

Gentlemen, this can only be.....yes, that's right it's the third edition of that sooper new gaming zine Chimaera (how long can I go on calling it new?). It is published by one, Clive F. Booth of 71 Clara Mount Road, Langley, Heanor, Derbyshire DE7 7HS who is shortly going to find himself in extreme difficulty when he tries to find something with which to fill the following pages in an attempt to make this issue at least reasonably presentable. What's more is that he even has the audacity to charge those unfortunate enough to receive it 1p per sheet, plus 1p, plus postage. The nerve of the fellow.

FRIGATE ORPHANS RESCUED BY CHIMAERA.
ENRY ORPHAN SHAKY.

by super-newshound
BH Calcutta (Failed).

Spouse everyone knows already, but just in case someone hasn't heard I'll tell you all that from the next issue on the Frigate games 73/2, 73/4, 74/13, 73/5, 74/6, 74/10, 74/11V and 75/23 will be joining Chimaera. The next deadline of Chimaera will therefore be slightly extended to bring it into line with Frigates and thus ensure a smooth changeover for all the players concerned.

Of the Frigate sub-zines, Polaris will be going independant and taking Amoeba with it as its own sub-zine. In Polaris by the way Geoff has opened lists for Miniec, which is I understand, a scaled down version of the mammoth Hypereconomic Diplomacy played on a Regular board!

The other Frigate sub-zine, Depth Charge, will join Jon Lovibonds 'Lemming Express' but to date I have still heard nothing on the future of Pete Lindseys 'Sattelite'.

I've always been noted for my slowness in spotting the obvious (witness my Mastermind scores in 1901aat) and so it should come as no surprise to you to learn that I have only just realised that the name Frigate is composed of the initial letters of the names of the seven powers in a Regular Dippy game. Of course the same goes for Grafeti too. Spouse you spotted it straight away.



Ace reporter
BH Calcutta (Failed).

News of the ENRY XIV game I attempted to rescue last issue is not too good, for to date I have only received notification from two of the players concerned that they wish to continue. From the others nothing.

I will however leave the option open for another issue to allow

to give the other players chance to reply before finally abandoning it.

MARCHERVAP

Everyone read the rules they got with last issue? Anyone else want to add their name to the list for a game? Just one thing before you do though, will you please note that the King starts the game in Shr.

I thought somebody may have asked after the last issue exactly what the province abbreviations on the Marchervap map stood for, but suprisingly no one bothered. Actually I should have mentioned it and had in fact intended too, but I'm afraid it slipped my memory. Only you see I don't know what all the abbreviations are for. Jon Lovibond (the designer) is in fact running a competition with a 50p prize for the first, all correct, complete list he receives. So if you've got 5 minutes to spare (5 minutes? hah!) give it a go. Don't send your answers to me though, send them to Jon.

Far as I got was: St. Asaph, Conway Bay, North Irish Sea, South Irish Sea, Bristol Channel, Bristol, Swansea and Neath, but don't quote me on those 'cos they're only guesses.

THE FIRST EVER CHIMAERA GAME START.

Yes folks, I am in the very pleasing position of being able to announce here the very first Chimaera game start.

It will be a three season/year regular game and will be designated ARGOS.

Game fees have been deducted from your subs wherever possible. Where not possible I'm trusting you to forward it with your Spring 1901 orders.

The line-up is:

- AUSTRIA Dave Tant, 32 Nursery Avenue, Bexleyheath, Kent DA7 4JZ.
- ENGLAND Mick Bullock, 14 Nursery Avenue, Halifax, W. Yorks HX3 5S7
- FRANCE Steve Plater, 16 Howick Avenue, Newcastle on Tyne, NE3 2NA.
- GERMANY Andy Davidson, 3 Ravenscar Mount, Roundhay, Leeds LS8 4AX
- ITALY Ron Kelly, #210, 225 Virginia Avenue SE, Washington DC 20061, USA.
- RUSSIA Jon Lovibond, 1 Oak Lea Avenue, Fulshaw Park, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 1QL
- TURKEY Stephen Pratt, 15 Cranfield Close, Twickenham, Middlesex, TW2 7SD.

Standby: Martin Janta-Polczynski, Avenue Montana 32, B1180, Bruxelles, Belgium.

Spring 1901 orders by the next deadline please, which will as explained earlier be somewhat extended allowing you to pull in all your diploming in the 1st. (927)

NON-DIPPY GAMES

This issues rule supplement is for a non-Dippy game 'Waddingtons The Game of Nations'.

To date interest in practically all of the non-Dippy games has been almost totally absent and it's not really good enough is it? Chimaera must not be allowed to develop (deteriorate) into just another Diplomacy 'zine, the way it's going at the moment. It wants to broaden its horizon, it wants to be a gaming zine not a Diplomacy 'zine, so somebody show an interest. To start with why not put your name down on the Game of Nations list? After all you have got postal rules, haven't you?

Does anyone fancy producing an article or series of articles on their favourite non-Dippy games in an attempt to drum up further interest in the field? I couldn't offer much in the way of financial rewards, but you would have my everlasting gratefulness and a freecopy of the issue in which your piece appears.



And whilst we're on the subject of non-Dippy games I'll put in the

NON-DIPLOMACY WAITING LISTS

- Mastermind (all play GM) (10p) M. Bullock, G. Hawes, S. Plater.
- Game of Nations (50p) P. Stutt.
- Formula 1 (30p) D. Tant.
- Kingmaker (£1) D. Tant.
- Open Monopoly (50p)
- 4000AD (50p)
- Risk (25p)
- Scrabble (50p per 2 games)

PLUS ANY OTHERS YOU CAN THINK OF.

Who called it 'Tigger with Dippy'? Course it is, I don't mind the comparison. If I'd thought it was a viable proposition it might even have been 'Tigger without Dippy' but I couldn't see it working.

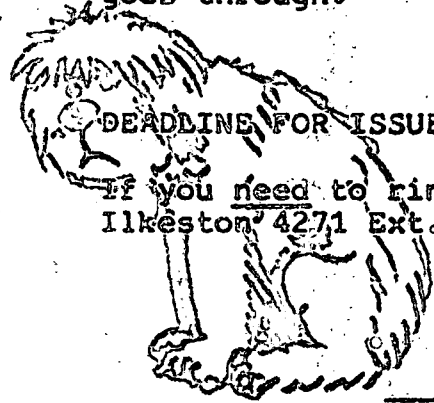
I understand actually, that Tigger is soon to return to its original form, so I'll look out for that. I'm still not sure though whether that means it's returning as an independant or not, but I'll wish Dermot the best of luck anyway. If my experience is anything to go by he's going to have all on trying to run a 'zine devoted solely to non-Dippy games.

Not enough space here for the Dippy lists so I'll do do them over the page. Coming?

DIPLOMACY WAITING LISTS.

- 3 season Regular (50p) see page 2 of program of waiting lists 7 needed.
- 2 season Regular (40p) J.Lovibond, D.Pollard, S.Plater 5 needed.
- Youngstown (75p) J.Lovibond, S.Plater, M.Janta-Polczynski 7 needed.
- Marchervap (75p) J.Lovibond. 5 needed.
- Multiplicity (75p) J.Lovibond, S.Pratt. 5 needed.
- Mercator III (?) P.Nunn. 6 needed.
- Abstraction (70p) S.Plater

You'll note the ? still in the Mercator III game fee box for which I have to thank the variant bank. I'd heard rumours of the abysmal level of its efficiency in the past but I'd never believed them. Now I can only confirm them. I understand that there are plans afoot for the Bank to be taken over by the NGC, which should at least improve the efficiency for some. However, how will non-NGC members as myself stand should they wish to make use of the facilities if the take over goes through?



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If you need to ring orders through, I can be contacted on Ilkerton 4271 Ext.23 during Office hours.

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