

The Yodeler

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May 2011 Lexington Ski Club P.O. Box 123 Lexington, MA 02420
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2011 LexSki Calendar Host/Hostess List for Meetings

Meetings of the membership are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at First Parish Church, Lexington (by the Green) at 8 p.m. in Parker Hall (rear entrance, lower level) unless otherwise noted.

* **The first family** listed is responsible for bringing the coffee, tea, dessert, etc., and also for reminding the other families listed of their host and hostess duties. Host families are responsible for set-up before and clean-up after each meeting. The supply bins are passed along to hosts at each meeting. **If you can't serve, get a sub.**

May 17, 2011: Annual Budget Meeting: Burnell*, Brewer, Butler, Chan

June 14, 2011: Annual Picnic: Colby*, Cotran, Doctoroff, Eagles

October 18, 2011: Erbin Grant*, Fearnside, Fitzgerald, Floyd

November 15, 2011: Freeberg*, Forte L., Foster, Hammer

December 13, 2011: Gardner*, Gardner, Griffiths, Gutfarb

January 17, 2011: Kent*, Keroes, Kourian,

President's Report May 2011

May is the start of our all-important second season. This is where we all pitch in to help shore up the Lodge infrastructure and make improvements for next ski season. Kind of like starting your pre-season exercise program, only we start now, rather than in the fall. If you have any ideas for projects, fixes, or improvements, please contact John Yasaitis.

Please make your Work Weekend plans now, so we won't have any last-minute jockeying to make sure everyone can complete their requirements. Last fall the Lodge Chair had to plan an extra WW to accommodate a few folks, and John has assured me that he will not be doing that again. It may seem like it is easy to get a WW planned and executed, but believe me, it is anything but. A lot of effort goes into getting our projects accomplished.

We will present and vote on our budget for the 2011/12 season at our membership meeting on May 17, so please make every effort to attend. We are pleased to be able to present a budget with minimal increases, and hope you will be too.

Phil Brewer

Membership Report

Please welcome Ralph and Melinda Smith as new members to the club. We look forward to seeing them at the club and at the membership events.

We would like to announce that Christophe and Johanna Couturier and their children Marc-Aurele, who is 15, and Noah who is 11, have completed their application process. The Couturier family live on Ardley Road in Winchester. If anyone has any issues with the Couturiers being offered membership, please contact me within the next two weeks. After the two-week period if there is no comment, the Couturiers will be offered membership. The Couturiers were sponsored by the Perlmutter and the Fearnside.

Our current prospective families are:

Tony and Kerry Kilbridge and their children Daniel, 16, and David, 12. The Kilbridge family is sponsored by the Griffiths and the Yasaitis.

Lorelle and Leslie Yee and their sons Colby, 14, and Carter, 11. The Yees are sponsored by the Chans and the Erbin Grants.

Blaine Schamber and Birgit Schultes with their children Pascal, 14 and Chantal, 11. The Schamber-Schultes are sponsored by the Pinskys and the Cotrans.

Thank you,
Shari Marquis and The Membership Committee

Lodge Committee Report

The Lodge fire safety review being conducted by Rick Crocker, who also maintains our fire sprinkler system, is due this month. Based on a review of that report, we will develop a plan for upgrading the club safety systems and training members to best deal with fire emergencies.

The six work weekends and leaders are: May 7 - Charlie Levin; June 25 - Jeff & Kathi Moore; July 23 - Kristen Butler; Sept. 24 - Lisa Scholl; Oct. 22 - L. Forte; and Nov. 5 - Chris White. There are also four large groups scheduled: July 2-4 Deanna Chan; July 14 - 16 - Kristen Butler; Aug. 11-14 - Shari Marquis; and Sept. 17-18 - John Yasaitis. The leaders of those large groups will be the hosts for those weekends.

Please sign-up early with the WW leaders (and copy me) to be sure you get your WW on your calendar and to help us plan projects for the year. We plan to create a worksheet in the Yodeler indicating planned and actual attendance for all club members. Remember that it is a requirement of all families - both husband and wife - to attend one WW per year, and as a reminder that this is a very important responsibility - according to the club bylaws the consequence of not attending is expulsion or suspension from the club at the e-board's discretion.

John Yasaitis

Treasurer's Report

Bank balances as of April 30, 2011 are:

Checking account	\$ 3,759
Money Market Account	\$40,033
Total	\$43,792

We have received and paid the \$6,808 building insurance invoice for coverage through 2012.

The attached budget is presented with the following notes:

Dues and Prepayment rates have been kept the same,

Guest room fees have been increased from \$15/\$10 (in season/off season) nightly to a flat \$20/night, Meal fees have been kept the same except all dinners (age 14 and above) are \$10 and the non-dinner fee is \$5. These changes will give us some flexibility, especially as we anticipate a 6-8% increase in the price of our food supplies.

We anticipate containing heating oil expenses for next season by contracting now to lock in the purchase of 2,000 gallons of oil at \$3.499/gallon, total purchase price of \$7,000. We used 2,166 and 2,592 gallons in 08/09 and 09/10 respectively.

Peter Forte

Activities Committee Report

Annual Ski Club Picnic!!

Tuesday, June 14, 2011, 6-8 p.m.

**At the home of Chris and Nancy White
39 Fairbanks Road, Lexington
(Rain date: Thursday, June 16)**

Families are asked to kindly bring a dish to share:

Last names **A-G**: salads or side dishes

Last names **H-N**: desserts

Last names **O-Z**: appetizers

Don't forget to bring:

Something to Grill (remember your burger or hotdog buns)

Drinks

Folding Chairs

Mosquito repellent!

The club will provide:

Grills

Condiments (ketchup, mustard, relish)

Paper Products (plates, cups, napkins, etc.) and Utensils

Any wine left over from the Wine Tasting Social

Families, friends and prospective members are more than welcome

Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

LEXINGTON SKI CLUB 2011 - 2012 BUDGET

10-May-11

	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011 - 2012
Income	actual	actual	year to date	BUDGET
Dues and Prepayments	49,811	51,274	53,007	53,000
New Membership Fees	1,200	2,812	400	1,200
Extra Room Fees	5,865	8,171	8,128	10,000
Meals	12,329	10,200	11,720	12,000
Other Income	176	1,192	165	100
Total Income	69,382	73,649	73,418	76,300
Expense				
Food Expenses				
Food, Bar, Kitchen & Supplies	7,360	7,054	8,033	8,700
Chef	4,150	4,100	3,950	4,100
Total Meal Exp	11,510	11,154	11,983	12,800
Utilities				
Cable & Internet	681	773	1,081	1,450
Electric	2,050	2,033	1,720	2,200
Fireplace Wood	-	200	-	200
Gas	634	2,393	4,679	3,575
Oil	8,422	6,205	6,569	8,750
Telephone	413	416	310	415
Trash	1,544	1,441	1,115	1,600
Water and Sewer	851	741	947	1,000
Total Utilities	14,595	14,202	16,419	19,190
Lodge Operations				
Caretaker Wages	1,440	2,020	1,700	2,000
Service/Repairs	1,113	113	1,700	250
Grounds keeping	520	720	510	720
House Cleaning	1,805	1,210	1,250	1,250
Supplies	709	721	1,339	1,000
Lodge Insurance	6,398	6,395	6,808	7,000
Plowing	1,620	810	-	1,800
Property Tax	6,265	5,895	3,049	6,000
Sprinkler Test	1,725	1,300	-	1,500
Total Operations	21,595	19,184	16,356	21,520
Lodge Committee				
Total Lodge Committee	14,863	5,612	7,042	9,000
Administration				
Gifts/Charities/Other	210	567	95	275
Meetings	210	300	156	300
Workman's Comp/Off Liability Insur.	3,303	161	1,363	1,500
Packet/Yodeler Costs	1,154	520	404	500
Social Committee	962	959	703	1,000
Treasurer/Tax & Filing Expenses	1,075	450	996	850
Furnace Loan Exp -P&I in budget)	-	7,207	6,027	8,140
Depreciation./Other Expenses	5,834	6,032		
Total Administration	12,748	16,196	9,743	12,565
Total Expense	75,310	66,347	61,543	75,075
Net Income	-5,929	7,302	11,875	1,225