

The establishment and activity of the “Oradea Athletic Club” Football Team (Nagyváradí Athletikai Club), 1910-1944

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Abstract

Premises. Developing a study of this kind contributes to a better understanding of our city's sports history, especially football in Oradea.

Objectives. Based on the examination of the archived documents, the articles in the local media and other sources of documentation, we intend to elaborate a study which celebrates the 100 years anniversary of the Oradea Athletic Club (OAC), which reflects the activity of the soccer team in its 35 years of existence.

Material. Monographic works were studied, such as: encyclopedias, boxes of sports in Oradea press, related to the establishment and activity of this team, other documents relating to players, managers who contributed to the development of the OAC Football Department between 1910-1944.

Methods. Study of the related literature relevant to the theme, documents in archives, in private collections and newspaper articles was the main research method used.

Results. Some aspects regarding the conditions in which the Athletic Club Oradea appeared, the activity of the people who have added a recognized contribution to the establishment and management of this sports structure, representative players, the contribution of the football team in the formation of national teams of Romania and Hungary, the main competitions attended were the results obtained

Conclusions. Through the results of the OAC in regional championship, through the leading places obtained in the Romanian national championship and in the Hungarian championship, regarding the contribution to the national football training teams of Romania and Hungary proves that Oradea Athletic Club was one of the best football teams in our country at that time.

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