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Chess news

Perfect score wins 20th tourney

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, N.B. CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — The 20th annual New Britain City Chess Championship Reserve Open Tournament has been won by Wielaw M. Wojcik of New Britain, with a perfect score of 5-0.

The event, part of the 41st championship tournament in progress, was a five-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) event. The 31-player tourney was played at the Quartette Club for five weeks.

Michael Zidbeck of Hartford took second place in a tie-break over Walter R. Kasmer of Plainville. Each scored 4-1.

Other top scorers: Fourth — Bohuslaw Mazur of Hartford. Fifth — Edzislav Jankowski of New Britain. Seven players scored 3-2, with the tie-break formula deciding their standings: 6th — Hermann E. Zickfeld of Southington; 7th — Wesley B. Frazier Sr. of Bristol; 8th — Lawrence T. O'Neill of Berlin (1984 champion); 9th — Karl E. Kochman of South Windsor; 10th — Jozef Nadej OF Unionville; 11th — Stanley J. Archacki of New Britain (1981 champion); 12th — Owen P. Walsh of New Britain.

The event was co-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, an affiliate of the USCF. Arkadijs Strazdins and Richard N. Bauer, directed.

The local club meets every Tuesday night at 7, at the Quartette Club.

THE HERALD • FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1991

Chess news

Middletown man wins city tournament

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT
NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — Robert Milardo of Middletown has won the New Britain City Chess Championship for the fifth time.

Competition was held Tuesday nights for 12 weeks and was open to all players who were New Britain Chess Club members. The finals were an 11-round, single round-robin event.

Milardo, Connecticut State Chess Association vice president, won nine games and drew with Richard N. Bauer of Farmington and John A. Baclawski of New Britain.

Milardo won the city championship in 1976 and 1981 and shared the title in 1983 and 1984. He has been a city chess club member since 1970.

Bauer, the defending champion, took second place honors on a tie-break over Douglas E. Fiske of Hartford. Both scored, 9½-1½.

Other top finishers were: 4th — Arkadijs Strazdins, 5th — Baclawski, 6th — David J. Aldi of Manchester, 7th — David C. Lunden of New Britain, 8th — John C. Pasco of New Britain, 9th — Walter Pajak of New Britain, 10th — Craig F. Palmer of Litchfield, 11th — William V. Dworski of New Britain, 12th — John R. Fryer of Plainville.

Eighty players competed in the championship cycle, qualifying, reserve and finals. Cash, trophies and chess books was awarded to the top six.

ACTION CHESS QUADS

Prize winners of the New Britain Chess Club "Action Chess Quads" (30 minute games) for March were:

Quad 1 — Reginald Cyr and Zdzislaw Jankowski of New Britain, tied with 2½-2½, each.

Quad 2 — Jopseph Rodriguez of Hartford, 3-0.

Quad 3 — Zdzislaw Jankowski of New Britain, 3-0.

Quad 4 — Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford, 2½-1½.

Quad 5 — Zdzislaw Jankowski of New Britain, 2½-1½.

Quad 6 — Robert R. Kozlowski of New Britain, 3-0.

Kozlowski, 12, a seventh-grade student at Pulaski Middle School, recently competed in the 68th annual Western Massachusetts and Connecticut Valley open chess championship in Springfield, Mass. In the Reserve sections, with 42 players, Kozloski with a score of 3-2 (two wins, two draws and one loss) tied for 13th place. Kozlowski is the youngest New Britain Chess Club member.

6TH SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY NATIONAL SENIOR

CHESS MASTER - RICHARD N. BAUER.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1991

AT THE QUARTETTE CLUB.

BAUER SCORED: + 20 - 4 = 5

HE LOST: 1) Owen P. Walsh, New Britain (1st. winner)
2) Arkadijs Strazdins, New Britain
3) Walter B. Kasmer, Plainville
4) Zdzislaw Jankowski, New Britain

HE DREW: 1) Michael Zidbeck, Hartford
2) Jozef Madej, Unionville
3) Bousseau Taylor, Hartford
4) David Aldi, Manchester
5) Richard K. Lee, Rocky Hill

HE WON: 1) Reginald Cyr
2) Robert R. Kozlowski
3) David C. Lunden
4) Mark White
5) Bruce Brown
6) Peter Galazan
7) Jozef Hladun
8) Jozef Letkiewicz
9) Robert Feder
10) Douglas Van Gordon
11) Hermann E. Zickfeld
12) Joseph Rodriguez
13) Tomaz Blaziak
14) Jacek Borkowski
15) John A. Thurn
16) Paul Budney
17) Thomas P. Hollman
18) Adam Szydlo
19) Nigel Mitchell
20) Stanley J. Archacki

It took Bauer about five hours to finish all of the games. Players were allowed to choose either white or black pieces. Thanks to all players who played in this SIMUL. Arkadijs Strazdins, organizer.

NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT, THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1991

Challenge from chess 'master'

NEW BRITAIN — To promote chess in the area, the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC) and the Quartette Club will co-sponsor a simultaneous exhibition Tuesday by Richard N. Bauer of Farmington, a National Senior Chess Master.

The exhibition will be held at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., starting at 7:45 p.m.

Bauer, 35, is the third highest rated chess player in Connecticut and first-rated in the 84-member New Britain Chess Club. He is one of the top 25 chess masters in New England. He won the Connecticut State Open Championship in 1983, 1984, 1988 and 1989, the New Britain city championship in 1990, NBCC titles in 1987, 1988 and 1989 and the New Britain Summer Open in 1990.

He will play against all challengers simultaneously. Contestants can choose either white or black pieces. There is an entry fee of \$4. The fee is \$3 for students and senior citizens. A prize will be awarded to the first player to defeat Bauer.

Contestants may register on the night of the exhibition with Arkadijs Strazdins, NBCC club president, between 7 and 7:30. Players who are not club members should bring their own chess sets and boards if possible. Spectators are welcome, free of charge.

THE HERALD • FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1991

1991 city chess championship slated to open on Tuesday night

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT,
NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — The New Britain Chess Club (NBCC) will begin its 1991 individual chess championship — a five-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated tournament — at the Quartette Club Tuesday.

The event will run for five successive Tuesday nights, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The time limit is 40 moves in 90 minutes per player. The secondary time limit is 30 minutes sudden death if needed.

Early registration shows that many club members have signed up, including Michael Casella, defending champion national chess master, and Richard Bauer, four-time Connecticut state champion.

The event is co-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the NBCC, an affiliate of the USCF.

The NBCC meets every Tuesday night at 7 at the Quartette Club, sponsor of the chess club.

29 OPPONENTS

Bauer, a National Senior Chess Master, gave a simultaneous exhibition April 16 at the Quartette Club against 29 opponents. It took Bauer about five hours to finish all of the games. He won 21, lost 4 and tied 4.

He lost to Owen P. Walsh of New Britain, Arkadijs Strazdins of New Britain, Walter B. Kasmer of Plainville and Zdislaw Jankowski of New Britain.

He drew with Michael Zidbeck of Hartford, David J. Aldi of Manchester, Jozef Madej of Unionville and Rousseau Taylor of Hartford.

Chess news

New Britain Club crowns champion

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — Richard N. Bauer of Wolcott is the 1991 New Britain Chess Club (NBCC) champion. It's his fourth club title since 1986.

Bauer, a national senior chess master, scored a perfect 5-0, in the five-round, Swiss-System U.S. Chess Federation (USCF)-rated event, which concluded May 28 at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St. Thirty-four players participated.

Bauer, 35, is ranked third in Connecticut and first at the 84-member NBCC, Connecticut's biggest club. He is one of the "Top 30" New England chess masters.

Next were: second, Owen P. Walsh of New Britain; third, David C. Lunden, New Britain; fourth, Michael Casella of New Britain; fifth, William Weil of Bloomfield.

The event was co-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the NBCC, an affiliate of the USCF, and directed by Arkadijs Strazdins.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

The NBCC will play all summer every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 12:40 a.m. at the sponsoring Quartette Club. Players will be offered three choices: "Blitz" tournaments (5-minute games); "Action Chess Quads" (finish three games in one night); or friendly, non-rated games. All tournament games start at 7:30 p.m.

The 26th annual New Britain Summer Open Championship has

been scheduled at the Quartette Club for July 7. The first round will start at 9 a.m. More information and early registration is available at the NBCC by contacting Strazdins, tournament director.

The Connecticut State "Blitz" championship will be played Aug. 6 at the Quartette Club.

Chess news

N.B. HERALD
July 12, 1991

CCSU student wins state title

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, N.B. CHESS CLUB

Michael Casella of New Britain won the Connecticut State Open Chess Championship held recently at Wesleyan University in Middletown.

Casella, 21, a Central Connecticut State University student and member of the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC), won the title in a sudden death playoff after finishing in a tie for first place in the 40-player open section with Alex I. Sherzer of Maryland and Richard N. Bauer, also a NBCC member.

In the playoff, Casella and Bauer each defeated Melsh and Casella then beat Bauer, a four-time state champ, 3½ to 2½. The first five games were draws.

Fourteen city chess club members participated in the tournament.

They were:

Open section: Edward F. McHugh; Brian Bambrough; Douglas E. Fiske.

Reserve section: Michael Zidbeck, tied for second; Mark Denihan; Amando Vereia.

Classic section: John C. Pasco and Richard K. Lee tied for first place; Philip Goulis; Thomas P. Holliman.

Novice section: Reginald Cyr tied for third place; Robert R. Kozlowski, 12, took fifth place.

The biggest upset of the tournament occurred when NBCC member Brian Bambrough defeated John Curdo, the "dean of New England chess," with a 365-point difference. Curdo, in a 40-year span, has won more chess tournaments in the eastern U.S. than any other player.

New Britain Chess Club
Minutes of the Annual Meeting 1991

The meeting was opened at 8 P.M., Tuesday 16 Jul 91 by President Arkadijs Strazdins. The minutes of last year's meeting was read by Robert Milardo who chaired the meeting. There were 26 members present.

Elections were held with the following results:

President:	Arkadijs Strazdins 22nd term
Vice President	Wesley Frazier 3rd term
Secretary	Robert Milardo 1st term
Tresurer	Andris Strazdins 19th term
Team Captains	Rick Bauer 3rd term
	Michael Sheroff 2nd term

The above officers were unopposed and won unanimously.

The Tresurer's report was read by the chairman, and was unanimously accepted. New Britain Chess Club's balance as of today is \$1,436.

Annual dues were discussed. A motion was made that there be no changes in our club's dues structure. The motion passed unanimously. Our dues remain as follows:

Regular members - \$20

Juniors, students, Vietnam Veterans & senior citizens - \$12

With no further business before the club, a motion to adjourn was made. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Chess news

Hartford man wins summer tourney

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, N.B. CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — The 26th annual New Britain Summer Open Chess Championship has been won by Douglas E. Fiske of Hartford.

He won the event for the first time when he defeated defending champ Richard N. Bauer of Wolcott, a member of the sponsoring New Britain Chess Club, in tie-breaking competition.

The tournament was played July 7 at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., and attracted 31 players from Connecticut, Massachusetts and Illinois. It was a four-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation-rated tournament.

Fiske and Bauer had each scored 3½-½ in regular play.

There were five players with a score of 3-1. A tie-breaking formula determined their final standings, which were: Third, Ronald C. Nichols of Ridgefield; fourth, Thomas S. Webster of New Britain; fifth, Robert J. Campbell of Chicopee, Mass.; sixth, David C. Lunden of New Britain; seventh, Joseph M. Hoddy of New Milford.

Winners in the New Britain club's June "Action Chess Quads" (30-minute games) were: 1. Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford; 2. Zdzislaw Jankowski of New Britain; 3. Robert Feder of Manchester; 4. Michael Zidbeck of Hartford; David C. Lunden of New Britain; Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford; 5. Russell Berube of Plantsville; 6. Thomas P. Hollman of Higganum; 7. Mark White of New Britain; 8. David C. Lunden of New Britain.

Hartford
Casella

He's a master at his game, and he loves it



John E. Mason Jr.

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ABOUT 1991

As a mere child of 4, Mike Casella, was easily beating children at checkers. So when his mother asked his uncle, Mike Buchas, to teach him another game, Casella chose chess. After a couple of hours of listening to his uncle and several years of competing in chess tournaments, Casella, 21, is somewhat of a master.

"I liked all games, but that was my favorite game," said Casella of New Britain, who won the Connecticut Chess Blitz Championship in New Britain earlier this month. "Now it's my ultimate game."

In the chess tournament, sponsored by the Connecticut Chess Association, players were allowed five minutes to beat an opponent. Casella defeated nine opponents, to win his second chess tournament in four months.

"He's one of the best student players in New England," said Arkadijs Strazdins, president of the New Britain Chess Club. "He's one of the few people to get a master rating."

Casella, a finance student at Central Connecticut State University, has been spending five hours a day playing chess this summer. By playing in about 15 chess tournaments a year, Casella gets to enjoy what he called the most competitive game in the world.

"Some people say the divine is in nature. I say the divine is on the chess board," he said.

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Annual Chess Match With Springfield Set July 30

The 14th New Britain-Springfield, Mass., chess match will be held at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., July 30, starting at 7:30 p.m., according to Arkadijs Strazdins, New Britain Chess Club president. New Britain has won nine of the first 13 matches and lost two. There were two draws. Spectators are welcome, free of charge.

Local club member Michael Casella of New Britain has won the 1991 New England College Chess Championship held at the University of Massachusetts. Casella, 21, a finance student at Central Connecticut State University, finished regular play in a tie for first place with Adam Bemporad, president of the UMass Chess Club, and then defeated him in a playoff.



New Britain Chess Club

225 Wooster St., New Britain, Ct. 06052
C/O Quartette Club, entr's on Quartette Club Rd



President - Arkadijs Strazdins

CHES MATCH

NEW BRITAIN C.C. - CONNECTICUT VS. SPRINGFIELD C.C. - MASSACHUSETTS.

Played by 11 boards - Tuesday, July 30, 1991 - at the New Britain Chess Club.

TEAM CAPTAINS:

Michael L. Sheroff

Charles Laamanen

Arkadijs Strazdins, T. D.

NEW BRITAIN TEAM

SPRINGFIELD TEAM

1. BAUER Richard N.	2330	10583896	1 - 0	LEES David M.	2287	10002302
2. CASELLA Michael	2266	12440626	½ - ½	CAMPBELL Robert J.	2124	10002826
3. HOBART Steve	2234	10379041	1 - 0	MEYER Fred John	2044	10001978
4. DEARING Christopher	2218	12117860	0 - 1	LAAMANEN Charles	2010	11523595
5. FISKE Douglas E.	2102	10027977	1 - 0	HIRCH Thomas C.	1910	12415287
6. KLOSKOWSKI Peter A.	1963	10031494	1 - 0	SARRAZIN Paul E.	1869	12061350
7. VIEIRA Noah	1916	12558830	½ - ½	RACZKA Alan	1662	10001901
8. LUNDEN David C.	1901	10002443	0 - 1	CATARINO Camilo J.	1638	12528030
9. PASCO John C.	1893	10031478	1 - 0	MINOR Edward W.	1458	12120570
10. ZICKFELD Hermann E.	1689	10037972	1 - 0	LANGONE Jerry	UNR	NEW
11. RODRIGUEZ Joseph	1603	12539357	0 - 1	CHAPMAN Richard	1235	12430047

TOTAL SCORE 7 - 4

RATING FEE: \$5.50
PRINTOUT FEE: 2.00
TOTAL \$7.50

THE HERALD • THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1991

Chess news Michael Casella wins 'Blitz' championship

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, N.B. CHES CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — Michael Casella of New Britain has won the 1991 Connecticut State "Blitz" (five-minute games) Chess Championship. He won the title for the third consecutive year at the Quartette Club, scoring 18 out of a possible 20 points. Casella, 21, a Central Connecticut State University student, is ranked third in the 90-member New Britain club and has achieved a U.S. Chess Federation National Chess Master rating. He is also this year's Connecticut Open champion.

Finishing second in the Aug. 6 "Blitz" event was Kerry J. Leahy of Southbury, 15½-2½. Third place

went to Gary M. Shure of Ashford.

The event was sponsored by the Connecticut State Chess Association, the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

Winners in the city club's July "Action Chess Quads," (30-minute games) were: 1. Zdzislaw Janowski of New Britain. 2. Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford. 3. Robert Feder of Manchester. 4. Zdzislaw Janowski of New Britain. 5. Paul Budney of Newington.

The New Britain Club defeated the Springfield, Mass., Chess Club in an 11-board team competition, 7-4, on July 30. Winning for New Britain were Richard Bauer, Steve Hobart, Douglas E. Fiske, Peter A. Klocowski, John C. Pasco and Hermann E. Zickfeld. Drawing were Michael Casella and Noah Vieira. The two teams will meet again in the fall. New Britain has won 10 of the 14 matches played since 1984.

NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB "BLITZ" TOURNAMENT WINNERS

FOR THE 1990-1991 SEASON:

26 tournaments were played from Sept. 04, 1990 to Aug. 27, 1991. (No. 593 thru No. 618) The New Britain Chess Club held "BLITZ" tournaments for the past 38 years - the only chess club in Connecticut to do so that long! Many of Connecticut's top "BLITZ" chess players are New Britain Chess Club members - including the 1989-1991 Connecticut State "BLITZ" chess champion Michael Casella of New Britain.

THE RESULTS:

1. Michael Casella	winner in 8½ tournaments (tied with Leahy one)
2. Richard N. Bauer	winner in 6 tournaments
3. Kerry J. Leahy	winner in 5½ tournaments (tied with Casella one)
4. Edward McHugh	winner in 2 tournaments
5. Arkadijs Strazdins	winner in 2 tournaments
6. Christopher Dearing	winner in 1 tournament
7. Robert Milardo	winner in 1 tournament

New Britain Chess Club "BLITZ" tournament winners for the past 38 years.
Statistics active in tournaments No. 1 thru No. 618.

1. Arkadijs Strazdins	353	22. James Azzola	3	<i>Edward McHugh 2</i>
2. Robert Milardo	33	23. Raymond Lamont	3	
3. Richard N. Bauer	30	24. Pierre LeClarc	2	
4. Michael Casella	26½	25. Duncan W. May	2	
5. Kerry J. Leahy	25½	26. Paul Wooster	1	
6. Anthony A. Miller	17	27. Sam Sheynia	1	
7. Christopher Dearing	13	28. Douglas Grant	1	
8. Zoran Lazetich	13	29. Eugene W. Koenig	1	
9. Eric J. Godin	12	30. James M. Baker	1	
10. Derek Meredith	8	31. Dr. John Paardenkooper	1	
11. Jonathan M. Hanen	7	32. Bruce Grunental	1	
12. Michael Szlowak	7	33. Stephen Varga	1	
13. Stephen Orio	7	34. John Farwell	1	
14. Neal Felsinger	6	35. Christopher Ferrante	1	
15. Carl D. Trazcynski	6	36. Philipps Frenkel	1	
16. Kurt J. Holyst	5	37. Dennis Gallagher	1	
17. Steven H. Strogatz	5	38. Leonard Weeks	1	
18. John A. Baclawski	4	39. Dr. Aaron Tannenbaum	1	
19. Peter A. Kloskowski	4	40. Steve Hobart	1	
20. William Aust	3	41. John R. Fryer	1	
21. Peter P. Yanchak	3	42. James M. Bolton	1	
43. Ray Woll 1	and	44. Wesley B. Frazier 1		

CONGRATULATIONS to all winners. Special congratulations to BAUER for winning tournament No. 596 (Dec. 04, 1990) with a score 27-1 !, the best result for the season. !!! Thanks to all players who participated in the "BLITZ" tournaments.

Typed by Arkadijs Strazdins, President of the NBCC.

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SUPPORT FOR U. S. CHESS.

Chess news

Simultaneous exhibition planned

By Arkadijs Strazdins
PRESIDENT, N.B. CHESS CLUB

NEW BRITAIN — To promote chess in central Connecticut, the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC) and the Quartette Club will co-sponsor a simultaneous exhibition by former New York National Chess Master Kerry J. Leahy of Southbury.

The exhibition will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.

Leahy, with 2,299 U.S. Chess Federation rating points, is the fourth-highest rated chess player in Connecticut, and second at the NBCC.

He will play against all comers, and contestants may choose either white or black pieces. The entry fee is \$4 (\$3 for students and senior citizens). The first player to beat Leahy will be awarded a chess book autographed by the master.

Players who would like to compete should contact Arkadijs Strazdins, NBCC president, at the club. Players who are not NBCC members should bring their own chess sets and boards if possible. Visitors are welcome free of charge.

The first tournament for the 1991-92 season will be the 1992 New Britain City Chess Championship Qualifier, a U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated single-round-robin tournament.

It is co-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC), an affiliate of

the USCF, and will be played at the Quartette Club each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., one game per night, from Sept. 17 through Nov. 12.

The time limit is 40 moves in 90 minutes. The second time control is 30 minutes sudden death; thereafter per player if needed.

Competitors will be divided into sections, with eight or 10 players in each section. From each section, the first two or three with highest scores will play in the finals for the 42nd annual city championship honors in January, February and March.

For players not qualifying for the championship, there will be a five-round Swiss-system open reserve tournament, played concurrently with the finals.

The event is open to all chess players in New Britain, and NBCC members regardless of where they live. Prizes will be awarded to top scorers in the finals and reserve tournaments only. USCF membership is required and may be obtained during registration.

Late registration will be accepted Tuesday night from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Quartette Club.

Winners of the NBCC Action Chess Quads for August were: 1. Zdzislaw Jankowski of New Britain. 2. Michael Zidbeck of Hartford and Paul Budney of Newington. 3. Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford. 4. Thomas S. Webster of New Britain. 5. Joseph Rodriguez of Hartford. 6. Paul E. Budney of Newington. 7. David C. Lunde Jr. of New Britain.

NEW BRITAIN HERALD
SEPT. 13, 1991 -

Natl. chess master gives simultaneous exhibition of games

NEW BRITAIN — National Chess Master Kerry J. Leahy of Southbury gave a simultaneous exhibition on Sept. 10, at the Quartette Club, the New Britain Chess Club home since 1975. Twenty-five central Connecticut area chess players participated. It took Leahy about four hours to finish all of the games. He won 15 and lost six.

He lost to Paul Budney of Newington (first winner), Arkadija Strazdins of New Britain, David Aldi of Manchester, Michael L. Sheroff of Farmington, Michael Zidbeck of Hartford and T. Crawford of New Milford.

The event was co-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

Nov. 12, 1991 Chess challenge

NEW BRITAIN — National chess master Michael Casella of New Britain will play simultaneous matches against all challengers next Tuesday night at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.

Casella, a senior at Central Connecticut State University, is the fifth-rated chess player in the state and third-rated at the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC). There is a \$4 entry fee (\$3 for students and senior citizens). Players may register to play between 7 and 7:25 on the night of the exhibition with Arkadijs Strazdins. Players who are not members of the New Britain club should, if possible, bring their own boards and sets.

The event is sponsored by the NBCC and the Quartette Club. Visitors are welcome, free of charge.

SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION NO. 2
BY
NM MICHAEL CASELLA (2314 on 11/91)
at the NBCC
TUESDAY - NOV. 19, 1991

CASELLA PLAYED AGAINST 18 PLAYERS
HE SCORED + 15 - 3

HE LOST TO: 1) Eduard (Ted.) McHugh
2) David C. Lunden
3) Paul E. Budney

HE WON: 1. Arkadijs Strazdins
2. Zdzislaw Jankowski
3. Noah Vieira
4. Joseph Rodriguez
5. Kevin Berry
6. Karl H. Kochman
7. Christopher M. Radda
8. Felix Alstar
9. Michael L. Delgado
10. Mark White
11. Vincent Ensana
12. Piara L. Qusba
13. HERMANN E. ZICKFELD
14. Russell Berube
15. David Larrabee

Take Casella about 3.5 hours to
finish all of the games.
BY A. S.

12/10/91 Chess match a tie

NEW BRITAIN — The New Britain Chess Club and the Springfield, Mass., Chess club played to a 9½-9½ tie in a recent 19-board match in Springfield. Winning games for New Britain were: Steve Hobart, Arkadijs Strazdins, Joel G. Clott, Joseph C. Mansigian, Michael L. Sheroff, Karl H. Kochman, Walter B. Kasner and Thomas S. Webster. Playing draws were: Michael Casella, Neal Felsing and John Bacławski. The local club has played Springfield 15 times since 1984, winning 10, losing two and drawing three.

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Nov. 23, 1991

RITAIN

Chess news

Twelve players set for city championship

NEW BRITAIN — Twelve players have qualified for the 42nd annual New Britain city chess championship finals. The single round-robin tournament will begin Jan. 14 at the Quarett Club, 225 Wooster St.

Thirty-two players competed in the qualification tournament over the past 10 weeks. The three players with the highest scores from each of four sections will play in the finals. Others will play in the 21st annual open reserve tournament, a five-round Swiss system open event starting Jan. 28.

Qualifiers for the championship finals are:

Section A: Richard N. Bauer, Armando Vereá, Walter Pajek.

Section B: Arkadijs Strazdins, David C. Lunden, Russell Berube.

Section C: John A. Bacławski, Michael L. Sheroff, Robert Michaud.

Section D: Robert J. Gagnon, David Aldi, John C. Pasco.

Both tournaments are U.S. Chess Federation rated and co-sponsored by the Quarett Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

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The New Britain Chess Club will play the Springfield, Mass., Chess Club Dec. 2 at 8 p.m. in Springfield. It is expected to be a 20-board match. The two teams have played 14 times since 1984, with New Britain winning 10, losing two and two matches ending in draws.

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National chess master Michael Casella of New Britain gave a simultaneous exhibition Nov. 19 at the Quarett Club, winning 15 of 18 matches. He lost to Eduard T. McHugh of Hartford, David C. Lunden of New Britain and Paul E. Budney of Newington.

CHESS MATCH.

NEW BRITAIN C. C. - CONNECTICUT VS. SPRINGFIELD C. C. - MASSACHUSETTS.
PLAYED BY 19 BOARDS - MONDAY, DECEMBER 02, 1991 - AT THE SPRINGFIELD C. C.

TEAM CAPTAINS:

Michael L. Sheroff (NB) Charles Laamanen (S)

<u>NEW BRITAIN TEAM:</u>		<u>SCORE</u>	<u>SPRINGFIELD TEAM:</u>	
1. CASELLA Michael	2306	½ - ½	2113	CAMPBELL Robert J.
2. HOBART Steve	2240	1 - 0	2109	BRANCIK Alex
3. BOLTON James M.	2219	0 - 1	2107	LAAMANEN Charles
4. FISKE Douglas E.	2108	0 - 1	2040	CABOT Alan A.
5. MEREDITH Derek	2072	0 - 1	2024	LAINER Morris C.
6. STRAZDINS Arkadijs	2037	1 - 0	2019	TAVARES Nicholas
7. FELSINGER Neal	2031	½ - ½	1941	FRIED James
8. CLOTT Joel G.	2002	1 - 0	1917	HIRCH Thomas C.
9. BACLAWSKI John A.	1993	½ - ½	1832	SARRAZIN Paul
10. ALDI David	1937	0 - 1	1816	SUNTER Stephen M.
11. MANSIGIAN Joseph	1929	1 - 0	1809	BOISSONNEAULT Don.
12. PASCO John C.	1895	0 - 1	1789	BURGER Harvey J.
13. SHEROFF Michael L.	1892	1 - 0	1707	CATARINO Camilo J.
14. LEE Richard K.	1854	0 - 1	1650	MORRISON Joseph
15. KOCHMAN Karl H.	1804	1 - 0	1638	ST. LOUIS Andre
16. KASMER Walter B.	1730	1 - 0	1629	ROSSI Dana-Travis
17. DWORSKI William V.	1721	0 - 1	1483	WILK Steven
18. VIEIRA Neve Neve Noah	1707	0 - 1	1427	KELLY Neil R.
19. WEBSTER Thomas S.	1420	1 - 0	1423	MINOR Edward W.

TOTAL SCORE: 9½ - 9½

THE NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB HAS PLAYED THE SPRINGFIELD CHESS CLUB 15
TIMES SINCE 1984. NEW BRITAIN HAS WON 10 MATCHES, LOSING TWO AND
DRAWING THREE. THANKS TO ALL PARTICIPANTS WHO PLAYED IN THIS MATCH.

Arkadijs Strazdins, President of the NBCC.

HERALD 12/12/1991

NB chess club sponsors exhibition

The New Britain Chess Club and the Quartette Club will co-sponsor a simultaneous exhibition by National Senior-Chess Master Richard Bauer of Wolcott on Tuesday night at 7:30 at the Quartette Club, 255 Wooster St., New Britain.

Bauer will play against all comers. The entry fee is \$4 or \$3 for students and senior citizens. The fees are \$1 less for members of the New Britain Chess Club. The first player to defeat Bauer will receive a chess book signed by the master. Chess players who would like to compete against him may contact Arkadijs Strazdins that night from 7 to 7:25 p.m.

Players who are not club members should bring their own chess sets and boards if possible. Visitors may attend for no charge.

SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION BY

NSM RICHARD N. BAUER
at the NBCC

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1991

BAUER PLAYED AGAINST 15 PLAYERS
HE SCORED + 14 and DREW
ONE GAME

JOHN A. BACLAWSKI WAS THE ONLY
PLAYER WHO GET ½ - ½

BAUER WON:

Kevin A. Berry
Zdzislaw Jankowski
Matthew Karanian
Peter Galazan
Mark White
John C. Pasco
Thomas S. Webster
Richard K. Lee
Noah Vieira
Andris R. Strazdins
Piara L. Qusba
Joseph Rodriguez
Paul E. Budney
Arkadijs Strazdins (lost Q not see)

Dec. 24, 1991

Chess master wins 14 of his 15 matches

NEW BRITAIN — Richard N. Bauer, a national senior chess master, won 14 of 15 matches during a simultaneous exhibition Dec. 17 at the Quartette Club.

The only match he failed to win was against John A. Bacławski of New Britain and that encounter ended in a draw. Bauer finished all games in about three hours. The event was sponsored by the New Britain Chess Club (NBCC) and the Quartette Club, which has been home to the NBCC since 1975.

Winners of the "Action Chess Quads" (30-minute games) at the club for November and December were: Robert R. Kozłowski, Zdzisław Jankowski, Noah Vieira, Reginald Cyr, Thomas S. Webster and Mark White, all of New Britain; Robert Feder of Manchester; Kevin A. Berry of Middletown; Paul E. Budney of Newington; Michael L. Sherof Farmington; and Russell Berube of Plantsville.

The NBCC will be closed for the holidays on Tuesday nights and re-open on Jan. 7 with the annual New Year's Blitz (5-minute games) starting at 7:30 p.m.