

# Winsome Losesome



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## INTRODUCTION

WINSOME LOSESOME is a gaming publication dedicated to the play of Postal DIPLOMACY. DIPLOMACY is a multi-player political conflict game invented by Allan Calhamer and currently owned by the Avalon Hill Game Co. This 'zine is devoted exclusively to Postal DIPLOMACY. WINSOME LOSESOME is published by the fourteenth most notable GM in the hobby, me, Judy Winsome, at 3902 Lakemead Way. Redwood City, CA 94062. Subscriptions are 40¢ an issue. I suggest you send a check for \$5.00 and I will credit your account accordingly. There are no game fees, you can play as long as you maintain a subscription. Your address label contains the total (TL) balance in your account which includes the credit (CR) you may have earned for standing by or submitting articles. The number in parentheses is for my use in retrieving your account from my computer file. I use five week deadlines. The deadline for this issued is Thursday, October 25, 1984.

## STANDBYS

Standbys to <u>WINSOME-LOSESOME</u> get free subscriptions when they are called and for as long as they are playing a standby position. Any other standbys out there? Terry Tallman, Mark Keller, Lynn Torkelson, Ken Peel, Chris Hawkins, Charlie Morris, John Michalski, Jim McPhail, George Graessle, and Robyn Finley are receiving this issue free for being a standby or for being called to be a standby. Robyn has been called to standby as Russia in 1982 HV.

Standbys: Steve Knight, Joe Stark, Jack Jung, Terry Tallman, Jerry White(ns), Ron Galicia(ns), Jim Stevens(ns), Sheldon Fugate(ns), Charles Fargo(ns)

## **RED LETTERS**

RED LETTERS is spread over several pages this issue - sort of like a game I used to play as a kid. One of us would hide a chain of notes to a treasure. Each note would tell you where the next note is. This treasure is Don Del Grande's letter which sets me straight about soccer. The next portion is on page 5.

From Don Del Grande, Publisher of Life of Monty:

Judy, Judy:((again!!!))

My poll rating was probably pure luck - well, that and DIP WARZ and Bowen the Dominoid. Just my luck - there's a Domino's (just opened) near my house, so not it's pizza, pizza.... ((everything comes in threes today)). WL didn't do so badly, either, not to mention your GMing.

I noticed your spiel on ABC's soccer coverage during the Olympics. I can't agree that the NFL and ABC colluded (or whatever the word is) to keep soccer to a low. For starters, I remember that SPORTS ILLUSTRATED put some baseball player(s) on the cover which contained the stoy of the World Cup 1982 final, claiming that baseball had much better coverage - that is, more TV viewers in the USA - than the soccer final. However, I think that the main problem was (continued on page 5)

### 1982 AF

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### 1982 AF

## **SUMMER 1910**

England (Morris) Fleet Norwegian Sea retreat to Clyde

## FALL 1910

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England (Morris)
                                F Nth-Nwy dislodged retreat Yor, Hel, Ska, Otb,
                                F LON H, F CLY-Lpl
                                F Den S A Hol-Kie disl ret Hel, Ska, Otb,
        Germany (Finley)
                                A Hol-KIE, A Bel-RUH
        Italy (Michalski)
                                F LPL H
                                A Ukr-RUM, A Sil-MUN, A Lvn-WAR, F Bot-BAL,
        Russia (Hawkins)
                                A Bre-PIC, A PAR S A Mun-Bur, <u>A BUD-Ser</u>,
A SWE S A Kie-Den, A Kie-DEN, A Ruh-HOL, A Mun-BUR,
                                F EDI S F Nwy-Nth, F Nwy-NTH, F NWG S F Edi
                                A Gas-BRE, F Spa(sc)-MAO, F POR S F Spa(sc)-Mao,
        Turkey (Keller)
                                F Tun-TYS, F Mao-ENG, A Mar-GAS, A SER-Bud,
                                A Ven-ROM, F WES S F Spa(sc)-Mao, A Con-BUL,
                                F AEG C A Smy-Gre, A Smy-GRE
Supply Center Chart:
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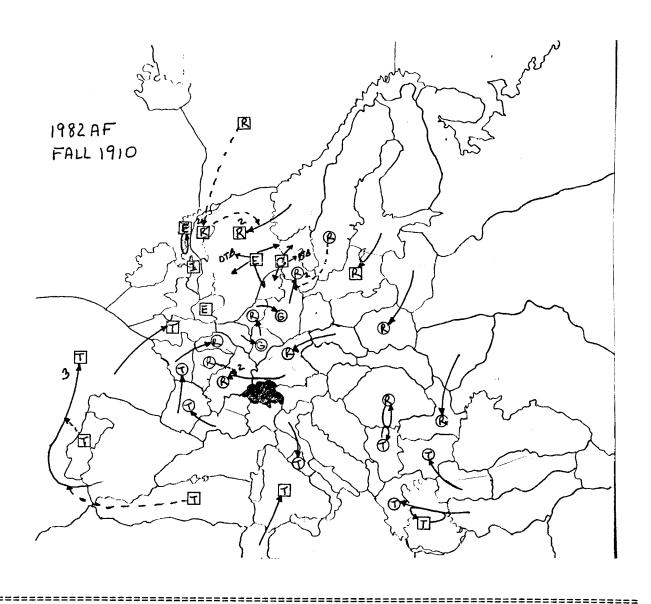
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ENGLAND Køl, Pør, Lon
                                                         1 Remove 2
                                                           (1 if ret OTB)
                                                          Remove 1
GERMANY
         Den, Møl, Swe, Bel, KIE
                                                           (even if ret OTB)
ITALY
         Rød, LPL
                                                           Even
         Mos, Sev, War, Rum, Bud, Vie, Stp, Ber, Mun,
                                                       15 Build 1
RUSSIA
         Kité, Nwy, Edi, Par, Bré, DEN, HOL, SWE
TURKEY
         Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, Tri, Tun, Ven, 15 Build 3
         Nap, Spa, Mar, ROM, POR, BRE
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Deadline for Autumn 1910 retreats, Winter 1910 builds and removals and Spring 1911 moves is <u>Thursday</u>, <u>October 25</u>, <u>1984</u>. T/R draw fails and is reproposed. NVR means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.

PRESS:-----

Chris-Judy: These little cards are pretty small, so I might have overlooked saying this before. You do an absolutely terrific job, excellent, quality work, on time. The maps are great. For the games I have in other 'zines I always draw the maps using your outline and notations. Thanks. Judy-Chris: Thanks yourself.

England-Russia: Thanks for the compliment, I guess I was in the wrong place at the wrong time.



## PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

FEUILLETONIST'S FORUM is the name of a new zine published by Greg Ellis. In it are openings in a game which will be guest GMed by Conrad Minshall, 3702 Tarragona Lane, Austin, TX 78727. No game fee, but sub is required. \$5 for 20 issues. NMR Deposit is \$5 per NMR. You forfeit \$5 for an NMR and must deposit another \$5 to continue to play. Preference lists accepted. Map format will be like in Winsome Losesome "... the best I've seen yet." ((blush)). (7/17/84)

MIDLIFE CRISIS has two game openings. Published by Paul G. Rauterberg, 4922 S. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53208. Subs are 10/\$5.00. No gamefee, just keep up your sub and send a \$10 NMR fee. There is a charge of \$5.00 an NMR. Signed up so far, Uli Baumeister, Brad Wilson, James Wall, Richard Delzer. (9/10/84)

## 1982 CA

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1982 CA

## **SUMMER 1909**

Austria (Keller) Russia (Jung)	Army Trieste retreats to Serbia Fleet Ionion Sea retreats to Eastern Mediterranean
	FALL 1909
Austria (Kollor)	A VIF S A Cal A AIR S A Son Thi A CAL S A Via

A VIE S A Gal, A ALB S A Ser-Tri, A GAL S A Vie, F GRE S A Alb, A BUD S A Vie, A SER-Tri England (Tallman) A Kie-BER, F NTH H, A Ber-Pru, A Pru-WAR, A SIL S A Pru-War, A LVN S A Stp-Mos, F BAR S A Nwy-Stp, A STP-Mos, F BAL S A Lvn, A NWY-Stp France (Peel) F ADR S A Tri, F ION-Alb, F APU S F Nap-Ion, F NAP-Ion, A Tus-ROM, A VEN S A Tri, A TRI S F Ion-Alb, A TYO S A Tri, A BOH-Gal, F TYS S F Nap-Ion, F Wes-TUN A SEV S A Mos, A War S A Mos disl ret Ukr, Otb, A Mos S A War, F AEG S F Eas-Ion, F EAS-Ion Russia (Jung)

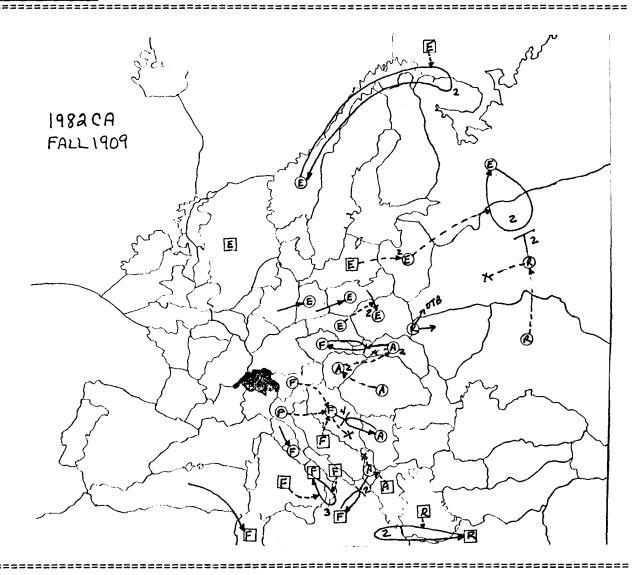
## Supply Center Chart:

AUSTRIA Vie, Bud, Gre, Ser, Bul, Rum, 7/1 6 Even ENGLAND Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Hol, Swe, Kie, Stp, Den, 11 Build 1 Ber. WAR **FRANCE** Mar, Par, Bre, Bel, Por, Spa, Ven, Tun, Rom, 12 Build 1 Nap, Mar, TRI Mos, Sev, Way, Ank, Con, Smy RUSSIA Even

(Russia plays 1 short if A War retreats OTB)

Deadline for Autumn 1909 retreat, Winter 1909 builds and Spring 1910 moves is Thursday, October 25, 1984. FEAR draw fails and is reproposed. F/E draw fails and is reproposed. NVR means NO, if you NMR it's YES.

London: I'm still voting for the FE. Never on the FEAR. And I wouldn't hold your breath on the stab Mark, even with your help the solo win is a dot or two beyond my grasp.



PLUGGING OTHER PEOPLE'S OPENINGS

HAI! JIKAI!, Mark Keller, 9536 Shumway Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662-5439. Mark is opening one game. \$3 game fee. Subs are 30¢ an issue. (9/4/84)

XENOGOGIC, Larry Peery, P O Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102. Larry has some openings in his third and final regular Dip game until one of the current one ends. The game will be guest GMed by Ken Hager. There is no game fee, but a game long sub to XENO is required (\$15 for the duration of the game, unless you NMR out), a \$5 NMR deposit, and a voluntary \$1 DIPTAX which is donated to a hobby custodian or worthwhile hobby project. (July 1984)

MORE RED LETTERS (continued from page 1) Still Del Grande talking.

that the soccer games were almost always played at night! This in itself isn't a crowd displeaser, but ABC's plans were to show "high-popularity" sports in prime time (4:00 to 9:00) and "lesser-known" or "lower-popularity" sports in late night (9:30 to 11:00). The prime time slot included swimming, track, gymnastics, and boxing, which are popular in the USA. This leaves late night - but if you had a choice between watching a bunch of foreign teams which are not the best teams their countries can field (the top players are in World Cup qualifying tournaments, making them ineligible for the Olympic tournament) and a pair of American teams which have very good chances at (continued on page 11)

France (Graessle)

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#### 1982 HV

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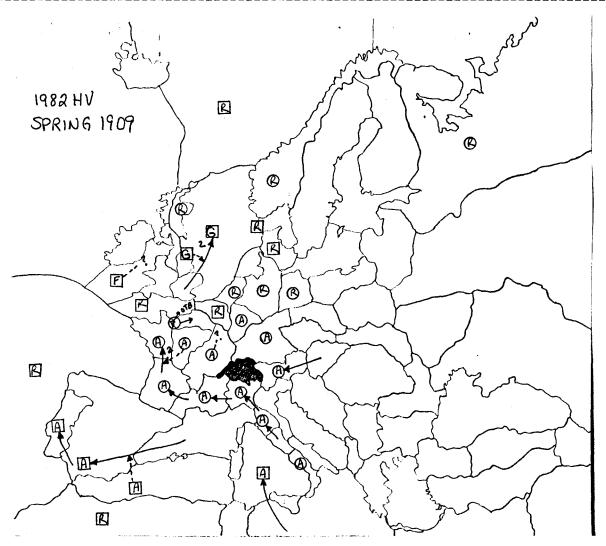
## 1982 HV

#### AUTUMN 1908

Germany (McPhail)	Fleet Edinburgh retreats to Yorkshire
	WINTER 1908
Austria (Morris) France (Graessle) Germany (McPhail) Russia (Hawley)	Build Army Vienna Remove Army Picardy Remove Army Liverpool NRR! Plays 2 short (Played 1 short in W '07)
	SPRING 1909
Austria (Morris)	F Lyo-SPA(SC), F Spa(sc)-POR, A Rom-TUS, A Tus-PIE, A Pie-MAR, A Mar-GAS, A PAR S A Gas-Bre, A Gas-BRE, A RUH H, A NAP H, F WES S F Lyo-Spa(sc), A Vie-TYO, A BUR S Russian F Bel-Pic nso, F Ion-TYS, A MUN H
France (Graessle)	F IRI S Russian A Edi-Lpl nso, A Bre H disl ret Pic, Otb
Germany (McPhail) Russia (Hawley)	F Lon-NTH, F YOR S F Lon-Nth  NMR! A EDI H, F ENG H, F DEN H, F BEL H, A HOL H,  A KIE H, A BER H, F NAF H, F MAO H, F NWG H,  A NWY H, A STP H, F Nth H disl ret Ska, Hel, Otb,

Fleet Mid Atlantic Ocean retreats to Irish Sea

Deadline for Summer 1909 retreats and Fall 1909 moves is  $\underline{\text{Thursday}}$ , October 25,  $\underline{\text{1984}}$ . R/A draw fails. An R/G draw is proposed. NVR means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.



Austria-Germany, France: You guys are good! I'd like to play you in a game when the odds are even.

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1983 N

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## 1983 N

## AUTUMN 1906

France (Brown) Fleet Edinburgh retreats off the board

**WINTER 1906** 

England (Torkelson) Build Fleet London France (Brown) Build Fleet Brest

Russia (Tallman) Build Army Warsaw impossible, no build coming

Turkey (Winger) Build Fleet Constantinople

## SPRING 1907

Austria (Edison) A MUN-Ber F Edi-CLY, F LON S German F Nth-Eng England (Torkelson)

A BUR S A Bel, A BEL H, F Bre-MAO, F Tys-TUN, France (Brown)

A TYO S Turkish A Vie-Boh nso, F NAP H, F Tun-NAF,

A VEN S A Tyo, A PIC S A Bel, F Lyo-SPA(SC),

F NAO-Nwg

A HOL S A Ruh, A RUH S Austrian A Mun-Bur nso, Germany (Michalski)

F NWG S English F Edi-Cly, F Nth-ENG, F Swe-DEN,

A BER H

A Sev-ARM, A BOH S A Gal, A GAL S A Rum, Russia (Tallman)

F Stp(nc)-BAR, A War-Sil nsu,

A Rum S A Gal disl ret Sev, Ukr, Otb

F ION H, F ALB S F Ion, A Tri-BUD, A VIE-Gal, Turkev (Winger)

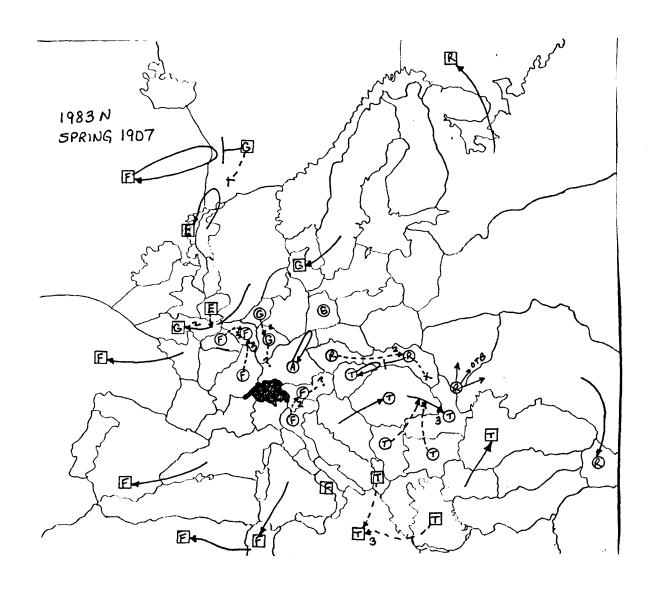
A Bud-RUM, F AEG S F Ion, A BUL S A Bud-Rum,

A SER S A Bud-Rum, F Con-BLA

Deadline for Summer 1907 retreat and Fall 1907 moves is Thursday, October 25. 1984. An FGT, an EFGT and an FGTR draw have been proposed. NVR means NO unless you NMR then it's YES.

Constantinople: The great and omnipotent Sultan Win-Ger has called an emergency meeting of his war counsel. He announces that he will make a major press statement in the near future that will either establish new alliances with the Turkish Empire or will affirm and solidify the old ones. Aides close to the Sultan report that he gets very confused when the pressure mounts in worldly affairs.

The Czar's summer palace: The czar is caught nailing boards on the windows: "What? Who...? On, my! You startled me. We are just closing the old place up for the place for the winter. Where do we winter? Why, the czarina and I are looking at some beach property in the south."



Edinburgh: Several fishermen saw signal lights flashing between huge ships moving silently through the night. After speaking with local authorities, they remained mum, but looked unusually cheerful.

London: Admiral Lightarmour met with old Admiral Winterbottom today to celebrate the readiness of a second fleet. In honor of the occasion, the old man toasted the future of his new campaign: "Mark well my words - - In Marseilles we'll dine, in 1909!"

Munich: This is an official announcement that I am willing to puppet for anyone who has <u>any</u> sort of decent offer to make. (I really hate to grovel, you know?)

Judy-Munich: We had a spate of NMRs this issue. My offer is to place you on the standby list. How about it, big guy?

## 1983 CK

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## **SPRING 1905**

Austria (Mazzer)	A Gal-SIL, <u>A TRI-Ser</u> , F Ven-ADR, A Rom-TUS, A Nap-ROM, A Vie-BOH, A BUD-Ser, F Lyo-WES
England (Stark)	A Bel-HOL, A Bre-Gas annihilated, F Lon-ENG, F Por-MAO, F Nwy-SWE, F BAL S A Edi-Den, A Lpl-WAL, A Edi-DEN, F NTH C A Edi-Den
France (Wall)	A PAR S German A Pic-Bre
Germany (Schilling) Italy (Knight)	F Den-SKA, A Mun-BER, A Pic-BRE, A KIE S A Mun-Ber F Spa(sc)-POR, <u>A MAR-Gas</u>
Russia (Torkelson) Turkey (Cunning)	A Stp-NWY F Aeg-ION, F Con-AEG, A War-PRU, A Sev-MOS,
Turkey (cumming)	A GRE H, F Ion-TUN, F Tun-NAF, F Ank-CON, F Smy-EAS

Deadline for Fall 1905 moves is Thursday, October 25, 1984.

Press:-----

Vienna-Con: You were expecting maybe Robert Redford?

Vienna-London: Now just because James, Ben, Cathy and I were all at PudgeCon and you weren't doesn't mean we were conspiring against you. So don't worry about it. Put the thought completely out of your mind. Don't even think about Cathy, James, Ben and I huddled together over a game board developing strategies to crush England like an insect. It's pure fantasy. So put all thoughts like that out of your mind. It won't happen . . . necessarily.

Berlin-Vienna, Constantinople and Paris: Nice to see you at PudgeCon.

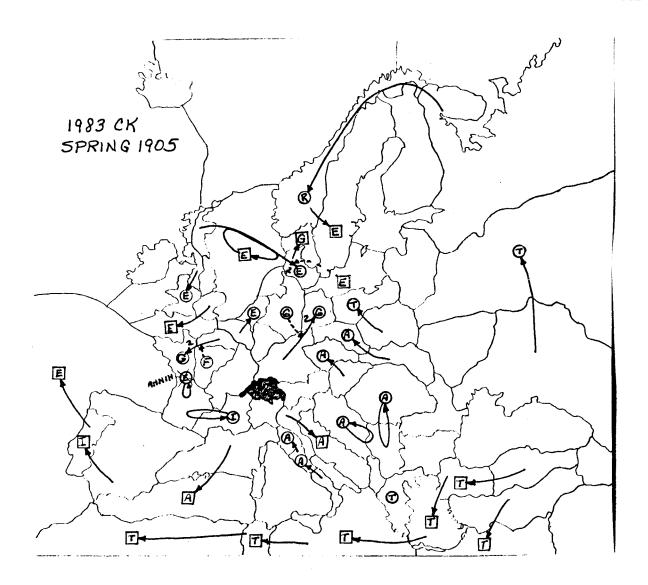
Berlin-Venna, St. Potorsburg, London and Judy: You missed a great time in

Berlin-"Rome", St. Petersburg, London and Judy: You missed a great time in Wichita.

Judy-Berlin: Sorry I missed it. Thanks for the photo. It is on page 13. Looks like you had a great time. Great photo - thanks - it's nice to meet <u>WL</u> players even vicariously.

Berlin-London: Woody's address is: Steve Arnawoodian; 602 Hemlock Circle; Lansdale, PA 19446

Con-Vie: I still love you! Even after Pudge-Con!
Turkey-Germany, Austria & France: Should we call ourselves the Pudge-alliance?



More 1983 CK Press:

London-Berlin: You're right!!

England-Italy: Why did you stop writing???

England-Turkey: Since when did Turkey have such a formidable fleet as you have

now? Do you plan to reopen the spice trade??

England-Austria: Get a rotten cupcake ready for somebody.

England-Germany & Crew: Thanks for the note - I do wish I could meet some of you - I feel that I am missing a big point of playing DIP by mail and that is the friendship.

MORE RED LETTERS continued from page 5 (he's still talking)

winning gold medals, what would you choose? As a result, almost every nightly slot had a live volleyball match!

((Judy here. I wouldn't complain as much if ABC had followed their strategy and had representative coverage of the "lesser-known" sport of soccer. Soccer enthusiasts stay up to watch the late night broadcasts on the Spanish Information Network or tape them on their videos for later viewing. You can't do that if (continued on next page)

## RED LETTERS continued from page 11 (me talking now)

they don't broadcast at all. Why didn't ABC even give the scores?--even when the USA was only one goal away from qualifying for the quarter finals. It still sounds like collusion to me. To answer your question, I'd rather watch soccer than American teams competing for gold medals when the major competition stayed away. The level of play for the soccer matches was excellent. It was probably better than for some other sports in the Olympics that do more to exclude professionals from competing. By the by, NBC will be broadcasting the USA vs Netherlands Antilles qualifying match played in St. Louis on October 6. It will be aired from 4:30 - 6:00 pm EDT. Charlie Jones will do the play by play (ugh) and Paul Gardner the color commentary (OK). See no collusion between football and NBC. I wonder why?))

((Back to Don)) By the way...you used the word "Shootout" incorrectly. A "shootout" is something used in the NASL - the Bolden Bay? Vancouver match did end in a shootout. However, when you say "Brazil won in a shootout", I believe you mean "Brazil won on penalties", which means that the game was decided on post-overtime penalty kicks. (There are no penalty kicks in a shootout - just those things from 35 yards out.) I should know about these things - one of my college roommates came from Germany and was a big Eurosoccer fan. (He even stayed up late ((See, I told you so.)) to watch F. R. Germany a/k/a "West Germany", in a World Cup match in SIN - his German is very good, but Spanish leaves him in the dust somewhere. At least SIN doesn't show commercials during play like ABC did - they just have small "messages" mentioning products shown on the screen along with the action.

((Right you are. That is a very good description of the difference between the way the NASL resolves ties with a shootout and the method used in the Olympic tournament. Thanks for the correction. SIN also spends lots of minutes before and during the halftime break showing lots of commercials. A very intelligent way of showing soccer. Even better than the PBS method of cutting out portions of the game.))

Soccer is a great game - in places where it's called football. (For example, the British Isles, and any place where the major language is Spanish, German, Portuguese, or Italian - except, probably, New York City and parts of Southern California.) Personally, I like the Victoria Football League (that's Australian Rules Football - a combination of rugby and soccer, more or less) on ESPN. (I wonder what would happen if they started showing cricket matches?)

((Probably there would be an audience for cricket. I find most stuff on ESPN boring when I get a chance to see it. I agree that Australian football is fun to watch, especially the officials. Soccer is much more popular than just with the countries with Romance and Germanic languages. It is played throughout Africa, Asia, Russia (of course), and the Middle East. Note that the Olympic tournament included Iraq, Morrocco, and Egypt.))

I assume you've seen the latest NO FIXED ADDRESS with its cryptic acrostic. I must agree - the quote is quite appropriate! ((Drat, I've seen it but I can't solve it. That's mean Don.))

I assume that either you or your "housemate" Jerry will be at PACIFICON next week. This is the second year in a row that I never got a pre-registration form! (Fortunately for me, GAMES OF BERKELEY had a few left when I'm in the area.)

((Sorry I missed you at Pacificon. My "housemate" is amused by that label. Jim Bumpas said that he had seen you, but I never ran into you. Did you have a good time?))



Thanks to Ben Schilling, here are four <u>Winsome-Losesome</u> players for you to meet. From left to write they are Mike Mazzer, Cathy Cunning, Ben Schilling (the one and only), and James Wall. This was taken at PudgeCon III.



Thanks to Jeff Albrecht, here are three more <u>Winsome-Losesome</u> subscribers eating at FarmCon I. From left to right they are Napoleon, Porky and Sweet-Lips. Cupcake didn't come. ((Thanks Jeff for the pictures from your farm)) Jeff sent several pictures from his farm and writes: "As promised, here are a few b&w photos down on the farm. I'm sorry that the pigs weren't performing anything of a disgusting nature -- sometimes they do and sometimes they don't. So it goes on the plains. How was the vacation? Too short, I'm sure -- they always are." ((Right you are. Performing acts of a disgusting nature sounds like DipCon activity to me. But how would I know? I've yet to go to one. Maybe DafCon?))

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