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Local youth captures chess championship

SOUTHINGTON — A Southington youth, representing Connecticut in the Greater New York Scholastic Chess Championship last week, scored a perfect 8-0 to win the coveted 27-inch first place trophy.

Kurt Holyst, of 1 Saw Mill Lane, Plantsville, was one of 69 who competed for the title second only to that of National Champion. This United States Chess Federation rated tourna-

ment once again drew some of the best chess talent in the United States.

From the beginning of the tournament, Kurt's aggressive play, combined with some brilliant end games, made him a favorite with the crowd. Kurt parlayed the instructions he had received from his mentor, Dr. Joseph Platz of Manchester, with a systematic and paralyzing attack that puzzled not only his opponents, but many of the adults who had gathered to watch his games.

Besides the trophy, Kurt was awarded free entry to many of the larger tournaments held in the United States, including the National Scholastic Tournament to be held in Minneapolis in May.

In November, Kurt captured the Connecticut Class D State Championship and earlier this month he won the Class D trophy at the Townsend Cup Tournament in Hartford. Both of these tournaments were adult contests.

Kurt has climbed 12 notches since September in the National Top 50, under 13 years of age, rankings, and is recognized as one of the top elementary school players in the United States.

Kurt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoylst.



KURT HOLYST
receives trophy

The chief executive made the
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Chess news

The first round of the 28th annual New Britain City chess championship finals, a single round robin U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament — started Jan. 11 and will continue for six more successive Wednesday evenings. The players who qualified for the championship from the preliminaries, are John A. Baclawski, Wesley Frazier, Robert Milardo, Arkadijs Strazdins, Frederick S. Townsend, Rudolph Wulff, Peter P. Yanchak and Hermann Zickfeld.

The 1978 New Britain city chess championship reserve tournament, a five-round Swiss, starting Jan. 25 at 8 p.m. and continuing for four more Wednesdays. This tournament is open to all, but participants in the tournament must be or become members of the U.S. Chess Federation, the national body which is rating the tournament.

Information and early registration can be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins or Paul Ligas, tournament directors, Wednesdays from 7-8 p.m. at the Quartette Club. Both tournaments are sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, which have one of the largest memberships in the state.

Chess champs

Kurt Hoylst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoylst, 1 Saw Mill Lane, Plantsville, and Joseph Carrier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carrier, 129 Fleetwood Rd., Plantsville, won the scholastic elementary double chess tournament held in Hartford Saturday.

The tournament, sponsored by the Connecticut Chess League, drew teams from all over the state and was the second match in the coveted triple crown of Connecticut Scholastic Chess.

The two finished the tournament with a 7-1 score. The victory was the first for Carrier in his two attempts at tournament play and the fifth for Hoylst in eight attempts.

Earlier this month, Hoylst won the New Britain Junior Title at a tournament sponsored by the New Britain Chess Club.

Another local youth, Edmund Valauskas Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Valauskas, 166 Arlington Dr., won the unrated first place trophy as the Connecticut Amateur Championship held earlier this month.

Chess news

Eight qualified players from primary play, competed in the 28th annual New Britain city chess championship finals, a single round-robin tournament at the Quartette Club. Competitions have been held each Wednesday night for the past two months.

Arkadijs Strazdins, won the U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament with a score of 6½-1½. His only draw was in the last round to Robert Milardo. So far Strazdins has won the championship for the 25th time, the first 23 being consecutive.

Milardo took second place with 5½-1½. Third was John A. Baclawski with 4½-2½, followed by Peter P. Yanchak, a New Britain High School student, who scored 3½-3½. Hermann Zickfeld, 3½-3½. Wesley Frazier, 2-5. Rudolph Wulff, 1½-5½ and Frederick S. Townsend, 1-6.

Reserve tournament:

Paul Ligas won the 1978 city chess championship reserve tournament, a five-round Swiss, USCF rated on a tie-break over Ronald Bourassa. Each scored 4-1. Four players finished with a score of 3½-2½, and after the tie-break system, Eric Godin was third; Wayne M. Halsdorf, fourth; Stanley J. Archacki, fifth and Kurt J. Holyst, sixth; followed with a score of 2-3 or lower, were: Edmund Valauskas, Sen. Rob Roy, Andris R. Strazdins, Jonathan M. Hanen, Arthur B. Simeone, Paul Wooster, Edmund Valauskas Jr. and Joseph Mansigian.

Both tournaments were sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club. Strazdins directed the events. Trophies and other prizes will be awarded Wednesday night to: Strazdins, Milardo, Baclawski, Yanchak, Zickfeld, Ligas, Bourassa, Godin, Halsdorf, Archacki and Holyst.

Holyst who is 10 years old and has played tournament chess for about a year, defeated three experienced and high rated players. For his effort, he was awarded a special trophy donated by the New Britain Chess Club.

Local Chess Club Junior members did well in recently played tournaments:

In the Western Connecticut Open at Wolcott, Eric Godin after tie-break, took first place with a score of 3½-1½. James Azzola, scored 3-1 and Walter Kasner, 2½-1½.

Kurt J. Holyst represented the state in the 13th Greater New York City scholastics open championship. In the Elementary Division—119 students competing, Holyst with a score of 6-2 finished first in unrated class and overall 10th in the tournament!

In the 1978 Connecticut Scholastic Championship played in Hartford, Holyst with a score of 4-0, won the Higher Elementary Division (grades 5-6) title. In the same division, Edmund Valauskas Jr., playing his first rated tournament, finished with a score of 2-2.

In the U.S. Team Championship, played at Empress Hotel, Asbury Park, N.J., a Connecticut Junior team sponsored by the Hartford Chess Club entered in the Scholastic section. In the competition were 22 teams with 106 players from all over the United States. The Connecticut team took 2nd place with a score of 4½-1½ and for their effort each member received a chess trophy and engraved BHD chess clock. Three New Britain Chess Club members played for the team. They are: Peter P. Yanchak, Eric Godin and Matthew Coulombe and George Grasser is from Hartford Chess Club. Here are the individual scores:

Board 1, Peter P. Yanchak, 3½-2½
Board 2, George Grasser, 5-1
Board 3, Eric Godin, 4½-1½
Board 4, Matthew Coulombe, 5-1

The New Britain Chess Club will host Connecticut Speed Chess League Tournaments (5-minute games) the next two Wednesday nights at the Quartette Club. Registration from 7 p.m. Tournaments start at 7:30.



CONNECTICUT SPEED CHESS LEAGUE

NEW BRITAIN #14

Date: 15 MARCH 1978

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Round Robin Cross-table

Pre-Rating	Post-Rating																Wins	Losses		16 (W-L)	4880	Post-Rating
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		1	2			
1 MILARDO	2202		1	1½	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	23½	2½	3	336	(263)	2275
2 STRAZINS	2316	1		2	2	1½	2	1½	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	23	3	3	320	(317)	2319
3 FRAZIER	2100	½	0		2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	20½	5½	5½	240	(180)	2160
4 BACINSKI	2072	0	0	0		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	19	7	7	192	(158)	2106
5 KASNER	1880	1	½	0	0		2	2	2	1	0	2	1	2	2	2	17½	10½	10½	112	15	2007
6 BURASSA	2083	0	0	0	0	0		1	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	14	12	12	32	(164)	1951
7 MANUSKIAN	1826	0	½	1	0	0	1		2	1½	1	2	1	2	2	2	14	12	12	32	74	1932
8 WOOSTER	1831	1	1	1	0	1	0	0		1	1	1	2	2	2	2	12	12	12	0	41	1872
9 CAMONT	1931	0	0	0	0	2	0	½	1		1	1	2	2	2	2	11½	14½	14½	(118)	(29)	1854
10 HOFST	1781	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1		2	2	2	2	2	10	12	12	(32)	87	1836
11 SIMONE	1641	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1		2	2	2	2	9½	18½	18½	(144)	241	1738
12 HARTMAN SR	1819	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1½	1		2	2	2	6½	21½	21½	(240)	78	1657
13 CARTER	1656	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1		2	2	5	13	13	(128)	110	1638
14 WULF	1817	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2		0	4	22	22	(288)	93	1622
15 HAVEN	1493	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		2	26	26	(384)	349	1458
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By ROB HOY

Rob Hoy

DOWN BEE, FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1978

Chess News

By Ben McCready



Strazdins Wins Again

Arkadijs Strazdins has won the New Britain City Chess Championship with a score in the finals of $6\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$. There were two preliminary sections, with the top four in each qualifying for the finals.

Bob Milardo finished second at $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, John Baclawski third at $4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$, Peter Yanchak fourth on a tiebreak, and Hermann Zickfeld fifth. The latter two scored $3\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ each.

The finals of this USCF-rated tournament were played at the Quartette Club in New Britain on successive Wednesday nights in January, February and March. This was the 25th time that Strazdins has won the New Britain championship. He first won in 1953. In 1973 he shared the title with Robert Lane as co-champion, and in 1974 with Pierre LeClerc. In 1976, the only time that Strazdins did not finish first or tied for first, the New Britain champ was Bob Milardo.

A Swiss system Reserve Tournament was also played at the Quartette Club on the last five Friday nights of the championship games. Paul Ligas of New Britain won on a tiebreak over Ron Bourassa of Waterbury, who placed second. Each scored 4-1. Four players tied for third through sixth places, with the tiebreak formula again deciding the order of finish. Each scored 3-2. Eric Godin of Farmington placed third. Wayne Halsdorf of Bristol was fourth, and fifth was Stanley Archacki of New Britain. Kurt Holyst, a talented ten-year-old, finished sixth.

FRANKLEY
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One of Paul's chess patrons maps out strategy.



Youngsters also patronize Paul's where they can sharpen up their chess skills.

ERIC
GODIN
4-9-1978



Connecticut chess

Cromwell man wins chess test

By ROB ROY

Robert Milardo of Cromwell has won the 28th annual New Britain Chess Club Championship for the second consecutive year. Also with 4-1 scores were Arkadijs Strazdins and Wesley Frazier, but Milardo won by tiebreak points. The tournament was a five-round Swiss-style spanning five Wednesday nights.

Fourth place was Peter Yanchak with 3½-1½. Tied for fifth through seventh are Eric Godin, Richard Dittmar and Edmund Valauskas Sr., each with 3-2. Eighth through 12th are John Baclawski, Peter Mitchell, Joseph Manisigian, Wally Kasmer and Paul Wooster, each at 2½-2½.

Thirteenth place was Andris Strazdins, Arkadijs' son. Ronald Bourassa finished with a 2-2 score, and Jonathan Hanen finished 2-3. Robert Lane finished 16th with 1½-1½ score. Joseph Carrier 1½-3½. Arthur Simeone, Stanley Archaki and Kurt Holyst finished 1-4.

The New Britain Summer Open will be held July 15-16 at the Quartette Club in New Britain. In my opinion, this is the very best tournament in Connecticut. The past nine years have been attendance figures stay within 42 to 54 players. The NBCC meets in an excellent playing hall, adjacent to a bar and grill. An outdoor pavilion makes the event also a party picnic!



P-K4 18 P-B5 PxP 19 QxN PxKP 20 RxB+ KxR 21 R-N1+ K-R1 22 N-R4 PxP+ 23 R-N2 PxN White resigns.

ROBERT MILARDO 1860 of Cromwell vs. MILTON DANON 2017 of New York. 3rd HARTFORD OPEN, 16 OCT 1977. 1 e4 e5 2 d4 ed 3 c3 dc 4 Ne3 Nc6 5 Bc4 Bb4 6 Nf3 d6 7 0-0 Bc3 8 bc Be6 9 Bb5 Bg4 10 Qa4 Bf3 11 Be6+ bc 12 Qc6+ Kf1 13 gf Ne7 14 Qc4

Ng6 15 Kh1 Qf6 16 Qe2 Rb8 17 Rg1 Qc3 18 Bd2 Qc2 19 Rge1 Qb2 20 Rab1 Qb1 21 Rb1 Rb1 22 Kg2 h5 23 Qc4 h4 24 h3 c5 25 Qa6 Kg6 26 Qd6 Rd1 27 Qb8+ Kh7 28 Qb2 Rhd8 29 Be3 Re1 30 f4 R8d1 See Diagram.

31 f5 NF8 32 Bc5 Nd7 33 Be3 Rg1+ 34 Kf3 Rh1 35 e5 Rh3 36 Kg4 Rdh1 37 Qd4 R5h7 38 Qd7 Rg1+ 39 Kf3 h3 40 Qf7 Rhg2 41 Qh5+ Kg8 42 Qh3 Black resigns.

Arkadijs Strazdins is the tournament director. The event is USCF-Rated, and will consist of five rounds: Saturday 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$11. If you are under 19 or over 65 the fee is only \$9. A \$3 discount is awarded to NBCC members and players from last year's tournament. Entries not received by July 10 at Post Office Box 158, New Britain CT 06050 are all \$2 more.

The time control for the first two rounds is 45/90 then 15/30. The last three rounds are 50/2 then 15/30. Please bring your own board, set and clock if you have one. The telephone at the site is 223-9973.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 90. NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB, MAY 17. 1-Arkadijs Strazdins 11-1 2354, 2-Tony Miller 9½-2½ 2282, 3-Wesley Frazier 6½-5½ 2140, 4-Lechowicz 5-5 2000, 5-Kasmer 4-6 2057, 6-Lamont 4-8 1973, 7-Peter Mitchell 0-12 1752.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 91. WOLCOTT CHESS CLUB, MAY 19. 1-Willi Aust 6-0 2217, 2-Eric Lanzieri 4-2 2004, 3-Joseph Minella 1½-4½ 1805, 4-Daave Talbot ½-5½ 1717.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 92. WOLCOTT CHESS CLUB, MAY 19. 1-Julius Fuster 5½-½ 2047, 2-Joseph Minella 4-2 1846, 3-Dave Talbot 2½-3½ 1738, 4-Rob Roy 0-6 1701. The New Britain Chess Club will feature rated speed-chess tournaments on Wednesday nights, May 31 and June 7.

Westchester Americans vs. Ramada Rooks, National Chess League, Round 1 Board 2, 18 JAN 78. Dave Steinberg 2122 vs. Timothy G. Brown 2184. 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-QB3 P-Q3 3 P-B4 N-QB3 4 N-B3 P-KN3 5 B-N5 B-N2 6 0-0 N-B3 7 P-Q3 B-Q2 8 BxN BxR 9 K-R1 0-0 10 Q-K1 P-K3 11 Q-R4 N-R4 12 Q-R3 P-B4 13 P-KN4 PxNP 14 QxP Q-Q2 15 R-KN1 R-B3 16 B-Q2 R1-KB1 17 N-K2

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Chess News

By Ben McCready



tiebreak over Christopher Bird, each scoring 2-1.

Three players tied for first in the New Britain Chess Club 1978 Championship, played on Wednesday evenings in April and May. They were Robert Milardo of Cromwell, Arkadijs Strazdins of New Britain and Wesley Frazier of New Britain, each scoring 4-1. After the tiebreak formula was applied to the results, Milardo was the winner, with Strazdins second and Frazier third. Peter Yanchak of New Britain was fourth at 3½-1½. The top junior under 16 was Jonathan Hanen, who scored 2-3 in this strong 20-player tournament.

This was the third time that Milardo won the New Britain CC championship, his two other victories coming in 1972 and 1977. Strazdins has won the title 22 times, finishing first every year from 1952 through 1971 and in 1975 and 1976. Dan Lechowicz of Meriden won in 1973, and the 1974 champ was Robert Lane of Manchester.

Paulsen's Blindfold Play

T. Frere, chess columnist for "Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper," in the June 19, 1858 issue, quotes an extract from a letter sent by Louis Paulsen to his brother in Germany. Paulsen, born in Germany in 1833, came to the United States when he was 21, and lived in Dubuque, Iowa. In 1857 he was considered the strongest player in this country after Paul Morphy, and was gradually discovering his power in blindfold simultaneous play.

"At first I played two, then three, then four, at last five games at the same time," Paulsen wrote. "Of all these I lost but one, which I played with Morphy. I find that playing without seeing is not difficult at all, and the players here (in New York) are generally of the opinion that I play better and quicker than if I see the board. Some even think that I could play eight games without seeing, and I think so too." (In the game with Morphy, the latter also played blindfolded.)

Paulsen was a good prophet. The next year he set a then

world record of 15 simultaneous blindfold games.

When he wrote to his brother, Paulsen had just finished playing in the 1857 American Chess Congress, which took place in New York. He finished second to Morphy, who defeated him in the last round. This was in the days before clocks, and Morphy, a fast player, was very much irritated by his opponent's terribly slow play. Paulsen spent 75 minutes on one move, and often studied the situation for half an hour before deciding on a move. incidentally, the first prize Morphy captured was an elegant service of plate, consisting of a Silver Pitcher, Goblets and a Salver, worth \$300.

Connecticut Chess

New Britain player now a Master

By ROB ROY

Arkadijs Strazdins of New Britain has become the first senior master of the Connecticut Speed-Chess League. His impressive 15-1 score in a field of players with an average rating of 2092 boosted his rating to 2422, the first time a player ever ventured into the 2400's. Mr. Strazdins failed to uphold as high a standard the following week when his 15½-2½ performance adjusted his rating to be a frustrating 2396.

Also the president and champion of the New Britain Chess Club, Arkadijs Strazdins has had the most impressive record in the league thus far. Since his joining the system in August 1977, he has played a total of 494 games out of which he has earned 411 points (half-point for a drawn game) or 83.2 percent. Of the twenty-four CSCL tourneys he has played, he has finished first 16 times, three times in second, twice in third, and three times in fourth place.

The last 350 games that Arkadijs has played, he has never dipped below master level performance (2200). These 350 consecutive games count towards the 1000 needed for the life master award. Only five other speed-masters have a record of consecutive games at the master (2200) level: Anthony Miller of Middletown with 214 games, Carl Tracynski of Forestville with 100 games, Steven Strogatz of Torrington with 35 games, Steve Orio of New Haven with 16 games, and Emanuel Szein of Woodbridge with 10 games.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 101, NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB, JUNE 21,
1—Arkadijs Strazdins 15-1 2422, 2—Steven Strogatz 13½-2½ 2364, 3—Anthony Miller 12½-3½ 2385, 4—Willi Aust 9-7 2189, 5—Wesley Frazier 7-9 2122, 6—Robert Milardo 6½-9½ 2138, 7—Joseph Manisigian 4½-11½ 1958, 8—Arthur Simeone 4-12 1790, 9—Jon Hanen 0-16 1452.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 102, NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB, JUNE 28,

1—Arkadijs Strazdins 15½-2½ 2396, 2—Robert Milardo 13-3 2241, 3—Willi Aust 13-3 2253, 4—Wesley Frazier 13-5 2186, 5—Ray LaMont 7½-8½ 1995, 6—Joseph Manisigian 5½-10½ 1917, 7—Kurt Holyst 4-10 1914, 8—Arthur Simeone 2½-13½ 1744, 9—Jon Hanen 2½-15½ 1495, 10—John Bacawski 1½-6½ 1971.

Strogatz wins chess tourney

The 13th annual New Britain Summer Open, a five-round Swiss system, U. S. Chess Federation rated tournament, held Saturday and Sunday at the Quartette Club, attracted 24 players.

New Britain Chess Club member Steven H. Strogatz won the tournament with a perfect score of 5-0. Christopher Ferrante of the local club took second with 4-1.

Three players finished with 3 1/2 to 1 1/2, and after the tie-break system William M. Pryor of Enfield took third place; Robert W. Lane of the local club was fourth, and Mark Berg of Spring Valley, N.Y., fifth.

Other top finishers, listed in order were, with 3-2:

Robert E. Ciampola of Branford, sixth; Robert W. May of West Hartford, seventh; Peter C. McCluskey of Northford, eighth; Donald R. Johnson of Ivoryton, ninth, and Stanley J. Archacki of the local club, 10th.

Scoring 2 1/2, 2 1/2 or lower were:

Stephen Duffy of Simsbury; Peter P. Yanchak, local club; William Y. Dworski of Newington; Wesley Frazier, local club; Kurt J. Holyst, local club; Joseph Spragg of West Haven; Elmo Wallace, local club; Ronald Bourassa, local club; Hermann Zickfeld, local club; Daniel J. Holland of

Orange; Walter Pajak, local club; David Alda, local club; Nathan C. Oliver of Norwich, and Andris R. Strazdins, local club.

High quality trophies were awarded to: Strogatz, Ferrante, Pryor and all Class winners: Lane (A); Berg, first (B); May, second (B); Dworski, first (C); Bourassa, second (C); Archacki, first (D); Holyst, second (D); Wallace, top unrated and Yanchak, top junior.

The tournament was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, affiliate of the U. S. Chess Federation. Arkadijs Strazdins was tournament director.

In the seventh Rhode Island Scholastic Open, Grades 4-6 championship, played in Providence, Kurt Holyst, 10, won for the second time in a row with a perfect score of 6-0. Edmund Valauskas Jr., 10, took the second place trophy with a score of 5-1.

The New Britain Chess Club meets every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., sponsor of the club.

THE HERALD - JULY 17, 1978

NB open chess tournament slated this weekend

The 13th annual New Britain summer open chess tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Quarrlette Club (meeting place for the New Britain Chess Club), 225 Wooster St. The past nine years have had attendance figures that stayed within 42-54 players.

The tournament is U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated, and will consist of five rounds: Saturday, 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Information and early registration for the event may be made Wednesday night at the club by contacting Arkadij Strazdins, club president and a certified tournament director of the USCF. Late registration will be held from 9 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Trophies will be presented to the winners for first, second and third places, and tops in these classes: A, 2B, 2C, 2D, E, Unrated, Junior (ages 14-19), and under 16 years old.

Previous winners were: Strazdins of New Britain, 1968-69 and 1971-73; Peter Klonowski of New Britain, 1969; Edward Williams of Waterbury, 1970; James Baker of Washington, D.C., 1974; James M. Bolton of New Haven, 1975; Julius Foster of Waterbury, 1976; and Jerome A. Crawford of New Britain, 1977.

The tournament is sponsored by the Quarrlette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

The 1978 Connecticut State El 1000 open championship, sponsored by the Connecticut State Chess Association and the Hartford Chess Club, a five-round Swiss system tournament, will be held July 29-30 at the Hotel Sonesta, Hartford. Registration from 8:30-9:30 a.m. First round starts at 10 a.m. Tournament directors: Frederick S. Townsend, vice president, USCF, and Nicholas Stevens, president, Hartford Chess Club.

The sixth annual world open, played June 30-July 4 in Philadelphia, had 1,001 entries, a new national record attendance for an open tournament. In the open section, 432 players, Anthony A. Miller scored 6½-4½ and Eric Godin 5½-5½. In the reserve section, 202 players, Peter P. Yanchuck scored 3-4.

In the sixth Rhode Island scholastic open championship played in Providence, Kurt Holyst, 10, won the tournament with a score of 7½-1½; Edmund Valauskas Jr., 10, took second place with 7-1, and the club's youngest member, Joseph Carrier, 9, was third with 6-2.

Steven H. Strogatz won the Waterbury open with a score of 4½-1½.

In the Hartford Chess Club spring rating tourney, Eugene Koenig took first place with 3½-1½; Eric Godin scored 3-1 and Jerome A. Crawford 2½-1½.

Robert Milardo won the Tom's Cafe open in Cromwell with a score of 4-0.

In the 10th Central New England Open, played at Leominster, Mass., Christopher Ferrante won the premier section with 3½-1½ and Frederick S. Townsend scored 2½-1½.

In the Woodstock's Special Open in Woodstock, Robert W. Lane was the winner with score of 3½-1½; Kurt Holyst scored 2-2 and Edmund Valauskas Jr. 1½-2½.

In the Connecticut Premier Open in Hartford, Jerome A. Crawford, with a score of 4-1, tied for first place. Kurt Holyst won the Class D trophy with 3-2.

In the Western Massachusetts and Connecticut Valley Open, played in Springfield, Mass., Eric Godin, with a score of 4-1, tied for second place.

In the 1978 Hartford City championship, Jerome A. Crawford, with a score of 4½-1½, tied for third. Peter P. Yanchuck, Eric Godin and Matthew Coulombe, each scored 4-2.

In the Class A and Experts Open in Hartford, Robert Milardo scored 2½-1½. He defeated Hartford City Champion Larry Mamer.

New Britain Chess Club - Affiliate USCF, OFFICERS Election and General Business, for the 1978- 1979 - SEASON.

The meeting was called to order
Wed. night, Aug. 9, 1978 at 11:30 p.m.
Sharp by N.B.C.C. President Arkadij
STRAZDINS, Elections of officers
was held with the following
results for the 1978-1979 season
(Sept. 1, 1978 - Aug. 31, 1979) 19 members
attended the meeting.

THE ELECTION RESULTS

- ① President: Arkadij STRAZDINS (Re-E)
- ② V. P.: Stanley J. Archambault (Re-E)
- ③ Secretary: Daniel S. Lechowicz (Re-E)
- ④ Treasurer: J. E. L. A. R. STRAZDINS (Re-E)
- ⑤ Delegate at Large: Robert Milardo
- ⑥ T. J. Archambault STRAZDINS
- Assistant T. J.: Wesley Frazier
- ⑦ Team Captains: Wesley Frazier
and Matthew Coulombe

CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES

- (A) SENIORS — \$8.00
- (B) STUDENTS - OVER 65 — \$5.00
- UNEMPLOYED

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S-P-E-E-D C-H-E-S-S M-A-T-C-H.

Played Wednesday night August 30, 1978 at the
Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., New Britain,
Conn.

Connecticut Speed Chess League Tournament.-

NEW BRITAIN.	VERSUS	HARTFORD.	
1. STRAZDINS Arkadijs	9 - 1	IPACS Edward	Expert
2. STROGATZ Steven H	6½- 3½	GRASSER George	
3. MILARDO Robert	4½- 5½	GODIN Eric	
4. AUST William	8 - 2	BARTHA Paul	
5. AZZOLA James	6½- 3½	LEONE Salvatore	
6. FRAZIER Wesley	8½- 1½	COTE Gary	
7. COULOMBE Matthew	8 - 2	HECHT Simon	
8. FERRANTE Christopher	8½- 1½	BYSTRAK Eugene	
9. LAMONT Raymond	6½- 3½	DALY Charles	
10. MANSIGIAN Joseph	7½- 2½	DWORSKI William	
11. LECHOWICZ Daniel S	5 - 5	ALDI David	
12. KASMER Walter	10 - 0	SIMEONE Arthur	
13. BOURASSA Ronald	1 - 9	PEVNER David	
14. MAY Duncan W.	5 - 5	CITRON James	
15. WOOSTER Paul	6 - 4	HANEN Jonathan M.	
TOTAL SCORE		100,5-49,5	

TEAM CAPTAINS:

Matthew Coulombe.
Wesley Frazier.

Eugene Bystrak.

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Connecticut Chess

New Britain Club to meet Mondays

By ROB ROY

The New Britain Chess Club will change its meeting nights to Mondays starting in October. Arkadijs Strazdins, senior Speed-Chess Master and tournament director, has announced that the Quartette Club, whose hall on Wooster Street is the meeting site for chess, felt that the change was necessary.

Connecticut Speed Tournaments will now be held every Monday night in New Britain. Entry fees are \$2 per tournament or \$1 if you are a member of the club. Club membership dues are \$8 for adults, or \$5 if you qualify as a student, age over 65, or unemployed. All club memberships expire at the end of August, 1979.

SPEED-CHESS TOURNEY NO. 111,
NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB, Septem-

ber 13, 1978. 1- Arkadijs Strazdins 12-2307, 2- Anthony Miller 11-1 2388, 3- Raymond LaMont 8-6 2026, 4- Wesley Frazier 7-5 2160, 5- Paul Wooster 5-9 1862, 6- Ronald Bourassa 3 ½-8 ½ 1910, 7- Henry Hall ½-10 12 1904, 8- Rob Roy 0-6 1662.

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Chess news

The 1979 New Britain city chess championship primary play, underway Monday nights for the past two months at the Quartette Club, has been completed.

Sixteen players contested in two sections in a seven-game single round robin U. S. Chess Federation rated tournament. The following eight players qualified for the 29th annual championship finals:

Arkadijs Strazdins, city champion for 25 years, was the top scorer with perfect 7-0 points.

Robert Milardo scored 5½-1½; Paul Ligas, Christopher Ferrante and Frederick S. Townsend, each scored 5-2; Jerome Crawford, 4½-2½; Peter P. Mitchell, 4-3, and Wesley Frazier, 3½-3½.

Others who played in the tournament are: Paul Wooster, Raymond Lamont, Ronald Bourassa, Joseph Mansigian, John A. Baclawski, Kurt J. Holyst, Hermann Zickfield and Jonathan M. Hanen.

First round of the single round robin championship tournament will be played at the Quartette Club, starting Jan. 8.

State speed chess

The 1978 Connecticut state open speed chess championship (5-minute games) will be held Monday at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.

The tournament is sponsored by the Quartette Club, New Britain Chess Club and Connecticut Speed Chess League.

Tournament directors are Arkadijs Strazdins and Wesley Frazier.

The entry fee will be \$2 per player, \$1 for those under age 16. Registration will be from 7:20-7:50 p.m. and the play begins at 8. Cash prizes will be given for first, second and third places, also subscriptions for one year to the Connecticut Chess Newsletter, and a trophy for the champion, donated by Rob Roy, president, Wolcott Chess Club, and chess columnist for the Waterbury Republican.

Connecticut chess

Storm stalls speed chess until Dec. 11

By ROB ROY

This year's State Speed-Chess Championship, originally scheduled for last Monday, Nov. 27, has been postponed because of the snowstorm, and will be held Dec. 11 instead. Arkadijs Strazdins, the club's president, made this decision when only four players were present at the registration deadline. For tournament details see last week's column.

■ Here is another chess problem — not an easy one. You are asked to find a move that will make it possible for White to mate in two. It is White's move.

The solution is in the box at the end of the column.

Black



Sam White Loyd
White mates in two moves.