

## LEAGUE PLAY FOR 2009-10

Clinton Youth Hockey is a Tier II organization that competes in the Central Section of NY State Amateur Hockey. Squirt, Peewee and Bantam travel teams are required to play a total of 14 "Q" games to qualify for the pre-sectional tournament. In recent years, CYH house teams have competed in the Snowbelt Hockey League. The girls 19U team will compete in the Great Lakes Girls Hockey League.

## 2009-10 COACHES

Team	Head Coach
Mite Coordinator	Danny Melie
Squirt Travel	Bill Foote
Peewee Travel	Todd Jury
Bantam Travel	Dave Barrett
Midget Full-Year	Chris Calidonna
Midget Wrap	TBA
Girls 19U	Rich Suwek

*Mite and House coaches will be named after team selection is complete.*

## FROM THE ARENA STAFF ...

Welcome to another season at the Clinton Arena! The season begins September 23, with public skating starting Oct. 12 (Columbus Day). Admission is \$3 per session, and skate rental is \$3. A schedule will be available at the arena office. Locker rentals are \$10 per season. If you would like a locker, see Patti Maxam at the arena front office.

**Reminder to parents:** Please keep an eye on your children that are not on the ice. There is to be no running, jumping, hockey sticks (of any kind) or balls upstairs or in the halls.

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**WELCOME TO CLINTON YOUTH HOCKEY'S SUMMER NEWSLETTER**, designed to provide you with important information you need for the upcoming 2009-10 season. We are coming off a very successful year in which we sponsored 11 teams at the house and travel levels, and our Squirt and Midget travel teams, along with our Girls 19U squad, the Mohawk Valley Herricanes, each advanced to New York State championship tournaments. Congratulations!

Our teams step back onto the ice for 2009-10 on Friday, Sept. 25. Ice schedules will soon be posted on our Web site, [www.clintonhockey.org](http://www.clintonhockey.org).

## 2009-10 Registration

Registration for 2009-10 will take place on Thursday, Sept. 10 from 6 to 8 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 11 from 6 to 8 p.m.; and Saturday, Sept. 12, from 10 am to noon in the upstairs lobby of the Clinton Arena.

As with last season, registration will be a two-step process. ALL players and coaches must register with USA Hockey online prior to registering with the CYH registrar. You will need a credit or debit card to do this. The charge for registration with USA Hockey will once again be \$33 (\$30 registration fee & a \$3 NYSAHA affiliate fee). To complete this registration, follow these steps:

1. Go to [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com) and click on the "register online" button.
2. Choose Member Type and click the top button "Ice Players & Coaches."
3. Click the box indicating that you are 18 years or older.

*See "Registration" next page*

## NEW FOR 2009-10

### LEARN TO SKATE PROGRAM

Clinton Youth Hockey is pleased to announce that Julia Roach will be handling our Learn to Skate Program for 2009-10. Coach Julia was a championship skater in her native Switzerland and has taught skating at all levels for more than 17 years. She is certified with the Professional Skating Association (PSA) and has taught power skating to hockey players from Mites all the way to NHL players.

Cost for this quality instruction is \$25 per session, with each session consisting of 10, one-hour practices. The first session begins Oct. 5. For more information about CYH's Learn to Skate Program, contact Dave Barrett at 853-6558 or [dave\\_barrett@acushnetgolf.com](mailto:dave_barrett@acushnetgolf.com).

### PROGRAMS WITH HAMILTON COLLEGE MEN'S HOCKEY

Clinton Youth Hockey and Hamilton College men's hockey will collaborate on several exciting programs this year:

- On Nov. 20, college hockey returns to the Clinton Arena as the Continentals face off against NESCAC rival Trinity College.
- "Hockey Day on The Hill" will feature CYH games played in Hamilton's historic Sage Rink early in the day, leading up to a Hamilton Continentals game at 3 p.m.
- Hamilton will introduce two CYH "players of the game" at each of its home games.

Thanks to Hamilton coach Norm Bazin and Access Federal Credit Union for making these programs a reality.

[www.clintonhockey.org](http://www.clintonhockey.org)

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4. Select the 2009-10 season.
5. Click the button for whom you are registering and complete the player/coach information. Please note that information for players must exactly match information on the player’s birth certificate. For example, if the player’s name reads “Thomas Joseph Doe” on the birth certificate, but the player goes by Joey Doe, you must enter Thomas or T. Joseph in the box for first name.
6. Although e-mail address is listed as optional, you must provide it in order to receive the confirmation notice, which you must then print and bring with you to the in-person registration.
7. Please include the names and addresses of both parents of each player.
8. You must click the box indicating that you accept the terms of the Waiver of Liability, Release Assumption of Risk & Indemnity Agreement. This eliminates the need for these two forms in the remaining registration packet.
9. Enter your initials.
10. Confirm all information, especially checking that names and birth dates match birth certificates, as mistakes can lead to more paperwork.
11. To register a second player, proceed through the process again and “check out” when finished.

**You must print out the confirmation page upon completing and bring it with you to registration on Sept. 10, 11 or 12.**

## REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

Your registration forms can be downloaded from the CYH Web site ([www.clintonhockey.org](http://www.clintonhockey.org)). To speed the process, all forms should be completed and brought with you to registration. Please also bring the following:

- Players’ date of birth
- Emergency contact
- Medical information, including insurance coverage, medications, special conditions, etc.
- Doctor’s name and number
- Hospital preference, if any
- Parent/guardian contact information (including e-mail address if available)
- If parents are separated or divorced, please include phone and address of both parents.

Players and all parents/guardians of each player must sign and date the USA Hockey Zero Tolerance form, and players must also sign the participant Code of Conduct statement.

## 2009-10 REGISTRATION FEES

Level	Paid in Full	Payment Plan
C-Mites	\$350.00	\$385.00
B-Mites	\$350.00	\$385.00
A-Mites	\$350.00	\$385.00
Squirt (house or travel)	\$375.00	\$410.00
Peewee (house or travel)	\$375.00	\$410.00
Bantam (house or travel)	\$375.00	\$410.00
Midget (house)	\$375.00	\$410.00
Girls 19U Travel	\$375.00	\$410.00
Midget Wrap	TBA	N/A

Registrants may choose from two payment options — “paid in full” at the time of registration or the “payment plan,” which requires a minimum downpayment of \$100 at registration and the balance to be paid in full by Dec. 1.

**NEW FOR 2009-10: Clinton Youth Hockey will now accept major credit cards for payments.**

Note: The above fees do not include the fundraising assessment. Any player registering later than Sept. 30 must pay an additional \$50 late registration fee.

Clinton Youth Hockey’s refund policy and the forms to request a refund are available at the CYH Web site.

**If you cannot make it to registration on the designated dates, contact registrar Nina Bremer at 853-3465 or [bremerny@roadrunner.com](mailto:bremerny@roadrunner.com).**

## 2009-10 AGE CLASSIFICATIONS

Birth Year	Level
2001 & under	Mite 8U
1999 & 2000	Squirt 10U
1997 & 1998	Peewee 12U
1995 & 1996	Bantam 14U
1991 through 1994	Midget 18U
Girls 1990 through 1994	19U

## FUNDRAISING ASSESSMENT

In addition to registration fees, each player is assessed a fundraising fee. The fundraising assessment for 2009-10 is \$175 for one child; \$225 for two players; and \$250 for three players or more.

CYH offers a variety of options to help families raise funds to meet this obligation. More information about fundraising opportunities will be available at registration. Questions about fundraising may be directed to Eric Bremer, 853-3465 or [bremerny@roadrunner.com](mailto:bremerny@roadrunner.com).

**Registration and fundraising fees must be paid in full on or before Dec. 1. Players who are not paid in full by that date will not be allowed to participate in practices or games until the balance is paid in full.**

## ZERO TOLERANCE AND PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Clinton Youth Hockey is recognized as a leader among Central New York youth hockey organizations for its participation in USA Hockey’s Zero Tolerance Policy and program of parent education. ALL parents, guardians and coaches MUST attend one of the Adult Education Program sessions offered during the early part of the season.

CYH supports and will enforce USA Hockey’s Zero Tolerance mandate. Please remember that youth hockey is, first and foremost, about the kids, and that everyone wins when parents keep their emotions in check. *Relax, it’s just a game!*

Questions about the Adult Education Program may be directed to Chris Houle, 853-2640 or [christopherhoule@roadrunner.com](mailto:christopherhoule@roadrunner.com).

## BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE

CYH’s annual bottle and can drive will take place on Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Much more than a fundraising event, this outing gives the players, parents and coaches a chance to come together to support our organization! Bottle and can drop off and collection will be headquartered in the Clinton Arena parking lot.

## JERSEYS

CYH maintain a stock of jerseys that can be ordered through coaches or team managers. Squirts through Midgets need both home (white) and away (maroon) jerseys. Cost is \$30 per jersey, which includes numbering and the players name on the back. Questions about jerseys may be directed to Bert Mandia at 732-4568 or [bertmandia@sovenausa.com](mailto:bertmandia@sovenausa.com).

## CYH PARENTS’ CLUB

The CYH Parents’ Club supports the organization by sponsoring fundraising events, maintaining equipment for beginning goaltenders to borrow, and ensuring that each team has first aid kits, water bottles and pucks. The Parents’ Club also conducts an annual sale of wreaths and poinsettias and presents an award to a graduating high school senior who has maintained good grades and shown leadership.

The Parents Club welcomes participation from parents at all levels and encourages you to become involved this season! Questions about the Parents’ Club may be directed to Tiffany Fletcher, 853-8136 or [tiff-fletch@juno.com](mailto:tiff-fletch@juno.com) or Sabrina Femia at 853-8971 or [rjsoftail@aol.com](mailto:rjsoftail@aol.com).

## BECOME A REFEREE

Anyone interested in becoming a referee for the 2009-10 season is encouraged to apply. All you need is the ability to skate and a love for the game! You will receive training, support and be paid for the games you work. For more information, contact Tom Coyne at [tcoyne@wktv.com](mailto:tcoyne@wktv.com).

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