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All games present this time. There are two new games starting ... 1829S on page 3 for John S, David H, Mike R, Tony O & Andy M and an 1856 on page 4 for David R, John W, Don S & Tony S. The 1856 is a four player as I indulge in some player matching and ask for players to match Ian Pendlebury in the next game.

As advertised there has been a longer gap than usual to publication and to the next deadline. Like, man, it's summer (or the approximation that we enjoy in the UK). Plus I have a daughter getting married next week and she is meant to be here by now to get some photos printed but the gap means I can find time to get these final touches done for Minstrel 326.

In other thoughts recommended True Blood has started airing in the UK, and now whenever I pick up the guitar for a quick bash I seem to end up playing its theme Bad Things (Jace Everett) mixed in with other current (and perennial) favourites I Can See For Miles (The Who) and New Born (Muse).

Okay, she came and went, leaving me with my buttonhole which, like all of them, she has made with a backdrop of leaves fronted by plectrums (plectra? no). My allocated plectrums are from the (Led) Zeppelin Air Ship series. I presume that was the "old man" choice and that the groom (and the rest of his band) have more modern imprints. Although the range of music enjoyed by he and I has a big overlap and is - as with most people - not polarised as it was between my father's generation and mine.

But lo - the sun is shining and the outside beckons (where things grow in the garden and need attacking) ...

**RR2099CH : CHINA**

**ROUND 3 [BUILDS 5,6,5]**

CSR should have had 6 points last time for being first to Changsha, and should also have received three points from GRINCH for U20-T20 . Scores adjusted. CSR continues to reap points this time ...

**Builds**

CSR	Orange	(A56)-B56; (B56)-A53-B52   (B56)-C57-C58-D58; (B52)-C52   -Sian-D50; (D58)-E59
YAYS	Brown	(P21)-P20-M19-M18   (M18)-K17; (Y30)-Hangchow; (Foochow)-N30   (K17)-I16-H15
TANG	Blue	(Taiyuan)-J54-I55-G54   -D52-Sian   -D50; (Tsinan)-J63; (X67)-Y70
HOI-SIN	Red	(Teintsin)-N62; (Q60)-Beijing; (L58)-J59   -I59-H59-Chengchow   (L57)-Taiyuan-K55.
GITCO	Purple	(V18)-V19-W20-Wuhan-X21; (L10)-Kweiyang   (P14)-R13   -R12-S12-Chungking
GRINCH	Green	(R19)-Changsha-P19-N20-M20   (F60)-Suchow; (D59)-Chengchow   (N62)-Tientsin-P62-Q63-Q61

**Scores**

CSR	Tony Bromley	59	=	42	+6	-2/TANG			+13
YAYS	David Hooton	40	=	38	+6	-5/CSR			+1
TANG	Brad Martin	54	=	49	+0				+5
HOI-SIN	Mike Ruffhead	25	=	21	+3	-3/TANG	-1/GRINCH		+5
GITCO	Tony Sait	32	=	25	+12	-5/CSR			+0
GRINCH	John Webley	24	=	29	+3	-3/CSR	-1/YAYS	-5/HOI-SIN	+1

The die rolls in the building rounds 1-6 will always be made up of one 5, one 6 and one roll from 4/5/6.

**RR2099CH : CHINA**

**NEXT TIME – ROUND 4 BUILDS [6,4,5]**

<b>WAITING</b>	1829 South	[None]
	1829 North	Jeff E, David H, Tony B
	1830	Mike R, Tony B
	1835	Don S, John W, Tony B, David H
	1856	Ian P
	1870	Lyndon G, Don S, David H
	18EU	Stephen W, David H
	RAILWAY RIVALS	Tony S, John W, David H, Mike R, Brad M, Tony B
	OUTPOST	Ian P, David H

**DEADLINE**

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**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2009**

**205 TOLCARNE DRIVE, PINNER, MIDDLESEX HA5 2DN**

No “perfect scores” this time - but Mick Haytack & Geoff Baker were just one short. Tim & Roger were four points off the target but that was enough for Roger sneak through to take first place. Thanks to all for ...

Player	Puerto Rico	NBA	School	President	The End	Score	Total	Pos
Roger Krueger	Mayor	Lakers	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	47	291	1
David Smith	Captain	Lakers	Winchester	Freeman	Apocalypse	38	288	2
Mick Haytack	Captain	Lakers	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	50	286	3=
Mike Ruffhead	Captain	Lakers	Rugby	Ford	Apocalypse	44	286	3=
Dane Maslen	Prospector	Lakers	Rugby	Fonda	Apocalypse	45	284	5
Tim Parkes	Settler	Lakers	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	47	283	6
Geoff Baker	Captain	Lakers	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	50	273	7
David Roffey	Governor	Magic	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	36	265	8
Mark Stretch	Prospector	Lakers	King Edwards	Reagan	Apocalypse	36	264	9=
Keith T	Settler	Lakers	Gordonstoun	Sheen	Apocalypse	39	264	9=
David Hooton	Governor	Celtics	Rugby	Sheen	Apocalypse	35	249	11
Tony Sait	Prospector	Lakers	Winchester	Fonda	Simpsons	27	248	12
Mark Hancock	Governor	Lakers	Rugby	Ford	Apocalypse	42	247	13
George Lucas	Mayor	Magic	Oakham	Williams	Apocalypse	20	245	14
Don Smith	Prospector	Bulls	Charterhouse	Voight	Firefly	12	225	15
Andy Muir	Prospector	Lakers	Winchester	Hopkins	Happy	25	224	16
Stephen Webb	Captain	Lakers	Charterhouse	Douglas	Simpsons	25	223	17
Steve Thomas	Prospector	Globetrotters	Charterhouse	Freeman	The Doors	13	215	18
Brad Martin	Builder	Lakers	Canterbury	Sheen	Apocalypse	38	207	19

A role in Puerto Rico : Prospector 6, Captain 5, Governor 3, Mayor 2, Settler 2, Builder 1.  
Most votes went to the “neutral” choice of Prospector or to the “leadership” roles.

A team in the 2008 or 2009 NBA Finals : L.A. Lakers 14, Orlando Magic 2, Boston Celtics 1, Chicago Bulls 1, Harlem Globetrotters 1.  
The Lakers won in 2009 and lost in 2008 and as the only team to feature in both years were runaway winners here. The other finalists - Orlando Magic & Boston Celtics - got a mention. I was working in NYC when the Chicago Bulls were in the mid of their last run of three victories and remember it well. Steve appears to have been gripped by ennui in choosing the Harlem Globetrotters.

An English Public School - other than Eton and Harrow : Rugby 9, Charterhouse 3, Winchester 3, Gordonstoun 1, Canterbury 1, King Edwards 1, Oakham 1.  
Another apparent lottery but Rugby did emerge as a clear winning choice. Maybe it was the “neutral’s choice” - three of four non-UK residents picked it - and maybe most of the other choices were based on personal experience or knowledge? Oakham is where Minstrel recipient Graham Lee is the Chess Master (but I think semi-retired now - certainly he has had time to go to Las Vegas and be photographed in the Hooters Casino with a couple of the waitresses. I guess he must get asked to do that sort of thing all the time but even so he managed to pull off a naturally beaming smile).

An actor that has played the President Of The United States : Martin Sheen 8, Morgan Freeman 2, Harrison Ford 2, Henry Fonda 2, Jon Voight 1, Michael Douglas 1, Robin Williams 1, Anthony Hopkins 1, Ronald Reagan 1.  
I didn’t think of Reagan when setting this question but it’s a great answer. However, it was not in popular demand and Martin Sheen - who has played fictional presidents in (famously) The West Wing and (not so famously) The Dead Zone as well as JFK in a Kennedy mini-series - was the top choice. If he did not occur then there was clearly no other “obvious” choice and the remaining votes were split.

A TV series or film that has used “The End” on its soundtrack - other than films about The Doors : Apocalypse Now 14, The Simpsons 2, Firefly 1, Happy Feet 1, The Doors 1.  
This category was there to be possibly associated with the previous category with Martin Sheen as the link helping guide answers here to Apocalypse Now (or vice-versa). Apocalypse Now was already the prime choice in my mind - and two of the three uses in the Simpsons were Apocalypse Now references.

Just OR14 this time as per request. Two new diesels bought and there might - or might not - be another one to come as the LPS is currently without a train to call it's own ...

**Operating Round 14**

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
LPS	TP	47:K14:3	[23]		240	Y	110E	1,044	(6)	
THB	TP	123:L15:3	[67]		580	Y	110E	0	D +6	A
CGR	TP	125:P9:3	[14]	K8	290	N	90B	201	5 +D	B C
BBG	SW	8:G14:5			230	Y	90F	57	5 +6	D
CPR	MS				250	Y	75F	245	5	
WGB	SW	7:H13:3					55G	9	+D	C
TGB	MH	9:J7:3			130	Y	50G	130	D	
CA	MS				190	Y	45J	190	D	

**Notes** A \$657 to the LPS for a 6 Train C \$1,100 to the Bank for a D Train  
 B \$100 to the Bank for a garrison D \$760 to the WGB for a 6 Train

**Tiles**

1/1	2/1	3/3	4/2	5/2	6/2	7/6	8/6	9/7	14/1	15/0	16/1	17/1	18/1	19/1
20/0	23/3	24/3	25/1	26/1	27/0	28/0	29/1	39/1	40/1	41/3	42/2	43/2	44/1	45/2
46/2	47/1	55/1	56/1	57/4	58/1	59/2	63/0	64/0	65/1	66/1	67/1	68/0	69/1	70/1
120/1	121/2	122/0	123/0	124/1	125/0	126/0	127/0							

**Trains** D/4(\$1,100)

**Cash Flow**

	Start	OR14	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Tim Parkes	778	420	1,198	2,818	36.6	10.5	10.5
Mark Hancock	201	144	345	885	11.5	3.0	7.0
Stephen Webb	963	196	1,159	2,499	32.4	13.0	13.0
Mark Stretch	193	157	350	785	10.2	3.0	5.0
Don Smith	177	0	177	717	9.3	3.0	3.0

**Portfolios**

	BBG	CA	CPR	LPS	TGB	THB	WGB	CGR
Tim Parkes	-	-	-	3P	-	6P	-	7P
Mark Hancock *	-	1	1	2	4P	-	-	-
Stephen Webb	6P	-	-	-	-	1	6P	4
Mark Stretch	-	3P	4P	-	-	-	-	-
Don Smith	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Bank New	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
Par	100	65	80	65	90	100	100	100
Bank Pool	3	5	5	5	5	3	4	3
Quote	90F	45J	75F	110E	50G	110E	55G	90B
Credit	\$57	\$190	\$245	\$1,044	\$130	\$0	\$9	\$201
Tokens Left	-	2	3	-	1	-	-	2

The OR15 operating order is - LPS, THB, BBG, CGR, CPR, WGB, TGB, CA - unless changed by SR8.

1856P24 : STANDARD GAME : PHASE 6 : BANK - \$6,895

NEXT TIME - SR8

You are ... in dealing order ... Tony Osborne, John Shelley, Mike Ruffhead, David Hooton, Andy Muir.

Well, that's all you need to know, you already know each other from before. The best to you all!

All companies with a 5 train bought a P train this time. Bonuses for running from Off-Map to Off-Map were earned ...

## Operations Round 9

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
SNCB	MR	9:D7:1			480	Y	180B	70	8	
KKOS	ST				210	Y	165C	1	5 +P	A
NS	DR	4:C6:2			400	Y	165B	358	5 +P	A
FS	SW	82:D5:2	[8]		570	Y	150B	0	P 8	
KPEV	SW	582:S8:4	[577]	S8	200	Y	110C	20	5 +P	A
KBS	DS	582:H3:4	[576]	H3	300	Y	110C	375	6	
DR	MR	141:E4:5	[3]		430	Y	100D	100	P 6	
SNCF	ST				320	Y	90C	6	8	B

Notes A £100 to the Bank for a P Train B Buys 1 share from the Bank Pool for £90

Tiles	3/7	4/4	7/4	8/11	9/3	14/4	15/2	57/5	58/6	80/4	81/4	82/2	83/3
	141/2	142/2	143/2	144/2	145/4	146/5	147/4	201/7	202/8	513/5	544/3	545/3	
	546/3	576/3	577/4	578/2	579/1	580/0	581/2	582/5	583/1	584/0	611/8		

Trains 8/5(£800)

Cash Flow	Start	OR9	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Stephen Webb	62	575	637	2,517	19.7	13 - 13	
David Roffey	475	567	1,042	3,187	25.0	13 - 13	
Don Smith	64	365	429	1,774	13.9	9 - 9	
Steve Thomas	155	353	508	2,128	16.7	10 - 10	
Mike Ruffhead	373	673	1,046	3,151	24.7	13 - 13	

Portfolios	SNCB	NS	KBS	KPEV	KKOS	FS	SNCF	DR
Stephen Webb	-	-	3	5P	-	6P	-	1
David Roffey *	3	6P	1	-	1	1	1	1
Don Smith	-	2	5P	-	1	2	-	-
Steve Thomas	1	1	-	-	5P	-	5P	-
Mike Ruffhead	6P	1	1	-	-	1	-	6P
Bank New	-	-	-	2	-	-	4	-
Bank Pool	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	2
Quote	180B	165B	110C	110C	165C	150B	90C	100D
Credit	£70	£358	£375	£20	£1	£0	£6	£100
Tokens Left	1	2	-	2	2	-	4	3

The OR10 operating order is - SNCB, KKOS, NS, FS, KPEV, KBS, DR, SNCF.

18EUU24 : STANDARD GAME : PHASE 8 : BANK - £7,408

NEXT TIME - OR10 & SR5

1856R27

GAMETSTART

You are ... in dealing order ... Tony Sait, David Roffey, Don Smith, John Webley.

You were expecting a five player game. So let me know if any problem with having four players - but I think the four of you will make a good game. So take your larger than expected \$375 and strive.

1856R27

NEXT TIME - SR1 (PRIVATE)

A pause after OR13 by request. Time to see that the last 5 train has been bought ...

**Operating Round 13**

	Dir	Lay(s)	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
ATSF	JE	25:G16:6	[8]		330	Y	200C	402	5 3	
SP	RK	5:N17:1			250	Y	140C	690	4 3	A B
TP	RK	[Connection Run]			250	N	64B	811	5 3	C
FW	DH	8:C6:4 8:C4:1			140	Y	120C	381	4	
IC	SW	8:C20:6 9:B21:2			170	Y	110C	673	4	D
IC	SW	[Connection Run]			220	Y	120C	739	4	E
MP	LG	25:C10:6	[8]		280	Y	100B	192	5 3	F H
MP	LG	[Connection Run]			280	Y	110B	304	5 3	G
SSW	JE	[Connection Run]			170	Y	55H	205	3	I
SLSF	SW	24:D19:5	[8]		180	Y	90E	573	4	
TP	RK	24:L9:3	[8]		250	N	64B	1,061	5 3	
GMO	JE				100	N	55F	798	3	
SSW	JE	40:G16:2	[25]		140	N	50H	345	3	
MKT	LG	57:B19:2 8:A20:3			180	N	50F	570	4 +5	J

**Notes**

A	\$80 to Bank for a Tile lay	F	MP Connection Made - Base at J5
B	TP Connection Made - Base at N17	G	MP Connection Run - \$280 Paid
C	TP Connection Run - \$250 Retained	H	SSW Connection Made - Base at J3
D	IC Connection Made - Base at A22	I	SSW Connection Run - \$170 Paid
E	IC Connection Run - \$220 Paid	J	\$450 to the Bank for a 5 Train

**Tiles**

1/1	2/1	3/3	4/4	5/1	6/1	7/9	8/6	9/7	14/4	15/1	16/1	17/2	18/2	19/2
20/2	23/0	24/0	25/1	26/2	27/1	28/2	29/1	39/1	40/0	41/3	42/2	43/2	44/1	45/2
46/2	47/2	55/1	56/1	57/3	58/0	63/0	70/2	141/2	142/2	143/1	144/1	145/2	146/2	147/2
170/1														

**Trains**

6/3(\$630)	then	8/3(\$800)	10/2(\$950)	12/6(\$1,100)
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**Cash Flow**

	Start	OR13	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
David Hooton	211	134	345	1,319	12.1	6 - 8	
Jeff Edmunds	637	360	997	3,171	29.0	7 - 19	
Roger Krueger	185	239	424	2,158	19.7	8 - 14	
Lyndon Gurr	261	426	687	2,347	21.4	9 - 17	
Stephen Webb	365	320	685	1,949	17.8	9 - 10	

**Portfolios**

	ATSF	FW	GMO	IC	MP	MKT	SP	SSW	SLSF	TP
David Hooton	-	5P	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1
Jeff Edmunds	6P	-	6P	-	-	-	1	7P	1	1
Roger Krueger	1	1	-	-	-	-	7P	1	-	6P
Lyndon Gurr	1	1	-	-	6P	9P	1	-	1	-
Stephen Webb *	-	1	-	6P	-	-	-	-	4P	1
Bank New	-	-	4	3	4	-	-	2	2	1
Par	68	76	68	90	90	68	82	72	100	90
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote	200C	120C	55F	120C	110B	50F	140C	50H	90E	64B
Redeemed	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Credit	\$402	\$381	\$798	\$739	\$304	\$570	\$690	\$345	\$573	\$1,061
Tokens Left	1+D	0+D	1+D	-	2	1+D	0+D	-	-	-

The OR14 operating order is - ATSF, SP, FW, IC, MP, SLSF, TP, GMO, SSW, MKT - unless changed by SR8.

You coped expertly with the forced redemptions - in doing so George sold 2 WGB for \$180 and Roger sold 2 TGB for \$150. Later, the CGR was formed and has \$97 credit and three 4 trains. All other surviving companies have a permanent train so that's handy.

For reference, the credit and loans of the companies going into the CGR were as follows ...

BBG 0:100, CPR 0:200, TGB 2:100, WR 89:600, THB 0:200, GW 246:400, LPS 0:500.

The BBG was the only company where the president had a choice about merging and Lyndon let it go.

**Operating Round 10**

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
CA	LG	125:C14:6	[15]		370	Y	125E	495	5 (3)	
WGB	GL	6:J11:5					75C	147	[+3] +5	A B
BBG	[LG]	57:J15:3					75C	0	[+3]	C D
CPR	[GL]	127:M4:4	[121]				75F	0	(3) [+4]	E F G H H H H
CV	DH	122:N11:3	[120]		180	Y	90C	25	5	
TGB	[RK]	5:K8:3					65E	0	[+3 +4]	I C J
WR	[DH]	8:M16:6			230	Y	75F	0	(3 3)	K L F H H
THB	[GL]	9:K12:3			80	Y	70F	0	(4) [+3]	C K M N
GW	[JS]	126:F15:1	[121]		190	Y	65G	0	(4)	
LPS	[RK]						55H	0	[+3]	O F P H H H H
GT	RK	47:M8:1	[24]				50F	636	+4 +6	Q R S T

Notes	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T
	\$49 to the CPR for a 3 Train	\$550 to the Bank for a 5 Train	Government Loan secured	\$690 to the CA for a 3 Train	\$1 to the THB for a 4 Train	Forced loan redemption	221 from George L to redeem loans	Government Loan redeemed	\$211 to the LPS for a 3 Train	\$479 to the GT for a 4 Train	\$40 to Bank for a mountain or lake	WR reaches its destination - gains \$260	THB reaches its destination - gains \$0	\$146 to the WGB for a 3 Train	\$1 to the TGB for a 3 Train	239 from Roger K to redeem loans	\$1 to the TGB for a 4 Train	\$700 to the Bank for a 6 Train	6 Train purchase starts Phase 5	CGR from TGB, LPS, GW, WR, BBG, CPR, THB

**Tiles**

1/0	2/1	3/2	4/2	5/0	6/0	7/6	8/8	9/9	14/3	15/1	16/1	17/1	18/1	19/1
20/1	23/4	24/4	25/0	26/1	27/1	28/0	29/1	39/1	40/1	41/3	42/2	43/2	44/1	45/2
46/2	47/1	55/1	56/1	57/0	58/1	59/0	63/3	64/1	65/1	66/1	67/1	68/1	69/1	70/1
120/1	121/2	122/0	123/1	124/1	125/3	126/0	127/0							

**Trains** 6/1(\$700) D/9(\$1,100)

Cash Flow	Start	OR10	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 8
Lyndon Gurr	55	222	277	1,327	29.7	6.5 - 6.5	
George Lucas	55	-25	30	530	11.9	4.0 - 4.0	
Roger Krueger	89	-89	0	500	11.2	1.0 - 6.0	
John Shelley	61	102	163	603	13.5	2.5 - 3.5	
David Hooton	47	320	367	1,507	33.7	8.5 - 9.5	

Portfolios	CA	CV	GT	WGB	CGR
Lyndon Gurr	6P	-	-	-	3
George Lucas	-	-	-	4P	2
Roger Krueger	-	-	6P	-	2
John Shelley *	-	1	1	-	3P
David Hooton	2	6P	1	-	3
Bank New	-	3	2	4	-
Par	65	80	70	100	100
Bank Pool	2	-	-	2	7
Quote	125E	90C	50F	75C	100A
Credit	\$495	\$25	\$636	\$147	\$97
Trains	5	5	6 4	5	4 4 4
Tokens Left	1	1	3	1	1

The OR11 operating order is - CA, CGR, CV, WGB, GT.

The dealing this time features one flotation and two nationalisations. Asking for just the one OR next time as there is enough credit to get to the death of the 3 trains - but of course that might not actually happen, it all rather depends upon what y'all decide ...

Share Round 9

\* share from the pool

Tony Sait	David Hooton	Don Smith	John Webley	John Shelley
-ByE/10(152), +BaE*/10(84)	+OIE/20(160)	~	+OIE/20(160)	-WtE/10(90), +MsE/10(80)
-WtE/10(88), +BaE/20(252) [Don S]	+ByE*/10(138)	~	+ByE*/10(138)	-PrE/5(86), +HeE/20(258) [John W]
+PrE*/5(86)	+WtE*/10(84)	~	+WtE*/10(84), +BaE*/10(84)	[Loco]

Cash Flow	Start	SR9	End	Value	%	Certs	Max
John Webley	491	-208	283	2,189	19.8	12	12
John Shelley	484	-162	322	2,192	19.8	13	13
Tony Sait	521	-182	339	2,140	19.3	13	13
David Hooton	458	-382	76	1,979	17.9	13	13
Don Smith	826	252	1,078	2,574	23.2	11	12

Portfolios	PrE	ByE	SxE	BaE	WtE	HeE	MsE	OIE
John Webley	30/3	30/3	20/2	10/1	30/2	-	-	20/1
John Shelley *	-	-	50/4	-	-	100/8	10/1	-
Tony Sait	45/5	-	10/1	80/6	10/1	-	-	-
David Hooton	5/1	50/4	-	-	10/1	-	80/5	40/2
Don Smith	20/3	20/2	20/2	-	50/4	-	-	-
Bank New	-	-	-	-	-	-	10/1	40/4
Bank Pool	-	-	-	10/1	-	-	-	-
Quote	190C	152C	186A	84G	88F	86C	80E	80E
Credit	969M	491M	206M	933M	399M	289M	82M	480M
Trains	3+3 3	4+4	4 3	3+3	4 3+3	5 3	4 3	
Tokens Left	2	1	1	1	-	1	-	1
Tiles	1/1 2/1 3/0 4/3 5/3 6/3 7/6 8/6 9/4 12/0 13/1 14/0 15/1							
	16/1 18/1 19/2 20/1 23/0 24/1 25/1 26/2 27/1 28/2 29/2 39/1 40/1							
	41/2 42/2 43/1 44/2 45/2 46/2 47/2 55/1 56/0 57/2 58/2 63/3 69/1							
	70/1 87/1 88/0 201/2 202/2 203/1 204/0 205/1 206/1 207/1 208/1 209/0							
	210/0 211/1 212/1 213/1 214/1 215/0 216/3 217/2 218/2 219/2 220/1 221/0							
Trains	5/1(500M)	then	5+5/1(600M)	6/2(600M)	6+6/4(720M)			

The OR12 operating order is - PrE, SxE, ByE, WtE, HeE, BaE, MsE, OIE.

There is just no apparent interest in that there last shiny 5 train ...

OR10	Dir	Lay(s)	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
SLSF	DS	9:L17:1 8:M18:5			280	Y	140D	412	4 3	
GMO	DH	9:J17:2 8:I18:5			290	Y	140A	368	5 4	
TP	JE	23:N3:3	[8]		310	Y	120D	740	4 (3)	
MKT	JS	45:L5:4	[25]		180	H	100E	150	4 +5	A
FW	MR	8:C4:5 9:B3:1			310	Y	100E	342	4 3	B
FW	MR	[Connection Run]			340	N	100E	682	4 3	C
SP	JE	8:L15:2 9:M16:1			130	N	55H	398	3 +3	D
SSW	JS	4:K4:1 9:L7:2			230	Y	64F	233	5	
ATSF	DH	9:F17:2 9:E18:2			270	Y	50H	821	3 3	E

Notes A \$1 to the SSW for a 5 Train D \$1 to the TP for a 3 Train  
 B FW Connection Made - Base at A2 E \$60 to Bank for a Tile lay  
 C FW Connection Run - \$340 Retained

Tiles 1/1 2/1 3/3 4/4 5/2 6/0 7/9 8/8 9/2 14/4 15/2 16/2 17/2 18/2 19/2  
 20/2 23/3 24/3 25/1 26/2 27/2 28/2 29/1 39/1 40/2 41/3 42/3 43/2 44/1 45/1  
 46/2 47/2 55/1 56/1 57/5 58/2 63/0 69/1 70/2 141/2 142/2 143/1 144/1 145/2 146/2  
 147/2 170/1

Trains 5/1(\$450) then 6/3(\$630) 8/3(\$800) 10/2(\$950) 12/6(\$1,100)

Stock Round 7

\* share from the pool

Don Smith	David Hooton	Jeff Edmunds	Mike Ruffhead	John Shelley
-GMO(140),+IC/P(200)	Price Protect GMO	+SSW*(64)	+SLSF(100)	MKT Redeems from Pool
+IC(100)	+ATSF*(50)	+SSW(72)	+MP(82)	SSW Redeems from John S
+IC(100)	+ATSF(76)	+SSW(72)	+MP(82)	+MKT*(100)
+IC(100)	+ATSF(76)	+SSW(72)	+MP(82)	+SSW(72)
+IC(100)	+MP(82)	+ATSF(76)	+MP(82)	+SP(68)
~	+IC(100)	+SP(68)	~	+MP(82)
~	~	+SP(68)	~	+GMO(100)
~	~	+SLSF(100),+SLSF*(140)	[Priority]	

Cash Flow	Start	OR10	SR7	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Don Smith	349	197	-460	86	1,646	17.0	10 - 10	
David Hooton	477	354	-524	307	2,364	24.4	12 - 18	
Jeff Edmunds	487	275	-732	30	2,152	22.2	13 - 20	
Mike Ruffhead	486	251	-428	309	2,001	20.7	13 - 15	
John Shelley	268	218	-358	128	1,510	15.6	12 - 14	

Portfolios	ATSF	FW	GMO	IC	MP	MKT	SP	SSW	SLSF	TP
Don Smith	-	-	-	6P	-	-	-	-	6P	-
David Hooton	6P	1	7P	1	1	1	1	-	1	1
Jeff Edmunds	2	1	-	-	-	-	6P	4	2	7P
Mike Ruffhead *	1	5P	1	-	6P	1	1	-	1	1
John Shelley	1	1	1	-	1	6P	1	5P	-	-
Bank New	-	-	1	3	2	-	1	-	-	-
Par	76	68	100	100	82	82	68	72	100	72
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Quote	55G	110D	140A	100A	82C	100E	55H	68E	160C	140C
Redeemed	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1
Credit	\$821	\$682	\$368	\$1,000	\$820	\$50	\$398	\$169	\$412	\$740
Tokens Left	0+D	1	0+D	1+D	2+D	1+D	1+D	1	1+D	0+D

The OR11 operating order is - SLSF, TP, GMO, FW, MKT, IC, MP, SSW, SP, ATSF.



We move briskly through the 5 trains to the first 6 train. The PRR is left without a train but presents no threat of bankruptcy for whomsoever will be president in OR10 (well, most likely John but got to cover the possibilities). How the game progresses after that will be influenced by who wants to invest in a diesel ...

**Operating Round 9**

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
B&O	JW				230	N	111C	592	(3 3)	A
Erie	DR	9:D18:3		E19	150	Y	110D	518	(4) +5	E F G H
C&O	DS	63:H10:1	[14]		110	Y	100E	54	(3) +5	F
PRR	TS	65:H18:6	[59]		130	Y	70G	179	(3) +5	C F
B&M	MS	61:E23:2	[53]		160	N	62E	65	4 +6	I J
NYNH	MS	62:G19:4	[54]		180	N	50I	359	4	B
NYC	DR	63:E19:1	[15]		180	N	10K	0	4 +4	D K

**Notes**

A	\$10 from the CStL Private	G	5 Train purchase starts Phase 4
B	\$15 from the D&H Private	H	5 Train purchase closes the Privates
C	\$20 from the M&H Private	I	\$630 to the Bank for a 6 Train
D	\$25 from the C&A Private	J	6 Train purchase starts Phase 5
E	\$40 to the Bank for a garrison	K	\$230 to the Erie for a 4 Train
F	\$450 to the Bank for a 5 Train		

**Tiles**

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

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

**Cash Flow**

	Start	OR9	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
John Webley	192	13	205	1,063	19.8	7 - 9	
Mark Stretch	132	13	145	775	14.4	5 - 9	
David Roffey	286	75	361	1,153	21.4	6 - 7	
Don Smith	96	60	156	1,086	20.2	8 - 9	
Tony Sait	200	111	311	1,303	24.2	10 - 11	

**Portfolios**

	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M
John Webley	1	1	-	6P	-	-	1	1
Mark Stretch	1	-	-	-	-	-	5P	5P
David Roffey	-	2P	-	2	-	5P	-	-
Don Smith	-	-	5P	-	5P	-	1	-
Tony Sait *	6P	-	-	2	3	-	1	-
Bank New	-	4	5	-	-	3	-	3
Par	76	67	76	100	76	100	67	82
Bank Pool	2	3	-	-	2	2	2	1
Quote	70G	10K	76D	111C	100E	110D	50I	62E
Tokens Left	2	2	3	1	1	1	-	1

The OR10 operating order is - B&O, Erie, C&O, PRR, B&M, NYNH, NYC - unless changed by SR7.

Okay, if you will continue to insist on thinking about this game then it will continue to give me pleasure to observe. As the CGR forms Graham loses the lead to Tim. But that's not the point of course, what is more interesting is who is winning.

For reference, the credit and loans of the companies going into the CGR were as follows ...

CPR 85:600, GT 159:800, LPS 0:600, GW 1:800, WR 62:500, THB 1:100.

The THB was the only company where the president had a choice about merging the company into the CGR and Graham decided to let it go. So the CGR is formed with 208 credit and no trains.

### Operating Round 9

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
CPR	[GL]	58:N9:6			160	Y	150D	0	(4)	A
GT	[TP]	7:M8:4			130	Y	100E	0	(3)	B
LPS	[TB]	126:F15:1	[121]		200	Y	100E	0	(4) [+3]	C
GW	[IP]	9:C18:2			200	Y	80F	0	(4) [+3]	B D
CV	TP	7:M12:2			350	Y	80C	79	5 5	
TGB	GL	122:N11:3	[120]		220	Y	75D	742	5 [+4]	B E
CA	IP	57:B19:2					65D	12	[+4] +6 +D	F G H I J K

Notes	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
	\$1 to the THB for a 3 Train	Government Loan secured	\$389 to the CA for a 3 Train	\$1,072 to the CA for a 3 Train	\$1 to the CPR for a 4 Train	\$1 to the GW for a 4 Train	\$700 to the Bank for a 6 Train	6 Train purchase starts Phase 5	\$750+4 Train to the Bank for a Diesel	Diesel purchase starts Phase 6	CGR formed from GW, LPS, WR, CPR, THB, GT

Tiles	1/1	2/0	3/3	4/1	5/2	6/1	7/3	8/8	9/5	14/4	15/2	16/1	17/1	18/1	19/1
	20/1	23/4	24/4	25/1	26/1	27/1	28/1	29/1	39/1	40/1	41/3	42/3	43/2	44/1	45/2
	46/2	47/2	55/0	56/1	57/3	58/1	59/2	63/2	64/1	65/1	66/0	67/1	68/1	69/1	70/1
	120/1	121/1	122/0	123/1	124/1	125/2	126/0	127/1							

Trains 6/1(\$700) D/8(\$1,100)

Cash Flow	Start	OR9	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 10
Graham Lee	183	146	329	1,054	21.7	4.5 - 4.5	
Tim Parkes	216	275	491	1,266	26.1	6.5 - 6.5	
Ian Pendlebury	26	155	181	886	18.2	6.5 - 6.5	
Tony Bromley	230	210	440	995	20.5	4.0 - 4.0	
David Hooton	205	49	254	654	13.5	2.0 - 2.0	

Portfolios	BBG	CA	CV	TGB	WGB	CGR
Graham Lee	-	-	-	3P	-	5P
Tim Parkes *	-	-	5P	1	-	3
Ian Pendlebury	-	5P	1	-	-	3
Tony Bromley	-	-	1	1	-	4
David Hooton	-	-	-	-	-	4
Bank New	10P	4	3	3	10P	-
Par	-	90	90	100	-	100
Bank Pool	-	1	-	2	-	1
Quote	-	65D	80C	75D	-	100A
Credit	-	\$12	\$79	\$742	-	\$208
Trains	-	D 6	5 5	5	-	
Tokens Left	2	2	2	1	1	2

The OR10 operating order is - CGR, CV, TGB, CA.

A 4 train could be bought in OR8 so please advise whether your Minors & Privates will join the PrE in the event that it is formed ...

**Operating Round 7**

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
B-M	DS	8:L4:2			120	Y		111	2 2	
B-P	TP	23:H18:3	[9]		180	Y		170	3 2	
Mag	GL	8:D14:1			70	Y		130	2	A
K-M	DH	24:L4:6	[8]		140	Y		103	3 2	
B-S	TP	8:G17:4			170	Y		170	2+2 2	
A-K	DH	7:C17:1			70	Y		72	2	
ByE	DS	8:L10:4			130	Y	114E	591	3 2 2	
SxE	GL	24:M11:4	[9]		350	Y	104E	735	2+2 2+2 (3 2+2)	
HeE	TP	213:J6:3					78D	184	+3+3	A B
BaE	DH	214:L6:2		H2			78D	70	+3+3	C D B
WtE	GL	57:M9:3					78D	0	+3 +2+2	E F

**Notes**  
 A 50M to Bank for a river  
 B 270M to the Bank for a 3+3 Train  
 C Extra tile lay on Badische Home Base  
 D 80M to the Bank for a garrison  
 E 210M to the SxE for a 2+2 Train  
 F 210M to the SxE for a 3 Train

**Tiles**

1/1	2/1	3/1	4/1	5/3	6/3	7/7	8/6	9/6	12/0	13/2	14/0	15/2
16/2	18/1	19/2	20/2	23/2	24/1	25/2	26/2	27/2	28/2	29/2	55/1	56/1
57/0	58/0	69/0	87/2	88/2	201/2	202/1	203/2	204/2	205/1	206/1	207/1	
208/1	209/0	210/1	211/1	212/1	213/0	214/0	215/0					

**Trains** 3+3/1(270M) then 4/3(360M) 4+4/1(440M) 5/2(500M) 5+5/1(600M) 6/2(600M) 6+6/4(720M)

**Cash Flow**

	Start	OR7	End	Value	%	Certs	Max
George Lucas	2	280	282	1,480	27.2	11	15
Don Smith	76	161	237	1,313	24.1	9	15
Tim Parkes	66	265	331	1,365	25.0	10	15
David Hooton	0	181	181	1,293	23.7	10	15

**Portfolios**

	Privates/Minors	PrE	ByE	SxE	BaE	WtE	HeE	MsE	OIE
George Lucas	Mag	-	-	70/6	-	50/4	-	-	-
Don Smith	Ost, B-M	-	70/6	-	-	-	10/1	-	-
Tim Parkes	Bra, Han, B-P, B-S	10/1	-	10/1	-	-	50/4	-	-
David Hooton *	Pfa, K-M, A-K	-	20/2	10/1	50/4	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	30/3	-	-	50/4	50/4	40/3	100/7	100/7
Bank Pool	-	-	10/1	10/1	-	-	-	-	-
Quote			114E	104E	78D	78D	78D		
Credit			591M	735M	70M	0M	184M		
Tokens Left		1	4	-	-	1	1	1	1

The OR8 operating order is - B-M, B-P, Mag, K-M, B-S, A-K, ByE, SxE, HeE, BaE, WtE.

Two new companies floated and retained ...

Stock Round 3

\* share from the pool

George Lucas	Tim Parkes	Lyndon Gurr	Graham Lee
+WR(70)	+WR(70)	+CV/P(130)	+WR(70)
+LPS(65)	+LPS(65)	+CV(65)	+LPS(65)
-LPS(70),+THB/P(180)	-WR/4(260),+CV(65)	+CV(65)	+WR*(45)
+THB(90)	+CV(65)	+CV(65)	~
~	+CV(65),+CV(65)	[Priority]	

Cash Flow	Start	SR3	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
George Lucas	337	-335	2	497	23.3	2 - 6	
Tim Parkes	199	-135	64	529	24.8	7 - 7	
Lyndon Gurr	330	-325	5	570	26.7	7 - 7	
Graham Lee	240	-180	60	540	25.3	5 - 7	

Portfolios	Privates	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
George L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3P	5P	-
Tim P	WSR, NFSBC	-	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Lyndon G *	-	-	-	4P	5P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Graham L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6P	-	-	2	-
Bank New	-	10P	10P	6	1	10P	10P	2	10P	7	-	10P
Par				65	65			65		90	70	
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-
Quote				60F	65F			65G		90B	45I	
Credit				\$45	\$325			\$40		\$270	\$30	
Trains				3 2				3 2 2			3 2 2 2	
Tokens Left		2	2	3	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1
Tiles	1/1 2/1 3/3 4/2 5/1 6/2 7/6 8/13 9/13 14/3 15/3 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											
	121/1											
Trains	3/2(\$225)	then	4/4(\$350)	5/3(\$550)	6/2(\$700)	D/9(\$1,100)						

The OR4 operating order is - THB, LPS, CV, CPR, WR.

The NYNH & PRR operate in a controlled manner and then David defects to found the B&M whilst Mark gives himself the ability to float the B&O in SR5 ...

### Operating Round 2

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
NYNH	JS	1:F20:2					71D	470	+2 +2 +2	A A A
PRR	JW	9:H14:6					65F	510	+2 +2	A A

Notes A \$80 to the Bank for a 2 Train

### Stock Round 3

\* share from the pool

John Shelley	Don Smith	Mark Hancock	John Webley	David Roffey
~	~	+PRR(67)	[Priority]	

### Operating Round 3

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
NYNH	JS	57:F22:3		F22	110	Y	82C	350	2 2 2	A B
PRR	JW	57:H16:3		H16	30	Y	71E	470	2 2	B

Notes A \$80 to Bank for a river B \$40 to the Bank for a garrison

Tiles 1/0 2/1 3/2 4/2 7/4 8/8 9/6 55/1 56/1 57/2 58/2 69/1  
 Trains 2/1(\$80) then 3/5(\$180) 4/4(\$300) 5/3(\$450) 6/2(\$630) D/6(\$1,100)

### Stock Round 4

\* share from the pool

John Webley	David Roffey	John Shelley	Don Smith	Mark Hancock
~	-PRR/2(142), -NYNH/3(246), +B&M/P(152)	+NYNH*(67)	~	-B&O(100)
+NYNH*(67)	+B&M(76)	+NYNH*(67)	~	~
~	+B&M(76)	+PRR*(67)	~	~
~	+B&M(76), +B&M(76)	[Priority]		

Cash Flow	Start	OR2	SR3	OR3	SR4	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Don Smith	60	25	0	61	0	146	586	19.4	5 - 5	
Mark Hancock	55	30	-67	33	100	151	708	23.5	4 - 4	
John Webley	23	15	0	33	-67	4	547	18.1	7 - 7	
David Roffey	23	20	0	59	-68	34	600	19.9	6 - 6	
John Shelley	151	15	0	59	-201	24	577	19.1	8 - 8	

Portfolios	Privates	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M
Don Smith	C&A	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Mark Hancock	B&O	1	-	-	3P	-	-	-	-
John Webley	D&H	6P	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
David Roffey	M&H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6P
John Shelley *	SVR, CStL	1	-	-	-	-	-	6P	-
Bank New	-	-	10P	10P	6	10P	10P	-	4
Par	-	67	-	-	100	-	-	71	76
Bank Pool	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Quote	-	67G	-	-	90B	-	-	71E	76D
Tokens Left	-	2	3	3	2	2	2	-	1

The OR4 operating order is - B&M, NYNH, PRR.

That was straightforward - as long as I understood correctly the intention of phrases like "keep the base".

## Stock Round 1

# base replaced

Don Smith	John Shelley	David Roffey	Stephen Webb	Mike Ruffhead
~	+SNCF/P(150), Minor 14 for SNCF #	+SNCB/P(164), Minor 1 for SNCB #	+FS/P(200), Minor 8 for FS #	+KPEV/P(200), Minor 5 for KPEV #
+SNCF(75)	Minor 15 for SNCF #	Minor 2 for SNCB #	+FS(100)	Minor 10 for KPEV #
~	+SNCF(75)	+SNCB(82)	Minor 11 for FS	+KPEV(100)

Cash Flow	Start	SR1	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Don Smith	155	-75	80	440	17.4	4 - 4	
John Shelley	235	-225	10	475	18.8	5 - 5	
David Roffey	250	-246	4	484	19.1	5 - 5	
Stephen Webb	320	-300	20	610	24.1	5 - 5	
Mike Ruffhead	300	-300	0	520	20.6	5 - 5	

Portfolios	Minor Cos	SNCB	NS	KBS	KPEV	KKOS	FS	SNCF	DR
Don Smith *	4, 7, 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
John Shelley	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	5P	-
David Roffey	6	5P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stephen Webb	12	-	-	-	-	-	5P	-	-
Mike Ruffhead	9	-	-	-	5P	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	5	10P	10P	5	10P	5	4	10P
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote		82D			100C		100C	75E	
Credit		£386			£330		£320	£355	
Trains		2			2 2		2 2	2 2	
Tokens Left		3	-	-	3	-	4	3	-

Tiles 3/5 4/5 7/3 8/7 9/10 57/5 58/9 201/2 202/5

Trains 3/5(£200) then P/5(£100) 4/4(£300) 5/3(£500) 6/2(£600) 8/8(£800)

The OR3 operating order is - 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, FS, KPEV, SNCB, SNCF.

That went as you expected and Ian is our winner. His 24 operators produce the highest expected yield confirming the timing of his victory. Thanks to all but especially Brad for taking up Gina Teh's abandoned position and staying with it to this glorious end.

**Player Action**

Ian Auctioned a Moon Base for 234. Jeff joined at 235, Dane at 245. Ian dropped out at 245, Dane at 246. Jeff got it for 246 (w:5,8,9,30 r:10,11,11,12,14,14,15,16 n:18,18,20 ro:35)  
 Ian Auctioned a Moon Base for 234. Dane joined at 245 and Ian dropped out. Dane got it for 245 (w:4,7,30 t:11,44 r:11,13,15 m:16,16,17,18,18 om:25)  
 Ian Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160 and got it (o:4,4 t:8,13,44,44 r:15 om:30)  
 Ian Bought six Population Units (w:30)  
 Ian Bought five Ore Factories (w:30 n:20)  
 Jeff Passed  
 Mike Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160 and got it (o:4 w:5,9 r:12,12,13,16,16,17 m:17 om:40)  
 Mike Bought one Population Unit (r:10)  
 Mike Bought one Research Factory (w:30)  
 Mick Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160 and got it (w:8,30,30 m:15,17 mo:60)  
 Mick Bought one Ore Factory (t:10)  
 Mick Bought two Population Units (o:2,2 m:16)  
 Dane Bought one Population Unit (o:5)  
 Dane Bought one Robot (o:2 w:8)  
 Brad Bought three Robots (w:30)  
 Brad Bought one Titanium Factory (o:3 w:4 t:7,9,9)  
 David Bought one Population Unit (t:11)  
 David Bought three Research Factories (w:5,6,7 r:9,12,12,13,13,15)  
 Dane Discarded o:1  
 Brad Discarded o:1 o:2 o:3 o:4 o:4 o:4 o:5

Pos	Player	Factories	Operators (Limits)	Production	Total
1	Ian	7o,4w,10t,1n	24 (25) 0 (0)	7o,1W,2t,2T,1r,1n,1om,1ro	(262,25)
2	Jeff	2o,6w,7r,2n	8 (10) 8 (8)	1w,1W,7r,2n,1ro,1mo	(258,15)
3	Dane	2o,7w,5t	9 (10) 7 (9)	1o,3w,1W,1t,1T,1r,1m,1om,1mo	(218,15)
4	Mike	2o,5w,5r	7 (7) 5 (7)	1o,1w,1W,8r,1m,1om,1ro	(231,10)
5	Mick	3o,10w,1t	16 (16) 0 (0)	3o,3w,2W,1t,4m,1ro,1mo	(258,20)
6	Brad	8o,5w,4t	8 (8) 8 (8)	1o,1w,1W,1T	(84,10)
7	David	2o,3w,1t,7r	10 (10) 0 (0)	1o,2w,1t,7r	(118,25)

Pos	Player	Colony Cards	VPs	Purchases
1	Ian	HE, HE, HE, Nod, Sci, Eco, OP, OP, OP, SS, PC	86	(765)
2	Jeff	WH, Nod, Rob, Lab, Eco, PC, MB	76	(570)
3	Dane	WH, HE, Nod, Sci, OL, Rob, Eco, Eco, SS, MB	71	(600)
4	Mike	DL, DL, DL, Sci, Sci, Sci, OL, Rob, Lab, Lab, Lab, SS, PC	70	(785)
5	Mick	WH, Nod, OL, OL, OL, OP, PC, MB	67	(660)
6	Brad	HE, Nod, Rob, Rob, Eco	34	(185)
7	David	DL, DL, WH, WH, Lab, OP	32	(260)

Nominal competition for the Scientists and then everybody just bought what they wanted ... just like that ...

**Player Action**

David Auctioned a Scientists for 42. Ian joined at 73, Lyndon at 74. David & Ian dropped out at 74. Lyndon got it for 74 reduced to 44 after Data Library discounts (w:30 r:14)

Ian Bought two Titanium Factories (o:3,3,4 w:30 t:9,11)

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

John Bought one Population Unit (o:3,3)

Mark Bought one Titanium Factory (w:30)

Mark Bought two Population Units (t:9,12)

Mike Auctioned a Robots for 51 and Mike got it (o:2,4,5 w:4,6,30) plus a free Robot

Lyndon Passed

Mick Bought one Titanium Factory (w:30)

Mick Bought one Population Unit (o:2,4,4)

Jeff Bought one New Chemicals Factory (w:30 t:13 r:17)

Dane Auctioned a Laboratory for 83 and got it (w:6,8,9,30,30) plus a free Research Factory

Dane Bought one Population Unit (w:10)

Pos	Player	Factories	Operators (Limits)	Production	Total
1	Dane	2o,6w,1r	7 (8) 0 (0)	2w,1W,1r	(57,15)
2	John	2o,4w,1t	8 (8) 0 (0)	2o,1w,1W,2t	(63,10)
3	Ian	2o,4w,4t	8 (8) 0 (0)	1W,5t	(80,10)
4	Mike	2o,6w	8 (8) 1 (8)	2o,2w,1W	(50,15)
5	Mark	2o,4w,3t	8 (8) 0 (0)	3o,1W,3t	(69,10)
6	David	2o,3w	4 (5) 0 (0)	2o,7w	(55,15)
7	Lyndon	2o,5w	5 (5) 0 (0)	4w,1W,2r	(84,10)
8	Mick	2o,4w,1t	7 (8) 0 (0)	3o,2w,1W,1t	(63,15)
9	Jeff	3o,4w,1t,1n	5 (5) 0 (0)	3w,1t,1r,1n	(64,10)

Pos	Player	Colony Cards	VPs	Purchases
1	Dane	WH, Nod, Lab	16	(130)
2	John	HE, Nod, Eco	16	(85)
3	Ian	HE, Nod	15	(55)
4	Mike	WH, Nod, Rob	14	(100)
5	Mark	HE, Nod	14	(55)
6	David	DL, DL, DL, WH, Eco	13	(100)
7	Lyndon	DL, DL, DL, Sci, Sci	12	(125)
8	Mick	WH, HE, Nod	12	(80)
9	Jeff	HE, Sci	11	(70)

On Offer	Item	Count	Status	Item	Count	Status
	Data Library	0	Sold out	Orbital Lab	1	(5 more)
	Warehouse	2	(none left)	Robots	0	(5 more)
	Heavy Equipment	1	(none left)	Laboratory	0	(5 more)
	Nodule	0	Sold out	Ecoplants	0	(4 more)
	Scientists	2	(1 more)	Outpost	3	(3 more)



The Mistress Of Ceremonies received the traditional plethora of offers to be taken into hand (fnarr, fnarr) but of course Mick was there first and then he went on to earn 8 VPs from the phase whilst Stephen then Mike had the greatest cash income. As usual I murmur a silent thank you to Steve for persevering with the start of Gina Teh.

**Buildings Phase Actions**

Mick Haytack	Stephen Webb	Mike Ruffhead	Steve Thomas
Take Mistress Of Ceremonies Into hand	Buy Warehouse Manager	Take Secretary Into Hand	~
Upgrade Warehouse Manager to Minister Of Foreign Affairs			

**The Card Rows**

[Top Row | Bottom Row]



**Cards Bought**

Stephen	Lumberjack [3-3-0] by 2, Gold Miner [4-3-0], Fur Trapper [6-3-0] by 2, Wharf [12-6-1], Pub [1-0-1=2] by 2, Market [5-0-1], Customs House [8-0-2], Administrator [7-2-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Controller [14-4-1] by 2
Mike R	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0], Shepherd [5-3-0] by 2, Fur Trapper [6-3-0], Weaving Mill* [8-6-0], Customs House [8-0-2], Warehouse [2-0-0], Mariinskij Theatre* [10-1/A-0], Church Of The Resurrection* [16-2-4], Author [4-1-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Taxman* [17-1/W-0]
Steve T	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0], Fur Trapper [6-3-0] by 2, Customs House [8-0-2], Catherine The Great Palace* [17-1-5], Observatory [6-0-1?], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0]
Mick H	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0] by 2, Ship Builder [7-3-0] by 3, Wharf [12-6-1], Market [5-0-1], Observatory [6-0-1?], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Secretary [12-4-0], Patriarch* [16-0-4], Minister Of Foreign Affairs* [20-2-4]

**Cards In Hand**

\* indicates a Trading (Upgrade) Card

Stephen	~
Mike R	Library [17-0-5], Theatre [20-0-6], Secretary [12-4-0], Admiral* [18-3-3]
Steve T	Secretary [12-4-0]
Mick H	Mistress Of Ceremonies [18-6-3], Chambermaid* [8-0-2], Minister Of Foreign Affairs* [20-2-4]

**Summary**

Player	Hand Cap	Rubles	VPs	Income per Phase - Rubles + VPs			Round 4 Starters [Cards Left]
				Workers	Buildings	Aristocrats	
Stephen W	3	17	18	21r + 1v	0r + 3v	13r + 2v	Buildings [5]
Mike R	4	15	10	21r + 0v	2r+1/A + 6v	4r+1/W + 0v	Workers [7]
Steve T	3	4	15	12r + 0v	1r + 7v+1v?	3r + 0v	Trading [16]
Mick H	3	9	13	24r + 1v	0r + 1v+1v?	9r + 8v	Aristocrats [11]