

1950 – 1954

CITY CHESS TEAM WINS STATE TITLE

~~APR 3 1950~~
New Britain Gains Championship for First Time

For the first time in the history of Connecticut chess tournaments, a New Britain team captured the state championship in the class "B" division of the Connecticut Chess League, Edmund A. Roman, league president, announced today.

The undefeated Falcon chess team of this city went to Deep River Saturday night and registered a 3½ to 1½ victory over the town team, three times winners of the state championship, after local players won two adjourned games from a match held on February 24. The games were played by Team Captain Basil Greenough and Ivan Greenough.

In a tourney marked by a close race for the league leadership in the final rounds of the season, Hartford gained second place, one-half point behind New Britain. Deep River dropped into third place and New Haven, first place winners last year, wound up in fourth place.

The lineup and final scores for the Deep River match were: Board one, Roman mastered Herman Reinsch; board two, Frank Kozakiewicz tied Dave Johnson; board three, Basil Greenough upset Fred Pearson; board four, Erich Wiener lost to William Chapman; and board five, Ivan Greenough defeated Ferdinand Luca.

In a tourney in which 12 teams played 11 rounds, the New Britain five chalked up nine wins and two draws. Hartford scored eight wins and three draws. Deep River registered eight wins, two draws and one loss while New Haven scored eight wins and three losses.

Victims of the local quintet were Niantic, Wallingford, New London, the University of Connecticut, Wesleyan University, Yale University, Deep River, Middletown and New Haven. New Britain scored draws against Bristol and Hartford.

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Officers

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Sec. & Treas.	B. G.	Frank Potter
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Editor	F. Kozziewicz	Koval
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Librarian	B. G.	Pete Gelmini
Deputy	Prager	B. G.

Team in League

Dues - 25¢ Mo.

Received from B. Greenough, \$10.43
10/4/51. J. Potter

1951 - 1952

Election of officers was held with the following results (Oct. 4, 1951)

President: Edmund Roman

Vice President: Waldemar Massman

Secretary-Treasurer: Franklin Potter

Press Representative: Ivan Greenough

Team Captain: Basil Greenough

Ladder Director: Basil Greenough

Librarian: Peter Gelmini

Delegate: Basil Greenough

It was decided to enter the team in the Conn. team Tournament of the Conn. Chess League. Members were reminded that dues are 25c per month and that dues be collected on the first meeting of each month. F. Potter, Sec. Treas

Edmund Roman is the winner of New Britain Chess Champ. His score was $8\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$
2nd Basil Greenough 8-2, 3rd Frank Kozakiewicz 7-3; others Franklin Potter, Eric Wiener, John Berkowski, Peter Gelmini, Albert Goldstein, Waldemar Massman, John Sheiman and Carmelo Calver.

1952 - 1953

meeting called to order at 9:30 PM by Pres.
Edmund Roman. Secretarys and Treas. read
and approved. Elections of officers for the
new year was held with the following
results:

President - Edmund Roman
Vice President - Waldemar Massman
Sec. Treas. - Basil Greenough
Press Rep - { Juan Greenough
 Anthony Gray
Team Capt and Arkadijs Strazdins
Tournament Director
Librarian - Peter Gelmini
Delegate - Basil Greenough.

Basil Greenough, Sec. Treas.
Sept. 8, 1952

Arkadijs Strazdins is the winner of New
Britain Chess Championship

The score: (Round Robin)

1 -	Arkadijs Strazdins	15 : 0
2 -	Edmund Roman	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 -	Basil Greenough	11 - 4
4 -	{ Frank Kozakiewicz	10 - 5
5 -	{ Ivan Greenough	10 - 5
6 -	Franklin Potter	8 - 7

- 7 - Erich Wiener
- 8 - Peter Gelmini
- 9 - Waldemar Massman
- 10 - John Berkowski
- 11 - Alfred Goldstein
- 12 - Carmelo Calvo
- 13 - Joe Calvo
- 14 - Peter McNamer
- 15 - Aaron Rosenzweig

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52 members

In the Conn. Team Championship Arkadijs Strazdins won every game. He was 2nd in Conn. Championship and 3rd in New England Championship in Boston. Roman, Kozakiewicz and Basil Greenough played good too. Our team finished third in the class B tournament conducted by the state Chess League

City Chess Team Shares Top Place

The New Britain Chess team completed the season tied for first place with the Yale team in the Class B tournament of the Connecticut Chess League. Each team registered five wins and three losses.

The league tournament committee announced there would be no play-off and that duplicate prizes will be awarded.

In the close race between the teams, Hartford finished third, only one game behind the teams tied for the title. Middletown was fourth.

This is the second time in three years that the local team finished on top in the state tourney. In winning the title in 1950, New Britain lost only one game in the 10-game tournament.

Contributing to this season's victory was the performance of Arkadijs Strazdins, a former displaced person of Latvia, who finished the season undefeated on board one. Other members of the New Britain team were Edmund Roman, president; Basil Greenough, captain in 1950 and 1952; Frank Kozakiewicz, and Peter Gelmini.

1953 - 1954

Meeting called to order at 7:45 AM by
Pres. Edmund Roman, Sec. and Treas.
read and approved. Elections of officers
for the New Year was held with the
following results:

President - Edmund Roman
Vice President - Waldemar Massman
Sec. Treas - Basil Greenough
Team Captain - Arkadijs Strazdins
Tournament Director - Arkadijs Strazdins
Press Rep. - Tony Grey.
Sept. 1953 Basil Greenough, Sec. Treas.

Team Tournament
The following scores have been received since last Sunday:

Bridgeport B	Yale B	
Wheeler 1	Ray 0	
Preston 1/2	Brooker 1/2	
Dickeson 1	Pleasure 0	
Semkey 0	Kover 1	
		2 1/2
		1 1/2

Yale A	New Britain A	
Gottesman 1	Suraci 0	
Mills unf. 0	Strazdins 1	
Spellman 0	Jankowski 1	
Goldberg 0	Cendrowski 1	
		2 3

Result of the match depends on the finish of the game on

Chess Club Outmoves Bristolites in Match

The New Britain Chess Club defeated the Bristol Chess Club by a score of 4 1/2 to 1 1/2 last night in Bristol in an informal match.

The score, with New Britain players listed first, was: Arkadijs Strazdins 1/2 and Kimm 1/2; Zigmunt Jablonski 1 and Duhime 0; Frank Kozakiewicz 1 and Polcieh 0; John Cendrowski 1 and Burroughs 0; Stephen Astoria 0 and Kessler 1; and Joseph Cupial 1 and Roloff 0.

N. B. Chess Club Leads Waterbury

With one game adjourned, New Britain Chess Club led the Waterbury team by a score of 3 to 2 last night at Gen. Haller Post in an informal match.

The score follows with New Britain players listed first: Zigmunt Jankowski 0 and Y. Geruch 1; Paul Quink 1 and R. Dittmar 0; Walter Keyna 1 and W. Welton 0; Edward Nowakowski 1 and T. Speers 0; and John Wierigroch 0 and G. Gedraitis 1. The game between Paul LeClark, New Britain, and A. Gedraitis was adjourned.

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1954 - 1955

The meeting of the New Britain Chess Club was called to order at 7:30 by Pres. Edmund Roman. Sec. and Treas. read and approved. Elections of officers for the New year was held with the following results:

President - Edmund Roman
 Vice President - Waldemar Massman
 Sec. Treas - Robert Corr
 Team Captain - Frank Kozakiewicz
 Tournament Director - Arkady Strazdins
 Press Rep. - Anthony Grey
 Sept. 1954 - Robert Corr. Sec. Treas.

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By G. E. AVERY

Hartford Chess Club

YMCA

Friday evenings

Visitors welcome

Here are some scores in the A division Team Tournament of the Connecticut State Chess Association:

Hartford A		Yale A	
Noderer	1	Mills	0
Raymond	0	Gottesman	1
Lane	1/2	Muntz	1/2
Kochman	1	Plaskov	0

2 1/2	1 1/2
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New Haven A		U. of Conn. A	
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Bolton	1	Wolk	0
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Wysowski	1	McLaughlin	0
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Newberry	1	Langer	0
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Hand	1	Farkas	0
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U. of Conn. A		New Britain A	
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Wolk	1/2	Strazdins	1/2
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Trusis	1	Kozakiewicz	0
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Karosi	0	Jankowski	1
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Tichy	0	Cendrowski	1
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1 1/2	2 1/2
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The team match between the New Britain and Hartford A teams played a week ago ended with two unfinished games. It was planned for the two contestants to go to New Britain the following week, but Suraci of the New Britain team called up and resigned his game to Noderer. Then Raymond of Hartford, after long study, decided that Strazdins of New Britain had a win, and he resigned his game. This means that New Britain won the match by 2 1/2-1 1/2.

Full scores of the Watsons.

- A -
 New Britain 2 1/2
 Hartford 1 1/2