

1980

1980 NEW BRITAIN CITY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
RESERVE TOURNAMENT

5-ROUND SWISS - 50/2 - 30/1 - USCF RATED

PLAYED AT THE QUARTETTE CLUB JAN. 22 - FEB. 19,
1980. A. STRAZDINS T.D. -

1. MANSIGIAN Joseph	1658	+7	-5	+10	+2	=12	3½ - 1½	
2. ZICKFELD Hermann	1529	+8	=12	+5	-1	+11	3½ - 1½	3½
3. SIMEONE Arthur B.	1389	+9	=10	-12	-4	=7	2 - 3	
4. HANEN Jonathan M.	1239	-10	-8	+6	+3	=5	2½ - 2½	2½ TIE FOR
5. CHAREST Rodney	NEW	+11	+1	-2	-12	=4	2½ - 2½	TIE FOR 3RD
6. CORSON David E.	1245	-12	-11	-4	-7	=9	½ - 4½	
7. DERING Christopher	NEW	-1	-9	-11	+6	=3	1½ - 3½	
8. DISANTIS John	NEW	-2	+4	+9	+11	+4	4 - 0	2½
9. JZUBAY Gregory W.	NEW	-3	+7	-8	-10	=6	1½ - 3½	
10. GALAZAN Peter	NEW	+4	=3	-1	+9	-8	2½ - 2½	
11. HOLYST Jr. Ralph F.	NEW	-5	+6	+7	-8	-2	2 - 3	
12. STASKIEWICZ Vincent P.	1280	+6	=2	+3	+5	=1	4 - 1	1½

TIE-BREAK

1. STASKIEWICZ	4-1	8	8. HOLYST Jr.	2 - 3	8, 5
2. DISANTIS	4-1	7	9. SIMEONE	2 - 3	6, 5
3. ZICKFELD	3½ - 1½	10	10. OZUBAY	1½ - 3½	1
4. MANSIGIAN	3½ - 1½	8, 5	11. DERING	1½ - 3½	5, 5
5. CHAREST	2½ - 2½	9, 5	12. CORSON	½ - 4½	
6. GALAZAN	2½ - 2½	8			
7. HANEN	2½ - 2½	7			

AWARDS: STASKIEWICZ - TROPHY - DISANTIS - TROPHY;

ZICKFELD - DR. JOSEPH PLATZ - CHESS MEMOIRS.

SPECIAL: CHAREST - TOP JAN. - HANEN - 2ND TOP JUN.

PREVIOUS WINNERS: 1972 - BERG Mark 4-1; 1973 - LOMASCI

Loren 5½ - ½; 1974 - Carl TRACZYNSKI 4½ - ½; 1975 - MITCHELL

Peter 4½ - ½; 1976 - MANSIGIAN Joseph 4½ - ½; 1977 - KŁOSKOWSKI

Peter 5-0; 1978 - LIGAS Paul 4-1; 1979 - KŁOSKOWSKI

Peter 4-1 - 1980 - STASKIEWICZ Vincent P. 4-1

Speed chess event Tuesday

Chess play resumes after the holidays at the New Britain Chess Club in the start of the 1980's with an Open Connecticut Speed Chess League rated speed tournament Tuesday night at 8 p.m. at the Quartette Club. Registration closes at 7:30.

The first round of the 1980 30th annual New Britain City Chess Championship Finals, a single round-robin tournament, will begin Tuesday, Jan. 16, and continue for eight more successive Tuesdays. The ten players who qualified to play are: Stanley J. Archacki, John A. Baclawski, Ronald Bourassa, Kenneth Graham III, Kurt J. Holyst, Raymond Lamont, Robert Milardo, Peter P. Mitchell, Lawrence T. O'Neill and Arkadijs Strazdins, the defending champion.

The 1980 New Britain City Chess Championship Reserve Tournament, a five-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated event, will start Jan. 22 at 8 p.m., and continue for four more Tuesdays. It is open to all, but participants must be or become

members of the USCF. More information and registration can be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, tournament director. The tournaments are sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club. The Chess Club meets every Tuesday night, 7 p.m. - 12:45 a.m., at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St. All official tournament games start at 8 p.m. and the time limit is 30 moves per 2 hours. Trophies and other prizes will be awarded to top senior and junior players in both tournaments.

In recently played tournaments, Chess Club members did well: Carl Trzyniak with a score of 5-0, won the Central Connecticut State College Tournament.

Peter Kinskowski and John A. Baclawski, each with a 5½ score, tied for first place at the Woodstock Winter Open.

3/6/1980 Chess news

After seven rounds in the 10-player 30th annual New Britain single round robin city chess championship finals, Arkadijs Strazdins, defending champion, is leading the tournament with a score of 7-0. He is followed by Robert Milardo 5-2, and John A. Baclawski and Ronald Bourassa, each with 4-2 and each with one game adjourned.

Junior members

Five of New Britain Chess Club junior members participated in the 1980 Connecticut state scholastic chess championship in Hartford recently.

The tournament, sponsored by the Connecticut Chess Federation and directed by former USCF Vice President Frederick S. Townsend, attracted more than 250 students from all over the state in grades one through 12.

Kurt J. Holyst won the 7th grade state title with a score of 4-0 and Rodney Charest took second place with a 5-1 score. Kurt Previosi won the state title in the 5th and 6th grades. Jonathan M. Hanen won the 8th grade title with a score of 5-0.

Ralph F. Holyst Jr. took 3rd place honors in the 10th grade, with a score of 2½-1½ and Christopher Dearing scored 1-3.

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Kurt Holyst wins his third state Scholastic Chess Championship

SOUTHINGTON — Kurt Holyst, representing John F. Kennedy Junior High School, won his third straight Connecticut State Scholastic Chess Championship, in Hartford Saturday.

The tournament, sponsored by the Connecticut Chess Federation and directed by Fred Townsend, drew more than 250 boys from all over the state, in grades one through 12. Kurt, who has won the state title in the fifth, sixth, and seventh grades, posted a perfect 4-0 score, and was never really challenged after the second round.

Rodney Charest of Kennedy overcame two play-off challenges and posted a 3-1 score to take home the second place trophy for the seventh grade.

Rodney clawed his way back to victory after suffering his only loss in the first round.

Dale Riedinger, chess adviser at Kennedy, expressed satisfaction with her team's performance, especially her new members.

Posting one or more victories for Kennedy were: Mike Barnore, Bob Thurston, Peter Hojnowski, and Bob Billingham of the ninth grade; Mike Martin of the eighth grade and Albert Gagne of the seventh grade.

In the high school competition, Ralph Holyst Jr. played consistent chess and won third place honors in the 10th grade, with a 2½-1½ score. This was Ralph's first scholastic tournament. Chris Dearing also turned in a solid performance as a representative of the high school's 10th grade.

In the elementary section, fifth grader Billy Hojnowski posted an impressive 2-2 score. Newcomer Billy surprised everyone when he won his last game in just four moves.

3/5/1980 Chess news

The 1980 New Britain city chess championship reserve tournament, a five-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated, played Tuesday nights at the Quartette Club, has been completed.

Vincent P. Staskiewicz won the tournament on a tie-break over John Disantis. Each scored 4-1. Staskiewicz was undefeated. He won three games and drew two.

Disantis, who played his first USCF rated tournament, after losing his first round to Hermann Zickfeld, defeated his next four opponents. Zickfeld, after a tie-break, took third place and Joseph Mansigian, highest rated player in the tournament, was also undefeated but he forfeited one game and in the last round was held to a draw by tourna-

ment winner Staskiewicz.

With a score of 2½-1½ and lower listed in order, were Rodney Charest, Peter Gazzan, Jonathan M. Hanen, Ralph F. Holyst Jr., Arthur B. Simeone, Gregory W. Darrow, Christopher Dearing and David E. Corson.

Trophies will be awarded to Staskiewicz, Disantis, and the top junior players. First, Charest, and second Hanen.

The tournament was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club. Arkadijs Strazdins directed.

Previous winners

1972-Mark Berg; 1973-Lorraine Lomaski; 1974-Carl Trzyniak; 1975-Peter P. Mitchell; 1976-Joseph Mansigian; 1977-Peter Klosowski; 1978-Paul Lipp and 1979-Peter Klosowski.

3/15/1980 Chess news

The official Connecticut Speed Chess League rating for 1979, submitted by Rob Roy, league director from a total of 200 players, shows 17 New Britain Chess Club members in the league's top 25.

They are: 1st — Arkadijs Strazdins, 2,382 points; 4th — Robert Milardo, 2,216; 5th — Matthew Coulombe, 2,201; 8th — Eric Godin, 2,172; 9th — Wesley Frazier, 2,124; 11th — Daniel Lechowicz, 2,043; 12th — Mark Denihan, 2,035; 13th — Joseph Mansigian, 2,029; 14th — Ronald Bourassa, 2,020; 15th — John A. Baclawski, 2,008; 17th — Duncan W. May, 1,972; 18th — Paul Ligas, 1,951; 21st — Raymond Lamont, 1,917; 22nd — Edward Harris, 1,902; 23rd — Paul Wooster, 1,899; 24th — Peter P. Mitchell, 1,869; 25th — George Stewart Jr., 1,848.

Thirty six New Britain Chess Club members participated in the tournaments. Connecticut Speed-Chess life master candidate Strazzdins now has 882 rated speed chess games at the master level. One thousand games entitles him to the life-master award.

Speed chess championship

The 1980 Connecticut speed chess championship, 5 minutes per player per game, will be played March 29, at Gene's Restaurant, 37 South Main St., Naugatuck.

Tournament director is Rob Roy. Registration is from 11:30 to 11:55 a.m. Round one starts at noon. The tournament is rated by the Connecticut Speed Chess League for master points. Strazzdins is the defending 1977-79 champion.

The four-year-old Wolcott Chess Club has been canceled by the Park and Recreation Department due to lack of funds. The Chess Club from now on will hold sessions at Gene's Restaurant, Naugatuck, every Saturday from 10 a.m. and every Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Exhibition

To promote chess in the New Britain area, the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, will sponsor a simultaneous exhibition by one of Connecticut top junior players, candidate-master Oleg Frenkel, 20, of Hartford. The exhibition will be March 25, starting at 7:45 p.m. He will play against 25-35 comers.

Chess players in the New Britain area, who would like to play against Frenkel should contact Strazzdins, club president Tuesday night from 7:40 at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St. Frenkel will charge a \$3 fee for senior players and \$2 for students. Players who are not New Britain Chess Club members, should bring their own chess sets and boards if available.

There is no charge for spectators who are welcome.

Kennedy chess team wins title

SOUTHBINGTON — Dale Riedinger, chess adviser for Kennedy Junior High School, coached her "A" team to a state doubles chess title. The tournament, which was sponsored by the Connecticut Chess Federation, included all the top junior high school chess players in Connecticut. Kennedy had the largest contingency, six players, of the schools represented.

Rodney Charest and Kurt Holyst, who established a new state record by winning the third straight doubles title, each posted perfect 4-0 scores.

Peter Hojnowski and Mike Barmore each posted 3-2 scores, while Scott Almond and Bob Billingham contributed two victories to the Kennedy cause.

The Kennedy team also took second place in the four-man state team competition. They won first and second place in the seventh grade state championships in February and most recently added the state doubles title to their string of victories.

3/29/1980

OLEG FRENKEL

Candidate Chess Master from Hartford
SIMULTANEOUS EXHIBITION AT THE QUARTETTE
CLUB, TUESDAY NIGHT, MARCH 25, 1980
OLEG PLAYED AGAINST 28 - FROM 7:45 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
HE WON 21 - DREW 2 AND LOST 5.

A - HE DREW:

① Arkadij's STRAZINS AND GEORGE GRASSER
B - HE LOST:

- ① James CHRISTIAN
- ② Lawrence T. O'NEILL
- ③ Duncan W. MAY
- ④ Matthew Caulombe
- ⑤ Joseph Mansigian

C - HE WON:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. David Corsin | 16. Hermann Zickfeld |
| 2. John Diambis | 17. Arthur B. Simeone |
| 3. Peter Galazan | 18. John A. Baclawski |
| 4. Paul Wooster | 19. Eric Godin |
| 5. Vincent J. Staszewicz | 20. Calvin Fahy |
| 6. Calvin Fahy | 21. Arthur Bellavue |
| 7. Angelo Panetta | |
| 8. John Vilardi | OLEG played very |
| 9. Glen Fahy | fast and played |
| 10. Camille Gagliardi | taut move! |
| 11. Gregory W. Drubay | <u>Very good!</u> |
| 12. Christopher Dering | |
| 13. Pat Talar | |
| 14. Ralph F. Hooch, Jr. | |
| 15. Rodney Charost | |

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Chess news

Ten qualified players from primary play competed for the 1980 - 30th annual New Britain city chess championship finals, a single round robin U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament at the Quartette Club.

Competitions were held each Tuesday night for the past 10 weeks.

Arkadijs Strazdins, defending champion, finished first with a score of 8-1, his only loss being in the eighth round to Robert Milardo. Strazdins, an employee of The Stanley Works, has won the championship for the 28th time, the first 23 years being consecutive.

Ronald Bourassa took second place honors with 6½-2½. He played the tournament's longest game against Strazdins, it taking the latter 102 moves to win.

Milardo was third at 6-3; John A. Baclawski, fourth with 5½-3½, and Kenneth Graham III, fifth with 5-4.

The results with a score of 4½-4½ or lower: Raymond Lamont, sixth; Peter P. Mitchell, seventh; Lawrence T. O'Neill, eighth; Kurt J. Holyst, ninth and Stanley J. Archacki, 10th.

Chess clocks and trophies will be awarded to the top five and a special New Britain Chess Club trophy to Holyst, 12, who is the youngest player ever to qualify to play in the championship. He won one and drew two games. His present U.S. Chess Federation rating is 1,631 points.

Exhibition

Candidate chess master Oleg Frenkel, 20, of Hartford, gave a simultaneous exhibition at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., recently with 28 New Britain area chess players playing against him. It took Frenkel about four hours to finish all of the games.

He won 21, drew 2 and lost 5. He drew against George Grasser and Arkadijs Strazdins. He lost to James Christian, Larence T. O'Neill, Duncan W. May, Matthew Coulombe and Joseph Mansigian.

The exhibition was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

The New Britain Chess Club will host three open Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournaments — five-minute games for the next three Tuesday nights at the Quartette Club. Tournaments start at 8 p.m. Registration closes at 7:50. The 1980 annual New Britain Chess Club championship, a six-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament is scheduled for April 22. Registration can be secured at the club.

Chess news

4/2/80
The annual New Britain Chess Club championship play for the 1980 season has been postponed for one week. The first round will start next Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.

Late registration can be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, a certified tournament director of the U.S. Chess Federation tonight from 7-11 at the club.

Tonight, the New Britain Chess Club will host an open Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournament, consisting of five-minute games. The tournament will start at 8 p.m. Registration closes at 7:50.

F - I - N - A - L - S.

No.	PLAYERS NAME	RATING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	SCORE
1.	LAMONT Raymond	1638	-	½	0	½	0	0	(1)	½	1	1	4½ - 4½
2.	HOLYST Kurt J.	1631	½	-	0	0	0	0	1	½	0	0	2 - 7
3.	STRAZDINS Arkadijs	1996	1	1	-	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	8 - 1
4.	O'NEILL Lawrence T.	1487	½	1	0	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	2½ - 6½
5.	BACLAWSKI John A.	1777	1	1	0	1	-	(1)	1	0	½	0	5½ - 3½
6.	MILARDO Robert	1906	1	1	1	0	(0)	-	1	1	1	0	6 - 3
7.	ARCHACKI Stanley J.	1395	(0)	0	0	1	0	0	-	0	(0)	0	1 - 8
8.	MITCHELL Peter P.	1748	½	½	0	1	1	0	1	-	0	0	4 - 5
9.	GRAHAM III Kenneth	1427	0	1	0	1	½	0	(1)	1	-	½	5 - 4
10.	BOURASSA Ronald	1832	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	½	-	6½ - 2½

THE FINALS A U.S. CHESS FEDERATION RATED TOURNAMENT WAS PLAYED AT THE QUARTETTE CLUB, TUESDAY NIGHTS, JANUARY 15, 22, 29 - FEBRUARY 5, 12, 19, 26 AND MARCH 4, 11 AND 18, 1980.-

F-I-N-A-L R-E-S-U-L-T-S:

1.	STRAZDINS	8	-	1	AWARDS	Chess CLOCK
2.	BOURASSA	6½	-	2½		Chess CLOCK
3.	MILARDO	6	-	3		TROPHY
4.	BACLAWSKI	5½	-	3½		TROPHY
5.	GRAHAM III	5	-	4		DR.PLATZ MEMORIAL
6.	LAMONT	4½	-	4½		
7.	MITCHELL	4	-	5		
8.	O'NEILL	2½	-	6½		
9.	HOLYST	2	-	7	TOP JUN.	TROPHY
10.	ARCHACKI	1	-	8		

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NEW BRITAIN CITY CHESS CHAMPIONS:

1950 - ROMAN Edmund	1966 - STRAZDINS
1951 - ROMAN	1967 - STRAZDINS
1952 - STRAZDINS Arkadijs	1968 - STRAZDINS
1953 - STRAZDINS	1969 - STRAZDINS
1954 - STRAZDINS	1970 - STRAZDINS
1955 - STRAZDINS	1971 - STRAZDINS
1956 - STRAZDINS	1972 - STRAZDINS
1957 - STRAZDINS	1973 - STRAZDINS CO-LANE Robert
1958 - STRAZDINS	1974 - STRAZDINS CO-LECLERC Paul
1959 - STRAZDINS	1975 - STRAZDINS
1960 - STRAZDINS	1976 - MILARDO Robert
1961 - STRAZDINS	1977 - STRAZDINS
1962 - STRAZDINS	1978 - STRAZDINS
1963 - STRAZDINS	1979 - STRAZDINS CO-LIGAS Paul
1964 - STRAZDINS	1980 - STRAZDINS
1965 - STRAZDINS	

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30TH ANNUAL NEW BRITAIN CITY CHESS
CHAMPIONSHIP - FINALS,

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NEW BRITAIN CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
USCF RATED

5 ROUND SWISS - 50/2 - 30/1

Played at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.,
New Britain, Conn. - April 29, May 6, 13, 20 and 27,
1980. - Arakadis STRAZDINS, T. D.

NO.	PLAYERS NAME	USCF RATING	ROUNDS				
			1	2	3	4	5
1	STRAZDINS Arakadis	1994	+8	+4	=3	+2	+5
2	BACLAWSKI John A.	1977	+9	+5	+13	-1	-4
3	LAMONT Raymond	1638	+10	+7	=1	-4	+6
4	HOLYST Kurt J.	1631	+11	-1	+8	+3	+2
5	ZICKFELD Hermann	1529	+12	-2	+14	=7	-1
6	O'NEILL Lawrence T.	1487	-13	-11	+10	+12	-3
7	SIMEONE Arthur B.	1389	+14	-3	+11	=5	-8
8	STASKIEWICZ Vincent	UNR	-1	+12	-4	+13	+7
9	HANEN Jonathan	UNR	-2	WITHDREW			
10	DEARING Christopher	UNR	-3	-14	-6	=15	+12
11	DISANTIS John	UNR	-4	+6	-7	+14	+15
12	DZURBAY Gregory N.	UNR	-5	-8	+15	-6	-10
13	GALAZAN Peter	UNR	+6	+15	-2	-8	+14
14	HOLYST Jr., Ralph F.	UNR	-7	+10	-5	-11	-13
15	CHAREST Rodney J.	UNR	—	-13	-12	=10	-11

FINAL SCORE:

1. STRAZDINS	4½ - ½	8. SIMEONE	2½ - 2½	1. HANEN	—
2. HOLYST, Kurt	4 - 1	9. ZICKFELD	2½ - 2½	2. HANEN	—
3. LAMONT	3½ - 1½	10. O'NEILL	2 - 3	3. HANEN	—
4. STASKIEWICZ	3 - 2	11. DEARING	1½ - 3½	4. HANEN	—
5. BACLAWSKI	3 - 2	12. HOLYST, Jr.	1 - 4	5. HANEN	—
6. GALAZAN	3 - 2	13. DZURBAY	1 - 4		
7. DISANTIS	3 - 2	14. CHAREST	½ - 3½		

beginner and advanced levels, are also available.

Arkadijs Strazdins, New Britain chess champion and club president, was presented a plaque honoring his attainment of "Life Master", given for one thousand speed-chess games at the master level. It was the first such award issued by the three-year-old Connecticut Speed-Chess League.

NAUGATUCK VALLEY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Columbo Society, May 3, 1980

	+3	+2	=4
Joseph Hoddy	+6	-1	+5
David Labriola	-1	+5	+6
Gregg Stanley	-5	+6	1
Gary Cote	+4	-3	-2
Bruce Rice	-2	-4	-3

Chess is the ultimate war game — your army is on the field, your opponent's army is massed across from you and you both must draw upon all the cunning and the resourcefulness of an Alexander or a Patton to capture the vital "bridge" that decides the game's outcome. The new book "Chess Battle Strategies" by John Love and John Hodgkins cuts through to the real meaning and tactical challenge of chess, providing the kind of instruction that allows beginners and intermediate players to build a solid framework for playing sound, exciting chess.

The book starts with instruction on board notation so that you can record your games for future analysis. From there, you'll learn to open your offensive or defensive battle plans in a way that allows you to develop all your pieces for rapid and effective development for the middle game. With 317 board diagrams that supplement and illustrate the authors' clear, easy-to-follow instructions, you'll learn to parry any different kinds of attacks, set up decoys and smoke out your opponent's traps. The book provides the know-how you need to coordinate your pieces for the kind of unified attack that makes for a devastating middle game. You'll learn to capitalize on your enemy's mistakes; and use the king as a strong attacker in the endgame, and much much more. Questions-and-answers at the end of each chapter help you review each new piece of information every step along the way.

This incisive book will alert beginning and intermediate players to the exciting possibilities of this most ancient war game as few other books ever have, and it also shows exactly how to experience them in your own game for increased satisfaction and enjoyment. The hardcover book is \$7.95 from Sterling Publishing Company, Two Park Avenue, New York N.Y. 10016.

Tom Webster 1226 vs. John Farwell 2051. 3rd
Walcott \$100 Open, 8 Dec. 1979. Round 1. 1 e4 c6 2
d4 d5 3 Nc3 dx e4 Nx e4 Bf5 5 Ng3 Ng6 6 Nf3 Nd7
7 Bf4 Ngf6 8 Bd3 Nd5 9 Be3 Nx e3 10 fxe3 e5 11
Bxc6 h x g6 12 Nx e5 Nae5 13 dx e5 Qa5 + 14 Qd2
Qx e5 15 0-0-0 Bc5 16 Rhei Rxh2 17 Nf1 Hr1 18
Kb1 Kf8 19 e4 Be7 20 Qd8 Qxd4 21 Rxd4 Rd8 22
c3 c5 23 Rd5 Rx d5 24 ex d5 Bh4 25 Rdi e4 26 Ne3
Rx d1 + 27 Nx d1 Ke7 28 Ne3 b5 29 b3 Bg5 30 Nc2
Kd6 31 bxc4 bxc4 32 Na3 Kxd5 33 Nb5 Be3 34
Nc7 + Mc6 35 Ne8 Bh6 0-1.

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NB Chess Club news

The New Britain Chess Club will hold Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournaments every Tuesday night in July and August at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., except July 29, when Filipp S. Frenkel, chess master and teacher from Hartford will give a simultaneous exhibition against 35-40 comers at the Quartette Club.

Early registration is available. The exhibition will start at 7:40 p.m.

The 15th annual New Britain Summer Open, a four-round Swiss, with time control 40 moves in one hour, a U.S. Chess Federation rated tournament, has been scheduled at the Quartette Club for Aug. 10. First round will start at 9:20 a.m. All tournaments at the New Britain Chess Club are sponsored by the Quartette Club and the Chess Club.

Arkadijs Strazdins, New Britain city and Chess Club champion for many years, was recently presented a plaque by Connecticut Speed Chess League Director Rob Roy from Waterbury at the Quartette Club. The plaque honors his attainment of life master,

given for 1,000 speed chess games at the master level. It was the first such award issued in Connecticut.

Thus far this year, the New Britain Chess Club has held 19 Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournaments. Strazdins has won 13; Robert Milardo and Eric Godin, two each; William Edwards and Frenkel, one each.

Four of New Britain's Chess Club junior members participated in the 1980 national junior and high school championship in Philadelphia recently. Both tournaments attracted more than 1,000 students from all over the United States.

In the junior high school championship, the top New England junior player under 13, Kurt J. Holyst took the sixth place trophy with a score of 6-2. He won five games, drew two and lost one. Rodney Charest scored 3-5.

In the high school championship, Christopher Dearing had a score of 4-4, and Ralph F. Holyst Jr. 3-5.

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Strazdins wins chess club title for 23rd time

Arkadijs Strazdins has won the New Britain Chess Club championship for the 23rd time. He has been city champion for 28 years. His club win was by a score of 4½-½.

The 30th annual New Britain Chess Club championship, a five-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated tournament was played recently on Tuesday nights at the Quartette Club.

Kurt J. Holyst took second place, with a score of 4-1, losing only to Strazdins. Holyst holds a USCF rating of 1,631 points, putting him 10th place in the top junior players in the United States under age 13.

Raymond Lamont took third place honors with a score of 3½-½.

After the tie-break, the results with 3-2, finishing fourth or lower in order, were: Vincent P. Staskiewicz, John A. Baclawski, Peter Galazan, John Disantis, Arthur B. Simeone, Hermann Zickfeld, Lawrence T. Neill, Christopher Dearing, Ralph F. Holyst Jr., Gregory N. Dubay, Rodney J. Charest and Jonathan M. Hanen.

The tournament was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the Chess Club. Strazdins directed.

Previous club champions from 1950:

1950-51 — Edmund Roman.
1952-71 — Strazdins.
1972 — Robert Milardo.
1973 — Daniel S. Lechowicz.
1974 — Robert W. Lane.
1975-76 — Strazdins.
1977-78 — Milardo.
1979 — Ronald Bourassa.

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Local boy selected for U.S. Junior Chess Team

SOUTHBURY — Twelve year-old Kurt Holyst, holder of numerous chess titles and a student of Dr. Joseph Platz, recently received the greatest honor of his young career. He was nominated to, and accepted as, a member of the United States Junior Chess Team, known as the "Collins' Kids."

According to Fred Townsend, former United States Chess Federation vice president, Kurt will be one of 20 boys between the ages of 11 and 17 who will accompany the world famous chess teacher, John W. Collins, to Iceland this summer.

The match, Kurt's first in international competition, will be hosted by the Icelandic National Team and will run from Aug. 8 to 13.

Kurt, who is unofficially rated at 1700 and nationally ranked in the top 10 for his age group, will be one of the youngest members to make the trip.

WORLD CHESS NEWS

Grandmasters Walter Browne, Larry Christiansen and Larry Evans split first place at the 1980 United States Chess Championship held at Thiel College in Greenville, Pa., from June 11-19. The three players all finished the invitational tournament with 7½-4½ records and have been declared co-champions. World Junior Champion Yasser Seirawan and Grandmaster Leonid Shamkovich, the youngest and oldest players in the tournament, finished close behind at 7-5.

International Master Mark Diesen withdrew from the event after falling down a flight of stairs before the fourth round. This reduced the field of players to only thirteen. This was one of the strongest U.S. Championships ever held.

Grandmaster Larry Evans's performance was rather unexpected. Many felt that his lack of recent practice during the past few years would make him rusty. Walter Browne's performance, on the other hand was predictable. He has now won four of the last five U.S. Championship tournaments, the only break in his string was the 1978 Championship from which he withdrew after a disagreement with the tournament director.

Larry Christiansen's victory brings him his first U.S. championship title. Christiansen has been in the first rank of American players for several years, but major titles such as this one have previously escaped him.

7-21-1980

Chess exhibition sighted Tuesday by ex-Soviet pro

The future chess in the New Britain area, the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, will sponsor a simultaneous exhibition by professional chess master Filipp Frenkel of Hartford, considered one of the top resident masters in Connecticut.

Frenkel arrived from the Soviet Union a year ago. Under Victor Korchnoi, world famous grandmaster, he was able to bring his wife and son with him, who both are strong players.

The exhibition will start Tuesday at 7:40 p.m. at The Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., against all comers. Anyone who would like to play against Frenkel and who is not a New Britain Chess Club member, should bring a chess set and board if available.

Late registration may be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, club president, that night from 7 to 7:40 p.m. Frenkel will charge a \$4 fee for senior players and \$2 for students under 18.

Spectators are invited.

The 1980 New Britain Chess Club championship, a five-round Swiss system tournament, attracted 25 players. The winner, for the 23rd time in 11 years, was Arkadijs Strazdins, who scored 4½-1½. Twelve-year-old Kurt Holyst took second place at 4½. Raymond Lamont, scoring 3½-1½, was third. Vincent Staskiewicz took fourth place over John Baclawski on tiebreaks. Each had a 3-2 score.

Young Holyst recently took sixth place in the National Junior High School championship in which several hundred players competed. Kurt scored 6-2, with five wins, one loss, and two draws.

Chessmaster Filipp Frenkel of Hartford will perform a simultaneous exhibition at the Quartette Club, Wooster St., New Britain. The entry fee is \$4, or only \$2 if you are under age 18. All players who are not New Britain Chess Club members pay \$1 more. Please bring your own set and board if you have one. The date is this Tuesday, at 7:40 sharp! Call Frenkel at 523-7613 for details.

Filipp Frenkel is the first professional chess teacher in the area. His apartment at 15 Evergreen Street is only one block away from the Hartford Games Studio (Paul Glidewell's), and is always busy with students. A recent two-page feature story about the master and how he ended up in Hartford from Russia appeared in the "Hartford Advocate," and has brought him into contact with many new students.

Waterbury Republican
July 27, 1980.

The 15th annual New Britain Summer Open will be played Sunday, August 10, at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster Street, New Britain. This is a USCF-rated four-round Swiss, with a time limit of 40 moves in one hour. The entry fee is \$12 (\$9 for students under 18). U.S. Chess Federation membership is required, which is available at the site for nonmembers. Eighty per cent of the money received for entry fees will be used to furnish trophy prizes.

Registration will be from 8:30-9 am, with the first round starting at 9:20 sharp. Sponsors of the tournament are the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, and Arkadijs Strazdins will be the Tournament Director.

Battle of the Sexes

Herald, Monday, Aug. 4, 1980
**NB summer open chess
tournament next Sunday**

The 15th annual New Britain summer open chess championship, a four-round Swiss system tournament, with time control, 40 moves in one hour, a U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated, will be held outdoors next Sunday at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St. 1978, Steven H. Strogatz; 1979, Ronald Bourassa.

Frenkel exhibition

Chess master Filipp S. Frenkel of Hartford, considered one of the most highly qualified professional chess players and teachers in New England, gave a simultaneous exhibition at the Quartette Club last Tuesday night. Twenty six New Britain area chess players played against him. It took Frenkel about five hours to finish all the games. He won 22 and lost 4 games.

This was the first time Frenkel lost four games in any exhibition in Connecticut. He lost to Paul Wooster, Hermann Zickfeld, George Grasser and Carl Tracynski. The exhibition was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

Tie for first

One of New Britain's leading chess experts John A. Baclawski, tied for first place with a score of 3½-1½ at the 37th Elm City Open, played recently on the campus of Yale University.

Previous winners: 1966-68, Strazdins; 1969, Peter Kloskowski; 1970, William Edwards; 1971-73, Strazdins; 1974, James Baker; 1975, James M. Bolton; 1976, Julius Fuster; 1977, Jerome A. Crawford;

15th ANNUAL

N. B. SUMMER OPEN

4 ROUNDS

WISS - 40/60

PLAYED SUNDAY, AUG. 10, 1980 AT THE QUARTETTE CLUB
T. D. A. STRAZDINS

NO.	NAME	JULY 1980	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
1.	STRAZDINS Arkadijs	2024	W7	02	W12	L3	2½-2½
2.	MILARDO Robert	1913	W8	01	L13	D12	2-2
3.	BACLAWSKI John A.	1781	W9	W5	04	W1	3½-½
4.	LITTLE Thomas H.	1740	W10	W13	D3	W5	3½-½
5.	DISANTIS John A.	1652	W11	L3	W8	L4	2-2
6.	ZICKFELD Hermann	1576	W12	W10	W9	L13	2-2
7.	O'NEILL Lawrence T.	1547	L1	L12	D11	W8	1½-2½
8.	PANCIERA Arnold	1352	L2	W11	L5	L7	1-3
9.	HOLYST Jr. Ralph F.	1342	L3	W14	L6	W10	2-2
10.	McNAMARA Donald	1315	L4	L6	W14	L9	1-3
11.	HANEN Jonathan M.	1304	L5	L8	D7	W14	1½-2½
12.	DEARING Christopher	1277	W6	W7	L2	D2	2½-2½
13.	GOODIN Eric	1921	W14	L4	W2	W6	3-1
14.	ZUBRAY Gregory N.	UNR	L13	L9	L10	L11	0-4

1. LITTLE 3½-½ 5- 14. ZUBRAY 0-4

2. BACLAWSKI 3½-½ 4.5

3. GOODIN 3-1

TROPHY WINNERS

4. STRAZDINS 2½-1½ 4.5

5. DEARING 2½-1½ 4 1st LITTLE

6. MILARDO 2-2 5 2nd BACLAWSKI

7. DISANTIS 2-2 5 9.5 3rd GOODIN

8. ZICKFELD 2-2 4.5 4th TOP JUN. DEARING

9. HOLYST 2-2 3 5th 2nd TOP JUN. HOLYST

10. O'NEILL 1½-2½ 4 TROPHIES COST \$95.20

11. HANEN 1½-2½ 2.5 RATING FEE \$ 8.50

12. McNAMARA 1-3 4 TOTAL EXPENSES \$103.70

13. PANCIERA 1-3 3.5



HERALD PHOTO — KRAWCZYNSKI

Tournament concentration

Ralph F. Holyst Jr., 16, left, concentrates on his next move against opponent John Baclawski in the 15th annual New Britain summer open chess championship Swiss system tournament yesterday at the Quartette Club. Ralph was filling in for his 12-year-old brother Kurt, who is now playing on the Junior National Team in Iceland.

J.S. Junior Chess Team N.B. HERALD AUG - 1980 wins Iceland tournament

SOUTHBURY — The United States Junior Chess Team departed from Kennedy Airport, Aug. 8, for the trip to Iceland.

Having never beaten their opponents and considered by many experts as the heavy underdogs, "The Collins Kids" staged the upset of the decade as they defeated Iceland in a 2-1 struggle.

A major contributor to that victory was Kurt Holyst of 1 Saw Mill Lane, Plantsville.

Kurt scored a perfect 3-0 and was one of only two players on the U.S. team who went undefeated for three rounds.

In his last round, Kurt had what his teacher, Dr. Joseph Platz of Manchester, considered a lost game. After being informed by Jack Collins, life master of the United States, that the team needed a victory from his board, Kurt played brilliantly, overcame his deficit and went on to victory.

In only two-and-a-half years, under the guidance of Dr. Platz, Kurt has gained 600 rating points, reaching 1,800, 400 shy of the master level and has emerged as one

of the premiere junior chess players in the United States.

Kurt said the highlight of his trip to Iceland was the victory reception given the U.S. players by the president of Iceland and the awarding of the gold cup to Jack Collins, former mentor of the World Champion Bobby Fischer.

The Icelandic Chess Federation and the Reykjavik Chess Club hosted the tournament which Kurt said was a friendly, cultural exchange based on international good will and respect.

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

NB Chess Club tournament winners; other news

The 15th annual New Britain Summer Open, a four-round Swiss system U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated tournament, played last Sunday outdoors at the Quartette Club, attracted 14 players.

Thomas H. Little of New Canaan won the tournament tie-break over John A. Baclawski of New Britain. Each scored 3½-½. Eric Godin of Farmington won third place with a score of 3-1.

Other finishers, all of the New Britain Chess Club, listed in order, with 2½-1½ or lower, were: Arkadijs Strazdins, tournament director; Christopher Dearing, Robert Milardo, John Disantis, Herman Zickfeld, Ralph F. Holyst Jr., Lawrence T. O'Neill, Jonathan M. Hanen, Donald J. McNamara, who permanently

lives in Florida, Arnold Panciera and Gregory N. Dzubay.

High quality trophies were awarded to Little, Baclawski, Godin and the top junior player Dearing and second top junior, Holyst Jr. The tournament was sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

Officers elected

Strazdins, city chess champion for 28 years, club champion for 23 years and winner of many regular and speed tournaments, will serve as president of the New Britain Chess Club for the 1980-81 season. (Sept. 1, 1980-Aug. 31, 1981). He was reelected to office for the 11th consecutive term at the chess club's annual meeting Tuesday night at

annual New Britain Summer Open.

The club will play three chess matches with other clubs and will play about 20 Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournaments. Chess master Filipp S. Frenkel will give two simultaneous exhibitions. The New Britain Chess Club, sponsored by the Quartette Club, meets every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St. Spectators are welcome.

The New Britain Chess Club will host three open Connecticut Speed Chess League rated tournaments-five minute games for the next three Tuesday nights at the Quartette Club. Tournaments start at 8 o'clock with registration closing at 7:30.

the Quartette Club.

Other officers elected are: Vice president, Stanley J. Archacki; secretary, Robert Milardo; treasurer, Andris R. Strazdins; team captain, Duncan W. May.

Arkadijs Strazdins, a certified tournament director of the USCF, will direct all tournaments. The New Britain club, which is affiliated with the USCF is one of the largest membership clubs in the state. Its membership includes players of all ages and strengths, from beginners to experts.

3 local tournaments

The club will hold three USCF rated tournaments during the coming season: The 1980-81 annual city championship; the annual club championship, and the 16th an-

THE HERALD, Saturday, Aug. 16, 1980.

New Britain Chess Club - Affiliate of USCF
Officers Election and General Business for
The 1980-1981 season,-

The meeting was called to order Tuesday
night, August 22, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. sharp,
by New Britain Chess Club President
Andris R. STRAZDINS. Election of officers
was held with the following results
for the 1980-1981 season (Sept. 1, 1980 -
Aug. 31, 1981.) 22 members attended the
meeting.

THE ELECTION RESULTS:

1. PRESIDENT - ARKADISI STRAZDINS Re-elected for 11th term
2. V. P. - STANLEY J. ARCHACKI Re-elected for 10th term
3. SECRETARY - ROBERT MILARDO - Re-elected for 15th term
4. TREASURER - ANDRIS R. STRAZDINS Re-elected for 8th term
5. TOURNAMENT D. - ANDRIS R. STRAZDINS
6. TEAM CAPTAIN - DUNCAN W. MARY Re-elected for 4th term

Andris R. Strazdins read the Treasurer's report.
The chess club closed the 1979-80 season with
\$80,50 net assets.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Membership dues shall be for SEPT. 1, 1980 -
AUG. 31, 1981.

SENIORS \$ 20⁰⁰ STUDENTS \$ 10
SENIOR CITIZENS (OVER 65) \$ 7⁰⁰
The NACC will play THREE USCF rated
tournaments. FIRST - 1980-31st Annual N. B.
City Championship. SECOND - The CLUB
Championship at \$3.00, the 16th Annual
N. B. Summer Open in July or August

Speed tournaments every week if it
is not played regular tournaments.
Chess matches if possible.

A motion was made and seconded
that the meeting should be adjourned
at 8:30 p.m. -

Respectfully submitted

Andris R. Strazdins, President

Chess news

The 31st annual New Britain city chess championship primaries, a U.S. Chess Federation (USCF) rated single round robin tournament-sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club, will be held at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., each Tuesday night — one game per night in September, October and November.

The first round starts Sept. 23, at 8 p.m. The time limit is 50 moves in two hours per player. Competitors will be divided into two or three groups, with 10 players in each group and from each group the first four will play in the finals for the city championship January and February.

For those players who do not qualify for the championship, there will be a five-round Swiss system reserve tournament, played concurrently with the finals. The tourney is open to all chess players in New Britain and vicinity and club members regardless of where they live.

Trophies and other prizes will be awarded to top senior and junior players in the finals and reserve tournaments only. USCF membership is required. More information and registration can be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, tournament director, Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Quartette Club.

The UCSF's new player titles eliminate the class names. The new official labels are: Senior master, 2,400 points and above; master — 2,200-2,399; expert — 2,000-2,199; category I, 1,800-1,999; category II, 1,600-1,799; category III, 1,400-1,599; category IV, 1,200-1,399; category V, 1,000-1,199 and category VI, 999 and below.

Chess news

The New Britain Chess Club staged for the 1979-80 season from Aug. 20, 1979, to Aug. 19, 1980, 24 Connecticut Speed Chess League rated speed tournaments. A grand total of 3,228 games were played. The first five highest scores were recorded in each tournament, with club senior and junior members participating.

Life Speed Chess Master Arkadijs Strazdins won 15 times, finished second 8 and third 1; Robert Milardo won 4 times, placed second 4 and fourth 1; Eric Godin won 2 times, placed second 2 and third 3; Anthony A. Miller and William Edwards, each won 1 time and placed second 1 and Philipp S. Frenkel won 1 tournament. John A. Baclawski placed in second place 3 times. In third 6, in fourth 3 and fifth 2; Raymond Lamont placed in second 2, in third, fourth and fifth each 3 times. Other players who did not take first place, but finished in second, third, fourth or fifth one or more times — listed in order, were: Matthew Coulombe, Peter Kloskowski, Eugene Koenig, Paul Wooster, Ronald Bourassa, Robert R. Stratton, Joseph Mansiljan, Wesley Frazier, Peter P. Mitchell, Kurt Holyst, Jonathan M. Hanen, Dr. Anthony P. Yablonksi, Jr.; Christopher Dearing, Duncan W. May, Lawrence T. O'Neill, Mark Denihan, Vincent P. Staskiewicz, Daniel S. Lechowicz, Vera Frenkel, John Disantis, Arthur B. Simeone, Gregory N. Dzubay, David Corson and J. Martin.

The New Britain Chess Club is the only Chess Club in Connecticut, which has regularly held speed tournaments for the past 27 years, a total of 360 speed tournaments in that time.

In recent speed chess tournaments, junior members scored very well:

Jonathan M. Hanen, 14, won the first Middletown Open Speed Tournament with a score of 12-2.

The top New Britain Chess Club junior player, Kurt Holyst, 12, now holds a U.S. Chess Federation rating of 1,798 points, putting him in 6th place in the top junior players in the U.S. under age 12. In July he played in three Open Speed Tournaments in Woodstock. He won two, with scores of 11-1 and 17-3 and in the third he took 4th place with 9-3.

First round of the single round robin 1981 New Britain City Chess Championship preliminaries, a USCF rated tournament will be played at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., Tuesday at 8 p.m.

There is great interest so far as 26 players have signed up. Late registration may be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins or Duncan W. May, tournament directors, from 7 to 7:40 on Sept. 23.

THE NEW BRITAIN HERALD - SEPT. 20, 1980, -

New Britain Chess Club news

The New Britain Chess Club will hold the eighth annual Thanksgiving open speed tournament (five-minute games) tomorrow at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.

This tournament will be rated by the Connecticut Chess League. The tournament starts at 7:40 p.m., duration will be from 7-15 minutes. Duncan W. May is tournament director. All regular

12/4/1980
Chess news

N.B. HERALD

Professional Chess Master Philipp S. Frenkel from Hartford will give a simultaneous exhibition at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St., tonight starting at 7:40 p.m.

Anyone who would like to play against Frenkel and who is not a New Britain Chess Club member, should bring a chess set and board if available. Late registration can be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, club president, from 7:30 p.m.

Frenkel who has just arrived back from Malta, was one of the coaches to the U.S. national men's and women's teams, which participated in the 24th Chess Olympiad.

He will give first hand information tonight prior to the exhibition. The Olympiad was held from Nov. 20 to Dec. 8, in Malta. Frenkel's wife Vera Frenkel, who is in the U.S. women's top 5, was an alternate on the U.S. women's team. She played six match games and won two, drew two and lost two.

Spectators are invited.

Other items

Matthew Coulombe, rated by the Connecticut Speed Chess League as a master and whom the New Britain Chess Club reports as one of its best speed chess players, was the winner in the club's Thanksgiving open round robin speed tournament, played Nov. 25 at the Quartette Club. He won 25 games and was defeated in one game by Harold A. Hinrich from West Hartford.

Arkadijs Strazdins who previously won the tournament six times, took second place with a score of 20-6; Paul Wooster was third at 17½-8½; John A. Baclawski, fourth with 17-9, and Duncan W. May, fifth with 16½-9½.

The all top scorers are from the New Britain Chess Club. The club has staged so far six speed tournaments for the 1980-81 season. Anthony A. Miller was the winner in one tournament, Coulombe in two and Strazdins in three.

tournament games will be postponed until the following week.

Chess exhibition

Connecticut's only professional chess master and teacher Philipp S. Frenkel of Hartford will perform a simultaneous exhibition, due to popular request from New Britain area chess players, for the third time at the Quartette Club, the New Britain Chess Club meeting place, Dec. 9, at 7:40 p.m.

Participation is limited to 40 players. To reserve a spot, early registration may be secured by contacting Arkadijs Strazdins, club president, Tuesday nights at the Quartette Club from 7-8 p.m. Frenkel will charge an entry fee of \$4, or \$2.50 to student players. The event is sponsored by the Quartette Club and the New Britain Chess Club.

Kurt J. Holyst, 13, New Britain Chess Club's youngest member who now holds a U.S. Chess Federation rating of 1,833 points, was the club's most active tournament player in the last three months. His tournament record is the best in New England, the Chess Club reports.

In the chess match, the U.S. versus Iceland Juniors, age 10-17, played in Reykjavik, Iceland, the 20 players U.S. junior team defeated the best young players of Iceland by a score of 31-21. Iceland is rated number two in the world as a chess country, right behind Russia.

Holyst, who won all of his three match games, helped the U.S. team to defeat Iceland for

the first time. As a result of the victory of the American juniors, they brought back the annual International Chess Match Gold Cup, which will stay in this country for another year.

Holyst reports he is confident that he will be selected as a member of the U.S. Junior team again in 1981, when the Americans will host the Icelandic juniors in a rematch in New York.

The team was coached by grandmaster William Lombardy and the world famous chess teacher and author John W. Collins, the former mentor of world champion Bobby Fischer.

In the fifth annual Waterbury open championship, Holyst tied for third place with a score of 3-1.

In the Hartford open championship, Holyst scored 3½-1½.

In the Rob Roy open in Waterbury, Holyst took second place with a score of 3-1.

In the Manchester Community College Open, Holyst took first place with a score of 6-0 and Rodney Charest was second with a score of 5-1.

John A. Baclawski and Matthew Coulombe, tied for second place in the Hartford closed invitational championship with a score of 4-1. Approximately 40 Connecticut highly rated players were invited.

Chess master Evan Michaelides of New Haven was the winner with a score of 5-0.

The N.B. HERALD, Monday 12/4/1980

Chess news

Professional chess master and teacher Philipp S. Frenkel of Hartford gave a simultaneous exhibition recently at the Quartette Club.

Twenty-eight New Britain area senior and junior chess players played against him. It took Frenkel between four and five hours to finish all the games. He won 22, drew 3 and lost 3.

He drew against Andris R. Strazdins, Charles DeWeese and Arkadijs Strazdins. He lost to John A. Baclawski, George Grasser and Michael Schwartz.

Glen Fahey, 11, one of the youngest competitors, played against him and Frenkel was able to win only after long play, said Arkadijs Strazdins, president of the New Britain Chess Club which with the Quartette Club sponsored the exhibition.

Final speed tourney

The last speed tournament of the year, the New Britain Christmas Open, will be played Tuesday starting at 7:40 p.m.

The New Britain Chess Club will be closed Dec. 30, reopening Jan. 6, with the annual New Year's open speed tournament. Speed tournaments are rated by the Connecticut Speed Chess League.

The club meets Tuesdays from 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Quartette Club, 225 Wooster St.