

# CHATHAM



Chatham Youth Hockey Program

2009 – 2010

Parents Night Meeting



## Introduction to Chatham Youth Hockey

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- The Chatham Youth Hockey program is a private, non-profit organization supported by fees, donations, and other fund raising activities
- Purpose of the program is to provide and promote youth ice hockey for Chatham children
- Member of USA Hockey, the national governing body for ice hockey in the United States
- All volunteer program
- House Program
  - No tryouts
  - Emphasize skills development and fun
  - Play in local leagues and against local teams
- Organized by Age
  - Bantams 12-13 (birth years 95/96)
  - Pee Wees 11-12 (birth years 97/98)
  - Squirts 9-10 (birth years 99/00)
  - Mites 8 and under (born 01 or later)



## Program Contacts

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➤ Board of Directors

Dan Casey

Matt Gilfillan

Jack Knightly

Jim Lonergan

AJ Piechnik

Karl Schmidt

Steve Sitek

➤ Coaches

Mites – Red:

Jeff Burke

Sean Curry

Rich Ivancich

Kurt Klienle

Peter Lease

Brian Mahoney

Mites – W/B:

Dave Andreychuk

Steve Brown

Rick Ivers

Craig Kaisand

Rob Kraus

Brian Mahoney

Squirts:

Dan Chambers

Jim Coyne

Geoff O'Malley

Jim Schacht



## About the 2009/2010 Program

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- Program Goals
  - Skills development and have fun
  - Competitive teams
  - Manageable team size for best on-ice experience
  - Affordability
  - Open to all Chatham players
  
- Games will be league and non-league depending on team
  - Morris County Youth Hockey League (Mennen) – approximately 18 games
  - Independent games scheduled with house and travel teams
    - Twin Oaks, Rock Ice, Union Sports Arena, Prudential arenas and teams
  
- Practices will be at Prudential, Mennen, and Union Sports Arena and begin 9/12.
  
- Chatham Ice Times
  - Final schedules dependent on release of Mennen games
    - Prudential Center – Saturdays, 7:00a (Mites, all)
    - Prudential – Saturdays, 8:15a (Squirts)
    - Prudential – Sundays, 7:30a (Mites, all)
    - Union – Wednesdays, 5:10p through 11/12 (Squirts)
    - Mennen – TBD



## About the 2009/2010 Program (cont'd)

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### ➤ Teams skating this year

Mite White/Blue	Program for children with basic hockey skills Enrolled in Mennen league with independent games Total of 47 practices and 26 games Based on 25 total participants, cost of \$1,395 each Chatham travel Mites rostered for games only, cost of \$375 each
Mite Red	Non-league team with independent games for children able to skate Total of 46 practices and 16 games Based on 16 participants cost of \$1,095 each
Squirts	Participation in the Mennen league with independent games Total of 51 practices and 26 games Based on 32 participants cost of \$1,395 each Chatham travel Squirts rostered for games, cost of \$375

### ➤ Other Events

- Father – Son Game
- Prudential Center Game and Devils Outing
- Christmas Eve Shootout
- End of Year Tournament
- Year End Party
- Summer Skating – “Too Cool for the Pool”
- Spice on Ice



## Other Topics

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- Professional Coaching
  - Ability to use high level instructors selectively in the Program
  - Randy Velischek, privates and clinics, Twin Oaks, (973) 292-5699
  - John Puskar, privates and clinics, Rock Ice, (732) 752-8600, [jpuskar@therockice.com](mailto:jpuskar@therockice.com)
  - Jon Sorg, AmeriHealth Pavillion (Prudential), [jsorg@prucenter.com](mailto:jsorg@prucenter.com)
  
- CYH Registration
  - Please complete and leave the form tonight
  
- USAH Registration
  - Must be completed by 9/10
  - Insurance issue
  - Access through USAH website, ‘Players’ drop down menu
  
- Liability and Waiver Forms
  - Must be completed before your child skates
  - Will be e-mailed to your registration address
  
- Volunteers
  - Always welcome and you don’t need to know anything about hockey
  - Assisting on the bench or ice requires USA Hockey certification
  - Managers needed!



## Other Topics

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- CYH Fundraiser – Spice on Ice
  
- Coaches' Discussion
  
- Q + A
  
- Helpful Websites
  - Chatham Hockey: [www.chathamicehockey.org](http://www.chathamicehockey.org)
  - USA Hockey: [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com)
  - Twin Oaks: [www.twinoaksicerink.com](http://www.twinoaksicerink.com)
  - Rock Ice: [www.therockice.com](http://www.therockice.com)
  - Union Sports Arena: [www.unionsportsarena.com](http://www.unionsportsarena.com)
  - MCYHL (Mennen league): [www.mcyhl.net](http://www.mcyhl.net)
  - Rink Directions: [www.arenamaps.com](http://www.arenamaps.com)