

This is the ninetieth issue of the wonder-'zine CHIMAERA, the first of the nervous ninety's when then magic figure of 100 looks so near and yet so far away as you stagger towards it.. It is a magazine of postal games and games playing and it appears once every four weeks. It costs 30p an issue inclusive of postage at surface rates to anywhere in the world and it is edited by Clive F. Booth of Wellington Station, 71 Clara Mount Road, Langley, Heanor, Derbyshire DE7 7PS, United Kingdom.

Welcome to these limp few pages at present resting in your hands. As threatened in the last issue this one is games only and the next one may well be too depending on the time that I find available.

As to the threatened fold of Chimaera Richard BARTLE possibly came closest to getting that into perspective when he said, "This is about the 8th time you've said you were going to fold ... " I don't think it's quite as many as that, seven perhaps, but the truth is that when it comes to the crunch I just don't have the heart to make the final break. You see, much as I curse you all on deadline day when I'm trying to make out your almost illegible hand-writing, or I'm trying to find some orders that you've written on the back of something else inspite of being asked a million times not to do so, or I've just finished printing all the envelopes when about half a dozen of you tell me you've moved, and the numerous other infuriating things that you test my patience with, I'd miss you all if this ever ended.

I must be mad.

This doesn't mean Chim's future is secure, the situation is exactly the same as last time - shakey. The only things that have changed are that I am now so far behind with my correspondence course of studies that I have resigned myself to not passing any exams this year but am just looking for a good enough mark to let me try again next. The other thing that has changed is that the garden is now tidied up - a couple of local criminals came and did it for me two or three weeks after I'd reported them for burglary and theft..... Cops and Robbers ain't what it used to be. (I can hear you all shouting 'corruption!' already but it's all above board I assure you. In fact with all this talk of police corruption at the moment I can only say that a chance would be a fine thing. The nearest I've been is after stopping a speeding motorist he got out his wallet and said, "I don't suppose there's any point in discussing this, officer?" I said, "No, sir, no point at all" and he went into a sulk.)

I bought a copy of Avalon Hill's 'Gunslinger' last month after Frank Dunn's recommendation in last issue's 'incoming!' section of Chimaera. I haven't had time to get past the first scenario yet but a quick flick through the rules shows the game does have much promise, though heaven alone knows when I'm going to get around to playing it.

Ted COOK is about to commence running a 'Postal Sherlock Holmes Consulting Detective Game' which looks to me exactly the same as the 'Elementary Watson' game that Tom KIRBY ran through Chim a couple of years ago. The only difference is that instead of running it is a one-off game Ted intends running it as a campaign with one case following onto another and, indeed, even smaller mysteries within each case. I'm sorely tempted to take part even inspite of my abysmal showing in the 'Elementary Watson' game when I went off after the wrong man completely... but again the time factor is against it. I had quite a hefty card filing system of cross-referenced information I'd built up in Tom's game, so heaven knows the size of the system I'd need for Ted's campaign. Mind you, I have got a computer now...

Anyway, I shall give my own participation a little more thought but if you'd care to take part and try and crack the first case, that of the Tattooed Tailor, then drop a line to Ted Cook, 9 Woodley Park Towers, 2737 Devonshire Place NW, Washington, DC 20008, U.S.A. for the rules. Ted is something of a Sherlock Holmes buff so the game should have plenty of atmosphere (London smog?).

The Nottingham & Derby Games Club have announced that from Thursday, 29th July 1982 they are to have regular premises in Room 2 on the ground floor of the Meadows Community Centre in Nottingham. Admission will be 30p or thereabouts plus a further 10p if you want to drink at the bar. Starting time is 7.00pm and it's alternate Thursdays from the 29th at the moment. If I can get this issue of Chim all printed and posted in time I'll try and get down there myself.

Does anyone out there want to buy a flaming house? We've now been on the market for 13 months and are still no nearer selling than when we started! It's all very disheartening.

The BOURSE game starts with this issue of Chim and becomes the first game in the magazine to be run by computer. My thanks go to Dave THORBY for writing and supplying the necessary program. For any new readers to Chim that aren't already aware, I have a 48k TRS-80 system with high resolution graphics but no disk drive. I am always interested in exchanging programs with anyone with similar systems. At present I'm hankering after a ZX-Spectrum as a second computer (there's affluence, a two computer family..) but I shall wait and see what the reports on it are like first and even then I'm unlikely to get one before Christmas (got to save my pennies).

SORCERER'S CAVE

GM'd by Brian Moore

A number of you are making good progress now, and as you've explored you've come across what I've described as a 'tingly feeling'. Now I'm still not going to reveal what it is, because of the slight change in the reports.

You'll all now find that the areas are referenced by a number so that (43) is area 43 on level 1 whilst (2/43) is area 43 on level 2, etc. The area numbers are given before the area is described, which is hopefully apparant in your enclosed reports.

Please note that a chamber is not an area as an area can be either a chamber or a passage, whilst a chamber is within an area.

It's opinion time again. I want to know from you if you would like the number of areas each party has explored given on the league table. No details, just the number of areas explored for comparison to the number of points gained.

It's also been suggested if SSAE's are included you can get an extra turn a month. I've no objection to this, but it does mean that those that don't will get further and further behind unless I take them further each month. Your ideas please.

Oh yes, that 'tingly feeling'. It should now be apparant what it is. There's an extra 10 points for anyone who can tell me what it is, which is a giveaway now you have a reference system for the areas, given by demand from some of you, and partly stops me running this like a D&D campaign where you only know your location and not your location in relation to the cave as you do now.

LEAGUE TABLE

1st Mike Vernon	77 pts	8th George North	21 pts
2nd Charles Burrows	71 pts	9th David Rowe	19 pts
3rd Nicholas Clifton	49 pts	10th Alan Gent	16 pts
4th Richard Morris	48 pts	11th Jeremy Bamford	15 pts
5th Keith Loveys	40 pts	12th Len George	12 pts
6th Alan Harvey	33 pts	13th Richard Turner	10 pts
7th Sandy Peters	25 pts	14th David Bolton	-- pts

For those who like statistics, thirty items were found this time.

Dont forget, I want your ideas on SSAE's and including the number of explored areas in the game report league table.

For any non-players that have read this far. If you want to give it a try, join now whilst there is an almost complete selection list. No gamefee!

***** Brian Moore, 17 Westway, Hall I'th'Wood, Bolton, Lancs - (0204)58228 *****

THE WORLD FINBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

GM'd by Alan Harvey

Well Chimaera may be in it's last throes but Pinball is full of life. The most exciting session yet contains 3 incorrect accusations and leaves the games with the first four players separated by only 300 points with the fifth player only 1,100 behind them. Not bad for a game that has been in play for well over 12 months now. Many thanks to the players from the G.M. for maintaining their enthusiasm in a game which had not been postally tested in this format and even had its rules sltered as we went along.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Scores</u>	<u>Running total</u>	<u>Balls left</u>
1st	Bob Howes	- ; - ; 400; 1,400; 1,400; - ; 700	22,000	6
2nd	Eamon Bloomfield	- ; 100; 1,200; - ; -	21,900	5
3rd	Keith Harvey	1,000; 700; 400; 1,700; -	21,800	5
4th	Charles Burrows	1,300; 600; - ; -	21,700	4
5th	Alan Harvey	700; 2; 100; 500; 1,100; 500; 500	20,600	6
6th	Brian Moore	- ; 800; -	16,700	4
7th	Jeremy Bamford	500; 400	16,300	2
8th	Terry Hill	NMR!!!	8,300	6

OUT (3 NMR's John Garrett 11,200; Ray Harper 8,800)

Accusations: All from Jeremy Bamford are over the page.....

Jeremy accuses:

Charles Burrows of tilting ball 4 on turn 38. Accusation correct!
 Charles Burrows of tilting ball 5 on turn 39. Accusation wrong!
 Keith Harvey of tilting ball 5 on turn 39. Accusation correct!
 Keith Harvey of tilting ball 6 on turn 38. Accusation correct!
 Bob Howes of tilting ball 2 on turn 38. Accusation wrong!

Throws for next time: 1,3 ; 1,4 ; 3,4

If you think I've not moved all balls according to your orders please refer to the column on the right. Some of you have lost balls this session and one of you tried to start a ball when he hadn't any more left! Do any of you remember the odds I gave on a potential winner at the start of this game? Would anyone like to offer odds on the winner from those remaining now???

***** Alan Harvey, 6 Serina Avenue, Littleover, Derby *****

ADVANCED MONOPOLY

GM'd by Charles Burrows

	Alan HARVEY	Alan BUCHANON	George FOOT
Details turn 39 & 40	Tax last turn was £407	NMR!!!! Tax last turn £1,128	Tax last turn £287
Start money	£ 612	£ 955	£ 670
Move 41	9	8	5
Finish position	Trafalgar Square (R)	Electric Co. (R)	Pentonville (R)
Move 42	10	8	5
Finish position	Bond Street	Free parking	Northumberland Ave (R)
Final balance	£2,232	£ 795	(-£ 740)
Notes		Rent on Elec = £160	George's Community Chest last turn was win 2nd prize in a beauty contest. Total payable £1,500

Points arising

- Changes in tax due to my forgetting George's Community Chest card.
- Alan H. spent £1,413 on properties last turn.
- George has conceded victory to Alan H. Commiserations to George and the others. Well tried. I've enjoyed myself running the game. Thanks to Alan for checking my calculations - I hope that there weren't too many mistakes. Finally, thanks to Clive for typing each report and running it in Chimaera.

Final positions: 1st Alan HARVEY 2nd George FOOT 3rd Alan BUCHANON
 4th Jon WHITEHEAD 5th Brian MOORE

***** Charles Burrows, 46 Whitehorn Lane, Letchworth, Herts SG6 2DJ *****

Over the page is this issue's 'fix' of 'In off the Post' for all you Soccerleague fans. The new deadline for the game is TUESDAY 1st AUGUST 1982, if you haven't sent in orders, do it now

Just to fill in this little bit of space before we turn over I have here Phil & Jon's World Cup XI, there's bound to be lot's of disagreement but don't write to me about it - write to Jon or Phil

SHILTON
 GENTILE PASSARELLA TRESOR JUNIOR
 PLATINI ROBSON ZICO
 RUMENIGGE ROSSI EDER

"IN OFF THE POST" 1/3 SEASON REPORT

Enjoyed the World Cup? We here agree that Italy deserved to win except that there was one other team that never lost a game yet didn't even get to the semi's. Who says we're biased? Anyway one of us has decided to forget what should have been and take off for a holiday, hence this mini-report. Good job Greece wasn't in the finals.

LEAGUE TABLES (End of Session 4)

DIVISION 1	P	W	D	L	F	- A	Pts	Manager	DIVISION 2	P	W	D	L	F	- A	Pts	Manager
Forest	7	5	1	1	16	- 5	11	G.Foot	Satanic Maj	7	4	3	0	14	- 5	11	D.McNorton
Zoo Gardens	7	4	2	1	18	-12	10	A.Reardon	Y. Chelsea	7	5	1	1	14	- 7	11	F. To
Luton Thsday	7	5	0	2	13	- 8	10	T.Kassell	Horden CW	7	4	1	2	13	- 9	9	M.Hogarth
Hobbiton	7	3	3	1	11	- 7	9	J.Rayns	Prestbury P	7	3	2	2	15	- 9	8	R.Symons
West Ham Utd	7	4	0	3	13	-10	8	B.Dove	Muppeton T.	7	3	2	2	13	-10	8	G.Williams
S.Tottenham	7	2	3	3	13	-11	7	G.Ames	St.Albans	7	3	2	2	12	-10	8	T.Ball
Weathercock	7	3	0	4	8	-10	6	G.North	Gunton P.	7	3	2	2	12	-11	8	B.McNorton
Cldham Athl.	7	2	2	3	9	-12	6	I.Phillips	Les Femmes	7	2	3	2	7	-11	7	J.Garrett
Hartlepool U	7	1	3	3	8	-14	5	M.Wall	T.I.Welwyn	7	2	2	3	11	-11	6	R.Harper
Bengal Tigrs	7	1	3	3	5	-11	5	S.Daniel	Baker St. I	7	0	4	3	4	- 7	4	T.Cook
Barnstonwrth	7	1	2	4	3	- 9	4	P.Walton	Space Inv.	7	1	0	6	12	-23	2	R.Share
Lettsby Ave	7	1	1	5	6	-14	3	B.Howes	Banff Rngrs	7	0	2	5	6	-18	2	M.Woodhouse

How about a few comments? No? Well tough, we've got to fill this page somehow. Forest started the season the strongest side and are doing as expected and are still in all the cups. Satanics who started as the best 2nd Div side seem to have faulted lately, mainly due to lack of T/M inspiration and tactics. Tactics really do have a big effect on how a game goes and teams who use them advantageously include Luton, Chelsea and Hartlepool (the latter unluckily dogged by injuries). Horden seem to be kicking their way to the 1st Div and could steal St. Albans place. St. A are now one of the best clubs in the game as shown by their cup performances (still in all 3) but had a bad start to the season. West Ham are doing better since Bill Dove was resurrected but they're still an all or nothing team. Gareth Williams puts great effort in and has transformed Dragonworld (Clives old team) but don't seem to have a good enough team to get promoted although miracles can happen as last season with Lettsby. Lettsby at the moment are in deep financial trouble which is odd when you know that Bob Howes runs his own postal soccer game GAMMA (Gammy - Phil) which is very monetary inclined. Ted Cook, John Garrett and Ian Phillips also run their own leagues and none of them seem to be doing very well either. Could there be some truth to the 'GMs are only failed players' attitude. (Could be, one player I know came bottom of Bob's league didn't you Jan - Phil) (Shurrup - Jon). Space Invaders are at last showing signs of improvement and are still in the F.A. CUP. Weathercock Lane, what can we say except that if George North had the same control of I.O.T.P as he does of the English language then he would be walking (talking - Jon) away with it. If anyone wants proof then just read 'Chess is easy' in last Chimaera. Marvellous.

ADVERTS

Two International stars of the recent World Cup are very keen to further their careers by joining clubs in I.O.T.P. (The No.1 postal soccer league - as they said) They are "PAOLO RUSTI" - The Italian superstar who is just back from a two year suspension due to fixi...ahem. (He assures us he completely reformed) LEV 14 Fwd, AGE 23, EP 11, TD 5. Due to his lay-off he will start at Lev 6 and regain 2 levels per SESSION. (irrespective of any increase due to EP or goals. A total of 8 levels will be regained. Reserve Price £500,000 !!

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These two players join SESSION 6 AUCTION hence the free EP's and TD'S.

LOT 47) PAOLO RUSTI

LOT 48) HARALD SHOEMAKER

Also offering their services; two HYPNOTISTS. EL MYSTICO to DIV 1; ROBERK to DIV 2 The effect of "HYPNOTIC THERAPY" is to nullify the effects of any adverse characteristics pertaining to players within the club that hires a Hypnotist. The Hypnotic state lasts for ONE SESSION ONLY. Hypnotist services are available for hire every SESSION, to the highest bidder in each DIVISION (minimum service fee = £20,000). Use of a Hypnotist will be published. Both Hypo's will start in SESSION 6. Send bids as usual. BEWARE, if not hired they may wreak some horrible revenge.

DIPLOMACY GAMES

FRIDANI 1979GY SPRING 1914

Last issue's game end proposal was rejected, the voting being one for, one against and two fail to votes.

AUSTRIA (Patrick Thompson) A(Gre) s A(Alb), A(Vie)-Tri sby A(Bud), A(Alb) s A(Vie)-Tri*
FRANCE (Paul Oakes) A(Tri)-Bud*, F(AEG)-Gre*, A(Ven)-Alb cby F(ADR) & sby F(ION),
A(Pie)-Tyr, A(Tyr)-Vie sby A(Boh), A(Hol) s A(Kie), F(NTH)-Den*
sby A(Kie), A(Sil)-Ber sby A(Mun), F(ENC)-NTH, F(NWG)-BAR, F(NAO)-Lol,
F(Edi)-NWG
RUSSIA (George Foot) F(Cly)-NAO, F(Nwy)-NTH sby F(Den), A(Ukr)-Gal, A(War)-Sil, F(BAL)-Kie
sby A(Ber)*, F(STP-NC)-Nwy.
TURKEY (Allan Marsden) A(Bul)-Ser, A(Ank)-Arm, F(Con)-AEG sby F(Smy).
Retreats: Austrian A(Alb) annihilated; French A(Tri) & F(NTH) disband, F(AEG)-Bul-SC; Russian A(Ber)-Pru

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Press

PAUL - MAN WITH A SENSE OF HUMOUR

Piss off, pal.

FRANCE - RUSSIA

Retreats like that could start a war.

JUNO 1981DP SPRING 1907

AUSTRIA (Charles Burrows) A(War)-Gal, A(Mos) st., A(Arm)-Sev, F(Sev)-BLA, A(Rum)-Ser
FRANCE (Mike Close) F(MAO)-Por, F(Bre)-MAO sby F(ENC), A(Gas)-Spa, A(Mar)-Pie, A(Pic)-Bel,
F(Bel)-Hol sby F(NTH), F(NWG)-Nwy, A(Den)-Kie, A(Bur)-Ruh*
GERMANY (Richard Bass) A(Vie)-Bud, F(Nwy)-NTH, A(Kie)-Hol, A(Mun)-Bur sby A(Ruh).
ITALY (Tom Tweedy) A(Ven)-Pie, A(Nap) st., F(Gre)-ION, A(Tri)-Ser, F(Con)-BLA, A(Ser)-Bul,
F(Bul-SC)-Con, F(Smy) s F(Bul-SC)-Con, F(WMS)-Naf, F(GOL)-WMS
RUSSIA (Mike Vernon) A(STP)-Mos
TURKEY (Alan Sharples) F(Ank) s Austrian F(Sev)-BLA

Retreats: French A(Bur)-Gas.

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Press

TURKEY - TULGEY WOOD

In our circumstances I think undertakers may be more appropriate!

RUSSIA - FRANCE

Don't know why you're complaining. I'd be only too pleased to have enough units to make it worth getting the board out to work out my moves!

RUSSIA - AUSTRIA

There is still time to change your mind - remember what happened to Napoleon after he'd reached Moscow. Retreat while you still have time (i.e. before the winter).

EXPOSER - SKINFLINT

I worked out who they were by thinking the names very act. I can't for the life of one remember my brain-storming idea that 'exposed' your identities and the reasoning behind them. So I'm afraid you'll have to inform me.

AUSTRIA - RUSSIA

Tweedy 'cleans-up' like Ghengis Khan! He eliminates the inhabitants of territories he conquers, hence my armies have been seeking refuge in your country. I must thank you for your hospitality. I haven't been to St. Petersburg yet, though I'll have to come soon.

TO GERMANY

A deadline means orders must arrive before that date, not that they cannot be posted until afterwards!

KRUGER 1981ED SPRING 1906

AUSTRIA (Anarchy) A(Bud) st.
ENGLAND (Allan Marsden) F(Lon)-ENC sby F(Bre), A(Yor)-Edi
GERMANY (Mike Hanns) F(ENC)-Lon sby F(NTH), F(Edi)-Yor, F(Kie)-Den, A(Tyr) ms A(Boh),
A(Mun)-Sil, A(Ber)-Pru, A(Mar)-Gas sby A(Spa)
ITALY (Dave Pollard) A(Ven) s A(Tri), A(Tri) s Austrian A(Bud), F(ION)-Gre sby F(AEG),
F(Nap)-ION
RUSSIA (Alan Dickenson) F(Por) st., F(Cly)-NWS, A(Gal)-Bud sby A(Vie), A(War)-Gal,
F(Rum)-BLA sby F(Ank) *, F(Bul-EC) s F(Rum)-BLA, A(Sev)-Rum,
A(Mos)-Sev, A(STP)-Nwy
TURKEY (James Mills-Hicks) F(BLA)-Ank sby A(Smy), F(Gre)-ION, A(Ser)-Rum.
Retreats: Russian F(Ank)-Con, Turkish F(Gre)-disbands.

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Press

LANCASTER - ROSCOE

.... Operation now going into Terminal phase End Run will soon be complete first action of Troll suicide commando will be erasure of Kensington Over and Far Out!

ROSCOE - LANCASTER

zzb. Extrapolation indicates victory by 1907. zzb. Who keeps writing press starting 'LDO and it came to pass'. zzb. Watch out for the earthquakes on August 19th. zzb. Cancelled holidays in Isle of Wight. zzb. just in case. zzb. no details on Turkish situation. zzb. sub-judice. zzb. Very Pleasant. zzb. If you'd met judice. zzb. zzb. zzzb. zzzzzzzzb. Oh s@%.

NO NAME - POSSIBLY ITALY

Credible? Gillible?

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LLLL 000 AND IT CAME TO PASS...

IN THE ROYAL COURTS OF JUSTICE (Day 2)

"And you say, Herr Hanns-Stands, that Sultan Mills-Ricks committed suicide whilst overcome with remorse at attacking the Italian Duce. And that this 'suicide' was effected by the Sultan shooting himself 6 times in the head and then strangling himself?"

"Yes, my Lord."

"Interesting. I assume that the now infamous abusive letters from Russia, after the Tsar's attendance at a school for public relations, played no part?"

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TAG HILL

As you've probably already realised by the fact that we've played on, last issue's end proposal was rejected, the voting being two for, two against and one fail to vote.

LIBRAE-SPRING 1905.

Both last issues end game proposals were rejected with the voting going as follows:

- a] 3 for, 1 against and 1 fail to vote.
- b] 3 for, 1 against and 1 fail to vote.

AUSTRIA (Alan Dickinson)

A(Mar)-Sna, A(Tyr)-Pie, A(Mun)-Bur sby A(Par), A(Vie)-Boh, A(Bud)-Gal, A(Sev)-Ukr sby A(Rum), A(Ank)-Sev cby F(BLA), F(ION)-Tun, F(Tri)-ADS, A(Rom)-Nap.

ENGLAND (Richard Bartle)

F(Ldl)-Wal, F(NTH) st., F(Lon) s F(Lpl)-Wal, F(Pic)-Bre, F(Den)-Kie.

FRANCE (Charles Burrows)

A(Bur)-Gas, A(Wal)-Pic cby F(ENC).

GERMANY (Alan Sharples)

A(Kie)-Hol, A(Bel) s A(Kie)-Hol, A(Ruh) s A(Bel).

ITALY (Anarchy)

F(MAO), F(GOL) st.

RUSSIA (Geoff Challinger)

A(War)-Mos, A(Sil)-Gal, F(Ber)-Kie sby A(Ber).

Retreats: None.

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TAG HILL

I have the following game end proposals for you to consider before the next deadline:

- a] 1st Austria 2nd= Russia/England/France/Germany 6th Italy
- b] 1st Austria 2nd= Russia/England 4th Germany 5th France 6th Italy

Votes please by the next deadline, failure to vote will imply acceptance of the proposals. In the event of both proposals being accepted a] will take precedence over b] unless you mark your votes otherwise.

Press

TO AUSTRIA

Thanks pal! How's about leaving me alone now. You can win with Italy.

AUSTRIA - ALL

Hurry up and surrender, I'm running out of red bits in my Diplomacy set.

PSYCHIATRIST'S REPORT

Diagnosis of France confirmed - the man's an idiot.

ENGLAND - FRANCE

You'll have to explain to me why you got rid of Gascony and Brest, yet kept the English Channel and Wales. I'm afraid my mind can only cope with sensible actions.

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INDI AUTUMN 1907

FRANCE (Paul Oakes)

F(NWG) s F(ENC)-NTH, F(NTH)-Hol, F(ENC)-NTH, F(HLG) s F(NTH)-Hol, F(TYS)-Nap, A(Mar)-Bur, A(Pie) s Italian A(Ven), A(Bur)-Ruh, A(Bel) s F(NTH)-Hol

GERMANY (Alan Gent)

A(Hol) st*, A(Ruh) s A(Hol) st., A(Kie) s A(Hol)-st., F(Nwy) st., F(Swe)-Den, A(Ukr)-Rum sby A(Sev), A(Bud) s A(Ukr)-Rum, A(Ser)-Gre, A(Tri)-Ser, A(Tyr)-Tri, A(Mun)-Tyr, A(Ber) & A(Mos) st unordered. A(Tus)-Rom sby A(Ven)

ITALY (Chris Charles)

TURKEY (John Instone)

NMR!!!! F's Rom*, ION, BLA & A's Rum*, Bul, Con, Arm st.

Retreats: German A(Hol) annihilated; Turkish F(ROM) & A(RUM) disband.

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WINTER 1907 adjustments

FRANCE Bre, Par, For, Spa, Mar, Lol, Edi, Lon, Bel, +Hol, +Nap

= 11:bu 2 A(Bre), A(Par)

GERMANY Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Swe, War, Vie, Mos, Nwy, Bud, StP, Tri, Sev, (Hol) +Ser, +Gre, +Rum

= 16:bu 3 A(Mun), 2 owed.

ITALY Rom, Tun, +Ven

= 3:bu 1 owed (no space)

TURKEY Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, (Gre), (Rum), (Ven), (Nap), (Ser)

= 4:lose 1 F(ION) [GM]

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TAG HILL

I have the following game end proposal for you to consider:

1st Germany 2nd France 3rd Turkey 4th Italy

Votes please by the next deadline. Failure to vote will imply acceptance of the proposal.

MIZAR SPRING 1901

AUSTRIA (Dave Pollard)

F(Tri)-Alb, A(Bud)-Ser, A(Vie)-Tri

ENGLAND (Laurence Parrott)

A(Lpl)-Wal, F(Lon)-ENC, F(Edi)-NTH

FRANCE (Mike Hanns)

F(Bre)-MAO, A(Par)-Pic, A(Mar)-Bur

GERMANY (Jeremy Bamford)

F(Kie)-Den, A(Ber)-Kie, A(Mun)-Bur

ITALY (Gareth Williams)

F(Nap)-ION, A(Ven)-Apu, A(Rom) st.

RUSSIA (Cliff Kennedy)

F(STP-SC)-GOB, F(Sev)-BLA, A(Mos)-Ukr, A(War)-Gal

TURKEY (Nichlas Clifton)

A(Con)-Bul, A(Smy)-Con, F(Ank)-BLA.

Retreats:none

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Press

KAISER - CZAR

Sorry about not writing. I know there was someone that I hadn't written to. Entschuldigung!

GERMANY - ENGLAND

Would the Rt. Hon. Parrott please remember when planning his forthcoming moves that it was the frogs who supplied the missiles that were so diabolically used against her fleet.

VIENNA

Hope you all ignored the victory reports for Geminorum in the last issue. I'm a great Diplomacy player, really (honest?).

STRAIGHTLACED - ALL

I hope none of you told me any fibs, because I will cry if you have.

ANON

Here we go again....

TO THE BOURSE PLAYERS

Buy Turkish, we're an ongoing concern with a big future.

GERMANY GOVERNMENT - WORLD

Now I know this has very little to do with Diplomacy but does anyone out there happen to have rules for playing 'Troll Ball' as appeared in 'Wyrm's Footnotes 7' for use in Runequest. (I just know there'll be a big response!)

R.S.P.C.A. - TAG HILL

By the way, what's happened to the hairy pooch? We haven't heard much from him lately.

TAG HILL - R.S.P.C.A.

Woof!

A GENERAL THOUGHT

Trying to think up press at 11.45 p.m. two days before a Maths '0' level paper II is not one of the easiest things to do.

Over the page we commence the BOURSE

MIZAR DIPLOMACY BOURSE

<u>Player</u>	<u>Crowns</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Francs</u>	<u>Marks</u>	<u>Lira</u>	<u>Roubles</u>	<u>Piastres</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Barbican Investments	-500	1000	1000	-500	-500	0	-500	0
John Rayns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nicholas Clifton	0	0	0	0	-200	0	200	0
Thatcher-Howe Enterprises	-500	-500	3000	-500	-500	-500	-500	0
Counterfeit Holdings & Exchange	-100	-100	0	0	-100	0	-100	400
Laurence Parrott	-500	-500	2000	-500	-500	-500	-500	1000
Juno Enterprises	-500	-500	0	-500	-500	0	-500	2500
B.S. Currency Services	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	3500
Grafite	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	3500
Retief	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	3500
National Parasitical Bank	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	3500
OLD VALUE	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
NET TRADE	-4100	-2600	4000	-4000	-4300	-3000	-3900	17900
NEW VALUE	0.59	0.74	1.40	0.60	0.57	0.70	0.64	1.00

									<u>Value</u>	<u>Score</u>
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<u>HOLDINGS</u>										
Barbican Investments	500	2000	2000	500	500	1000	500	0	6165	220
John Rayns	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	0	5210	220
Nicholas Clifton	1000	1000	1000	1000	800	1000	1200	0	5218	220
Thatcher-Howe Enterprises	500	500	4000	500	500	500	500	0	7505	215
Counterfeit Holdings & Exchange	900	900	1000	1000	900	1000	900	400	5359	208
Laurence Parrott	500	500	3000	500	500	500	500	1000	7105	185
Juno ENTERPRISES	500	500	1000	500	500	1000	500	2500	6155	145
B.S. Currency Services	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	3500	6105	110
Grafite	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	3500	6105	110
Retief	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	3500	6105	110
National Parasitical Bank	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	3500	6105	110

Not a bad turn out for the game at all. Your 30p game fees will be deducted when I get around to it... and 20p will go into a prize kitty which presently stands at £2.20.
 New players can join at any time just by sending along orders. They will start with 1000 units of each currency in the game excepting dollars.

K I N G M A K E R 2

GM'd by Ray Miller

- AUDLEY and Margaret stay in Warwick.
- BEAUFORT remains in Corfe.
- BERKELEY and King Henry await their fate in Chichester.
- COURTENAY inspects Okehamton Castle.
- CROMWELL sails from Plymouth to Chichester.
- FITZALAN marches off to Chichester.
- GREY and Edward wait with Berkeley and King Henry.
- GREYSTOKE is executed.
- HASTINGS marches with Fitzalan.
- HERBERT and Richard accompany Fitzalan to Hastings.
- HOLLAND reaches south of Bath.
- MOWBRAY dies - what more can I say?
- NEVILLE copies Greystoke!
- PERCY and King Edward trot off to Chichester.
- POLE ambles off to Chichester.
- SCROPE stays in Masham.
- STANLEY tries to part the waters, fails and sits on the Island.
- TALBOT seems to be waiting for something!

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SAILINGS
 'Le Margaret' and 'Le Christooher' take the Cromwell retinue from Plymouth to Chichester.

BATTLES
 There's a big set-to in Chichester where Cromwell, Fitzalan, Hastings, Herbert and Richard, Percy and King Edward and Pole descend upon Berkeley and King Henry, Grey and Edward and Talbot; when the rumpus

dies down it is found that Berkeley, Grey and Talbot are all dead and the survivors are trying to decide who looks after King Henry and Edward.

CHANCERY.

.. is greatly increased with the addition of Earl of Essex, Chancellor of Cornwall, Warden of the Cinque Ports, Constable of London Tower.

ENDINGS.

There are storms at sea but that doesn't prevent the French raiding and causing Cromwell and Pole to go to Ipswich with 'Le Margaret' and 'Le Christopher'.

Plague strikes at Berwick, Exeter and Plymouth but no-one is affected; Howard appears at Farnham and Stafford at Leeds.

Like a dose of salts, that's got things moving.

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WORLD SUPERCARS

Devised and GM'd by Chris Bullock

NMR from James McKaigue

GRAND PRIX	Mv 45	Mv 46	Spd	EW	TW	BW
1 George Foot	H31	P20	180	2	3	3
3 Howard Wilcox	A23	H30	140	2	3	3
4 Alan Harvey	A19	D25	120	3	4	3
2 Alan Parr	C17	D23	60	0	4	2
7 Brian Moore	A 7 spina	A10	60	2	4	0
6 James McKaigue	B 7 spin	B 8	20	5	3	2

With only half a lap to go it looks certain that Fleet Foot (George) will win this race, with Billy Rubin (Howard) in second place. Third position is still being fought for by Heddie (Alan H) and Alan P. Both Clarke Kent (Brian) and James have been slipping and sliding all over the place due to forgetting the wind and lack of tyres.

RALLY X (Cont.)

Hardy Foot (George) and Bluebottle (Alan H) are still fighting it out as they pass Alexis Corner and lead into French Curve. Some confusion ensued at the X-over with Angie O'Tension (Howard) quickly getting out of the way, Alan P completely misjudging the speed, and James being very lucky not to be spun by the others. Bo Duke (Brian) also misjudged his speed when going into the U bend.

OLD CROCKS	Mv 45	Mv 46	Spd	EW	TW	BW
7 Brian Moore	R36	B33	100	3	5	1
1 George Foot	M19	S42	80	2	3	1
4 Alan Harvey	N15	T46	120	4	4	1
6 James McKaigue	M12	M15	60	2	5	3
3 Howard Wilcox	M10	M13	60	2	4	1
2 Alan Parr	N 8	M11	60	0	3	4

No real change in position as James Capra (Brian) comes towards the end of the penultimate lap. The stragglers seem to be closing up between them, but they have a long way to go to catch the leaders.

RALLY X	Mv 45	Mv 46	Spd	EW	TW	BW
4 Alan Harvey	N26	M31	100	3	2	0
1 George Foot	N27spn	P31	60	3	4	1
3 Howard Wilcox	T50	R53	80	3	4	3
2 Alan Parr	S50	S51spn	0	2	4	4
7 Brian Moore	Z26	Z27spn	0	3	3	4
6 James McKaigue	S42	S47	80	3	4	1

Press

Brian Moore - GM

Now that these runs are almost over, is there any possibility of you running new races? If so, put me on the waiting list.

GM

Could be. The Stock Car would be worth running next time, but I'm open to suggestions if anyone is interested.

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E V A N D E R

The Chimaera D&D game

DM'd by Clive F. Booth.

The action has slowed a little on the island of Angara on the planet of Evander during this past month. The most successful party, that of the hobbit thief Alsatia (58 letters now) retired from the mine workings they'd been exploring in the Central Mountains and went to the nearby Dwarven mountain village of Stonebridge. There they took the several items they had found to the local jeweller, Fenwick, and came away very much the richer for it. Fenwick seemed quite pleased with his side of the bargain that had been struck too and no doubt he made quite a bit on it himself.

From the jewellers they went to the general goods store known as Arkwright's Emporium where they set about re-equipping themselves for another expedition back to the mine. They ran into slight problems here however, when it came to buying new clothes as an alternative to their heavy armour for Stonebridge is a settlement of Dwarves built up around mining and sheep farming and as such all the shops tend to

cater for dwarves and consequently all the clothes in stock were dwarven size. In the end our brave band of adventurers had to settle for blankets with a hole cut out for the head and a hole for each arm. They could have had clothes specially made, there was a tailor in Stonebridge, but that would have taken time and they didn't wish for further delay.

On leaving the Emcorium Alsatia and his band were surprised to see the jeweller, Fenwick, out in the street with two Constables of the town. Fenwick pointed them out to the Constables then hurried off. The party were questioned at length about how a certain item had come to be in their possession, but they apparently gave satisfactory answers and were allowed to continue on their way.

They set off back for the mine (there is incidentally now a sixth member to this party, an Elven magic-user called Simon Oakapple who has apparently lost his spell book and is really little more use to them than a bearer. However, they all seem quite happy to have him along), and on arriving back there they entered expecting to find the orcs they had locked up in there last time had been released and were waiting for them. They were surprised when no reception party was forthcoming and, in fact, nothing in the mine seems to have moved since they left. Voodoo, the magic-user of the party, is of the strong opinion that they've just walked into a trap and Ironsides suggests they should go and see if the orcs they locked up are still there. However, Alsatia is the leader and he says they'll go another way.

At present they are standing, soaking wet, in the spray of a huge waterfall that falls from an unseen point above them and plummets to unseen depths below. Ironsides has been lowered over the edge with a lantern by rope to have a look around and they're waiting for his return to find out what's down there.

The second party, that of the human fighter, Edwin Anmorcar (38 letters) are back in Stonebridge and are hearing stories/rumours of a massive battle and much carnage in the hills nearby. Perhaps they were lucky to have been some miles away in Silverledge? They've been paid for the task of delivering the wagon load of chickens, the threat of the Hobgoblins in the mountains never having materialised, and presently they have a little bit of money to spend. They headed straight for the Black Basilisk, a rather dingy drinking place which was packed solid with all sorts of dubious looking characters. It was a real struggle to get to the bar in there and everyone was jostled and hustled. On leaving the Magic-user, Phineas Phoible, came to check his remaining money and found that his pocket had been picked and that he was some twenty-odd gold pieces light...

They went to see Redoric, the mother of the dwarf Ragoran with whom they'd become very friendly the last time they were in Stonebridge, with the intention of asking if she could give them shelter for the night. On arriving there they found her distraught and she collapsed into the arms of Edwin sobbing. She told him of how Ragoran had gone up into the mountains over a week previously ferrying supplies to the troops of Baron Tanemont who were on some sort of manoeuvres up there. He hasn't returned since and with all the rumours and the numerous amount of wounded dwarves passing through the village she is very worried for his safety. She beseeches Edwin and his friends to go and look for him; whether Edward will or not we don't know yet.

The final party, that of Weberon the half-elven cleric (31 letters), decided not to pursue the fleeing orcs in the mine last time and instead they left the mine. They'd already rescued two other characters from the orcs and found that they had quite a tale to tell. Both of these characters wanted to get back to civilisation immediately for various reasons, but at the mention of treasure, one of them, a human cleric called Lingum, decided he might stay on in the mountains with them after all. The other, however, was still adamant that he had to get back to Stonebridge and alert the troops to the presence of the orcs in the mine and he urged Weberon to escort him safely there. Weberon appears to have agreed to do this and the journey to Stonebridge should soon be afoot.

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Just a word to the players here to remind them that although they are all in the same place they are all in different dimensions. At the start of the game everything was in the same place for all the players and circumstances were the same. Small actions by the players characters do tend to get magnified though so that they can have quite a large impact on the outside world, i.e. the world outside the mine. For instance, one player has found that there has been a huge battle between the dwarves and the orcs in the mountains in which the dwarves appear to have suffered badly. Another player, because of his actions may find that he has prevented this battle ever taking place, and the third may or may not find it takes place and if it does the result may be different. This means that all the time, the worlds that the players are in are getting more and more out of line and although I endeavour to keep them as uniform as possible by pulling them into line whenever the opportunity permits I wouldn't advise the players to try and glean too much information from what the others have been up to..

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DEADLINES

- DIPLOMACY & BOURSE - 1st post, Tuesday 24th August 1982 [Bourse orders welcomed as early as possible)
- 1829 X to Rob by first post, Wednesday 18th August 1982
- In off the Post to Phil or Jon by Tuesday, 10th August 1982
- Others to GM's by first post, Friday 13th (?) August 1982