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Outpost M9 & St. Petersburg M2 finish this time - won by Ian P & Mick H respectively. The next Outpost will start in Minstrel 334 so sign up if interested. I am opening lists for both St. Petersburg & Year Of The Dragon - I will run the whichever is more popular and possibly both. We shall see on that. New games of 1861 & 18EU are imminent - no start this time as I am about to leave for a break in a Canary Island. The Railway Rivals list is full and the next game will start after the end of the current China game.

The Minstrel 333 package includes a flyer for ManorCon XXVIII - established 1983 and this will be my first year there. The web presence is at <http://www.manorcon.org.uk/>.

This issue is actually produced slighter later than usual even though I stopped work at the end of February. That was the end of corporate employment for me but I do not rule out the possibility of being paid in the future for services rendered. Right now I am trying to start catching up on all those things that did not get done over the last two years whilst I was spending most weeks in Amsterdam. I started last week on "more live music" with the third birthday gig of the best Small Faces tribute band - Small Fakers - at the 100 Club. They featured various guests including Ali Mackenzie who was the lead singer of The Birds and did a short set of their single releases. The last time I saw The Birds (original and only line up so Ronnie Wood on bass) was at the Starlite Ballroom in Greenford in 1965 so Mackenzie must be really old by now. Oh.

1870E25

Lyndon Congratulations to Jeff on an easy victory. He was in pole position from an early stage when he dumped the SLSF. Roger followed suit by dumping the MKT but I felt my best chance was to buy cheap MKT shares and try to make a go of it instead of passing it on to David. I guess the fact that I finished second proves the strategy was correct.

There was a point when I thought we might catch Jeff when he messed around needlessly with the SSW. If someone had bitten the bullet one round earlier and bought the last '5' train then the result might have been randomised. Nobody was prepared to take the risk and by the time I could afford to move the game on a whole operating round later Jeff's position was secure again.

David Congratulations to Jeff on his win. In both this game and in 1870A26, also a 5-player game, only MKT and SLSF could float on the first turn. The first player able to dump each stock to form a new company was on his way to a good final result, leaving other minority stockholders crippled early in the game. Having been on both sides of this dynamic, I think I prefer 4-player 1870 games.

1870E25 WON BY JEFF FROM LYNDON, ROGER, STEPHEN & DAVID H

1835R26

COMMENTS

David Congratulations on a well-played game, Tim. Thanks for running it, Rob, as well as the other games that ended this issue.

1835R26 WON BY TIM FROM GEORGE, DAVID H, DON

WAITING	1829 South	David H, Jeff E
	1829 North	Jeff E, David H, Tony B
	1830	Don S, Mike R, John S
	1835	Tony S, Tim P, George L, Don S
	1856	Ian P, Stephen W, Tim P, Graham L
	1861	Tony S, George L, Mike R, Neil W?
	1870	Lyndon G, Don S, David H, John S
	18EU	Stephen W, David H, Don S, David R, Mike R, John S
	RAILWAY RIVALS	Tony S, John W, David H, Mike R, Brad M, Tony B
	OUTPOST	Ian P, David H, Jeff E, Dane M, Mike R
	St. PETERSBURG	[Empty]
	YEAR OF THE DRAGON	[Empty]

Okay, it was one of those rounds where I had to extract intent on occasion - so check and advise appeals for this round of dealing that I think included one or more desires being achieved by unintended means - with an end result of all the remaining companies making their appearance ...

Stock Round 6

* share from the pool

Lyndon Gurr	Graham Lee	George Lucas	Tim Parkes
-WR(70),+CA/P(200)	-WR(70),+GW(100)	-WR/3(210)	-CV/2(130),+GW(100)
+CA(100)	+CPR(65)	~	-GW/4(440),+GT/P(200)
+CA(100)	+GT(100)	+GW*(75)	+GT(100)
+CA(100)	+CPR(65),-CPR(75),-GT(100)	+GW*(75)	+GT(100)
~	~	+WGB/P(200)	+GT(100)
~	~	+WGB(100)	-THB/2(300),+TGB/P(200)
~	+THB*(110)	+WGB(100)	+WGB(100)
~	~	+WGB(100)	-WGB(100),+CA(100)
~	~	~	-CA(100),+TGB(100)
~	~	~	+TGB/2(200)
~	~	~	+GT(100)

Cash Flow	Start	SR6	End	Value	%	Certs Max 16
George Lucas	479	-440	39	1,399	24.8	12 - 12
Tim Parkes	361	-330	31	1,431	25.4	13 - 13
Lyndon Gurr	435	-430	5	1,415	25.1	13 - 17
Graham Lee	303	-195	108	1,398	24.8	12 - 12

Portfolios	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
George Lucas	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	5P	3P	5P
Tim Parkes	-	-	-	-	6P	-	-	5P	2	2	-
Lyndon Gurr *	5P	5P	5P	6P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Graham Lee	-	-	1	-	-	6P	5P	-	2	-	-
Bank New	4	4	2	-	3	-	-	5	-	-	4
Par	65	100	65	65	100	100	65	100	90	70	100
Bank Pool	1	1	2	4	1	2	5	-	1	5	1
Quote	50G	90B	70G	60H	90B	75F	110E	100A	110D	70G	90B
Credit	\$314	\$600	\$253	\$171	\$700	\$407	\$81	\$500	\$139	\$35	\$600
Loans	0	0	500	600	0	0	500	0	0	700	0
Trains	4 3		4	3		5 4	3		5 4	3 3	
Tokens Left	2	2	3	1	3	2	1	1	-	1	1

Rights Held by ShareCos : CPR - Tunnel | CV - Tunnel | LPS - Tunnel | THB - Bridge | WR - Port Token at O18, Bridge.

Tiles 1/1 2/1 3/2 4/1 5/1 6/0 7/6 8/7 9/10 14/2 15/1 16/1 17/1 18/1 19/1
 20/1 23/3 24/3 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 55/1 56/1 57/2 58/3 59/1 63/4 64/1 65/1 66/1 67/0 68/1 69/0 70/1
 120/1 121/1 122/0 125/3 126/1 127/0
 Trains 5/1(\$550) then 6/2(\$700) D/9(\$1,100)

The OR10 operating order is - LPS, THB, TGB, GT, WGB, CA, GW, WR, CPR, CV, BBG.

We stop after OR11 by two requests ... orders on file for SR8 used if not replaced. As we end OR11 the Erie and the CPR are without trains ...

Operating Round 11

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
Erie	DR	23:H8:6	[8]				90E	97	[+4 +D]	A B C
NYNH	DS	24:D12:3	[8]				90E	1	+5	D
C&O	DS	9:G5:2					82B	0	+D	E F
B&O	MH	9:I17:3			380	Y	90C	181	5 5	G
PRR	JW				260	Y	67F	115	6	
CPR	JS	8:B12:1			250	Y	65F	716	(6)	
NYC	JS	42:D20:3	[24]				45G	41	+6	H
B&M	DR	9:F12:2					36G	0	+D	I

Notes

A	\$1 to the B&M for a 4 Train	F	\$1,100 to the Bank for a D Train
B	\$800+4 Train to the Bank for a Diesel	G	\$80 to Bank for a river
C	Diesel purchase starts Phase 6	H	\$606 to the CPR for a 6 Train
D	\$345 to the C&O for a 5 Train	I	\$97 to the Erie for a D Train
E	\$205 from Don Smith for a train purchase		

Tiles

1/0	2/1	3/2	4/2	7/4	8/6	9/1	14/1	15/1	16/1	18/1	19/0	20/1	23/0	24/1
25/0	26/1	27/1	28/1	29/1	39/1	40/1	41/2	42/1	43/2	44/1	45/1	46/2	47/1	53/2
54/1	55/0	56/1	57/3	58/0	59/2	61/0	62/0	63/1	64/1	65/0	66/1	67/0	68/1	69/0
70/1														

Trains D/4(\$1,100)

Cash Flow

	Start	OR11	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Don Smith	349	-141	208	1,037	16.4	8 - 8	
Mark Hancock	187	266	453	1,190	18.9	8 - 8	
John Webley	242	257	499	1,497	23.7	11 - 13	
David Roffey	619	26	645	1,432	22.7	6 - 10	
John Shelley	139	188	327	1,150	18.2	7 - 12	

Portfolios

	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M
Don Smith	1	-	-	1	6P	-	2P	-
Mark Hancock	1	-	2	5P	-	-	1	-
John Webley	6P	1	1	2	-	1	2	1
David Roffey	1	-	-	-	-	6P	-	5P
John Shelley *	-	5P	6P	1	1	-	-	1
Bank New	-	4	1	1	3	2	-	3
Par	67	67	67	100	100	76	71	76
Bank Pool	1	-	-	-	-	1	5	-
Quote	67F	45G	65F	90C	82B	90E	90E	36G
Credit	\$115	\$41	\$716	\$181	\$0	\$97	\$1	\$0
Tokens Left	2	3	3	2	1	2	-	-

The OR12 operating order is - Erie, NYNH, B&O, C&O, PRR, CPR, NYC, B&M - unless changed by SR8.

Bases laid and those Red-to-Red bonus earnings are, um, earnt (or - in modern parlance - earned) ...

Operations Round 9

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
KPEV	MR	15:K10:6	[57]	K10	610	Y	180C	0	6 6	
FS	SW	582:S8:4	[577]	S8	670	Y	150C	169	P 8	
NS	SW	147:G2:2	[142]	J1	460	Y	135C	291	P 5	
SNCF	JS	582:M4:4	[578]		240	H	122D	20	8 +P	A
SNCB	DR	57:G4:2		G4	470	Y	122D	0	P 5	
DR	MR	611:R9:5	[15]	E10	490	Y	100D	121	P 5	
KKOS	DR	8:H11:4		G10	420	Y	75F	1	8	B
KBS	JS	582:L7:1	[577]		440	Y	70F	262	8	

Notes A £100 to the Bank for a P Train B £60 to Bank for a Tile lay

Tiles	3/7	4/5	7/4	8/5	9/6	14/3	15/3	57/6	58/10	80/4	81/4	82/0	83/4
	141/4	142/3	143/1	144/1	145/4	146/5	147/2	201/7	202/9	513/5	544/3	545/3	
	546/3	576/3	577/3	578/2	579/3	580/1	581/2	582/3	583/0	584/0	611/7		
Trains	8/4(£800)												

Cash Flow	Start	OR9	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Don Smith	6	130	136	351	3.4	3 - 3	
John Shelley	4	447	451	1,957	18.9	12 - 12	
David Roffey	24	644	668	2,130	20.5	12 - 12	
Stephen Webb	64	763	827	2,961	28.6	13 - 13	
Mike Ruffhead	109	786	895	2,969	28.6	13 - 13	

Portfolios	SNCB	NS	KBS	KPEV	KKOS	FS	SNCF	DR
Don Smith	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-
John Shelley	2	-	5P	1	-	-	6P	-
David Roffey *	6P	-	-	1	6P	-	-	1
Stephen Webb	-	6P	-	1	-	6P	2	-
Mike Ruffhead	1	-	-	6P	-	1	1	6P
Bank New	-	4	3	-	-	-	-	2
Bank Pool	1	-	-	1	3	3	1	1
Quote	122D	135C	70F	180C	75F	150C	122D	100D
Credit	£0	£291	£262	£0	£1	£169	£20	£121
Tokens Left	2	2	3	-	2	-	3	2

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

Some players hunkered down for a thrash through the remaining companies but in this reality there was just the one flotation ...

Share Dealing Round 8

* share from the pool

Mike Ruffhead	David Hooton	Andy Muir	Tony Osborne	John Shelley
-LNWR,+LSWR*	+LSWR*	~	+GNR	+GWR*
+LSWR*	+LSWR*	+GNR	-GNR2,+LBSC/D	~
+GNR*	~	+LBSC	+LBSC	~
+GNR*	~	+LBSC	+LBSC	~
~	~	~	+LBSC	[Totem]

Cash Flow	Start	SDR8	End	Value	%	Certs Max 17
Tony Osborne	311	-254	57	1,148	19.9	9 - 9
John Shelley	198	-142	56	1,037	18.0	10 - 10
Mike Ruffhead	175	-94	81	1,115	19.3	11 - 11
David Hooton	157	-142	15	1,228	21.3	7 - 7
Andy Muir	264	-205	59	1,247	21.6	9 - 9

Portfolios	Privates	LNWR	GWR	Mid	LSWR	GNR	LBSC	GER	GCR	L&YR	SECR
Tony Osborne	-	-	-	6D	-	-	5D	-	-	-	-
John Shelley *	S&M	-	1	3	5D	1	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Ruffhead	-	-	2	-	2	8D	-	-	-	-	-
David Hooton	-	5D	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Andy Muir	-	-	6D	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-
Bank New	Hull	-	-	-	-	-	3	10D	10D	10D	10D
Bank P	C&HP, C&W, L&M	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Credit		£380	£100	£160	£160	£370	£670				
Trains		2 2 2	3 2 2	3 2 2	3 3	3					
Tokens Left		4	3	4	4	4	3	3	3	2	2
Tiles	1/2 2/2 3/2 4/6 5/4 6/3 7/3 8/4 9/9 10/3 12/1 13/3 14/1 15/1 16/1										
Trains	17/1 18/1 19/2 20/1 21/1 22/1 23/4 24/4 25/2 26/2 27/2 28/1 29/0 30/1 31/1										
Trains	3/1(£300) then 4/5(£430) 5/5(£550) 7/4(£720)										

1829Q27 : SOUTH GAME, MSK1, PC RULE : PHASE 2 : BANK - £19,732 NEXT TIME - OR9 & OR10

1856N25

COMMENTS

David Congratulations, Lyndon, on your win. Having a second train in the CA made all the difference.

John It all started to go wrong in SR1 when George bought shares to nick the GW Presidency from me, bought four Type 2s for the company in OR1 and then dumped it onto me in SR2. I struggled from then on. I ended up next to last, my only consolation is the George the Dumper was last. 8-)

1856N25

WON BY LYNDON FROM DAVID H, ROGER, JOHN S, GEORGE

1856F26

COMMENTS

David Congratulations, Tim, on your win. By going first in OR3 and last in OR4 (three players sold a share in the intervening SR), my WR lost its chance to buy 3-trains, and it was all downhill from there.

1856F26

WON BY TIM FROM GRAHAM, IAN, TONY B, DAVID H

This time David & Tony used some incorrect tile orientations which I could correct due to clear intention (but do let me know if you need tile sheets). I could do nothing when John tried to use an tile type not in 1856 and David ordered illegal promotions. Meanwhile I am interested to see what happens in the next dealing - could be a whole mess of something or nothing ...

Operating Round 5

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Loan	Trains	Notes
BBG	DR	6:J15:1					80B	10	0	+4	F G
LPS	DS	8:D15:6		D17	90	Y	80F	95	400	3	C H
CA	JW				100	Y	80E	250	300	3	
GT	TS	120:N11:4			100	Y	70F	225	300	3	A I
CV	DS	9:M12:2					60F	65	100	+4	I F
CPR	TS	58:N9:6		N11	100	Y	65G	275	300	3	E I H J
GW	DR	8:I16:2			80	Y	60H	90	400	3	B D I

Operating Round 6

	Dir	Lay	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Loan	Trains	Notes
LPS	DS	9:C18:2			90	Y	90F	65	400	3	C
CA	JW				100	Y	90E	220	300	3	
BBG	DR	57:J13:1			90	Y	90B	10	0	4	
GT	TS	23:M8:3	[8]		100	Y	75F	290	400	3	A I
CPR	TS	8:L7:5			100	Y	70G	35	400	3 +4	E I F
GW	DR	15:F17:2	[5]		90	Y	65G	80	400	3	B D
CV	DS	6:L13:4		L13	80	Y	65F	15	100	4	H

Notes

- A \$5 from the FT Private
- B \$10 from the WSR Private
- C \$10 from the TCC Private
- D \$20 from the NFSBC Private
- E \$20 from the SCFTC Private
- F \$350 to the Bank for a 4 Train
- G 4 Train purchase starts Phase 3
- H \$40 to the Bank for a garrison
- I Government Loan secured
- J CPR reaches its destination

Tiles

1/1 2/1 3/3 4/2 5/2 6/0 7/6 8/7 9/10 14/4 15/1 16/1 17/1 18/1 19/1
 20/1 23/3 24/4 25/1 26/1 27/1 28/1 29/1 55/1 56/1 57/0 58/2 59/2 69/1 120/0
 121/1

Trains

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

Cash Flow

	Start	OR5	OR6	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
Tony Sait	7	100	100	207	932	26.5	8 - 8	
David Roffey	2	48	90	140	890	25.3	8 - 8	
Don Smith	15	45	85	145	920	26.1	8 - 8	
John Webley	11	69	69	149	779	22.1	6 - 6	

Portfolios

Privates	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
Tony Sait	-	-	5P	-	5P	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Roffey *	-	4P	-	-	-	6P	-	-	-	-	-
Don Smith	-	-	-	5P	-	-	5P	-	-	-	-
John Webley	-	-	6P	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	6	4	2	5	4	4	10P	10P	10P	10P
Par	-	90	70	65	65	70	65	-	-	-	-
Bank Pool	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote	90B	90E	70G	65F	75F	65G	90F	-	-	-	-
Credit	\$10	\$220	\$35	\$15	\$290	\$80	\$65	-	-	-	-
Loans	0	300	400	100	400	400	400	-	-	-	-
Tokens Left	2	2	2	1	3	2	-	1	1	2	1

Privates Owned by ShareCos : CPR - SCFTC | GT - FT | GW - WSR, NFSBC | LPS - TCC.
 Rights Held by ShareCos : CA - Port Token at F17 | CPR - Tunnel | GW - Bridge.

The OR7 operating order is - LPS, CA, BBG, GT, CPR, GW, CV - unless changed by SR5.

As advertised (but too late for most of you) we stop after OR5 at George's request. And at the end of that we have just the one 3 train left before the 2 train trashing 4 trains become available ...

Operating Round 5

	Dir	Lay(s)	[Rep]	Base	Run Pay	Quote	Credit	Loan	Trains	Notes	
M-B	GL	8:E8:3				120C	45	0	+3	A	
E	SW	9:O6:2	8:N7:6			100D	45	50	[+3]	B C A	
D	MR	57:G18:3	8:F17:1			100D	0	0	+2 +2	B D E	
K-R	MR	622:F15:6		[201]	80	H	100F	5	0	2 +3	A
M-NN	SW	637:G8:2	208:J7:3		100	H	90F	80	0	2 +3	B F G
N	SW	7:G6:3	24:H7:3		180	H	80G	65	0	2 2	H B I
M-K	MR	619:G18:5		[57]			65G	5	50	+3	C A
O-K	GL	207:C20:5		[202]	80	H	80G	130	0	2	
K-B	GL	9:C12:1			80	H	80G	15	50	2	J K I
NW	JS	8:F9:6	207:A4:2		270	Y	135D	132	0	3 2 2 +3	B L I A

Notes	A	R225 to the Bank for a 3 Train	G	R25 to the E for a 3 Train
	B	R20 to Bank for 2 Tiles	H	1 Loan for Tile Lay
	C	1 Loan for Train Purchase	I	1 Loan Redeemed
	D	R120 to the K-R for a 2 Train	J	2 Loans for Tile Lay
	E	R80 to the M-K for a 2 Train	K	R80 to Bank for a Tile lay
	F	R60 to Stephen W for the MYR	L	R5 Interest paid

Tiles	3/1	4/2	5/2	6/1	7/~	8/~	9/~	14/1	15/2	16/2	17/2	18/2	19/2
	20/2	21/2	22/2	23/5	24/4	25/4	26/2	27/2	28/2	29/2	30/2	31/2	57/2
	58/2	87/2	88/2	201/3	202/4	204/2	207/3	208/1	619/1	621/2	622/1	624/1	
	625/1	626/1	635/0	637/0									

Trains	3/1(R225)	then	4/4(R350)	5/4(R550)	6/2(R650)	7/2(R800)	8/9(R1,000)
	2+2/2(R600)5+5E/2(R1,500)						

Cash Flow	Start	OR5	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
Mike Ruffhead	50	40	90	620	20.1	3 - 3	
John Shelley	70	133	203	818	26.6	4 - 4	
George Lucas	20	105	125	760	24.7	5 - 5	
Stephen Webb	0	250	250	880	28.6	4 - 4	

Portfolios	Privates	N	M-NN	O-K	M-K	K-B	K-R	M-B	D	E	NW	RSR
Mike	-	-	-	-	2D	-	2D	-	2D	-	-	-
John *	MRR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4D	-
George	TSR, BSSC	-	-	2D	-	2D	-	2D	-	-	-	-
Stephen	WVR	2D	2D	-	-	-	-	-	-	2D	-	-
Bank New	Minor Cos	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2D
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote		80G	90F	80G	65G	80G	100F	120C	100D	100D	135D	
Credit		R65	R80	R130	R5	R15	R5	R45	R0	R45	R132	R120
Loans		0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	50	0	
Tokens Left		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

Privates Owned by ShareCos : M-NN - MYR.

The OR6 operating order is - M-B, K-R, E, D, M-NN, N, O-K, K-B, M-K, NW.

I stopped after OR7 as the RSR was formed by the purchase of the first 4 train and a couple of companies were nationalised. Some orders seemed to partially anticipate, and partially be surprised by, the purchase of that first 4 train so - even though it probably makes little difference to the Merger Round - I thought I would call a halt to allow acclimatisation. There are four public companies yet to be started ...

Operating Round 7

	Dir	Lay(s)	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Loan	Trains	Notes	
E	LG	8:06:6	9:N5:3				120C	15	0	+3	F G H	
D	DH	5:G18:5	25:F17:5				100D	20	50	+3	G I H	
M-V	LG	23:H11:4	9:110:2	[9]	220	H	100F	140	0	3 (2)	A B C G	
StP-W	DH	9:E8:2	25:F7:3		100	H	100F	140	0	3 (2)	E G	
O-K	BP	619:G18:5		[5]	80	H	70G	0	0	(2)		
R-O	BP	15:D9:6		[5]	80	H	70G	0	0	(2)		
V	DR	57:H19:3					65F	0	0	+3	J	
SW	MS				C20	160	Y	180B	52	0	+4	K L M N O P
MK	DR						120D	365	0	+4	D N	
GRR	DH	24:H7:3		[8]	J7	130	Y	120D	128	0	3	K
MVR	LG	8:M4:3	23:H9:6			170	Y	120D	215	0	3	G
RSR	BN							25	150	+4	Q N	

Notes

A	R10 from the TSR Private	J	R140 to the MK for a 3 Train
B	R15 from the BSSC Private	K	R60 to the Bank for a garrison
C	R20 from the MYR Private	L	R5 Interest paid
D	R25 from the MRR Private	M	1 Loan Redeemed
E	R30 from the WVR Private	N	R350 to the Bank for a 4 Train
F	R20 to Bank for a Tile lay	O	4 Train purchase starts Phase 4
G	R20 to Bank for 2 Tiles	P	O-K, R-O are Nationalised
H	R225 to the Bank for a 3 Train	Q	3 Loans for Train Purchase
I	1 Loan for Train Purchase		

Tiles

3/2	4/3	5/2	6/2	7/~	8/~	9/~	14/1	15/1	16/2	17/2	18/2	19/2
20/2	21/2	22/2	23/2	24/4	25/2	26/1	27/2	28/1	29/2	30/2	31/2	57/1
58/1	87/2	88/2	201/3	202/4	204/2	207/3	208/1	619/0	621/2	622/1	624/1	
625/1	626/1	635/0	637/0									

Trains

4/1(R350)	then	5/4(R550)	6/2(R650)	7/2(R800)	8/9(R1,000)
		2+2/2(R600)		5+5E/2(R1,500)	

Cash Flow

	Start	OR7	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
Lyndon Gurr	10	195	205	1,245	29.4	6 - 6	
David Hooton	10	102	112	992	23.4	5 - 5	
David Roffey	40	180	220	1,070	25.2	6 - 6	
Mark Stretch	165	228	393	933	22.0	2 - 2	

Portfolios

	Privates	StP-W	M-V	D	V	E	GRR	SW	MK	MVR	RSR
Lyndon Gurr	-	-	2D	-	-	2D	-	-	-	5D	-
David Hooton	-	2D	-	2D	-	-	4D	-	-	-	-
David Roffey	-	-	-	-	2D	-	-	-	6D	-	-
Mark Stretch *	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3D	-	-	-
Bank New	Minor Cos	-	-	-	-	-	6	7	4	5	2D
Bank Pool		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote		100F	100F	100D	65F	120C	120D	180B	120D	120D	
Credit		R140	R140	R20	R0	R15	R128	R52	R365	R215	R25
Loans		0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Trains		3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	4
Tokens Left		-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	5

Privates Owned by ShareCos : StP-W - WVR | M-V - TSR, BSSC, MYR | MK - MRR.

The OR8 operating order is - E, M-V, StP-W, D, V, SW, MK, GRR, MVR, RSR.

Steady development and the SxE is floated to aid in such ...

Operating Round 3

	Dir	Lay(s)	[Rep]	Base	Run	Pay	Quote	Credit	Trains	Notes
B-M	JS	58:K3:5			40	Y		40	2	
B-P	JW	8:D14:3			70	Y		75	2	A
Mag	TB	8:D12:6			40	Y		40	2	
K-M	JW	58:F6:3			60	Y		45	2 2	
B-S	JS				50	Y		50	2	
A-K	TB	58:B12:5			60	Y		60	2	
ByE	DS	8:M11:6 6:M9:3		N12	170	Y	100C	448	2+2 2 2	B

Notes A 50M to Bank for a river B 40M to the Bank for a garrison

Tiles 1/1 2/1 3/2 4/2 5/2 6/1 7/8 8/7 9/9 55/1 56/0 57/0 58/1 69/2 201/2
202/0

Trains 2+2/3(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)

Share Round 4

* share from the pool

Don Smith	John Shelley	David Hooton	John Webley	Tony Bromley
+ByE/10(92)	~	+SxE/10(88)	+SxE/10(88)	~
~	~	ByE/10(100),+SxE/10(88)	~	+ByE*/10(94)
~	~	-ByE/10(94),+SxE/10(88)	~	~
~	+ByE*/10(90)	[Loco]		

Cash Flow	Start	OR3	SR4	End	Value	%	Certs	Max
Tony Bromley	16	109	-94	31	603	19.0	6	12
Don Smith	53	78	-92	39	629	19.8	5	12
John Shelley	8	107	-90	25	683	21.5	6	12
David Hooton	71	59	-70	60	790	24.9	6	12
John Webley	75	65	-88	52	470	14.8	3	12

Portfolios	Privates/Minors	PrE	ByE	SxE	BaE	WtE	HeE	MsE	OIE
Tony Bromley	Bra, Mag, A-K	-	30/3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don Smith	Ost	-	50/4D	-	-	-	-	-	-
John Shelley	Pfa, Han, B-M, B-S	-	20/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Hooton *	N-F, L-D	-	-	50/4D	-	-	-	-	-
John Webley	B-P, K-M	-	-	10/1	-	-	-	-	-
Bank New	-	40/4D	-	40/4	100/8D	100/8D	100/8D	100/7D	100/7D
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote			94D	88D					
Credit			540M	528M					
Tokens Left		1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1

The OR4 operating order is - B-M, B-P, Mag, K-M, B-S, A-K, ByE, SxE.

Mike keeps his powder dry for a while and Tony holds that stance throughout the dealing - which ended with two companies able to operate on OR1. Next time we will stop after SR2 if any more companies are floated and/or if any shares are sold. So orders for OR2 & SR3 can know that only the PRR & C&O will operate in OR2 and that all players start SR3 with all the shares they have now plus any SR2 purchases.

Stock Round 1 (Completion)

Mike Ruffhead	Tony Sait	Don Smith	Tony Bromley	David Roffey
~	~	+PRR/P(180)	+C&O/P(152)	+C&O(76)
~	~	+PRR(90)	+C&O(76)	+C&O(76)
~	~	+PRR(90)	+C&O(76)	+C&O(76)
+C&O(76)	~	+PRR(90)	+C&O(76)	~
+C&O(76)	[Priority]			

Cash Flow	Start	SR1	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 13
Mike Ruffhead	198	-152	46	530	19.7	5 - 5	
Tony Sait	320	0	320	470	17.5	2 - 2	
Don Smith	480	-450	30	480	17.9	4 - 4	
Tony Bromley	460	-380	80	510	19.0	5 - 5	
David Roffey	260	-228	32	698	26.0	5 - 5	

Portfolios	Privates	PRR	NYC	CPR	B&O	C&O	Erie	NYNH	B&M
Mike Ruffhead	D&H, C&A	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Tony Sait *	CStL, M&H	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don Smith	-	5P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tony Bromley	SVR	-	-	-	-	5P	-	-	-
David Roffey	B&O	-	-	-	2P	3	-	-	-
Bank New	-	4	10P	10P	8	-	10P	10P	10P
Par	-	90			100	76			
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote		90B			100A	82C			
Credit		\$900				\$760			
Tokens Left		3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1

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

The OR1 operating order is - PRR, C&O.

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NEXT TIME - OR1, SR2, OR2 & SR3

The dealing was brisk and short - and the way it worked out was that we did not see all the Private Companies purchased in SR1. So then a quick OR1 where all but Mark received some income and we move onto what I will call SR2. This SR2 is still part of the Initial Stock Round so no shares can be sold in this SR2. Next time I need orders for all of SR2 - and in SR2 either nothing will happen or the SCFTC will be bought and then all players will very most likely buy shares in one or more Public Companies.

Stock Round 1

Don Smith	David Roffey	John Shelley	Mark Hancock
+FT(20)	+WSR(40)	Bid on GLSC(75)	~
+TCC(50) [John S +GLSC(75)]	+NFSBC(100)	[Priority]	

Operating Round 1

- The bought Private Companies paid out.

Cash Flow	Start	SR1	OR1	End	Value	%	Certs	Max 16
Don Smith	375	-70	15	320	390	25.1	2 - 2	
David Roffey	375	-140	30	265	405	26.0	2 - 2	
John Shelley	375	-75	15	315	385	24.8	1 - 1	
Mark Hancock	375	0	0	375	375	24.1	-	

Portfolios	Privates	BBG	CA	CPR	CV	GT	GW	LPS	TGB	THB	WR	WGB
Don	FT, TCC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David	WSR, NFSBC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
John *	GLSC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank New Par	SCFTC	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P	10P
Bank Pool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quote												
Credit												
Loans												
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)					

Three companies earned well and three did not. Only one entry for CSR - but that still gained nearly as much as GRINCH & GITCO did from their multiple entries with one cause being the fortune rolling of HOI-SIN. All smacks of conspicuous consumption I feel - average luck would have still kept him in the lead. The big gainer over the round is YAYS who moves from joint last to third place.

HOI-SIN kicks off this time by taking run 22 from GRINCH by a greater margin than warranted by his slightly shorter route. Then HOI-SIN ran joint with YAYS to overcome TANG's length advantage and win run 23 with GRINCH again behind. However, GRINCH does better in the next without entering as he provides access to Tsingtao, primarily for GITCO whose investment pays off as he just wins the race finishing that one necessary space ahead of YAYS whose route was just that bit too long. GRINCH then nearly overcomes a significant length disadvantage in run 25, paying a little more than expected to TANG for the privilege. TANG then takes the long way round in run 26 but has no chance against YAYS - but the free entry makes second place worthwhile. YAYS & HOI-SIN combine again for run 27 and run out unopposed. And in run 28 the HOI-SIN conglomerate exchanges running powers with CSR and it is between them as the TANG & GITCO joint entry is completely overlengthed - and of course HOI-SIN wins.

Runs

22>	Shenyang – Chengchow	HOI-SIN [26] 20+4, GRINCH [27] 10-4/HOI-SIN
23>	Chinchow – Hangchow	YAYS:HOI-SIN [33] 10+6:10, TANG [31] 10-5/YAYS, GRINCH [35] 0-1/YAYS
24>	Tsingtao – Kweiyang	GITCO [41] 20-7/GRINCH, YAYS [45] 10-1/GRINCH, GRINCH +8
25>	Tatung – Shanghai	TANG [28] 20+8, GRINCH [35] 10-8/TANG
26>	Taiyuan – Foochow	YAYS [33] 20-3/HOI-SIN-1/CSR, TANG [46] 10, HOI-SIN +3, CSR +1
27>	Kunming – Manchuria	YAYS:HOI-SIN [74] 10:10
28>	Henyang – Mongolia	HOI-SIN [40] 20-19/CSR+21, CSR [40] 10-21/HOI-SIN+20, TANG:GITCO [54] 0-1/CSR:0

Earnings - HOI-SIN 69, YAYS 51, TANG 42, GRINCH 15, GITCO 13, CSR 10.

Builds

				Cost
CSR	Orange	None		
YAYS	Brown	(N11) - Q13 - R12		4+1/GITCO
TANG	Blue	(G24) - G22 - Kwangchow		3+1/CSR
HOI-SIN	Red	None		
GITCO	Purple	None		
GRINCH	Green	None		

Scores					Runs	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Build
CSR	Tony Bromley	112	=	101						+1		+9	+1
YAYS	David Hooton	142	=	96			+16	+9		+16	+10		-5
TANG	Brad Martin	175	=	137			+5		+28	+10		-1	-4
HOI-SIN	Mike Ruffhead	236	=	166	+24	+10				+3	+10	+22	+1
GITCO	Tony Sait	130	=	117				+13				+0	
GRINCH	John Webley	111	=	96	+6	-1	+8	+2					

Runs for Round 11 - Enter up to 4

			32>	25-66	Suchow - Hong Kong
29>	11-33	Luta - Paotow	33>	34-56	Yinchwan - Any Seaport
30>	16-51	Beijing - Vietnam	34>	42-51	Shanghai - Chengtu
31>	22-35	Tsinan - Lanchow	35>	52-65	Chungking - Kwangchow

The build allowances for round 7 onwards are for track building - payments to players are charged in addition. The build allowances are 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 & 2 points for round 7 to 12, respectively.

Both John & Mick had exactly 200 in production but John got the first chance to auction the last Moon Base. By that time Ian had bought a Moon Base and just passed the 75 VP mark to claim victory ahead of Lyndon and a clutch of players grouped closely in third to sixth places.

Thanks to all and congratulations to Ian on a considered victory.

Outpost M10 will start in the next Minstrel so please let me know if you want to add yourself to the waiting list for that game.

Player Action

Lyndon Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160. Dane joined at 184 and Lyndon dropped out. Dane got it for 184 (w:7,30 r:10,11,13,16 m:15 n:16,26 ro:40)

Lyndon Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160 and got it for 160 (r:11,12,13,16,16 n:18,18,22 mo:40)

Ian Auctioned a Moon Base for 214. Jeff joined at 215 and Ian dropped out. Jeff got it for 215 (t:44 n:88,88)

Ian Auctioned a Moon Base for 214 and got it for 214 (o:1 w:30 t:11,44 r:12 m:18,20 n:18,20 ro:40)

Dane Passed

Mark Auctioned a Space Station for 120. Mike joined at 121 and dropped out at 138. Mark got it for 138 (o:3 w:6,30 t:11,44,44)

Mark Bought one Population Unit (w:6)

Jeff Bought one Ore Factory (o:4 r:9)

Jeff Bought two Robots (o:4 m:19)

John Auctioned a Moon Base for 200 and got it for 200 (w:7,9,30,30 t:10,11,44,44 r:15)

Mike Auctioned a Space Station for 120. David joined at 121 and dropped out at 122. Mike got it for 122 (o:2 w:30,30 t:44 m:16)

David Bought one Research Factory (o:5 w:7,9,9)

David Bought one New Chemicals Factory (r:11,14,17 m:18)

David Bought two Robots (o:2 w:7 r:12)

Mick Auctioned a Planetary Cruiser for 160 and got it for 160 (o:5 t:12,12,44,44,44)

Jeff Discarded o:1

Pos	Player	Factories	Operators (Limits)	Production	Total
1	Ian	2o,4w,5t,2n	13 (15) 0 (0)	1W,1t,1T,1r,2m,2n,1ro,1mo	(261,15)
2	Lyndon	2o,5w,3r,3n	6 (7) 0 (0)	4r,3n,1ro,1mo	(202,10)
3	Dane	2o,6w,4r,2n	8 (10) 4 (8)	1W,4r,1m,2n,2ro	(219,15)
4	Jeff	4o,4w,4t,4n	10 (11) 6 (10)	2o,1W,1T,1r,1m,1N,1mo	(248,15)
5	John	2o,5w,6t,1r	13 (14) 0 (0)	1w,1W,2t,1T,1r,1mo	(164,20)
6	Mark	2o,6w,9t	14 (14) 4 (14)	3o,2w,1W,1t,2T,1om	(181,20)
7	Mike	2o,8w,4t	10 (14) 4 (10)	4o,2W,1t,1T,1m,1om	(173,20)
8	Mick	2o,4w,9t	13 (14) 0 (0)	3w,1W,2t,2T,1ro	(199,20)
9	David	2o,3w,4r,1n	5 (5) 5 (5)	2o,3w,6r,1m,1n	(142,15)

Pos	Player	Colony Cards	VPs	Purchases
1	Ian	HE, Nod, Sci, OL, OL, Eco, OP, PC, MB	76	(685)
2	Lyndon	DL, DL, DL, Sci, Sci, Sci, Lab, Lab, Lab, PC, MB	70	(765)
3	Dane	WH, Nod, OL, Rob, Lab, PC, PC	62	(550)
4	Jeff	HE, Sci, OL, Rob, OP, MB	61	(470)
5	John	WH, HE, Nod, Lab, Eco, OP, MB	58	(490)
6	Mark	WH, HE, Nod, Rob, Eco, Eco, OP, SS	58	(410)
7	Mike	WH, HE, Nod, OL, Rob, Eco, OP, SS	47	(430)
8	Mick	WH, HE, Nod, OP, PC	45	(340)
9	David	DL, DL, DL, WH, Sci, OL, Rob, Lab, Eco	38	(320)

Last time I missed Showing Stephen’s Author, Mike’s Controller & Mick’s Minister Of Foreign Affairs. The Summary was correct. This time - a brief flurry and the game ends with Mick the clear winner - a stunning 9 different flavours of Aristocrat taking him well clear of Stephen who was the only player to gain more points in the play and from Mike. As ever a special thank you to Steve for taking up the unassailably poor position created by Gina Teh.

Trading Cards Actions

Stephen Webb	Mike Ruffhead	Steve Thomas	Mick Haytack
Upgrade Controller to Builder (1)	Buy Administrator from Hand (7)	Buy Mistress Of Ceremonies from Hand (18)	

The Card Rows

[Top Row | Bottom Row]



Cards Bought

Stephen	Lumberjack [3-3-0] by 2, Gold Miner [4-3-0] by 2, Shepherd [5-3-0], Fur Trapper [6-3-0] by 2, Wharf [12-6-1], Pub [1-0-1=2] by 2, Market [5-0-1] by 2, Customs House [8-0-2] by 2, Firehouse [11-0-3], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Controller [14-4-1], Builder* [10-5-0]
Mike R	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0], Shepherd [5-3-0] by 4, Fur Trapper [6-3-0], Weaving Mill* [8-6-0], Customs House [8-0-2], Warehouse [2-0-0], Library [17-0-5], Theatre [20-0-6], Mariinskij Theatre* [10-1/A-0], St. Isaac’s Cathedral* [15-3-3], Church Of The Resurrection* [16-2-4], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Secretary [12-4-0], Controller [14-4-1], Taxman* [17-1/W-0], Admiral* [18-3-3]
Steve T	Lumberjack [3-3-0], Gold Miner [4-3-0], Fur Trapper [6-3-0] by 3, Customs House [8-0-2], Library [17-0-5], Catherine The Great Palace* [17-1-5], Peterhof* [14-4-2], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Secretary [12-4-0]
Mick H	Lumberjack [3-3-0] by 2, Gold Miner [4-3-0], Ship Builder [7-3-0] by 2, Wharf [12-6-1] by 2, Gold Smelter* [6-3-0/A-1], Market [5-0-1] by 2, Observatory [6-0-1?], Firehouse [11-0-3], Author [4-1-0], Administrator [7-2-0], Chambermaid* [8-0-2], Warehouse Manager [10-3-0], Secretary [12-4-0] by 2, Mistress Of Ceremonies [18-6-3], Senator* [12-2-2], Patriarch* [16-0-4], Minister Of Foreign Affairs* [20-2-4]

Summary

Player	Hand Cap	Rubles	VPs	Income per Phase - Rubles + VPs			Round 6 Starter [Cards Left]
				Workers	Buildings	Aristocrats	
Stephen W	3	20	59	27r + 1v	0r + 9v	15r + 1v	Trading [7]
Mike R	4	16	49	27r + 0v	5r+1/A + 20v	14r+1/W + 4v	Aristocrats [2]
Steve T	3	0	38	15r + 0v	5r + 14v	13r + 3v	Buildings [0]
Mick H	3	31	51	30r + 2v	0r + 5v+1v?	24r + 15v	Workers [0]

Final Scoring

Mick H	99	= 51 [Play] + 45 [Aristocrats] + 3 [Cash]
Stephen	76	= 59 [Play] + 15 [Aristocrats] + 2 [Cash]
Mike R	71	= 49 [Play] + 21 [Aristocrats] + 1 [Cash]
Steve T	48	= 38 [Play] + 10 [Aristocrats] + 0 [Cash]