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## A Guide to the Albany Sports Programs Collection

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### Summary Information

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Albany Sports Programs Collection

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**Date**

1979-1997

**Physical Description**

3 boxes

**Physical Location**

The materials are located onsite in the Museum.

**Language of the Material**

English

**Abstract**

A collection of newspapers, sports yearbooks, programs for a variety of Albany-related sports including soccer, football, arena ball, ice hockey, and baseball. There is also a collection of *Capital District Sports* newspapers for 1997 and a collection of *The Source*, a weekly entertainment newspaper for 1997.

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## **Biographical/Historical**

The Albany Firebirds are a professional Arena Football founded in 1990. The team moved to Indianapolis, Indiana in 2000 and played as the Indiana Firebirds through 2004 before disbanding.

The Albany River Rats were founded in 1990 and their original name was the Capital District Islanders. The River Rats' glory days came in the mid to late 1990s when they

made 7 consecutive playoff appearances, won 2 division titles, and took home the AHL's Calder Cup in 1995.

The Albany Twilight League was an amateur baseball league founded in 1930 by George Elwell. Claude Tibbitts became president of the league in 1931, when it began its first competitive season.

The Albany Patroons, originally called the Albany Pontiacs, are a basketball team that played in the Continental Basketball Association.

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## Scope and Contents

This collection contains sports programs relating to the Albany Capital District. The bulk of the programs are from the 1990's. The collection is arranged by type of sport.

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