

1973

NEW BRITAIN HERALD

Saturday, January 27, 1973

36 enter chess tourney

The largest reported filed ever, 36 players, competed in the city chess championship primaries at Gen. Haller Post in the past three months, with the first three in each of three groups in a round-robin playoff for the title.

Competition is held each Wednesday night at the post. The final round is expected in March. The tournament is sponsored by the post and New Britain Chess Club.

Tournament director is William Thompson, assisted by Paul Ligas and Roger J. Masone.

Group A winners were Arkadijs Strazdins, for many years city champion, and Tadeusz Szafranski, 9½ - 1½ each; John Rotfield, 9-2; Peter Mitchell, 8-3, followed by Robert Corr, Jan Kasica, Leonard Dufour, William Thompson, Karl Schimanski, Jose M. Goico, George

BEER-LOVING DANES

COPENHAGEN (UPI) — A Dane loves his beer. On average, he drank 25 gallons of the brew in 1972, of which 80 per cent was bottled beer.

Gilbert and Matthew McGuire.

In Group B, it was Robert W. Lane, 10-1; Wesley Frazier and John A. Bacłowski, 9-2 each; Roger A. Masone, 7-4, followed by Mark Berg, Scott Schneider, Glen Evenson, William H. Hall, Donald Heslin, Gerald Levitski, William W. McKeen and Lester Tasarz.

Group C winners were Daniel Lechowicz, 9-2; Paul Ligas, 8-3; Mark Simonian, 7½-3½; Stanley J. Archacki and Vincent Saskiewicz, 7-4 each, followed by Andrew Loftus, Edmund Valauskas, Joseph C. Augeri, Joseph Mansigian, Anthony Salvatore, Brian McGuiness and Antony Galazan.

Four junior players competed, John Rotfield, who is 14 and qualified for the finals; Andrew Loftus, 12, who scored 50 per cent; Brian McGuiness, who won several games, and Antony Galazan, 12, who achieved draws against McGuiness and Simonian, considered one of the strongest student players.

Chess activities

The New Britain Chess Club will begin its 1973 individual chess championship, a six round Swiss, U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament, at Gen. Haller Post, April 11 at 8 p.m. Roger J. Masone and Paul Ligas are tournament directors.

The tournament is open only to club members, sponsored by Gen. Haller Post and The New Britain Chess Club. Sessions will be held Wednesdays at 7:45 p.m. Many of New Britain's best senior and junior players will compete for the top honors, including last year champions, Robert Milardo and Arkadijs Strazdins. Trophies and other prizes will be awarded for top scorers.

The eight annual New Britain summer open, five round Swiss will be played at Gen. Haller Post, July 21 and 22.

The Jan Cendrowski Memorial will be held early in September at Gen. Haller Post.

In the recently played chess tournaments New Britain Chess Club members represented well.

Daniel Lechowicz, won the fifth Eastfield Mall Open, Reserve Tournament Springfield, Mass. with a score 4½-½. Robert Milardo scored 3-2 in the Experts Tournament. Milardo with a score 4½-½, tied for second place in the Tony Miller Memorial, played at Storrs.

John Rotfield, 14, with a score 9-1, won the Connecticut Scholastic Chess Tournament, Grades 7-9, junior high school tournament, played at Hartford and sponsored by G. Fox & Co. from a field of 150 players. Others who played well in that

division, were: Andrew Loftus, 2, 4½-2½. Anthony Galazan, 2, 4-2; Russell Anderson, 12, 4-1; Kevin Gabriel, 14, 2 out of 2. Grades 5-6; elementary school tournament, Terry Gabriel, 12, scored 1½-2½. A total of 438 youngsters participated in the tournament, a record in Connecticut. Loren Lomaski scored 3½-1½ in the Tony Miller Memorial at Storrs.

Monday

NEW BRITAIN HERALD, April 2, 1973

NEW BRITAIN CITY 1973 CHAMPIONSHIP PRIMERIE

Played at Gen. Haller Post November - December 1972 and January 1973. 36 players competed. They were divided into 3 groups - A-B and C of 12 players each.

The final results of groups A

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| 1. Strazdins Arkadijs | 9½ - 1½ |
| 2. Szafrański Tadeusz | 9½ - 1½ |
| 3. Rothfield John | 9 - 2 |
| 4. Mitchell Peter | 8 - 3 |
| 5. Carr Robert | 6½ - 4½ |
| 6. Kasica Jan | 6½ - 4½ |
| 7. Dufour Leonard | 5 - 6 |
| 8. Thomson William | 4 - 7 |
| 9. Schimanski Karl | 3 - 8 |
| 10. Coice Jose H. | 2½ - 8½ |
| 11. Gilbert George | 2½ - 8½ |
| 12. McGuire Matthew | 0 - 11 |

Group B

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|-------------------|---------|
| Lane Robert W. | 10 - 1 |
| Frazier Wesley | 9 - 2 |
| Bacłowski John A. | 9 - 2 |
| Mosone Roger A. | 7 - 4 |
| Berg Mark | 6½ - 4½ |
| Schneider Scott | 6½ - 4½ |
| Evensen Glen | 6 - 5 |
| Hall William H. | 4 - 7 |
| Heslin Donald | 3 - 8 |
| Levitsky Gerald | 2 - 9 |
| McKeen William W. | 1½ - 9½ |
| Tasary Lester | 1½ - 9½ |

Group C

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|-------------------------|---------|
| 1. Lechowicz Daniel | 9 - 2 |
| 2. Ligas Paul | 8 - 3 |
| 3. Simonian Mark | 7½ - 3½ |
| 4. Archacki Stanley J. | 7 - 4 |
| 5. Staszkiewicz Vincent | 7 - 4 |
| 6. Loftus Andrew | 5½ - 5½ |
| 7. Valauskas Edmund | 5½ - 5½ |
| 8. Augeri Joseph C. | 5½ - 5½ |
| 9. Mansigian Joseph | 5 - 6 |
| 10. Salvatore Anthony | 3 - 8 |
| 11. Mc Guinness Brian | 2 - 9 |
| 12. Galazan Antony | 1 - 10 |

William Thomson
Tournament director

THE FIRST THREE FROM EACH GROUP WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE FINALS. THE OTHERS PLAY IN A RESERVE TOURNAMENT, consisting of a 6 ROUND SWISS.

By Ben McCready



White Position No. 10

Mate in two moves

8-31-1973
By Ben McCready
The New Britain Chess Club's annual summer open speed tournament (five minute games) was won by Arkadijs Strazdins with a score in the finals of 7-3. Eighteen players competed, divided into two groups for the preliminaries. The first three from each group played a double round robin in the finals.
Other scores in the finals were Anthony Miller 6½-3½, Pierre LeClere 5-5, Dan Lechowicz 4-6, Robert Milardo 4-6, and John Rothfield 3½-6½. Paul Ligas directed the tournament.

8-31
1973
The New Britain Chess Club will sponsor the Jan Cendrowski Memorial Chess Tournament at the Gen Haller Post on five successive Wednesday evenings starting September 5. This will be a USCF rated five round Swiss system tournament, with one round played each week starting at 4 pm. There will be trophies for the top three and the top three juniors under 18. Entry fee is \$8. Tournament director will be Arkadijs Strazdins, 113 Shuttle Meadow Avenue, New Britain, 06052. Jan Cendrowski was president of the New Britain club for eight years.

Black

New Britain A New Haven A.

Strazdins	$\frac{1}{2}$	Ian Hamblaton	$\frac{1}{2}$
Milardo	$\frac{1}{2}$	Larry Tupper	$\frac{1}{2}$
Lechowicz	$\frac{1}{2}$	Hugh Tobin	$\frac{1}{2}$
Kloskowski	0	Roger Pahl	1
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	$1\frac{1}{2}$		

1-21-1973

New Britain A Newton B

Milardo	1	Art Mazone	0
Kloskowski	$\frac{1}{2}$	Miss L. Clorilicki	$\frac{1}{2}$
Lechowicz	1	Gary Johnson	0
Frazier	1	Ed O'Neil	0
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	$3\frac{1}{2}$		

1-11-73

New Britain Newton A

Strazdins	0	Richard Beckner	1
Lomasky	$\frac{1}{2}$	A. Petruschow	0
Milardo	$\frac{1}{2}$	Sam Pruman	$\frac{1}{2}$
Lechowicz	$\frac{1}{2}$	Joseph Huddy	$\frac{1}{2}$
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2-4-73

1972-1973 Connecticut team chess league
CHAMPIONSHIP

New Britain A		Wesleyan A	
Milardo	0	Mike Stepa	1
Lechowicz	$\frac{1}{2}$	Bart Diemer	$\frac{1}{2}$
Klotkowski	0	Neil Baseman	1
Frazier	0	Matt Ginsburg	0
	$\frac{1}{2}$		$3\frac{1}{2}$
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2-8-73

New Britain A		Wesleyan B	
Strazdins	1	James Gagnon	0
Milardo	1	Manfred Gassen	0
Lechowicz	1	Mark DeMiham	0
Frazier	1	Terfit	0
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2-15-73

New Britain A		Hartford	
Strazdins	0	Larry Nordner	1
Lomasky	1	Dr. Joseph Platz	0
Frazier	0	William Weil	1
Lechowicz	$\frac{1}{2}$	M. Schwartz	$\frac{1}{2}$
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	$1\frac{1}{2}$		$2\frac{1}{2}$

1-19-73

New Britain A 2 Deep River 2 Feb. 73

Team championships FINAL standing.

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| 1. | New Haven Blue | $7\frac{1}{2}$ | } Trophies | In the B class
(on green) |
| 2. | Hartford Blue | $5\frac{1}{2}$ | | |
| 3. | Wesleyan Blue | 5 | | |
| 4. | New Britain Blue | 4 | | New Britain |
| 5. | Deep River Blue | 4 | | 1st with $3\frac{1}{2}$ points |
| 6. | New Britain Green | $3\frac{1}{2}$ | | <u>TROPHIES</u> |
| 7. | Newton Blue | 3 | | <u>STATE TEAM TOURNAMENT</u> |
| 8. | Wesleyan Green | 1 | | Director: Robert Milardo |
| 9. | Newton Green | $\frac{1}{2}$ | | |

New Britain B Team Captain: Lechowicz
New Britain B Team Captain: Ligas

CHESS EXPERT Mr. James BOLTON

Simultaneous Exhibition at Cm. Haller
Post, Wednesday, March 14, 1973

Mr. Bolton played against 27 players.

He won 19, lost 3 and drew 5

The winners were:

- 1) Andy Loftus 12 years old - a good game
- 2) Mark Berg Student
- 3 Scott Schneider

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Drew games:

1. Terry Gabriel 12 year old
2. Roger Marone, 3 Petter Mitchell
4. Robert Carr and Daniel Lechowicz

LOSERS WERE:

1. Antony Galoran, 2 Kevin Gabriel
3. Russell Anderson, 4 Joseph Mansiglan
5. Joseph Augeri, 6 Jan Kasica 7. Karl Schimmanski 8. Victor Hallix 9. Arthur Belliveau 10. Leonard March 11. Alfred Goldstein 12. Donald Heslin 13. Miro Tanski 14. John Pasco 15. Wayne Dodaxian 16. Gerald Levitsky 17. Frank Kahana 18. William Hall and 19. Nutt Karonian

Mr. Bolton played very well

Loren Lomaski with a score of 5½-1½ won the New Britain city championship Reserve tournament, a six round Swiss U.S. Chess Federation rated from a field of 30 players, played February and March at Gen. Haller Post.

Second was Robert Milardo with 5-1, third James Baker, 4½-1½, Fourth, Jan Kasica, 4½-1½.

After the tie break, the results with 4-2 each, were: Roger J. Masone, Martin Robins-Pinka, Mark Berg and Karl Schimanski. With 3½-2½, George Gilbert, Robert Corr, Steven Kleinman and Anthony Salvatore. With 3-3, Bryan McGuinness, Scott Schneider, Joseph Augery, Peter Mitchell, Arthur Belliveau, Mathew McGuire and Peter Kloskowski. With 2½-3½, Andrew Loftus and Edmund Valuskas. With 2-4 or lower, Dennis Gallagher, Glen Everson, William H. Hall, William Thomson, Gerald Levitsky, Lester Tasarz, Michael McGuire, Leonard Defour and Anthony Strelchun.

Trophies and other prizes will be awarded Wednesday night at Gen. Haller Post to Strazdins, Lane, Rothfield, Lomaski, Milardo, Baker, Szafranski, Frazier, Baclowski, Daniel Lechowicz, Mark Simonian and Top student players, Paul Ligas, Bryan McGuinness and Andrew Loftus. The tournaments was sponsored by Gen. Haller Post and the New Britain Chess Club. William Thomson was the director.

Friday, Mar 30, 1973
Chess results

New Br Herald

Nine qualified players from Praimarie play competed for the 1973 New Britain city chess championship finals, a single round robin tournament at Gen. Haller Post. Competition was held each Wednesday night for the past two months.

Arkadijs Strazdins, an employe of the Stanley Works, won the U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament by a score 6-2. Chess Expert for many years, he is a well-known problem composer and solver, too. Strazdins has defended his title 21 years in a row, a fantastic record in sports.

Robert W. Lane, who drew Strazdins in the last round after 86 moves, scored the same 6-2. He took second place by forfeiting a playoff game with Strazdins.

Third was John Rothfield, 15, a talented Loomis High School ninth grader, one of New Britain Chess Club's best players. He scored a 5½-2½. He drew Lane, Strazdins and Paul Ligas.

Fourth was Paul Ligas, a student of Central Connecticut State College, with a score 4½-3½. His play was highlighted with a win over Lane and Strazdins in the early rounds.

Fifth was Tadeuzs Szafranski, 4½-3½, followed by Wesley Frazier, 3-5, John A. Baclawski 3-5, Stanley J. Archacki 2½-5½, and Vincent Staskiewicz 1-7.

New Britain Herald, 3-30-1973

NEW HAVEN Sunday, July 27 1973
Big Chess Game

attended the...
July 18, 1973

Chess tourney during weekend at Haller post

The eighth Annual New Britain Summer Open, a U.S. Chess Federation rated five round Swiss system chess tournament, will be held at Gen. Haller Post Saturday and Sunday.

It will be sponsored by the Gen. Haller Post and New Britain Chess Club. Late registration will be held from 9 to 9:50 a.m. Round one will start 10:20. Trophies will be given for first and second places and for top A, B, 2 C, 2 D, E, 2 unrated, two juniors 16-20 and three juniors under 16. Time limit will be 50 moves in two hours.

Arkadijs Strazdins will be the tournament director.

So far, Strazdins, the New Britain chess champion, has won the tournament five times: 1966, 1967, 1968, 1971 and 1972, and finished in second place twice. Peter Kloskowski from New Britain won in 1969 and William Edwards from Maine won in 1970.

Four players drew Strazdins recently in a 24 player simultaneous exhibition. They were: Antony Galazan, Roger J. Masone, Andris R. Strazdins and John Rothfield. Rothfield, who is 15, is one of New Britain Chess Club best players. He is the current Connecticut junior high school champion. He has an excellent Class A rating of 1964 points and was rated 13th in the United States on July 1 by the U.S. Chess Federation in the Top 25 under 16.

The New Britain Chess Club members who improved the most last year, were: First, William Thomson, who earned 207 U.S. Chess Federation points. He was awarded a special trophy; second, Mark Berg, who earned 164 points and third, Paul Ligas, who earned 135 points.

For the first six months in 1973, after the semi-annual supplement U.S. Chess Federation rating list, the most improved players, were: First, Roger J. Masone, who earned 239 points; second, John Rothfield with 159 points, and third, Tadeusz Szafranski with 115 points.

Arkadijs Strazdins was the winner of the Eighth New Britain Summer Open Tournament on median tie-break points over William H. Mammen of Manchester. Both players scored four wins and one draw. Strazdins, a New Britain resident, has won the event six times previously.

A quadrangular tournament played at the rate of 40 moves

in 90 minutes will be held in New York City on Aug. 4, with entrants grouped in four-man sections of approximately equal strength.

On August 4 and 5 an August Open Tournament will be held at the Mullen Chess Studio in Ashland, Mass.

Entry in both tournaments is open to all who are or who become members of the U.S. Chess Federation.

Strazdins wins chess tourney

Arkadijs Strazdins captured the eighth annual New Britain summer open chess tournament played recently at Gen. Haller Post.

The U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament utilized the five round Swiss system, which saw Strazdins and William H. Mammen of Manchester tie with 4½-½ each after regular play. Strazdins captured the tie-breaking game to win the title for the sixth time.

Other Results

In the record 48-player field, 15-year-old John Rothfield of West Hartford, the current Connecticut junior high school champion, finished third with a 4-1 total. His only loss was to Strazdins.

Other finishers were Peter Kloskowski fourth; Harvey J. Burger of Springfield, Mass., fifth; Mrs. Eleanor G. Terry of Manomet, Mass., sixth; Kenneth Krysta of Easton, seventh; Wesley Frazier eighth; Robert J. Keevers of New Shirensbury, N.J., ninth, and Douglas Guilmond of West Hartford, 10th.

Speed chess tournament (5 min. game)
New Britain chess club annual Summer Open, Aug. 8, 1973
18 Players
Group A

- 1 Strazdins 7-1
- 2 LeClere 7-1
- 3 Kloskowski 5-3
- 4 Lechowicz 6-2
- 5 Krobic 3-5
- 6 Simonian 3½-4½
- 7 Bronstein 0-8
- 8 Mitchell 1-7
- 9 Callagher 3½-4½

The first three of each group play in the FINALS

other side:

JAN P. C E N D R O W S K I MEMORIAL CHESS
TOURNAMENT.

5 ROUND SWISS, 50/2. USCF RATED.

PLAYED AT GEN. HALLER POST WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
SEPTEMBER 5, 12, 19,26 and OCTOBER 3, 1973.

F I N A L S C O R E :

<u>1</u>	- STRAZDINS Arkadijs	4½ - ½	
2	- STRAZDINS Andris R.	4 - 1	9
3	- ROTHFIELD John	4 - 1	8,5
<u>4</u>	- LECHOWICZ Daniel	4 - 1	6,5
5	- TRACZINSKI, Carl	3½ - 1½	9,5
<u>6</u>	- MITCHELL Peter	3½ - 1½	8
7	- MASONE Roger J.	3 - 2	10
8	- BOURASSA Ronald	3 - 2	9,5
9	- WOLF Robert	3 - 2	8
10	- BERG Mark	3 - 2	7,5
11	- GABRIEL Kevin	3 - 2	7
12	- GREGOR Martin E	3 - 2	6
<u>13</u>	- GALLAGHER Dennis	3 - 2	5,5
14	- LIGAS Paul	2½ - 2½	9,5
15	- GOICO Jose M.	2½ - 2½	8,5
16	- McGUINNESS Brian	2½ - 2½	6
<u>17</u>	- KOZIKOWSKI David	2½ - 2½	6
18	- MANSIGIAN Joseph	2 - 3	10
19	- BACLAWSKI John A.	2 - 3	8,5
20	- ARCHACKI Stanley J.	2 - 3	8,5
<u>21</u>	- LOFTUS Andrew	2 - 3	7
22	- PASCO John	1½ - 3½	8
23	- THOMSON William	1½ - 3½	6,5
<u>24</u>	- SCHIMANSKI Karl	1½ - 3½	6
25	- McGUIRE Matthew	1 - 4	7,5
26	- SALVATORE Anthony	1 - 4	7,5
27	- PEARL Gary M.	1 - 4	4,5
28	- GALAZAN Antony	0 - 5	

Arkadijs Strazdins, T.D.

Paul Ligas Asst. T.D.

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for TOP COLLEGE STUDENT AND FOR TOP THREE
JUNIORS UNDER 17--

CONGRATULATIONS TO WINNERS AND TO ALL PLAYERS
WHO FINISHED THEIR GAMES.-

Arkadijs Strazdins, President
New Britain Chess Club.

Friday, Aug. 31, 1973

Chess Club reelects Strazdins

Arkadijs Strazdins, city chess champion for the past 21 years, will serve as president of the New Britain Chess Club for the 1973-74 season.

He was reelected to office at a meeting recently at the Gen. Haller Post, American Legion.

Other Officers

Other officers selected included: Vice president, Stanley J. Archacki; secretary, Daniel Lechowicz; treasurer and delegate, Robert Milardo; student representative, Peter Mitchell; press representative, Paul Ligas; tournament director Strazdins; team captains, Lechowicz, Ligas, and Andris R. Strazdins; Gen. Haller post representative, Victor Halik.

The club will hold five tournaments during the coming year, all U.S. Chess Federation rated. It will also play matches with other clubs.

Eighteen players competed in the New Britain summer open speed chess tournament (five minute games) recently played at Gen. Haller Post. The winner was Strazdins with a score of 14-4. Anthony Miller was second at 13½-4½. 3rd, Pierre LeClerc with 12-6, and Daniel Lechowicz fourth with 10-8. The tournament director was Paul Ligas.

The Jan Cendrowski memorial, a U.S. Chess Federation rated five round Swiss system chess tournament, will be held at Gen. Haller Post for five consecutive Wednesday nights, starting Sept. 3 at 8:10 p.m. The time limit 1800 moves in two hours per player.

The tourney is open to all chess players in New Britain and vicinity who are U.S. Chess Federation members, or who join the federation at the time of registration.

Trophies donated by Gen. Haller Post and the New Britain Chess Club, the tournament sponsors, will be awarded for first, second, and third and for top college player and top three juniors under 17.

Information and early registration may be obtained Wednesday night at the Gen. Haller Post by contacting Strazdins, the tournament director.

Strazdins wins chess tournament

Arkadijs Strazdins, with a score of 4½-½, copped the Jan P. Cendrowski Memorial Five-round Swiss System chess tournament held recently at the General Haller Post hall.

Three players finished with a score of 4-1 and, after the Harkness median tie-break system, Andris R. Strazdins was second, John Rothfield, third, and Daniel Lechowicz fourth.

Other finishers listed in order were Carl Traczynski, Peter Mitchell, Roger J. Masone, Ronald Bourassa, Robert Wolf, Mark Berg, Kevin Gabriel, Martin E. Gregor and Dennis Gallagher.

The top junior trophies, awarded to the best players under 17, were awarded to Carl Traczynski, 15, first; Kevin Gabriel, 14, second; and Dennis Gallagher, 16, third.

High Rating

Rothfield, who is just 15 years of age, is the highest rated player under 16 in Connecticut and 13th in his category in the country, according to Strazdins, who directed the tourney.

He chose to accept the senior third place trophy rather than first in the junior division.

The tournament was sponsored by the Gen. Haller Post and the New Britain Chess Club.

It was named for Jan. P. Cendrowski, former president of the chess club for eight years, who found a permanent place for the club to meet.

He was a veteran of two armies during World War II, fighting for both the Polish Army and British forces at different times. He was also a former commander of the Gen. Haller Post.

City chess team defeats New Milford

The New Britain Chess Club's 15-man team, composed of senior and junior players, defeated New Milford, 10½ to 5½, in a match at New Milford recently.

The results, with New Britain players listed first, follow:

Arkadijs Strazdins drew Richard R. Beckner, Robert Lane defeated Willie Aust, Peter Kloskowski drew Daniel Barry, John Rothfield drew Samuel Pruman, Daniel Lechowicz lost to Ben McGrady, Mark Berg defeated Mrs. Greta Fuchs, Paul Ligas defeated Joseph Huddy, Andris R. Strazdins lost to Barry Young, John A. Baelawski lost to Dr. Ramon Mabasa, Carl Traczynski defeated Dennis Daigneault, Ronald Bourassa defeated Ray O'Brien, David Kosikowski lost to Joseph Seewald, Thomas Dube defeated Frank Piccinni, Dennis Gallagher defeated Dvone Adams, William Pryor defeated James Cordes and Edgars J. Strazdins, defeated David Hunicke.

The New Britain 26-player team recently played the strong University of Connecticut team at Storrs and was defeated by a score of 16½ to 9½. Edward Harris scored the first victory for New Britain. He was followed by Robert Lane, Pierre LeClerc, John Rothfield, John A. Baelawski, Carl Traczynski, David Kosikowski and Dennis Gallagher. Daniel Lechowicz, Thomas Dube and Brian McGuinness drew their games.

Thirty-eight players entered the New Britain City Chess Championship Tournament, the largest held ever recorded. The players were divided into four sections, and the top two winners from each section will play in the finals. The others will play in the reserve tournament, to be run concurrent with the finals. Competition is held every Wednesday night at the Gen. Haller Post and will continue for at least four months.

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Chess Buffs To Comp

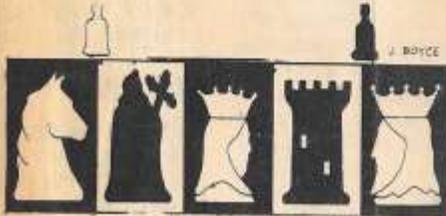
NEW BRITAIN — The city single round robin chess championship competition for the 1973-74 season will begin at 8 p.m. Oct. 17 in the General Haller Post Hall.

The tourney is rated by the U.S. Chess Federation, according to Arkadijs Strazdins, president of the New Britain Chess Club.

*Hartford Courant
Oct. 1973*

New Britain Herald, Nov. 14, 1973

Chess News



By Ben McCready
 The Jan. P. Cendrowski Memorial Tournament played at the New Britain Chess Club on five successive Wednesday evenings was concluded October 8. It was won by Arkadijs Strazdins with a score of 4½-2½. Three players tied at 4-1, with Li Andris Strazdins getting the second place trophy via a tie-break formula. John Rothfield took the trophy for third, and Dan Lechowicz was fourth.
 The Polish World War Veterans, General Haller Post No. 111, donated handsome trophies to the first three finishers, and also to the top college student and the first three juniors under 17. Peter Mitchell with 3½-1½ was the top collegian. Rothfield was the highest scoring junior, but since he won the third place trophy the award for first junior went to Carl Trazynski, who scored 3½-1½. Second on a tie break was Kevin Gabriel, with Dennis Gallagher third, both with 3-2 scores. Twenty-eight players competed in this USCF rated tournament, which was ably directed by Arkadijs Strazdins, assisted by Paul Ligas.

The situation in Problem No. 20 is N-N6. If 1... K-B3; 2. N-K7 mate. If 1... K-Q1; 2. Q-Q7 mate.

If 1... K-K1; 2. N-B4 mate. If 1... K-K5; 2. Q-N7 mate. If 1... K-B5; 2. Q-Q4 mate. The try Q-N6 is defeated by 1... B-B3. This leaves K3 or Q1 as an escape square after a check by the bishop or queen, or after a discovered check the black bishop interposes at K4.

At this writing correct solutions have been received from Tom Hoyt (welcome to our solvers group), Bob Titus, Scott Heinze, Art Tonucci Jr (three of the six you mention have been good friends of mine, especially Marshall), Joe Shields, James Ackerley, and Jim Armsted (if Bobby Fischer had Bobby Riggs' temperament, he would be offering to play Kavaiek and Grefe simultaneously, giving them each odds of pawn and move!).

Your columnist is off for a short vacation, so late-arriving answers to No. 20 will be acknowledged next week.

In Problem No. 22, composed by L.H. Jokisch, white is to move and mate in two. Send your solution to Chess News, care of The Bee. The mailing deadline for acknowledgment of correct answers is October 20. The solution will be published October 26.

The 1973 University of Connecticut Open was won by Elliot

Wolk on a tie break over Anthony Miller. Both had perfect scores of 5-0. Seven players tied for third with 4-1, with the tie break formula giving the trophy to Carl Scatignefio, who is one of Connecticut's two Masters. Also in the 4-1 group were Jerry DePesquo, who won the award for top A player; Robert Nichols Jr. top B; and Norman Bolle, top UConn player. Roland Booker, 3½-1½, was top C; Donald McCormick, 3-2, top D; Steven Zimmers, 3½-1½, top E. Johnnie Johnson Jr., 3-2, top unrated; and Richard Lewis, 2½-2½, top UConn unrated. Zimmers, who had the second lowest rating at the start of the tournament, arrived late and forfeited his first round game. He then proceeded to win three and draw one, and finished 4th. There were 58 players in all.



white
Problem No. 22

The Connecticut High School Tournament will be contested at the G. Fox & Company store in Hartford on Saturday, October 20. For details write to Fred Townsend, 10 Bermuda Road, Wethersfield, 06109.

The Newtown Chess Club is planning two tournaments to be

played on five or six successive Thursday evenings. One will be a USCF rated affair for members of that organization. The other will be open to everyone, with membership in the USCF not required. If you would like to play in one of these tournaments, come

to the club or call 426-2679 or 426-9233. The club meets at 7:30 pm every Thursday in the Trinity Church Parish House. Visitors are always welcome, whether to play or to watch.

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City chess championship tourney set

The New Britain City Single Round Robin Chess Championship competition for the 1973-74 season will begin Oct. 31 at 8:10 p.m. in the Gen. Haller Post, according to Arkadijs Strazdins, president of the New Britain Chess Club.

The tourney is rated by the U.S. Chess Federation.

The round-robin tournament will allow each participant an opportunity to play everyone in his section. The competition will continue each Wednesday night, he said.

The tourney is open to all chess players in New Britain and vicinity or club members who are U.S. Chess Federation members, or who join the federation at the time of registration.

Trophies and prizes will be awarded for top senior and im-

ior players. The tournament is sponsored by the Gen. Haller Post and the New Britain Chess Club.

Information and early registration may be obtained tomorrow night at Gen. Haller Post by contacting Strazdins or Paul Ligas, the tournament directors, he said.

The New Britain Chess Club will be playing the first matches for the 1973-74 season in November against teams from University of Connecticut

New Britain - University of Connecticut
CHESS MATCH
 Sunday, November 4, 1973 - at 2 P.M.
AT STORRS

1	Strazdins Aradijs	0	Scottingello Carl	1
2	Milardo Robert	0	Dr. Elliot Wolk	1
3	Klaskowski Peter	0	Anthony Miller	1
4	Lane Robert M.	1	Barnbrough Brian	0
5	LeClere Pierre	1	Nichols Robert	0
6	Rothfield John	1	Dawson Bruce	0
7	Lechowicz David	$\frac{1}{2}$	Bolle Norman	$\frac{1}{2}$
8	Berg Mark	0 F	Kochman David	1 F
9	Strazdins Andris	0	Rodcern Scott	1
10	Bourassa Ronald	0	Gagnon Fran	1
11	Archacki Stanley	0 F	Moliteris Karl	1 F
12	Baclauski John A.	1	Keenehan Jim	0
13	Corr Robert	0	Bodker Roland	1
14	Mansigian Joseph	0	McCormick Donald	1
15	Traczynski Carl	1	Smith Leslie	0
16	Gregor Martin E.	0	Pompa Michael	1
17	Kozikowski David	1	Filipeit Walter	0
18	Halik Wictor	0	Tedone David	1
19	Loftus Andrew	0	Veilleux Steve	1
20	Wolf Robert	0	Dingwall Dale	1
21	Callagher Dennis	1	Maulton Robert	0
22	Dube Thomas	$\frac{1}{2}$	Root Williams	$\frac{1}{2}$
23	Strazdins Eugene E.	0	Horvath Leslie	1
24	McGuinness Brian	$\frac{1}{2}$	Sussino Joseph	$\frac{1}{2}$
25	Galazon Antony	0	Siddhan Guruswami	1
26	Harris Edward	1	Young John	0
		9,5		16,5

Andris R. Strazdins

Team Captain

Team Captain Fran Gagnon

Chess news

After six rounds in the New Britain city chess championship primary play, a 38 player event, the leading players are Arkadijs Starzdins and John Rothfield in group one with a score 5-0; Andris R. Strazdins, 5-1, and Robert Wolf, 4-1.

In group two: Peter Kloskowski, 5-0; James Azzola, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$; Kevin Gabriel, 4-0, and Ronald Bourassa, 4-1.

In group three: Peter Mitchell, 5-0; Robert W. Lane, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$; Dennis Gallagher, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$, and Paul Ligas, 3-2.

In group four: Pierre LeClerc, 5-1; Edward Harris, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, and Scott Schneider and Mark Berg, each with 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Regular tournament games scheduled for next Wednesday and Jan. 2 will not be played on those dates. All adjourned games will be finished next Wednesday, Jan. 2 an open speed tournament will be held. Regular play will resume Jan. 9 at Gen. Haller Post.

In the 1974 Connecticut State Chess Assn. double round robin team championship, the New Britain Chess Club entered two teams — four men to a team. The "A" team plays in the championship division, opposing strong teams of Hartford, Newtown and New Haven YMCA. Team captain is Daniel Lechowicz.

The "B" team plays in the reserve division, opposed the teams of Bloomfield, New Horizons, University of Bridgeport, Hartford "A", Hartford "B" and Elm City. Team captain is Paul Ligas.