



The Lodge
of the
Lexington
Ski Club

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December 2022



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LexSki Membership Meetings

December 20, 2022 Membership Meeting, Belmont Hill School, 6:30 PM

January 17, 2023 Membership Meeting, Location TBD, 7:30PM

LexSki Events

December 20, 2022 Holiday Party, Belmont Hill School, Wadsworth Room, 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Pot Luck tradition (segmented by last name):

- A – E Please bring an appetizer or side
- F – O Please bring a main dish
- P – Z Please bring a Dessert

Special Note: Ganta Claus may be making an appearance! If you would like your child to participate, please bring a wrapped gift for your child (please mark their name on the gift)

President's Report (President@lexski.org)

With snow in the mountains, I am excited to see many of you at this year's Holiday party! It is a great way to kick off the season and to reunite with your fellow Lexskiers. I encourage all that can to attend - especially new families - as it has been a few years since we have really been able to congregate. There will be things to do for all ages.

The club is beginning to take shape and we should be treated to an updated dining area very soon. More to come.

Happy Holidays to all.

Best Regards,

Eric Pearlman

President@LexSki.org

Lodge Report (LodgeChair@lexski.org)

The lodge is in mid-season shape.

The dining room will be ready for the season. Extra thanks to Peter and Kevin for doing multiple work-weekend and trips to help get the space ready. Sheetrock has been installed and the walls are painted. Soffit lights and electrical outlets were completed this past week. Windows and walls are trimmed out. The ceiling grid was also installed this week. Cabinets and counters were installed this weekend. The electrician will be back this week to install the lights in the ceiling grid. Small finishes will continue into the season. But the space is operational.

Thanks again to all who helped out during the "off-season" to make the dining project happen and get the rest of the club in good shape. There were some difficult/dirty jobs that needed to be done to accomplish all the work,

an example was installing the insulation in the dining room. Thanks to the members who had the fortitude to get through it.

We will be installing a new ceiling in the public bathroom near the woodshed in the coming weeks. We attempted to work with our local contractor on new doors in the family wing, but we have switched course and ordered the doors this week to be installed by members during the season.

Dan and Kristen
Lodge Chairs
LodgeChair@LexSki.org

Social Report (Social@lexski.org).

Hi Everyone,

As a reminder, our Annual Holiday Party will kick the season off with some food, drinks and great company.

This year we will continue the Pot Luck tradition (segmented by last name):

- A - E - Please bring an appetizer or side
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The club will provide light refreshments, along with some beer and wine as well.

Day/Time: December 20th 6:30 - 8:30

Location: Belmont Hill School - 2nd Floor of the Ice Arena/ Athletic Center named the Wadsworth Room (same room as the wine tasting and Octoberfest, thank you Dan!!).

Special items for the kids! If you would like your child to participate, please bring a wrapped gift for your child (please mark their name on the gift) as I hear Ganta Claus may be making an appearance! Thank you Gant!!

In addition there will be a table dedicated to a fun activity for the kids!

See you all there!!
Mike

Mike Sciarretta
Social@LexSki.org

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer@lexski.org)

As of 12/5/22:

TD Operating Checking	\$ 32,210.30
EIDL Checking	\$ 34,522.34
TD Operating Money Mkt	\$ 7,757.13
Cap Improvement Fund Money Mkt:	\$ 97,272.79
Cap Improvement Donations Money Mkt:	\$ 2,403.00
Emergency Fund Money Mkt:	\$ 43,500.00

TOTAL FUNDS: **\$217,665.56**
SBA Loan Balance: (debt) **\$165,570.12**

This has been a busy month. Our annual income taxes were filed with the IRS as required. As we are a non-profit organization, we had no federal tax liability, but we are still required to file detailed tax returns to justify and show compliance with our non-profit status. Our BNE mortgage lien release was also filed with the Grafton Registry of Deeds and the NH Secretary of State, so the club is officially mortgage free, leaving the SBA Loan as our only debt. During the

past month we also made a large amount of payments for work mostly related the Dining Room project, which, along with our normal operating expenses, resulted in about \$36K of outflows from our accounts. As the ski season begins, we remain in good financial condition, and have a healthy amount of cash on hand to cover the remaining construction and operating expenses that are anticipated this season.

Now that the ski season has begun, please submit your reservation forms to the Host for the week instead of to the Treasurer. Only hosts should be sending me forms during the ski season, and host are reminded that the collected forms need to be submitted no later than the Thursday after the weekend. These are easiest to process if they are submitted as Adobe pdf files. Members are reminded that all guest or meals fees need to be settled with the host on the last night of your stay, and Venmo remains the preferred payment method. Only members (not guests) may make Venmo payments to the Club.

There are still a few work-weekend buy-out invoices that are outstanding. As a reminder, no reservations can be made if your family has an outstanding balance on your account. Please get these payments submitted as soon as possible.

Reminders:

- **Effective 7/1/22, Guest fees increased to \$30/night per adult and \$10 for teens age 13-20.**
- There is a new **PURPLE** color coded reservation form on the website for 2022-2023 reservations.
- If you are hosting, please make sure all reservation forms use **only** the newest **PURPLE** form.

As always, if you have any questions please reach out.

Kevin Baker
treasurer@lexski.org

Membership Report (Membership@lexski.org)

Hi! We've got a number of prospective members, including the Hullahs, a new family introduced to the Club by the Butlers! The Hullahs need a second sponsor, please contact me if you're interested!

Currently in the prospective member pipeline are the Hiltons, Weinsteins, Calhouns, Leitch, Chens, Swartz, Avrahami-Hamel, and Hullah families. If you're sponsoring one of those families, reach out to them and get them excited about the ski season! The Avrahami-Hamels have already been to the club once, and are planning on being up between Christmas and New Years as well!

Thank you Cotrans and Gelfand-Nichols families for sponsoring the Swartz family (please get me your recommendation letter as soon as you can after meeting with them).

To keep the club functioning we need to continue to focus on bringing new families into the Club! Our most successful approach is with families referred to the Club by existing members. Please think about who you know that might enjoy the club and invite them up! Also, special shout out to Lia O'Donnell who posted about the Club on the Lexington Facebook page which has led to some inquiries (but no applications yet).

Sponsor families, please remember to be available for any questions your prospective member family may have, and to help them with the reservation process. Also, I need sponsor letters from:

- Alaimo (for the Calhouns)
- Martin (for the Calhouns)
- Alaimo (for the Hiltons)
- Pearlman (for the Hiltons)
- Pinsky (for the Avrahamis)

I'll be stepping down from Membership Chair at the end of this term. If you're interested in becoming Membership Chair, please let me know. It would be good for you to be Assistant Chair the rest of the term, and I'll be your assistant chair next term.

Marc Garrigus

Membership@LexSki.org

Communication Report (Info@lexski.org)

Thanks to Peter Hardman, Paul Cotran, Dan Connell and Dan Butler for sending me some fabulous images for the web site. I haven't used all of them (yet) but may put together more pages of club activities later. If you have pictures from club activities, please consider sharing them.

We are having some technical difficulties transferring the new website over to lexski.org. The old site is set up in a way that makes it difficult to transition. The website is currently up at wp.lexski.org/wordpress and you are welcome to look it over and send me comments about the layout, ease of use and any errors. It can be viewed from a computer or phone. Members only section uses the usual password (lower case). Don't save this as your link, because the URL will change to lexski.org in the near future.

Marsha Fox
Communications
Info@LexSki.org

Secretary Report (Secretary@lexski.org)

November 15, 2022 Membership Meeting (via Zoom)

Lodge:

- The sheet rockers will be working next week. (Delivery on Saturday.)
- Joel and the Butlers will be painting over Thanksgiving weekend. Next will be the ceiling and electrical work. Window trim in December.
- A new fridge for the kitchen was delivered on Saturday.
- Water is hooked up again in the bathroom by the door to the woodshed, but still no lighting.
- Found and fixed floor wood rot in the food serving area.
- Dan is looking for a few members to help with finding replacement furniture, such as via a business closing sale.
- Planning to reupholster the light brown sofas in the fireplace area.
- Will purchase two 40 amp fast (level 2) chargers for electric vehicles, with meters and 25' cables. An appropriate fee to will be set to cover both the cost of the electricity and the infrastructure costs. There will be an on/off switch inside to prevent unauthorized use.
- In the future, will put in a second electrical feed to the parking lot for more chargers.

Social: The holiday party in December will be a potluck dinner.

Communications: Looking for more pictures for the website - please send to Marsha Fox.

Treasurer: The club is in good financial shape, and guest fees for this point in the year have been good.

Membership:

- Five new families joined in October. The Hilton family is new prospective family, and attended the meeting.
- Need sponsors for two families - if willing to help, please contact Marc Garrigus.
- Marc will be assembling a membership committee soon - if interested, please contact him.

General:

- The host list and priority numbers are posted on the web site.
- October minutes approved.
- Holiday Reservation forms are due on December 5 (a Monday) for priority numbers to be honored.

Nominating Committee: Christine Alaimo, Kate Colburn, Chris White, Rita McCarthy, Jennifer Nichols, Caren Connelly, Kevin Martin.

Kevin Martin is the chair.

Cindy Darcy
Secretary