : C&O - O&I, TBC | GT - MC | IC - MPC, Mail | PRR - C&WI.

Rights Held by ShareCos : C&O - TBC | IC - Mail, \$30 MPC Token at I1.

Tiles	MC/2	MS/3	MZ/2	5/3	6/3	7/5	8/4	9/3	57/4	291/1	292/1	293/1
	14/2	15/4	16/2	17/1	18/1	19/2	20/2	21/1	22/1	23/2	24/1	25/2
	26/1	27/1	28/1	29/1	30/1	31/1	298/0	294/1	295/1	296/1	619/0	

Trains[4(\$180) or 3-5(\$160)]/1 then[5(\$500) or 4-6(\$450)]/4[6(\$800) or 7-8(\$900)]/9

The OR7 operating order is - GT, IC, PRR, NYC, C&O.

John W swaps out of the ByE in favour of the SxE - so we stop after SR3. Next time we stop after SR4 if a company changes pdiektor in SR4 and/or a 3 train is bought in OR3

Share Round 3

* share from the pool

John Webley	John Shelley	Tony Sait	Graham Lee
-ByE/30(276),+SxE/10(88)	~	+ByE*/10(88)	~
+SxE/10(88)	~	~	~
+SxE/10(88)	[Loco]		

Cash Flow	Start	SR3	End	Value	%	Certs	Max
John Webley	51	12	63	617	22.6	4	15
John Shelley	173	0	173	659	24.1	4	15
Tony Sait	125	-88	37	683	25.0	6	15
Graham Lee	83	0	83	777	28.4	6	15

Portfolios	Privates/Minors	PrE	ByE	SxE	BaE	WtE	HeE	MsE	OIE
John Webley	Ost, B-P	-	-	30/2D	-	-	-	-	-
John Shelley *	Pfa, Mag, A-K	-	20/1D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tony Sait	N-F, Bra, B-M, K-M	-	20/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Graham Lee	L-D, Han, B-S	-	10/1	20/2	-	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	40/4D	30/3	50/5	100/8D	100/8D	100/8D	100/7D	100/7D
Bank Pool	-	-	20/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote			88D	88D					
Credit			394M	440M					
Trains			2 2						
Tokens Left		1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1
Tiles	1/1 2/1 3/1 4/3 5/2 6/0 7/7 8/13 9/8 55/1 56/0 57/2								
	58/4 69/2 201/2 202/0								
Trains	2+2/4(120M) then 3/4(180M) 3+3/3(270M) 4/3(360M) 4+4/1(440M) 5/2(500M)								
	5+5/1(600M) 6/2(600M) 6+6/4(720M)								

The OR3 operating order is - B-M, B-P, Mag, K-M, B-S, A-K, ByE, SxE.

1835K46 : HALF THOMPSON GAME : PHASE 1 : BANK - 10,600M NEXT TIME - OR3, SR4, OR4 & SR5

A smooth start. And now the usual attempt to reach SR3 in the next adjudication. But we will stop after SR2 if a 3 train is bought during OR1 and/or if any company gains or changes its president during SR2.

Stock Round 1 (Privates)

Mike Bennett	John Webley	Mark Hancock	John Shelley
+FT (20)	Bid on SCFTC (105)	Bid on GLSC (75)	+WSR (40)
+TCC (50), [Mark H +GLSC (75)]	~	+NFSBC (100), [John W +SCFTC (105)]	+CPR/P(160)
+LPS/P(150)	+GW/P(180)	+WR/P(130)	+CPR(80)
+LPS(75)	+GW(90)	+WR(65)	+CPR(80)
+LPS(75)	[Priority]		

Cash Flow	Start	SR1	End	Value	%	Certs Max 16
Mike Bennett	375	-370	5	375	25.2	5 - 5
John Webley	375	-375	0	370	24.8	3 - 3
Mark Hancock	375	-370	5	370	24.8	4 - 4
John Shelley	375	-360	15	375	25.2	4 - 4

Portfolios	Privates	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
Mike B	FT, TCC	-	-	-	-	-	-	4P	-	-	-	-
John W *	SCFTC	-	-	-	-	-	3P	-	-	-	-	-
Mark H	GLSC, NFSBC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3P	-
John S	WSR	-	-	4P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Bank New	-	10P	10P	6	10P	10P	7	6	10P	10P	7	10P
Par				80			90	75			65	
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote				80C			90B	75D			65F	
Credit				\$320			\$270	\$300			\$195	
Loans				0			0	0			0	
Tokens Left		2	2	3	2	3	3	1	1	1	2	1

Tiles	1/1	2/1	3/3	4/3	5/2	6/2	7/7	8/13	9/13	55/1	56/1	57/4
	58/3	69/1										
Trains	2/6(\$100)	then		3/5(\$225)	4/4(\$350)	5/3(\$550)	6/2(\$700)	D/9(\$1,100)				

The OR1 operating order is - GW, CPR, LPS, WR.

A 3 train was bought during OR1 so we stop after SR2.

Operating Round 1

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Loan	Trains	Notes
GW	JW	5:F17:1		F17			80B	120	100	+2 +2	A B C C
CPR	JS	57:N3:2					75C	80	0	+2 +2	D C C
LPS	MB	5:C14:6					70D	190	100	+2 +2	A C C
WR	MH	6:O16:5					60F	60	100	+3	A E F

Notes A Government Loan secured D \$40 to Bank for a mountain or lake
 B \$40 to the Bank for a garrison E \$225 to the Bank for a 3 Train
 C \$100 to the Bank for a 2 Train F 3 Train purchase starts Phase 2

Tiles 1/1 2/1 3/3 4/3 5/0 6/1 7/7 8/13 9/13 14/4 15/4 16/1
 17/1 18/1 19/1 20/1 23/4 24/4 25/1 26/1 27/1 28/1 29/1 55/1
 56/1 57/3 58/3 59/2 69/1 120/1 121/2

Trains 3/4(\$225) then 4/4(\$350) 5/3(\$550) 6/2(\$700) D/9(\$1,100)

Stock Round 2 [No Dealing]

Cash Flow	Start	OR1	SR2	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
Mike Bennett	5	15	0	20	370	24.9	5 - 5	
John Webley	0	20	0	20	360	24.2	3 - 3	
Mark Hancock	5	35	0	40	390	26.3	4 - 4	
John Shelley	15	10	0	25	365	24.6	4 - 4	

Portfolios	Privates	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
Mike Bennett	FT, TCC	-	-	-	-	-	-	4P	-	-	-	-
John Webley *	SCFTC	-	-	-	-	-	3P	-	-	-	-	-
Mark Hancock	GLSC, NFSBC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3P	-
John Shelley	WSR	-	-	4P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	10P	10P	6	10P	10P	7	6	10P	10P	7	10P
Par				80			90	75			65	
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote				75C			80B	70D			60F	
Credit				\$80			\$120	\$190			\$60	
Loans				0			100	100			100	
Tokens Left		2	2	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	2	1

Privates Owned by ShareCos : None

Rights Held by ShareCos : None

The OR2 operating order is - GW, CPR, LPS, WR.

Last time I showed two Ecoplants to be on offer - making more available Colony Cards than players. In fact, there was just one Ecoplants on offer. There was no impact on player orders.

This time there were two hotly contested auctions and a couple of uncontested auctions.

Round 9 Actions

Mike Auctioned an Orbital Lab for 50. Tony joined at 51, David at 52, Dane at 60. Tony dropped out, Mike bid 61, David bid 62 and Dane bid 65. David & Dane then bid with increments of 1 until Dane got it for 85 (w:5,8,30,30 t:12)

Mike Bought one Titanium Factory (w:6,7,7 t:10)

Mike Bought two Population Units (o:1 w:9)

Tony Auctioned a Robots for 50 and got it for 50 (o:5,5 w:30 t:10) plus a free Robot

Mick Bought one Water Factory (w:6,6,8)

Mick Bought one Population Unit (o:1 w:4,5)

David Auctioned a Laboratory for 80. John joined at 81 and then David & John bid with increments of 1 until John bid 91. David then bid 98 and got it for 98 (o:4 w:4,7,7,8,9,9,10,10,30) plus a free Research Factory

Dane Passed

John Auctioned an Ecoplants for 30 and got it for 30 (w:30)

John Discarded o:2

Pos	Player	Factories	Operators (Limits)	Production	Total
1	Mike	2o,3w,3t	8 (8) 0 (0)	2o,3w,5t	(77,10)
2	David	2o,6w,1r	7 (8) 0 (0)	2w,1W,1r	(57,15)
3	Tony	2o,4w,1t	6 (8) 1 (6)	5o,1W,1t	(55,10)
4	John	2o,4w	5 (5) 0 (0)	2o,2W	(66,10)
5	Dane	2o,4w,1t	5 (5) 0 (0)	2w,1W,2t,1m	(81,15)
6	Mick	2o,5w	8 (8) 0 (0)	4o,1w,1W	(49,20)

Pos	Player	Colony Cards	VPs	Purchases
1	Mike	HE, Nod, Eco	19	(85)
2	David	WH, Nod, Lab	16	(130)
3	Tony	DL, HE, Nod, Rob	15	(120)
4	John	DL, DL, DL, Eco	13	(75)
5	Dane	WH, HE, OL	11	(105)
6	Mick	WH, WH, Nod	11	(75)

On Offer				Robots	2	(1 more)
	Heavy Equipment	1	(none left)	Laboratory	1	(2 more)
	Scientists	0	(4 more)	Ecoplants	1	(1 more)
	Orbital Lab	0	(3 more)	Outpost	1	(3 more)

Sold Out - Data Library, Warehouse, Nodule

Mike wins having gained the most VPs from play and the most VPs from Aristocrats. Smoothly done - congratulations to Mike and thanks to all. Brad is caught with a Secretary in Hand.

Buildings Actions

Brad Martin	John Webley	Mick Haytack	Mike Ruffhead
			Trade Administrator For Builder [3]
~	Trade Controller for Senator [1]	Trade Judge For Admiral From Hand [1]	Buy Judge From Hand [16]
~	Buy Author From Hand [4]	~	~
~	Trade Warehouse Manager For Weapon Master [1]	~	~
~	Buy Controller From Hand [14]		

Cards Bought

* indicates a Trading (Upgrade) Card

Brad M	Lumberjack [3-3-0] by 3, Gold Miner [4-3-0], Customs House [8-0-2] by 4, Library [17-0-5], Author [4-1-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Pope* [6-1-1]
John W	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Shepherd [5-3-0], Fur Trapper [6-3-0] by 5, Carpenter Workshop* [4-1/B-3], Fur Shop* [10-3-2], Market [5-0-1] by 4, Observatory [6-0-1/0], Potjomkin's Village [2/6-0-0], Pub [1-0-2 for 1], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Controller [14-4-1], Mistress Of Ceremonies [18-6-3], Weapon Master* [8-4-0], Senator* [12-2-2]
Mick H	Gold Miner [4-3-0] by 2, Shepherd [5-3-0] by 4, Gold Smelter* [6-3&-1/A-0], Fur Shop* [10-3-2], Wharf* [12-6-1], Firehouse [11-0-3], Hospital [14-0-4], Library [17-0-5], Peterhof* [14-4-2], Warehouse [2-0-0], Pub [1-0-2 for 1], Author [4-1-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Secretary [12-4-0], Mistress Of Ceremonies [18-6-3], Chambermaid* [8-0-2], Admiral* [18-3-3]
Mike R	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0] by 2, Shepherd [5-3-0], Ship Builder [7-3-0] by 4, Wharf* [12-6-1], Theater [20,0-6], Bank* [13-5-1], Winter Palace* [19-2-5], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Secretary [12-4-0], Controller [14-4-1], Judge [16-5-2], Builder* [10-5-0], Patriarch* [16-0-4], Minister Of Foreign Affairs* [20-2-4], Czar* [24-0-6]

Summary

Player	Hand Cap	Rubles	VPs	Income per Phase - Rubles + VPs			Round 6 Start [Cards Left]
				Workers	Buildings	Aristocrats	
Brad M	3	11	42	12r + 0v	0r + 13v	5r + 1v	Workers [0]
John W	3	7	25	27r + 2v	0r + 5v	20r + 4v	Buildings [0]
Mick H	4	37	48	30r + 4v	4r + 14v	19r + 7v	Aristocrats [0]
Mike R	3	4	49	30r + 1v	5r + 12/11v	16r + 15v	Trading [6]

Final Scores

Player	End VPs		Play	Aristocrats	Rubles	Cards in Hand
Brad M	44	=	42	+6	+1	-5
John W	53	=	25	+28	+0	
Mick H	72	=	48	+21	+3	
Mike R	94	=	49	+45	+0	

Andy Muir	1830Z45
Brad Martin	RRZambia, St. Petersburg M8
Dane Maslen	Outpost M21
David Hooton	1830E46,
David Smith	Outpost M21
Graham Lee	1835K46
John Shelley	1856P45, 1830Z45, 1830E46, 1846F46, 1835K46, 1856M46
John Webley	1856P45, 1846F46, 1835K46, 1856M46, RRZambia, Outpost M21, St. Petersburg M8
Mark Hancock	1830Z45, 1856M46
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