

The 1946 State Meet was a record breaker in every way. Three days of rain did not prevent a new attendance record. The total attendance exceeded the previous high of 1945 by almost 20,000. Actual figures show a total attendance of 47,190.

Financial Summary**Receipts**

8930 Tickets Adm. 67c, Tax 13c	\$ 7,144.00
7377 Tickets Adm. 54c, Tax 11c	4,795.05
2151 Tickets Adm. 83c, Tax 17c	2,152.00
275 Tickets Adm. 33c, Tax 7c	110.00
200 Tax & Service Tickets @ 40c	80.00
6 Tax & Service Tickets @ 20c	1.20
Season Tickets	
1570 Adult Adm. \$1.67, Tax 33c	3,140.00
3237 Student Adm. \$1.04, Tax 21c	4,046.25
Cash Overage	.59
Total Receipts	21,469.09
Federal Admissions Tax	3,622.35
Net Tournament Receipts	17,846.74
Expenditures:	
Team Expense	\$ 1,277.60
Salary and Expense for Officials	510.16
Awards	149.70
Printing and Publishing	97.82
General	525.85
Labor	753.65
Bank Charge	3.00
	3,317.73
	\$14,528.96

STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The story of the 1946 State Tournament will go down in the records as the story of Reedsville. Few gave the boys from the small village a second thought when they qualified for the State Meet. Smiles greeted the prediction—"do not sell Reedsville short". The meet itself produced eight unusually fine teams and all of the games were most interesting. The boys from Reedsville played best when the pressure was on. One remark after the meet by a veteran coach is significant—"We never really found out how good Reedsville was. They produced when needed and then played good enough ball to win."



Reedsville — Winner State Basketball Tournament

STATE TOURNAMENT SCORES**Championship**

Reedsville 30; Racine Park 28
 Wisconsin Rapids 50; Tomah 41
 Eau Claire 38; Ashland 33
 Madison East 47; Beaver Dam 43

Second Round

Reedsville 47; Wisconsin Rapids 43
 Eau Claire 59; Madison East 55

Championship

Reedsville 48; Eau Claire 39

Consolation

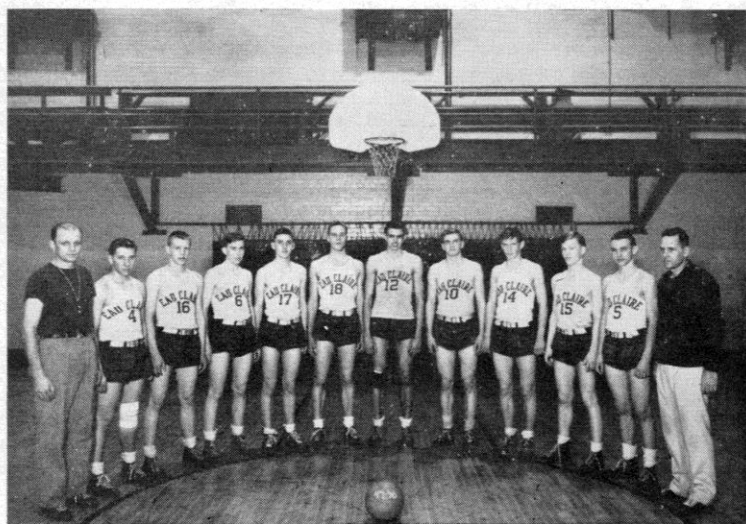
Racine Park 52; Tomah 31
 Ashland 38; Beaver Dam 35

Final

Racine Park 37; Ashland 29

Reedsville

Reedsville, the new champs, poised, determined and with the will to win gave the great crowds of the tourney some magnificent basketball and superb shooting when baskets were needed. Their defensive play in the title game had few equals in state tournaments and the work of big Ed Shimon in getting rebounds was truly amazing. Shimon had plenty of help from fine shooting Bernard Kubale and Henry Behnke at the forwards and a great little pair of scrappy guards, Roman Kugle and Karl Maertz. Shimon proved a great scorer as did Kubale, the pair netting 49 and 43 points respectively in three tourney games. Hail to a real new champion!



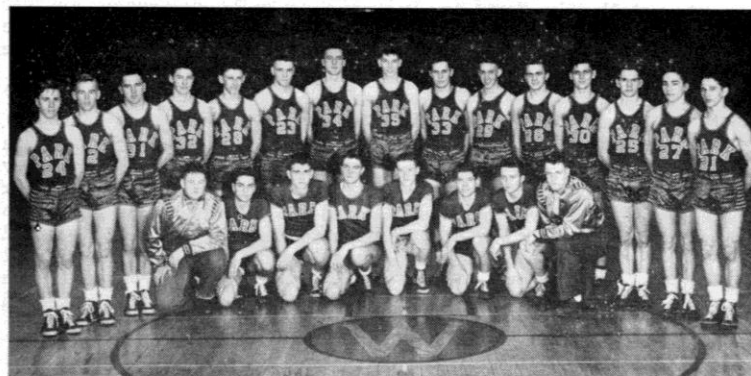
Eau Claire — Runner-up State Basketball Tournament

Eau Claire

Eau Claire, the 1945 runners-up had a fine hard driving quint that was generally favored to annex the title in the pre-game guessing. They found Ed Shimon just a little too much in their quest of the crown, but played superb ball all the way. Tall Warren Hoff proved himself to be one of the great shots in State Meet history and his thirty-two point total in the game against Madison East set a new tourney mark for a single contestant's point total in the tourney. Berval Thorson, Ken May, Fred Ayres and battling Jack Houman were not far behind in ability and won the plaudits of the fine crowds.

Racine-Washington Park

To the lake shore city went the consolation honors for this year. Racine met a tartar in the new champs in the first round and a great Reedsville rally in the final quarter dropped the Big Eight titlists from the championship race.



Racine Wash. Park — Consolation — State Basketball Tournament

The team rebounded nicely and went on to beat Tomah and Ashland for the consolation honors. Tall Ed Olson, Jim Miller, Bob Kime, Don Exner, Dick Nelson and Dale Evans were outstanding for the Park five.

Ashland

Ashland, with a fine all-round performer and high scorer of the tournament in Dick Axness, lost out in the consolation final to Park but played better ball in general than a year ago when they were heralded as the possible tourney winners. Axness missed by one point of tying the three game record for the State tourney when he sunk a total of 63 points. The mark was one under the record of Johnny Kotz set in 1939. The rest of the Ashland team, while small, was headed by fine little performers in Bob Hanson, Clyde Carter, Bob Howard and Keith Hines.

Tomah

Tomah, as usual, found the old tournament jinx still hanging around and could not hurdle the barrier of Wisconsin Rapids in the first round. In Tom Curry, the Indians had one of the finest all-round players in the Meet, and the little fellow had plenty of followers. Others who shared the burden of Tomah in the Meet were Don Burnstad, Dick Davis, Dick Zimmerman, Dwight Dickinson and John Schedler.

Madison East

East tried to carry on where Madison West left off a year ago and keep the crown in Madison, but fell by the wayside in a brilliant scoring dual against Eau Claire. East turned in a great shooting exhibition against the eventual runners-up, when they tallied twenty-two points in a single quarter. The team played well as a unit, but lacked the essential height. In Dick Lampe, Tom Knoche, Don Erickson, Bob Barth, Ken Sachtjen, Ralph Brocket, and Dick Bailey they presented a fine all-around club.

Beaver Dam

The gallant Beavers were a great favorite with the crowd and were eliminated in one of the greatest games ever played in the State Meet, a double over-

time battle with Madison East. The Beavers never quit trying against a bigger foe and in such fine ball handlers and shooting stars as Fred Miller, Gene Muenchow, Dave Butterbrodt, Don Grace, Brian Roedl and Bill Morgan, gave the fans plenty of thrills.

Wisconsin Rapids

The Rapids could not surmount the jinx of playing and winning from a little town in the State Tourney, and as last year when they lost to Lena, they could not get by the eventual winners, Reedsville, in the second round. It took an overtime battle to beat out the fine Rapids club, but Reedsville was able to meet the situation. In Bob Mader, Rapids had what tourney fans loudly hailed as the outstanding all-around player of the Meet. Mader scored 22 and 21 points respectively in the two games his team played. He was seconded by such fine players as John Ritchay, Bill Passineau, Bill Gazeley, Bill Wittrock, Darl Marvin and Bill Knickerbocker.

STATE TOURNAMENT FREE THROWING RECORDS

Madison East High School with an average of .649 on 24 successful attempts in 37 tries at the free throw line had the best percentage of completion in the State High School Basketball Tournament at Madison.

Racine Park, Winner of the consolation title, was a close second with an even .600 with Ashland in the third spot. Surprisingly enough, the championship Reedsville team had the lowest mark of the tourney—the new holders of the State Crown completing but 35 out of 73 tries. Reedsville also had the greatest number of attempts from the charity toss line during the tourney. The complete record:

Teams	Games	Attempts	Made	Missed	Pct.
Madison East	2	37	24	13	.649
Racine Park	3	45	27	18	.600
Ashland	3	52	30	22	.577
Eau Claire	3	62	34	28	.548
Beaver Dam	2	38	20	18	.546
Tomah	2	46	24	22	.522
Wisconsin Rapids	2	38	19	19	.500
Reedsville	3	73	35	38	.479
Totals	391	213	178		.545

STATE TOURNAMENT LEADING SCORERS

Player	Field Goals	Free Throws	Total
Axness, Ashland	25	13	63
Hoff, Eau Claire	20	12	52
Shimon, Reedsville	16	17	49
Kubale, Reedsville	16	11	43
Mader, Wisconsin Rapids	16	11	43
Olson, Racine Park	13	15	41
Thorson, Eau Claire	13	9	35
Curry, Tomah	10	10	30
Lampe Madison East	13	3	29
Miller, Beaver Dam	13	2	28