

2015 Chardon Softball League Year End Report

2015 Recap

We wanted to take this opportunity to share the achievements of the league in our 2nd season. Thank you to all of our sponsors, coaches and volunteers who helped make this a great year.

As members of the North Coast Fast Pitch League, we had a total of 22 teams and 291 girls participate.

Division	2015 NCFL Teams	2015 Chardon Teams	2015 Chardon Players
Teeball		1	13
8 and Under	16	7	87
10 and Under	14	6	80
12 and Under	12	4	57
14 and Under	11	4	54
Totals	53	22	291

Without the strong support of parents, coaches, sponsors, and the overall community, we would not have been able to achieve this. Thank you to everyone for your support!

2015 Finances

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Fields/ Maintenance			\$	11,062
Tournament Registration			\$	1,000
Fall Ball Registration			\$	1,875
Facilities/ Clinics			\$	250
Fundraiser Payout			\$	1,575
CC Fees			\$	899
Uniforms			\$	8,890
Equipment / Trophies			\$	7,668
Umpire Fees			\$	4,959
Misc (Insurance, bannerws)			\$	1,240
Sponsors	\$	17,810		
Registration	\$	26,043		
Fundraising	\$	3,650		
Totals	\$	47,503	\$	39,418
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difference	\$	8,085		
+ beginning balance	\$	2,342		
Current balance	\$	10,427		

Last year we ended in the red largely due to the amount of equipment we needed to purchase. This year we were able to make up that difference due to the drop in equipment costs. With the balance of money we have we are planning to enhance the fields in the community. Going forward we expect all costs to be reduced due to the decline in participation, see more details below. In turn, you will see registration income and sponsor income reduce as well.

Changes for the 2016 Season

We will see a decrease in the number of participants in the 2016 season with the emergence of the Chardon Storm tournament teams. This organization was started late this year with the intent of brining a higher level of competition for the girls who are looking for this opportunity. We expect to see a drop in teams by at least one and roughly 14 less girls from each division, excluding tee ball and 8U. Additionally, according to census data, Geauga County is shrinking faster than the other communities in the country, in terms of 5-9 year olds. Due to this we expect to see a decline in registrations over the next several years.

We will remain a non-profit organization that will provide an educational, positive and competitive softball experience for players, coaches and parents in the Chardon area.

WE NEED HELP!

Please consider joining our board of directors and/or coaching this year. We lost several coaches to tournament teams, as their girls are looking for a more competitive environment and we are going to need coaches for this season. We will be offering free clinics to assist and help parents become comfortable with coaching and would really appreciate your consideration. Please contact Greg Jahnke at jahnke@gmail.com for more information.

Registration Now OPEN!

Registration is now open and a free clinic will be provided for those who sign up. Please go to ChardonSoftball.com to register for the 2016 season. Thank you again for your support!