

Chichester Youth Association

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Chelsea Croteau - Treasurer

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Adam Gaudreau- Member at Large

Chichester Youth Association

August 10, 2025

6:00pm @ Chichester Fire Department

Attendance: Jillian Colbert, Kate Howes, Chelsea Croteau, Adam Gaudreau, Sarah Buzinski, Terri Lane, DeAnn Berthiaume (via Phone) and Maryellen Fish.

Approval Of The Minutes: On a motion made by Chelsea Croteau seconded by Kate Howes the minutes from July 13, 2025 meeting were approved with all members in favor.

Treasurer's Report: A trip to TD Bank is being scheduled for transfer of accounts. Invoices for Soccer Insurance and Granite Image Printing were paid. On a motion made by Adam Gaudreau second by Kate Howes the Treasurer's Report was approved with all members in favor.

Commissioners' Report:

- Baseball
 - Sarah sent All Star coach list to Chelsea for reimbursements.
 - We are still waiting on 2 payments for Majors Pittsfield players.
 - Epsom may rejoin the league next year.
 - Weeds have been coming up on the Softball infield, we have asked Elite (who uses the field) to drag the field before use. Sarah will try spraying the weeds with vinegar and will ask around to see what other towns are doing to combat weeds
 - Terri mentioned looking into using different infield material
 - There is an option to extend to a 70 ft baseline on upper field and still use field with 60 ft baseline (multi-use). Other towns have seen success with this method. Sarah will investigate further.
 - Hosting Minors Tournament was a success this year and we will offer to host it again next year..
- Softball
 - No end of season wrap-up meeting yet

- Soccer
 - Registration has been closed and rosters/coaches finalized- 118 players. Uniforms have been ordered. Coaches will be reaching out to their teams soon
 - 9/13- Pictures are scheduled with Photos by Chip (15 mins per team)
 - Skills Camp started on 8/6, 20 kids participated it was a success
 - Sandbags will be used to hold down the goals
 - 9/6- Season begins (1st game)
 - 8/20- Coach's Meeting 6:30 pm (after Skills Camp)
 - Investigating using Game Changer App as Sarah reported success with it for baseball.
 - Will use Sign-Up Genius to organize volunteers for lining Soccer Fields
 - At Commission League meeting the no jewelry rule was emphasized (refs can lose patch if jewelry is allowed). It was also discussed that Assistant coach of Home team must ref if no ref is available for game
 - 10/4- U8 1st/2nd Grade Jamboree in Epsom
 - 10/18- U10 3rd/4th Grade Tournament in Chichester
 - 10/25- U12 5th/6th Grade Tournament in Pittsfield
 - Soccer gmail is not working properly, having issues sending messages
 - CCS team will line Middle School Field in different color
 - Team numbers
 - U4- 1 team and U6- 4 teams (9am Sat Practices)
 - U8- 2 teams (Mon/Sat Games)
 - U10- 3 teams (Thurs/Sat Games)
 - U12- 2 teams (Wed/Sat Games)
 - Working on practice schedule this week
 - Game schedule anticipated to be distributed from League on 8/18

Snack Shack:

- We are still deciding if we will open snack shack during weekday games or just on Saturdays. Will look at Game schedule and decide

Equipment Manager:

- Bought 5 new soccer bags for U10 and U12 teams with spot for clipboard and gloves.
- New balls for U8 (passed old balls down to U6) and U12 (passed old balls down to U10)
- Purchased 7 new First Aid kits
- Paint for lining is stocked in Snack Shack (bought 2 new cases)
- Uniforms are in progress
- Will buy additional shelf to organize storage upstairs
- DeAnn is investigating new liner to replace broken one
- We have plenty of whistles
- Need 10 new plugs for field
- Corner flags are ready for fields

Fundraising:

- 22nd Annual Golf Tournament- Sunday 9/28 at LCC
 - Registration \$125 per person until 9/1
 - Late Registration= \$150 per person (no T-shirt)
 - Lost 2 sponsors this year
 - Philips (\$500) and K&K Landscaping (\$250)
 - Sophia Raymond offered to make Tournament t-shirts for us for \$10 per shirt
 - We won't be buying polos for volunteers due to cost, we will make volunteer shirts a different color
 - We need someone to run Monte Carlo Hole (Jennifer can't do it anymore)
 - Terri is waiting to hear back from LCC about putting lawnmowers at the hole for hole in one contest (sponsored by Taylor Rental)

Other Business:

- Merrill field work will be completed the Saturday after U10 tournament
- CYA Member Drive Ideas
 - Host Old Home Day table where we hand out popcorn, general flyers and Golf Tournament flyers to get the word out
 - Possibly look into Direct mail options
 - Thank you signs for Merrill and JT Construction are done, need to be hung up

Adjournment: A motion was made by Kate Howes to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Chelsea Croteau with all members in favor.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 14 at 6:00 at Chichester Fire Dept**