

## Notes from Hades

My sons start school next week, and are currently in their second week of all-day band camp. In addition to the weekend at Big Bear that I mentioned last time, we also spent a weekend in the Sequoias right before we dropped the boys off at Boy Scout summer camp. Sequoias are truly impressive trees. One of them, the General Sherman, is the largest tree in the world by volume.

Next issue should be the last turn of Shaggy Dog, and Azawakh will start up shortly thereafter. Beauceron, the base Puerto Rico game, starts this issue. I also got a new game, 7 Wonders, for my birthday, and it seems suitable for pbm play, so I'm offering that as an option as well.

The next deadline is Tuesday, October 4 at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time. Please do not call after 10:00 p.m. Pacific time. My family tend to retire early.

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Airedale. Power Grid. This game will be conducted via email. Players will vote on exact map and deck options at game start. Have Dave Hooton, Chris Geggus(\$), Bill Scharf(\$), Geoff Kemp(\$), will take up to 2 more.
Azawakh. History of the World. Will start after Shaggy Dog ends. Have Chris Geggus(\$), Andy York(\$), Kevin Wilson(\$), Dave Anderson(\$), Christopher Hunt(\$), Geoff Richardson(\$), Martin Burgdorf(\$), this game is closed.
Papillon: Discworld: Ankh-Morpork. A humorous card-based game set in the city of Ankh-Morpork on Terry Pratchett's Discworld. It will run via email. Have Bill $\operatorname{Scharf}(\$)$, Christopher $\operatorname{Hunt}(\$)$, Andy $\operatorname{York}(\$)$, will take up to 1 more. Game fee waived for this game.
Spaniel. Race for the Galaxy. A card-based game of galactic colonization and
development. Will use the The Gathering Storm and Rebel vs. Imperium expansions. Have Bill Scharf(\$), Christopher Hunt(\$), Bob Robles(\$), Geoff Richardson, will take up to 2 more.
Beauceron. Puerto Rico. This will be the base game and it will be run via email. Have Chris Geggus(\$), Christopher Hunt(\$), Martin Burgdorf(\$), Geoff Richardson(\$), Dave Hooton(\$). Starts this issue!
Beagle. Puerto Rico. This will use the Buildings expansion and will be run via email. Have Chris Geggus(\$), Christopher Hunt, Dave Hooton, will take up to 2 more.
Players who have a (\$) after their name have paid the necessary game fee.

## Wish List

Goa. Have Chris Geggus, Bill Scharf, will take up to 2 more.
Puerto Rico. This will use the Nobles expansion and will be run via email. Have Christopher Hunt, Dave Hooton, will take up to 3 more.
Kremlin: Will use the Revolution cards. Have Bob Robles, Bill Scharf, will take up to 4 more.
Dune: Will use the Ixian, Lansraad, and Bene Tleilaxu variants, as well as the cards from the Spice Harvest and Duel variants. Have Bob Robles, will take up to 6 more.
Machiavelli. Scenario and optional rules to be decided. Have Kevin Burt, Bob Robles, will take up to 5 more.
Silverton: Will use the advanced rules. Have Bill Scharf. Will take up to 5 more. Agricola. Will be run via email. Have Chris Geggus, will take up to 4 more.
7 Wonders. This will be run continuously via email. Will take up to 7.
In general, game ownership is recommended, but not required.
Note that a subscription to S.O.B. is not required to play in a game run by flier, but that a game fee will be charged to non-subbers.
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## Dogleg

 Summer 1503
# Advanced Rules, Natural Disasters, Special Military Units, Moneylenders, Conquest, White Press, Standard Victory Miller Number 2012Apw25 <br> Deadline for Fall 1503 8/23 Tuesday 

Venice pushes Austria back, while the Pope stalemates him. Florence redeploys.

## Spring 1503 Retreats

Austria retreats A Croatia to Istria

Outstanding Loans

Fall 1503: 15 ducats due from Venice ( 10 borrowed)
Fall 1504: 13 ducats due from the Papacy ( 13 borrowed)

## Orders

Austria (Burgdorf): A Istria supports A Slavonia to Croatia, A Slavonia to Croatia, A Savoy to Montferrat, A Swiss to Tyrolea, A Tyrolea to Carinthia, F Western Mediterranean to Sardinia, F Tyrrhenian Sea supports F Western Mediterranean to Sardinia, F Ionian Sea to Lower

Adriatic, F Otranto supports F Ionian Sea to Lower Adriatic
Florence (Robles): A Pisa to Lucca, A Florence to Sienna, A Piombino supports A Florence to Sienna, F Sardinia holds, F Corsica supports F Sardinia
Papacy (Anderson): A Rome holds, A Naples holds, A Spoleto to Urbino, A Pavia to Milan, A Montferrat to Genoa A Trent to Milan, A Friuli to Carniola, A Carniola to Croatia, $\underline{A(E M) \text { Croatia to Slavonia, A Ragusa holds, A }}$ Aquila to Bari, F Lower Adriatic supports A Aquila to Bari (cut, DISLODGED, retreat Aquila, Ancona, Dalmatia,


## Rescue Dog <br> Spring 1456

## Gunboat, Advanced Rules, Natural Disasters, Special Military Units, Moneylenders, Conquest, White Press, Ultimate Victory Deadline for Summer 1456 10/4 Tuesday

The Turks go deeper into debt to disband a Venetian fleet, while the Pope and Venice are now debt free. The Pope returns the invasion favor to Naples, while Florence and France bump heads in the Ligurian Sea. Milan bulks up his forces.

## Builds

|  |  | Cost |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Flo | Maintains all, builds G Florence, A Pisa | 15 |
| Fra | Maintains all, builds A Avignon | 15 |
| Mil | Maintains all, builds A Cremona, A Pavia, A Milan | 21 |
| Nap | Maintains all, no new builds | 9 |
| Pap | Maintains all, builds A Ancona, A Bologna | 18 |
| Tur | Maintains all, builds G Durazzo | 12 |
| Ven | Maintains A Ferrara, F Upper Adriatic, F Ragusa, F Albania, no new <br> builds | 12 |

## Expenditures

Milan spends 3 ducats for Famine Relief in Savoy.
The Pope borrows 5 ducats for 1 year ( 6 ducats due Spring 1457) and pays off his existing loan.
The Turks borrow 10 ducats for 2 years ( 15 ducats due Spring 1458) and pays 12
ducats to disband Venetian F Albania
Venice spends 11 ducats to repay the loan from the moneylenders

## Outstanding Loans

Fall 1456: 21 ducats due from the Turks (14 ducats borrowed)
Spring 1457: 6 ducats due from the Papacy ( 5 borrowed)
Summer 1457: 15 ducats due from Naples (10 ducats borrowed)
Fall 1457: 26 ducats due from Florence ( 17 ducats borrowed)
Spring 1458: 15 ducats due from the Turks ( 10 ducats borrowed)

## Orders

Florence $\square$
A Sienna to Arezzo, A Florence supports A Sienna to Arezzo, A Pisa to Lucca, F Lucca to Ligurian Sea, G Florence supports A Florence
FranceA Turin supports Papal A Genoa to Montferrat (nso), A Provence supports A Turin, A Avignon supports A Provence,

A SARDINIA holds, F Corsica to Ligurian Sea
$\operatorname{MiLAN} \square$

NAPLES $\square$

PAPACY $\square$
A Cremona to Parma, A Milan to Trent, A Pavia to Turin, A Savoy besieges, A Saluzzo besieges, a Bergamo to Trent, A Mantua supports A Cremona to Parma F Ionian Sea supports Venetian F Albania to Durazzo (nsu), F Western Mediterranean to Central Mediterranean, F Rome to Patrimony A Genoa supports A Modena, A Modena supports A Bologna, A Bologna supports A Modena, A Ancona to Aquila, F Urbino supports A Bologna, G Ancona holds (u)
TURKS $\square$ A Dalmatia to Herzegovina, F Durazzo to Albania, F Tunis holds, G Durazzo converts to F

Venice
$\square$ A Ferrara to Istria, F Upper Adriatic transports A Ferrara to Istria, F Ragusa to Lower Adriatic, F Albania to Durazzo (nsu)
Your treasury:

Summer 1456 Plague

Poor Year - Column Only: Friuli, Sienna, Albania (Turkish F destroyed), Modena (Papal A destroyed), Parma (Milan A destroyed), Urbino (Papal F destroyed), Pistoia

## Press

Milan to France: That wasn't very neighborly of you to support that Papal army
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into my territory. Can't we all just get along? Besides you will find me an excellent ally to have--my armies could work well with your fleets.
Milan to Papal Army Genoa: Are you lost? The prodigal son needs to march south. I understand there is an issue with Naples taking the Holy Father's house.
Milan to Venice: We have no wish to distract you from your fight with the heathen Turks. We support your attempts to keep Europe Christian.
Milan to Florence: Well played. We look forward to working with Florence to keep Italy for all Italians, not just those with the backward collars....
Naples to Venice: I hope you followed my lead last time and moved to Durazzo this time. I can't stand here supporting you forever while you pansy about in Albania!
Naples to Mr. Pope: Maybe he went north. I'll go look and see.
Naples to Florence: That should help you extricate yourself from a papa's embrace.
Naples to France: Bonjour! Nous sommes amis, oui oui?
Naples to Milan: No offence, but I will talk to you when we have something to talk about.

Naples to Turk: Out out, damned red spot.
Naples to GM: I feel blue.
Papacy to Naples: We only popped out for a pint of milk. When you head home can you make sure you've tidied up?
Pope to Florence: Ouch! Well done back.
Venice to Naples: Obviously the Pope was not home. He left his front door open. Venice to Turkey: I have paid my debts. Can you say the same??

## Pick of the Litter

End of Game Statements
Howard Bishop: A very enjoyable game. I had one very very lucky claim early on that seemed to spew out silver like it was water and was able to get a couple of the good passenger lines to boost my income. In the end, my incompetence with the rules and Dave's masterly management of his resources meant that I was well behind him at the end. Many thanks to Chris with his patient and careful adjudication and congratulations to Dave for a well deserved win.

# Shaggy Dog <br> Epoch VII Manchu Dynasty, Netherlands, and France <br> Deadline Epoch VII Britain, United States, and Germany, Tuesday, October 4 <br> Epoch VII 

The Gardeners (Hunt) MANCHU DYNASTY: Plays Fanaticism and Elite Troops. Army and Capital Manchurian Plain, fleet Sea of Japan (vs. FAC-51; G: 6, 5, 1; F: 4; wins), army Great Plain of China (vs. Russia; M: 6, 3, 1; R: 4, 2; wins), Chekiang (vs. Civil War; M: 6, 5, 3; C: 3; wins, city eliminated), fleet South China Sea (vs. RMHS; G: 5, 3, 2; RMHS: 5; wins), army Malayan Peninsula (vs. Mongols; Ma: 4, 4, 4; Mo: 5, 2; loses, Elite Troops removed), Malayan Peninsula (vs. Mongols; Ma: 5, 4; Mo: 6, 1; loses), Malayan Peninsula (vs. Mongols; Ma: 5, 4; Mo: 4, 3; wins), Ganges Delta (vs. Mongols; Ma: 4, 3; Mo: 5, 1; loses), Ganges Delta (vs. Mongols; Ma: 2, 1; Mo: 5, 2; loses), Ganges Delta (vs. Mongols; Ma: 2, 2; Mo: 4, 4; loses), Ganges Delta (vs. Mongols; Ma: 4, 2; Mo: 1, 1; wins). Builds Monument Manchurian Plain. Points: Dominance in China (6), Presence in North Africa (1), Middle East (1), India (3), Southern Europe (2), Northern Europe (4), Southeast Asia (2), Eurasia (2), North America (3), South America (2), Sub-Saharan Africa (2), 3 Capitals (6), 2 cities (2), 3 Seas (3), and 5 Monuments (5) for 44 points.

Royal Manticoran Historical Society (Wilson) plays Disaster in the Pyrenees (Monument eliminated, Capital reduced to city). NETHERLANDS: Army and Capital Lower Rhein (Russian army retreats to Baltic Seaboard), fleet North Sea (vs. Great Giant; RMHS: 4, 1; GG: 1; wins), army Central Europe (vs. Seljuk Turks; N: 4, 2; S: 1; wins), Albion (vs. Goths; N: 5, 5; G: 4; wins), fleet Atlantic Ocean, army Appalachia, fleet Pacific Ocean, army Australia. Builds Monument Lower Rhein. Points: Dominance in Middle East (2), India (6), Northern Europe (8), Presence in China (3), Southern Europe (2), Southeast Asia (2), Eurasia (2), North America (3), Australia (1), 2 Capitals (4), 2 cities (2), 1 Sea (1), and 7 Monuments (7) for 43 points.
Stooges for All Time (Anderson) plays Civil War in Manchurian Plain (vs. Manchu Dynasty; C: 6, 1; M: 1; wins; Capital reduced to city), Great Plain of China (vs. Manchu Dynasty; C: 6, 5; M: 3; wins), Chekiang (vs. Manchu Dynasty; C: 6, 3; M: 2; wins). FRANCE: Plays Naval Supremacy. Army and Capital Western Gaul (Goth armies eliminated), army Central Massif (vs. Spain; F: 3, 2; S: 6; loses), Central Massif (vs. Spain; F: 6, 1; S: 4; wins), Pyrenees (vs. Spain; F: 5, 4; S: 5, 2; F: 6, $1 ;$ S: 6, 6; F: 4, 2; S: 6, 6; loses), Pyrenees (vs. Spain; F: 6, 3; S: 6, 6; F: 5, 1; S: 3, 3; F: 6, 2; S: 6, 3; F: 5, 1; S: 5, 5; F: 6, 1; S: 6, 4; F: 5, 3; S: 6, 2; loses), Pyrenees (vs. Spain; F: 6, 6; S: 6, 5; F: 6, 5; S: 6, 1; F: 5, 1; S: 5, 3; F: 5, 2; S: 6, 4; loses), Pyrenees (vs. Spain; F: 5, 1; S: 3, 1; wins, city eliminated), Western Iberia (vs. Spain; F: 6, 1; S: $6 ; F: 6,2 ; S: 1$; wins, city eliminated), fleet Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean, army Madagascar, Appalachia (vs. Netherlands; F: 4, 1; N: 2, 1; wins), Deep South (vs. Aztecs; F: 3, 2; A: 6; loses), Deep South (vs. Aztecs; F: 5, 3; A: 2; wins), Lower Indus (vs. Mughals; F: 5, 2; M: 5, 4; F: 6, 1; M: 6, 3; F: 5, 3; M: 5, 4; F: 6, 3; M: 6, 3; F: 4, 4; M: 5, 4; loses). Points: Dominance in Southern Europe (4), North America (6), Presence in North Africa (1), Middle East (1), China (3), India (3), Northern Europe (4), Eurasia (2), Sub-Saharan Africa (2), Nippon (2), 4 Capitals (8), 1 city (1), 2 Seas (2), and 6 Monuments (6) for 45 points.

Players

| Player Name | Player Faction Name/Color | Empire Strength Points | Victory Points |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Bill Scharf | The Human Race (blue) | $\mathbf{6 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 2}$ |
| Christopher Hunt | The Gardeners (green) | $\mathbf{6 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 2}$ |
| Howard Bishop | FAC-51 (black) | 56 | 120 |

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| Player Name | Player Faction Name/Color | Empire Strength Points | Victory Points |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Chris Geggus | Galactic Expeditionary Guard Ship (yellow) | 59 | 157 |
| Martin Burgdorf | Great Giant (red) | 61 | 137 |
| Dave Anderson | Stooges for All Time (orange) | $\mathbf{7 7}$ |  |
| Kevin Wilson | Royal Manticoran Historical Society (purple) | $\mathbf{7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 0}$ |

## Positions

SfAT: Fleets Western Mediterranean, Eastern Mediterranean, Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean. NORTH AMERICAN MIGRANTS: Armies Great Lakes.
CARTHAGINIA: Army, Capital, Fortress Shatts Plateau. GOTHS: Army Caucuses. FUJIWARA: Army and Capital Hokkaido. OTTOMAN TURKS: Army, Capital, and Monument Western Anatolia, army and Monument Tarim Basin, armies Pindus, Morea, Hindu Kush. CIVIL WAR: Army, city, and Monument Manchurian Plain, army and Monument Great Plain of China, Chekiang. FRANCE: Army and Capital Western Gaul, army and Monument Western Iberia, armies Central Massif, Pyrenees, Appalachia, Deep South, Madagascar.
GEGS: Fleet Red Sea. EGYPT: Two armies Nubia, army Libya. NILE KINGDOM: Army, city, and fort Upper Nile. ROMANS: Army and city Crete. KHMERS: Army Irrawaddy. SELJUK TURKS: Armies Western Steppe, Dnieper, Persian Plateau. AZTECS: Army and Capital Mexican Valley.
FAC-51: SASSANIDS: Army and city Lower Tigris. SCOTS: Army, city, and fort Highlands. HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE: Armies Southern Appenines, Dalmatia, Northern Appenines. MING DYNASTY: Army and Monument Si-Kyang, army Honshu.
Great Giant: ARABS: Army Palestine. VIKINGS: Army Scandinavia.
The Gardeners: Fleets Black Sea, Sea of Japan, South China Sea, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean. VEDIC CITY STATES: Three armies and a Fortress Ceylon. MAYANS: Army, Fort, and Capital Central America, army Guiana Highlands. HAN DYNASTY: Army East Indies. GOLD COAST KINGDOM: Army, city, and Fort Gold Coast. BYZANTINES: Army, Fort, and Capital Balkans, two armies Danubia, army Eastern Anatolia. SUNG DYNASTY: Three armies, Capital, and Fortress Szechuan. PORTUGAL: Army, city, and Monument Arabian Peninsula, armies Northern Andes, South Africa, Nile Delta. MANCHU DYNASTY: Army, Capital, and Monument Manchurian Plain, army and Monument Great Plain of China, Chekiang, Malayan Peninsula, Ganges Delta.
The Human Race: Two fleets Bay of Bengal, fleets Caribbean Sea, Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean. SUB-SAHARAN MIGRANTS: Armies Central Africa, East Africa. MAURYA: Army and Fort Sumatra. GUPTAS: Army Western Ghats. SPAIN: Armies Northern Gaul, Congo Basin, Brasil, Patagonia, Southern Andes. RUSSIA: Army and Capital North European Plain, army and Monument Turanian Plain, Wei River, Yangtse Kian, two armies Baltic Seaboard, army Eastern Steppe. RMHS: Fleets North Sea, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean. CHOU DYNASTY: Army and city Yellow River. MONGOLS: Two armies and Monument Upper Indus, armies Mongolia, Eastern Deccan, Eastern Ghats, Mekong. SOUTHERN IBERIAN KINGDOM: Army, city, and fort Southern Iberia. MUGHALS: Army, Capital, and Monument Ganges Valley, army and Monument Zagros, Upper Tigris, Levant, armies Western Deccan, Persian Salt Desert, Lower Indus. NETHERLANDS: Army, Capital, and Monument Lower Rhein, army and Monument Albion, armies Central Europe, Australia.

Event Cards
Epoch VII Empire

## Boxer <br> Turn 12 <br> Turn 13, Tuesday, October 4

| Robot | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Phase 3 | Phase 4 | Phase 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Александру Робот | Move 1 (500) | Rotate Left (330) | Move 1 (580) | Rotate Left (210) | Rotate Right (240) |  |
| GEGS | U-Turn (60) | Back Up (470) | Move 2 (720) | Move 2 (780) | Rotate Left (410) |  |
| Marvin | Move 2 (730) | Rotate Right (160) | Move 1 (550) | Rotate Right (80) | Move 3 (790) |  |
| Dalekbot | Shut down |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Hand of Doom | Rotate Left (270) | Rotate Right (360) | Rotate Left (290) | Rotate Left (230) | Rotate Right (400) |  |
| UltraMan | Rotate Right (100) | Move 1 (530) | Move 1 (560) | U-Turn (10) | Move 2 (700) |  |
| Čapek | Move 2 (710) | Move 2 (760) | Rotate Right (260) | Rotate Right (200) | Move 1 (610) |  |
| Clockwork Hauler | Back Up (430) | Rotate Left (90) | Move 3 (810) | Move 2 (670) | Rotate Right (120) |  |

Registers in italics are locked. GEGS schedules a shut down for next turn.

## Phase 1

Marvin moves ahead 2 to A2, Čapek moves ahead 2 to B1, Александру Робот moves ahead 1 to B7, Clockwork Hauler backs up to H21, The Hand of Doom rotates left to face south, UltraMan rotates right to face south, and GEGS makes a U-turn to face east. Conveyor belts: Александру Робот is moved to B6, GEGS is moved to D11, Čapek is moved to C2 and rotated to face south, The Hand of Doom is moved to C9 and rotated to face west, UltraMan is moved to C7. UltraMan shoots The Hand of Doom and is shot by Marvin (register 3 locked).

Phase 2
Čapek moves ahead 2 to C4, UltraMan moves ahead 1 to C8, GEGS backs up to C11, The Hand of Doom rotates right to face north, Александру Робот rotates left to face west, Marvin rotates right to face north, and Clockwork Hauler rotates left to face west. Conveyor belts: Александру Poбот is moved to B5, GEGS is moved to B11 and rotated to face south, The Hand of Doom is moved to C7, UltraMan is moved to C6, Čapek is moved to E4. UltraMan and the Hand of Doom shoot each other (UltraMan's register 2 locked).

## Phase 3

Clockwork Hauler dashes ahead 3 to E21, GEGS moves 2 to B13, Александру Робот moves ahead 1 to A5, UltraMan moves ahead 1 to C7, pushing The Hand of

Doom to C8, Marvin moves ahead 1 to A1 (archive relocated), The Hand of Doom rotates left to face west, and Čapek rotates right to face west. Conveyor belts: The Hand of Doom is moved to C6, UltraMan is moved to C5, and Čapek is moved to G4. The pusher pushes Александру Робот to B5. UltraMan shoots The Hand of Doom (register 5 locked).

## Phase 4

GEGS moves ahead 2 to B15. Clockwork Hauler moves ahead 2 to C22, The Hand of Doom rotates left to face north, Александру Pобот rotates left to face south, Čapek rotates right to face north, Marvin rotates right to face east, and UltraMan makes a U-turn to face north. Conveyor belts: Александру Poбот is moved to B4, The Hand of Doom is moved to C4 and rotated to face east, UltraMan is moved to D4 and rotated to face east, Čapek is moved to I4 and rotated to face east, and Clockwork Hauler is moved to B21. Александру Робот shoots GEGS (register 3 locked), GEGS shoots Clockwork Hauler, The Hand of Doom shoots UltraMan (register 1 locked), UltraMan shoots Čapek, and Čapek shoots UltraMan with a rear-firing laser (UltraMan is destroyed).

Phase 5
Marvin dashes ahead 3 to D1 (archive moved), Čapek moves ahead 1 to J4, GEGS rotates left to face east, The Hand of Doom rotates right to face south, Aлександру Робот rotates right to face west, and Clockwork Hauler rotates right to face north. Conveyor belts: Александру Робот is moved to B3 and rotated to face north, The Hand of Doom is moved to E4, Čapek is moved to J5, and Clockwork Hauler is moved to A21.

## Cleanup

UltraMan appears at archive location (C15) facing any desired direction with 2 damage. The Hand of Doom's Circuit Breaker is tirggered, it is shut down next turn. GEGS is shut down next turn. Marvin is repaired one point.

| $\#$ | Player Name | Robot Name | Color | Options | Position | Flags | Lives | Damage |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Brendan Whyte | Александру Робот | Blue |  | B3>N | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | Chris Geggus | GEGS | Yellow | Extra Memory | B15>E | $1,2,3$ | 3 |  |
| 3 | Howard Bishop | Marvin | Orange | Gyroscopic Stabilizer | D1>E | 1,2 | 3 |  |
| 4 | Andy York | Dalekbot | Black | Reverse Gear, Conditional <br> Program | A9>N |  | 2 |  |
| 5 | Bill Scharf | The Hand of Doom | Gray | Circuit Breaker | E4>S | 1,2 | 3 |  |
| 6 | Andy Lewis | UltraMan | Red |  | C15>? | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| 7 | Dave Hooton | Čapek | Purple | Rear-Firing Laser | J5>E | 1,2 | 3 | 1 |
| 8 | Christopher Hunt | Clockwork Hauler | Green | Fire Control, Radio Control | A21>N |  | 2 |  |

GEGS is Geo-Enhanced Guard Sentinel

## Program Cards

## Poodle

Turn 12

## Turn 13, Tuesday, October 4

## Actions

Delta Indigo 8487 opens the bidding on the Outpost at 100 and gets it (Ti7, Ti8, Wa10, Ti10, Ti11, Ti13, Re16, HE discount, Ec discount). Buys a research factory (Re16, Re16) and 2 population factors (Ti10)
OLDHAM opens the bidding on Scientists at 40 and Jack and His Friends gets it for 65 (Or2, Or3, Or3, Wa7, MWa, DL discounts). Opens the bidding on an Orbital Lab at 50 and HALCYON gets it for 61 (MWa, Ti8, Ti10, Ti13). Opens the bidding on a second Orbital Lab at 50 and Skynet gets it for 60 (Wa7, Wa9, MTi). Buys a population factor (Ti10).
H.I.C.K. opens the bidding on the Laboratory for 80 and gets it for 82 (Wa5, Wa5, Wa8, Wa9, Ti11, MTi), moves a population factor from a water factory to man the research factory.
Skynet buys a population factor (Re11)
BarterTown buys a research factory (Wa5, Wa7, Wa9, Wa9) and moves a population factor from a water factory to man it.
HALCYON passes.
Jack and His Friends passes.
The Plavers

|  | Outpost Name | Commander | Factories | Upgrades | VP |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Delta Indigo 8487 | Andy Lewis | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, TiF, TiF, TiF, TiF, ReF, ReF | HE, La, Ec, Ou | 29 |
| 2 | H.I.C.K. | David Hood | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF, TiF, TiF, TiF, TiF, TiF, ReF | No, HE, Ro, La | 26 |
| 3 | Skynet | Dave Hooton | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, TiF, TiF, TiF, TiF, ReF | No, HE, La, OL | 24 |
| 4 | HALCYON | Michael Lowrey | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF, TiF, TiF, TiF, TiF | No, HE, Wa, Sc, OL | 21 |
| 5 | OLDHAM | Howard Bishop | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF, TiF, TiF, TiF, ReF | No, HE, Wa, La | 21 |
| 6 | BarterTown | Andy York | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF, ReF, ReF | 3DL, La, Ec | 20 |
| 7 | Jack and His Friends | Bill Scharf | OrF, OrF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF, WaF | $2 D L, ~ N o, ~ W a, ~ S c ~$ | 14 |

H.I.C.K. Is Hood Interstellar Construction Kingpins. OLDHAM is Orbital Luckless Dismal Horrible Awful Metropolis.. HALYCON is Highly Aggressive Large Combined Yield Optimizing Network.

Available Upgrades

Income

New Arrivals: Orbital Lab, Robots, Outpost, Robots, Ecoplants

| Upgrade | Minimum Bid | Available | Not Yet Delivered |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Warehouse (Wa) | 25 | 2 | 0 |
| Scientists (Sc) | 40 | 0 | 3 |
| Orbital Lab (OL) | 50 | 1 | 2 |
| Robots (Ro) | 50 | 2 | 2 |
| Laboratory (La) | 80 | 0 | 0 |
| Ecoplants (Ec) | 30 | 1 | 2 |
| Outpost (Ou) | 100 | 1 | 3 |

## Pug

Turns 9.2 to 10.2
Deadline Turn 10.3 to 11.3, October 4


Turn 9
$2^{\text {nd }}$ : Chris Geggus (Eeepeeep/Guardians Enforce Galactic Security) Rolls Used: 133
Ice Station(p) - TeleGate5 - TeleGate 1-Y - A.
Picks up Gate Lock.
$3^{\text {rd }}$ : Bob Robles (Human/Publicly Underestimated Trading Zaibatsu) Rolls Used: 224

Poison Port(s).
Sells Melf Pelts for $\$ 110$ (from the cup: Immortal Grease at 6). Buys 2 Impossible Furniture for $\$ 220$.
$4^{\text {th }}$ : Debbie Anderson (Dell/DA) Rolls Used: 445
$\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{R}-\mathbf{B}-\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{R 2 0}$ - Terror Station(o) - Terror Station(s).
Discovers Wollow (from the cup: Immortal Grease at 6, Primitive Art at 4b, Finest Dust at 4a, Rock Videos at 4b). Sells Other Shoes for $\$ 160$ (from the cup: Melf Pelts at 5).
5 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : Andy York (Whynom/Errands, Tasks and Chores) Rolls Used: 1 * 3 Goliath(s) - Goliath(p).
Sells Infinite Puzzles for $\$ 250$ (from the cup: Demand for Spice at 3). Buys Voll Silk for $\$ 220$. Gains $\$ 47$ in port commissions.

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6 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : Dave Partridge (Qossuth/Quo Vadis) Rolls Used: 235
Comfort Station(o) - Comfort Station(s).
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Sells Chicle Liquor for $\$ 90$ (from the cup: Other Shoes at 8 ). Buys Psychotic Sculpture for $\$ 160$.
Turn 10
Used: 233
A - Y - TeleGate1 - TeleGate2 - Paintfall(o) - Paintfall(s).
Sells Chicle Liquor for $\$ 90$ plus $\$ 60$ demand (from the cup: Servo-
Mechanism at 7 b and Immortal Grease at 6). Buys Other Shoes for $\$ 80$. DA gets $\$ 40$ in factory commissions.

2 $^{\text {nd }}$ : Chris Geggus (Eeepeeep/Guardians Enforce Galactic Security) Rolls

On the Board:
1a (Nillis): 2 Bionic Perfume
1b (Volois): 4 Voll Silk
2 (Graw): Demand for Designer Genes ( $+\$ 40$ ), 3 Space Spice
3 (Niks): 2 Demand for Bionic Perfume ( $+\$ 60$ ), 2 Mulch Wine, 2 Demand for Space Spice ( $+\$ 60$ )
4a (Dell): 6 Finest Dust, 2 Demand for Mulch Wine (+\$60), Fare to Base (\$180)
4b (Humans): 3 Rock Videos, 2 Demand for Space Spice ( $+\$ 40$ ), Primitive Art
4c (Wraiths): 4 Visible Holes, Demand for Voll Silk (+\$60), Demand for Bionic Perfume ( $+\$ 60$ )
5 (Shenna): 3 Melf Pelts, Demand for Mulch Wine (+\$50), Demand for Finest Dust (+\$50)

6 (Yxklyx): Demand for Portable Holes (+\$70), 6 Immortal Grease, Demand for Melf Pelts (+\$50)
7a (Zum): Fare to 4c (\$110)
7b (Eeepeeep): 2 Demand for Immortal Grease ( $+\$ 50$ ), Fare to Base (\$110), 2 Demand for Finest Dust (+\$50), 4 Servo-Mechanism
8 (Whynoms): Demand for Chicle Liquor ( $+\$ 60$ )
9a (Chola): 1 Designer Genes, Demand for Immortal Grease (+\$50), Demand for Chicle Liquor ( $+\$ 60$ )
9b (Wollow): Fare to 5 (\$110), 5 Megalith Paperweight
10 (Qossuth): 1 Psychotic Sculpture
Base: Relic Gate Lock, Relic Mulligan Gear, Fare to 9a (\$110)


## Foxhound

## Turn 3

Turn 4, Tuesday, October 4

## Planning

English maintain 4 ships (\$16), and buys 4 soldiers (\$40) for $\$ 56$.
Portuguese maintain 4 ships (\$16) and buy 4 soldiers (\$40) for $\$ 56$.
Swedes maintain 5 ships ( $\$ 20$ ) and buys 3 soldiers ( $\$ 30$ ) for $\$ 50$.
Dutch maintain 2 ships ( $\$ 8$ ), buys 2 ships ( $\$ 24$ ) and 5 soldiers ( $\$ 50$ ) for $\$ 82$.
Spanish maintain 4 ships (\$16) and buy 4 soldiers (\$40) for $\$ 56$.
French maintains 3 ships (\$12), buys 1 ship (\$12) and 4 soldiers (\$40) for $\$ 64$.

## Outbound Naval Movement

English Move to N. Dice: 2, 3, 3, 4. No losses.
Portuguese Move to M. Dice: 1, 1, 2, 5. Loses 2 soldiers.
Swedes Move to K. Dice: 3, 4, 5. No losses.
Dutch Move to R. Dice: 2, 2, 5, 6. No losses.
Spanish Move to J. Dice: $1,3,4,6$. Loses 1 ship containing 1 soldier and 1 colonist.
French Move to H. Dice: 1, 2, 6. Loses 1 ship containing 1 soldier and 1 colonist.

## Exploration

No mines discovered.

## Mining

Dutch mine 1 gold in R .

## Land Movement

English 4 soldiers and 4 colonists move from fleet to N. It's a climate 3 area with 2 natives.
Portuguese move 4 colonists and 2 soldiers from fleet to M. One soldier each in M and D prospect.
Swedes move 3 soldiers and 1 colonist from $K$ to $G$. Moves 3 soldiers and 4 colonists from fleet to K.
Dutch move 1 gold from R to fleet, 6 colonists and 1 soldier from R to T. One soldier prospects. Moves 3 colonists and 5 soldiers from fleet to R.
Spanish move 4 colonists and 4 soldiers from J to I. It is a climate 3 area with 2 natives. Moves 3 soldiers and 3 colonists from fleet to J.
French move 6 soldiers and 3 colonists from H to C. It is a climate 3 area with 1 site and 2 natives. Move 3 colonists and 3 soldiers from fleet to H .


Native Combat
in C .

## Native Uprisings

Climate is a 5 . No uprisings.

## Survival

Climate is a 4.
Portuguese lose 1 soldier each in D and M, French lose 1 soldier each in C and H, Swedes lose 1 colonist in M, Spanish lose 1 soldier in I, English lose 1 soldier each in N and O , Dutch lose 1 colonist in U and 1 soldier in R.

## Political Control

Portuguese gain political control of M. French gain political control of C.
Swedes gain political control of K. Spanish gain political control of I. English gain political control of N. Dutch gain political control of U.

## Homebound Naval Movement

English: Dice: 1, 1, 4, 5. Loses 2 ships.
Portuguese: Dice: 2, 4, 5, 5. No losses.
Swedes: Dice: 3, 3, 3. No losses.
Dutch: Dice: 2, 2, 5, 6. No losses.
Spanish: Dice: 1, 4, 4, 5. No losses.
French: Dice: 2, 5, 6. No losses.

## Income

English: Political Control: \$60, resources: $\$ 10$.
Dutch: Political Control: $\$ 60$, gold: $\$ 40$, resources: $\$ 10$.
French: Political Control: $\$ 60$, resources: $\$ 11$.
Portuguese: Political Control: $\$ 60$, resources: $\$ 10$.
Spanish: Political Control: $\$ 60$, resources: $\$ 15$.
Swedes: Political Control: $\$ 60$, resources: $\$ 9$.
Turn 4 Initiative
Dutch, Spanish, French, English, Swedes, Portuguese

English: 2 natives and 2 soldiers killed in N. French: 1 soldier and 1 native killed
Plavers

| Country | Player | Money | Available Soldiers | Ships | Colonists |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| English | Bob Robles | $\$ 83$ | 14 |  | 2 |
| Dutch | Andy York | $\$ 155$ | 14 |  | 4 |
| French | Andy Lewis | $\$ 109$ | 13 | 4 |  |
| Portuguese | Martin Burgdorf | $\$ 96$ | 13 | 4 | 6 |
| Spanish | Bill Scharf | $\$ 139$ | 12 | 4 | 4 |
| Swedes | Brendan Whyte | $\$ 72$ | 10 | 3 | 4 |

## Basenji

Turn 3, Phase 5 through Turn 4, Phase 2

## Turn 3, Phase 5: Expansion

Paris expands to Copenhagen (1), Malmo (1), Konigsberg (1), Bergen (3), Stockholm (3)
Venice expands to Gallipoli (1), Varna (2), Prague (4, vs. Hamburg; dr = 3, 4, 4; success), Milan (6, vs. Genoa; dr $=4,2,5$; success), Athens (1)
London expands to Portsmouth (4), Chester (2), Waterford (2), Armagh (1), Wales (1), St. Malo (4, vs. Paris; dr $=3,4,6$; fails), Shetland (1)

Barceleona expands to West Africa (2), Sicily (2), Marseilles (5), Crete (3),
Smyrna (2), Angora (2)
Hamburg expands to Riga (2), Stettin (2, vs. Venice; dr $=2$, 5, 2; wins), Breslau (2, vs. Venice; dr $=3,6,2$; wins), Salzburg (2, vs. Venice; dr $=5,6,2$; wins), Nuremburg (7, vs. Venice; dr $=4,6,2$; wins), Prague (4, vs. Venice; dr $=3,5,2$; wins), Copenhagen (2, vs. Paris; dr $=5,2,6$; loses), Mitau (1)
Genoa expands to Erzerum (3), Aleppo (4), Suez (3), Cyprus (3), Saloniki (6, vs Venice; $\mathrm{dr}=2,5,4$; wins), Valencia (5, vs. Barcelona; $\mathrm{dr}=5,3,6$; loses), Crete ( 6, vs. Barcelona; $\mathrm{dr}=4,4,5$; loses), West Africa (4, vs. Barcelona; $\mathrm{dr}=1,5,1$; wins)

Bonus card goes to Genoa.

Turn 3, Phase 6: Income
Paris gains \$57
Venice gains \$75
London gains \$63
Barcelona gains \$105
Hamburg gains \$51
Genoa gains \$87
Shortage of grain, Surplus of metal.

> Turn 3, Phase 7: Buy Tokens

Paris buys 8 tokens
Venice buys 23 tokens
London buys 20 tokens
Barcelona buys 15 tokens
Hamburg buys 28 tokens
Genoa buys 34 tokens
Turn 4, Phase 1: Draw Cards
Done

Hamburg spends $\$ 10$ to buy a card.
The Players

| Player | Country | Misery | Tokens | Money | Order | Dominance | Ships | Cards | Advances |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michael Lowrey | Barcelona | 100 | 15 | $\$ 96$ | 2 | 15 | 4 | 2 | A, R, W |
| Christopher Hunt | Venice | 90 | 23 | $\$ 62$ | 4 | 10 |  | 4 | I, J, R |
| Chris Geggus | Hamburg | 175 | 28 | $\$ 15$ | 5 | 6 | 2 | 3 | E, I, N, V |
| Martin Burgdorf | Genoa | 200 | 34 | $\$ 62$ | 6 | 12 | 6 | 7 | A, E, I, R |
| Bob Robles | Paris | 200 | 8 | $\$ 49$ | 1 | 7 | 4 | 3 | A, E, R |
| Geoff Richardson | London | 250 | 20 | $\$ 58$ | 3 | 8 | 6 | 2 | A, I |

Players are listed in reverse tie breaking order.

| Commodity Log |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Commodity | Christopher | Chris | Bob | Michael | Martin | Geoff |
| Stone (2) | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | -- |
| Wool (3) | -- | -- | -- | 5 | -- | 4 |
| Timber (4) | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | -- | -- |
| Grain (5) | 2 | -- | -- | 2 | -- | 1 |
| Cloth (6) | 2 | 1 | 1 | -- | 3 | -- |
| Wine (7) | 1 | -- | 1 | 4 | 1 | -- |
| Metal (8) | -- | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Fur (9) | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Silk (10) | -- | -- | -- | 1 | 2 | -- |
| Spice (11) | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1 |
| Gold (12) | -- | 1 | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Ivory (12) | -- | -- | -- | -- | 2 | 1 |

Surplus, Shortage

## Beauceron

## Gamestart

Notes
This game will be run continuously via email. It is the base game only.
The Plavers

| Player Name | Role | Plantations | Buildings | San Juan | Doubloons | Stored Production |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Geoff Richardson |  | Indigo |  |  |  |  |
| Chris Geggus |  | Indigo |  |  | 4 |  |
| Christopher Hunt |  | Indigo |  |  | 4 |  |
| Martin Burgdorf |  | Corn |  |  | 4 |  |
| Dave Hooton |  | Corn |  |  | 4 |  |

Player in bold is the Governor. Plantations and buildings in bold are manned. Buildings that can be manned by more than one colonist will have the number manning them in parentheses after the building name.


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