



**The Lodge
of the
Lexington
Ski Club**

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LEXSKI MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

November 18, 2025 7:30 PM

[Club Business Meeting](#)

Belmont Hill School – Chapel

January 20, 2026 7:30 PM

[Club Business Meeting](#)

Location TBD

LEXSKI EVENTS

November 14-16, 2025

[Snowbound Expo](#)

BCEC

December 16, 2025 6:00 PM

[LexSki Holiday Party](#)

Location TBD

February 7-8, 2026

[Women's X-Country Weekend](#)

Lodge

March 14, 2026

[St. Patrick's Day Celebration](#)

Lodge

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

And it begins!! This is snow making this past week at Cannon! Cannon, Jay Peak, and Bretton Woods are scheduled to open November 28th and Loon is scheduled to open December 5th

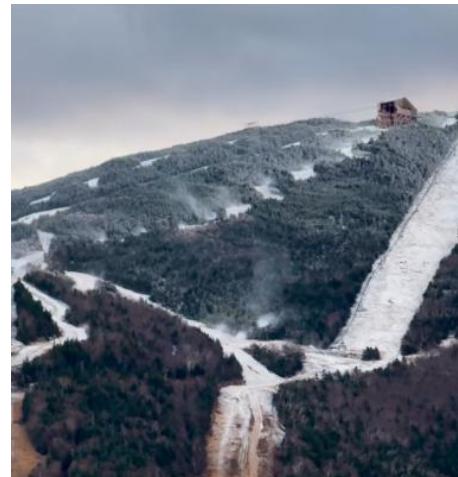
With the planned work weekends completed for the season, things at the Club are in great shape. Thank you to those who ran work weekends and those who continue to put in more than the required time to keep our projects on track.

Do you have families that you would recommend for membership? We have slots open for new members and now is the time to start new families in the process. We know what a gem the Club is, consider sharing it with your friends.

Hope to see you all at the meeting this month!

Kristen Butler (President@LexSki.org)

PRESIDENT



LODGE REPORT

2025 Work Weekend Season

Thank you, Erica and Reece, for hosting what sounded like a very busy and productive work weekend. The perfect way to close the work weekend season. We are ready for snow (almost)! Other than some work remaining on Project 11/12 and a couple odd tasks that have been assigned, the opportunity to join your fellow members at the club to clean, repair and improve the lodge this season has ended. Look for a buyout bill from the Treasurer if you were unable to make a work weekend.



Off-Cycle Lodge Repairs:

We are still working on a system to share open repair tickets so folks can indulge in repairs and maintenance at the club in their free time. Stay tuned on that. For now, continue to report issues by email to lodgechair@lexski.org or via the member portal: <https://www.lexski.org/repair-log>



Lodge Committee

As warned last month, look for an invitation to meet next week some evening to discuss how we manage lodge maintenance and improvements: what's working and what we can do better. This is a great chance for the next Lodge Chair to step up and throw his or her hat in the ring. It would be great to start working on the transition through next Spring to allow the next Lodge Chair to make the role their own.

Fire Safety



The sprinkler head replacement program is nearly complete and the fire alarm panel has been tested with some minor updates/improvements that were needed. We will continue to look at ways to improve fire safety now that we have upgraded our service providers and brought the systems up to a new standard.

Thanks again to Kevin Baker who was instrumental in pushing this initiative.



Calendar

Upcoming Work Weekends:

- See you next year!

Scheduled Maintenance:

- November 15-16th – Carpet cleaning. This activity disrupts usage of the lodge quite a bit with the entire carpeted downstairs and the main stairs being cleaned, but you are still welcome to use the other parts of the club not being cleaned.

Christian Ehrbar (lodgechair@lexski.org)

LODGE CHAIR

SOCIAL REPORT

Upcoming Dates:

Nov. 18: November Membership meeting at Belmont Hill School Chapel at 7:30 PM.

Nov. 14-16th: [Snowbound Expo](#) at BCEC / AKA the Boston Ski Show, always a great event!

Dec. 16: LexSki Holiday party (6:00 PM; location to be confirmed, likely Belmont Hill School).

Feb 7-8th: Women's Cross Country Ski Weekend at the lodge.

March 14: St. Patrick's Day Celebration at the lodge.

If anyone has suggestions for Saturday theme nights, let us (social@lexski.org) know, particularly if you are the host!

Gant Redmon and Bill Hilton (social@lexski.org)

SOCIAL CO-CHAIRS

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Prospective Members:

Please make sure that you have registered all adult members to have access to the LexSki website. It's an easy one-time process, and will provide you access to reservation forms and other useful information needed to become successful members. Once you are signed up, please be sure to upload a family photo to the Photo Directory within the members only area.

EV Chargers:

We have been having intermittent issues with the EV chargers going off-line, which sometimes requires them to be rebooted manually. If you encounter this, try using the other charger. However, If this is not possible, or the other charger is in use, it is easy to reboot them. I will explain the process at our next upcoming meeting or reach out to me directly for more information.

Attendance at Meetings:

Important information for our membership is shared at each of our meetings, and our meetings are a great way for our members to be social outside of the club. It has been a longstanding expectation that at least one adult from each family will attend each meeting. Understanding that this *occasionally* may be difficult, a Zoom link will be shared for business meetings [including November] to ensure we have full engagement from the membership. No Zoom link is shared for social meetings [October, December, June], and members are asked to make every effort to attend these in person. Zoom links are sent out by Dan Butler, typically on the day of the business meeting.

Safety Communications:

Given the number of guests visiting our lodge on weekends, we will begin including brief but important fire safety reminders in each week's meal announcements. Please always remember to share key information with your guests, such as the location of all second-floor fire exits and our designated evacuation meeting point (by the dumpsters).

Once ski season begins, we will schedule one or more practice fire drills in coordination with the Woodstock Fire Department—a successful initiative we've conducted in the past.

Kevin Baker (info@lexski.org)

COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Count:

We currently have 51 active families, 2 derivative members and 3 alumni families.

New Members:

No new members joined during the summer.

Wait-List:

We currently do not have a wait list. We have room for 4 more families until we are at capacity again.

Prospective Members

The following are the seven prospective member families in process:

- **Bennett family:** Andra, Matthew (15), Vlad (12), Madalina (7) from Lexington; Sponsors: Hardman, Forman

- **LaCroix/Lepionka family:** Jennifer and Franz, Helen (12) from Cambridge (referred by Tubman/Reece); Sponsors Tubman/Reece, Kmetz
- **Brodsky/Brune family:** Lasse and Sasha, Alec (8), Oskar (8), Esther (3 months) from Arlington , Sponsors: Garrigus, Spira
- **Norman family:** Anne and Chris, Mikayla (13), Adelaide (11), Claudia (9) and Benny (3) from Lexington, Sponsors: Jahnes, TBD
- **Pastel family:** Gabe and Amanda, Raea (4) and Atley (3) from Beverly. Gabe's family was a member in the early '00s. Sponsors: Curtin, Schopp
- **Wendt-Harrison:** Troy and Tina, Kai (6) and Mia (4) from Arlington, MA. Sponsors: TBD
- **Sapkota-Buduri:** Archana and Arun, Aria (8) and Asha (5), from Lexington. Sponsors: TBD
- **Tocci family:** Brian and Amanda, from Somerville, MA. Sponsors: Butler, White

Prospective families on hold are Barnes-Furutani, Wang, and Doyle

Pablo and Ramona Filipi-Acosta membership@lexski.org

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

TREASURER REPORT

Bank Account Balances will be shared at upcoming membership meeting.

I'm happy to report, due to impeccable fiscal management, the Club had a \$0 tax liability for the fiscal year! Maybe it's due to our non-profit status, but there's really no way to be entirely sure.

Please be on the lookout for your work weekend buyout invoice in the coming days if you were unable to attend a work weekend. As a reminder, the buyout is \$250 per adult member who was unable to complete a required work weekend. This amount is reduced to \$125 per adult if you were able to only complete one of the required two days.

We will be concluding off-season reservation procedures in the coming weeks. Beginning with the holiday break you will resume sending your reservation forms solely to the host for the weekend. When at the Lodge during the season you will also formally check out with the on site host and complete payment at that time. Please ensure you review your reservation forms for accuracy prior to submitting payment. The process for correcting after the fact can be arduous.

Friendly reminder, if you're completing work at the Club, please make every effort to dispose of any construction materials at the town transfer station (located behind McDonald's in Lincoln). The cost to the Club is a fraction of having the dumpster emptied by Waste Management. There is currently a dump 'pile' behind the building adjacent to the propane tank. If you happen to be at the Club in the coming weeks and can make a run to the dump it would be helpful. Ideally, we would like to complete it before it becomes a spring project due to snow.

Chris White (treasurer@lexski.org)

TREASURER

SECRETARY REPORT

The priority numbers, hosts list and reservation form have all been updated for the 2025-26 year and are posted on the website. Please make sure to use new reservation form. My advice is delete any old ones you might be (accidentally) tempted to use and download the new one. The year is listed at the top of every reservation form; for 2025-26 it is highlighted in PURPLE. (For 2024-25 it was GREEN.)

At the November Membership meeting, we will be drawing names to determine who will be on the Nominating Committee.

Cindy Darcy (secretary@lexski.org)

SECRETARY