

The Yodeler

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June 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.**

June 14, 2011: Annual Picnic, at the Whites: 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

The season may feel like summer, but your Ski Club is still in action. In addition to the "fun stuff", the upcoming annual picnic on the 14th, a lot of work is being done behind the scenes to prepare us for next season. John Yasaitis and the Lodge Committee have run the first WW, and John has chaired a meeting devoted to making the Lodge compliant with the current fire code. Please show your support by signing up for your WW as soon as possible.

I hope to see everyone on the 14th, so we can rehash the highlights of a tremendous ski season. Deanna and Lisa are coordinating our picnic; please pitch in and help them, particularly with the clean-up phase. And thank you to Nancy and Chris White for hosting.

Phil Brewer

Membership Report

Please welcome Christophe and Johanna Couturier and their children Marc-Aurele, 15, and Noah, 11, as new members to the club. We look forward to seeing them at the club and at our membership events.

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

Thank you,
Shari Marquis and The Membership Committee

Lodge Committee Report

The remaining dates for this year's work weekends and leaders are: June 25 – J. Moore; July 23 – K. Butler; Sept 24 – L. Scholl; Oct. 22 – L. Forte; Nov. 5 – C. White.

The May WW led by Charlie Levin was very productive. The kitchen and bar area and appliances were thoroughly cleaned and the gas stove and freezers shut down for the summer. The dorm and derivative rooms were all given a good spring cleaning, as well as the yard which was picked up, limed, and foundation and other plants trimmed and planted. Smoke alarms and emergency lights were tested, and batteries replaced. Winter storm panels and plastic sheeting were removed, and a number of other projects were either started or completed.

We have received the Fire Safety Review of the club done by Rick Crocker of Amtech who also maintains our sprinkler system. Rick has long experience in New Hampshire as a former NH fire chief and in Amtech in providing research and guidance on NH fire safety codes. Our fire alarm and fire stair exits are not up to code, and Rick has outlined the steps needed to do that as well as training of club members that will be needed. A small group has met to review this report and begin to develop a plan to bring the club up to code and to provide a high level of safety in the event of a fire. We are also carefully evaluating how to best use club member time on WW's to cost efficiently implement this plan.

Remember, it is an obligation of the club for all club members (husband and wife) to participate in one, two-day work weekend each year.

Large groups registered to date are: July 14-16 – Butler (approx. 15); July 2-4 - D. Chan (approx. 25); August 11-14 – S. Marquis (approx. 60); Sept 17-18 Yasaitis (approx. 30). Remember that as of July 1, the new guest rates of \$20 per adult, per night, go into effect.

John Yasaitis

Treasurer's Report

Bank balances as of May 31, 2011 are:

Checking account	\$ 2,721.00
Money Market Account	\$32,048.00
Total	\$34,769.00

The membership voted to approve the budget at the May meeting, which included the following changes in the Guest Rates at the Club. Please take note of these changes. They take effect on July 1, 2011, the start of our fiscal year.

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.

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!

