

Rockywold  
Deephaven  
Camps

**RDC** *A rustic family vacation since 1897*



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*"Summer afternoon – summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language." - Henry James*

# *The Barque & Bight*

2025 Annual Newsletter & Inquiry Packet



## A Note from the General Manager

Thank you once again for a great summer on Squam! We enjoyed welcoming all of our RDC families, so many with new, very young campers in tow! It's wonderful to see our RDC community grow with these sunny new faces. The summer of 2024 was certainly memorable!

As we look towards the coming season, it is heartwarming to remember the highpoints of last summer. I think we'll all agree that the food was fantastic! Brandi and her culinary team put forth a great variety of high-quality meals for us all. We are already looking forward to next summer's desserts!

Once again, Harbormaster Eric Morse has upgraded our ever-growing fleet for the coming season. Be sure to read Eric's *Boat House Update* included in this newsletter.

We've added a few new activities to the Sneak-a-Peek to include a weekly sunset kayak tour lead by our newly appointed Outdoor Guide, Willow Furey. Willow will also offer introductory kayak lessons for aspiring kayakers to be held at the beginning of each week, complements of RDC. Let's get out on the lake!

Back by popular demand, the Squam Lakes Association will be leading their weekly *Snorkel Squam* expedition for guests along our shore each week during weeks 5-12.

We are hard at work protecting and preserving Camp. We are very excited to see The Long House receive a well-deserved refurbish! Our lakeside gem is in need of a new roof, new siding, new decking along with many other repairs. Stay tuned for progress reports.

One of the most gratifying aspects of working at RDC is our active commitment to the local organizations that help to protect the lake. These include the Squam Lakes Association and the Loon Preservation Committee. SLA placed a "floating vegetative island" in the Bight over the summer. This island absorbed and removed nutrients, sediment and pollution from the lake. We anticipate seeing many more "vegetation islands" on the lake. The Loon Preservation Committee was very active on the lake this past summer. Be sure to read Biologist Tiffany Grade's annual *Loon Report* included on the following pages.

With guidance from the LakeSmart initiative, we are working to slow rain water and filter sediment along the way to the lake. Many of you may have seen the water run-off remediation work completed by Asa Berg and his crew on Maple Shade Road including Arthur's Way. This area is prone to significant run-off during rain storms bringing sediment into the lake and washing out the road. There is much more work to be done on Camp to ensure that we are responsibly managing the run-off to the lake from our roads, buildings and parking areas. Please watch for more information on this important initiative. To learn more about LakeSmart, please visit: [www.lakesmart.com](http://www.lakesmart.com).

For more messages, updates and stories, please sign up for our new monthly e-newsletter, *The Rattler*, by joining our mailing list. Visit our website, [www.RDCsquam.com](http://www.RDCsquam.com).

The entire year-round team extends our heartfelt appreciation to our guest community for your commitment and passion for RDC. Your enthusiasm helps to guide us in our efforts to preserve Camp for generations to come.

Natalie Ward, General Manager

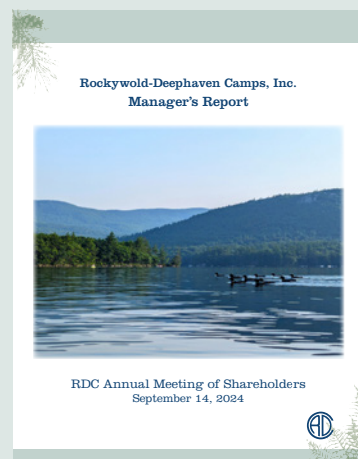


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## Becoming an RDC Shareholder

Guests occasionally ask us about the possibility of purchasing RDC shares. Such opportunities do exist, and anyone with interest is encouraged to contact Becky at 603-968-3313 or visit [RDCsquam.com](http://RDCsquam.com) for further information.

Current shareholders: Please be sure to keep your contact information up to date. Notify RDC of any changes.





## RDC Charitable Giving

RDC continues to make a difference in the greater Holderness, NH region. In 2024, we donated \$26,000 to 23 community-based organizations ranging from environmental groups to emergency and social services. It's a welcome opportunity to give back to the local community.

In addition, RDC is putting the Squam Environmental Preservation Fund to work! By supporting our partners working to combat the effects of extreme weather, historical land use practices and ever-increasing boat pressure, we're making a difference on Squam. In 2024, we donated \$40,000 from SEPF to support loon monitoring and research, and a major erosion prevention project on Little Squam. In addition, late in the summer SEPF funded a floating vegetative island deployed by the Squam Lakes Association to pilot a plant/water nutrient absorbing project. Too many nutrients in the lake cause unwanted algal blooms. Look for this float next summer in the Deephaven Bight and a second one near the entrance to Bennett Cove in Rockywold. SEPF is run by RDC for the protection of Squam and the surrounding watershed and managed by the NH Charitable Foundation. Donations are welcome any time of the year.

Incentivized by the LakeSmart program, RDC has identified "hot spots" at camp that rapidly erode during heavy rainstorms resulting in unwanted sedimentation along the shorefront. This makes the water shallower and prone to rapid warming that create conditions suitable for algal blooms. We want to avoid this on all fronts and SEPF can help with logistics.

If you wish to contribute to SEPF you can do so online or by mailing your donation. If you want to contribute online, go to [RDCsquam.com/sepf.html](https://RDCsquam.com/sepf.html). Mail checks to Squam Environmental Preservation Fund, c/o RDC, 18 Bacon Road, Holderness, NH 03245. If you'd like to make a stock gift, please contact Becky at RDC.

*Amey Schenck Bailey, Chair, RDC Environmental and Community Affairs Committee*



Photo by Becky Kneeland



Photo by Amey Bailey

*Floating Vegetative Island*

## Building & Grounds Committee Report



*Cliffside - Bathroom Addition*

During the 2025 season at Camp, we will be making an effort to consolidate parking away from the shoreline zone, and we need your help! Cyanobacteria have already been found in Lake Winnepesaukee, Lake Kanasatka, and White Oak Pond. RDC is participating in NH LAKES' "LakeSmart" program, in partnership with the Squam Lakes Association (SLA), to help preserve the water quality of Squam. Parking close to the lake compacts soils and increases surface runoff into the lake, contributing to algae growth, greener water, and loss of water clarity. Parking near the shoreline also spoils the view of the lake along many of Camp's walking routes. You can help by loading and unloading at your cottage and otherwise parking in the centralized parking lots farther from the shoreline. If you're not sure where the nearest lot is located, please consult the Camp map on the RDC website or ask for a map when you check in at the office. Thank you in advance for helping to preserve the health and beauty of Squam!

### Other 2025 focuses include:

#### **Mixed-Use Facilities (Lodges and Dining Halls)**

Long House will get a new sprinkler system; improvements to the guest rooms and bathrooms; and a rebuilt porch. The dining halls will receive additional ceiling fans and lights.

#### **Energy Efficiency and Carbon Reduction**

Again in 2025, a portion of the capital budget will fund projects supporting RDC's "2047 Initiative" to minimize energy usage, fossil fuels consumption, and carbon emissions by Camp's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2047. RDC will continue to pursue grants to assist with this work. An external energy audit was performed on the dining halls and the year-round office, and a camp-wide inventory of carbon emissions is beginning.

#### **General Projects and Infrastructure**

Information technology systems will be upgraded this year, including computers, server, software, and security. RDC is continuing to work hard toward connectivity improvements, for the benefit of guests and staff alike. A number of roofs are slated for replacement in 2025, along with general building maintenance projects.

Happy New Year to all! Hope to see you at Camp this summer.

*John McLeod, Buildings & Grounds Committee Chair*



*Long House, 1919*

## 2024 Loon Report

Some of you may have had your picnic plans on Loon Island disrupted this summer, courtesy of two loon nesting attempts there! This loon territory is the neighboring territory to that of the RDC pair; but the male at Loon Island had actually moved over from the RDC territory, where he had been the resident male for the previous four years. These nesting attempts were momentous occasions, as they were the first in the 50 years that Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) has been working that we have documented nests for a pair in this territory. Sadly, predators destroyed both nests after about a week. Hopefully the pair will choose a different spot next summer that is better protected from predators—and will not disturb anyone's picnic schedule! I am very grateful to Rockywold-Deephaven Camps and the RDC community for your patience and your care and concern for the loons during their nesting efforts—thank you very much!

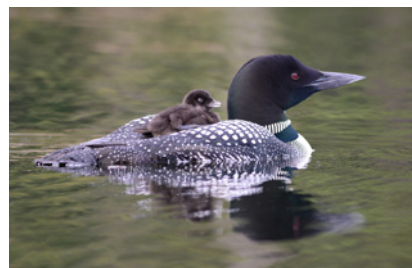


Photo by Kittle Wilson

Closer to home, both members of the RDC pair were new this year. While the male had gone to the Loon Island territory, the female was nowhere to be found on the lake. As many of you may remember, the resident female at RDC for so many years was the oldest banded loon on the lake. Last summer when she raised her chick amid so much excitement, she was at least 31 years old. I did not see her anywhere on the lake this year, but I will continue to keep an eye out for her next year and hope for the best for her. As it was, there were two unbanded loons in the RDC territory this year, who spent much of the summer trying to hang on to their territory, despite the intrusions of other loons. I hope they will gain firmer control over the territory next year and be able to nest.

Across the lake, there were encouraging signs for Squam's loon population. While only seven of the 14 loon pairs on the lake nested this year (likely due to a high rate of turnover among the pairs, in common with the RDC pair), those seven nesting pairs hatched seven chicks—an excellent hatch rate. Four of those chicks fledged in the fall. The past five years have seen a welcome boost in the hatch rate, and this year added to that encouraging trend. Hopefully a return to more nesting pairs in the next year or two and continued good hatch rates will lead to a boost in overall breeding success.

LPC has been working hard to increase the breeding success of Squam's loons. We floated nine nesting rafts on the lake in 2024, and all seven chicks hatched from LPC's rafts—only the third year that has happened! We placed protective signs and ropes around loon nests, and chicks were protected by LPC's orange "Caution: Loon Chicks" signs. In addition to the four fledged chicks on Squam Lake, the loon pair on Little Squam successfully raised a chick as well.

I hope the RDC loon pair will settle down to nesting next year—and that the old RDC female loon is still alive and will return to Squam. LPC will continue our work to protect and restore Squam's loon population. We are very grateful to the RDC community and the Squam Environmental Preservation Fund for your support of Squam's loons and the work of LPC—*Thank You!*

*For more information on the work of the Loon Preservation Committee, please visit [www.loon.org](http://www.loon.org).*

*Tiffany Grade, Squam Lake Project Biologist, Loon Preservation Committee*

## 2024 Bald Eagle Report



Photo by Bob Carroll

The Squam Lake Bald Eagle pair used the same nest as last year on Long Island. They started incubating eggs during the last week of March, but by early April they had given up. I assume that the super heavy snow storm on April 5 caused them to fail. They did not attempt to rebuild and did not breed this season. The early spring snow seemed to cause a lot of nest failures throughout the state. The following is an excerpt from the statewide eagle report from NH Audubon's Chris Martin:

"NH Audubon staff and volunteers confirmed **115 territorial pairs** in NH, up 5% compared to 2023. We documented **79 pairs incubating**, up just less than 4% from 2023. But we counted only **54 successful nests**, down more than 11% from 2023. And we tallied just **80 young fledged**, off 14% from the record-high 93 fledglings produced in 2023. While eagles generally incubate diligently through

storms, there are limits! Snow accumulating >18 inches can settle in around eggs during incubation exchanges between the adults and chill/kill embryos. The 2024 average young per active nest (0.70y/active) was the lowest annual average for NH eagles in over 20 years, and the last time this average was lower we only had five known active eagle nests in the entire state!"

The exciting news for our area is that a second pair of eagles built a nest on Little Squam. This is the first time that two pairs have nested within the watershed. This new pair chose a lovely spot in a protected forest area. They got a late start (I didn't locate them building until April 1). They built a lovely big nest but did not lay eggs (it just got too late in the nesting season). This is typical of a new (young) pair, but I expect them to lay eggs in 2025. Hopefully both pairs will be successful and produce chicks next season.

*Iain MacLeod, Executive Director, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center*



## News from the Camp Store

Still thinking about that sweatshirt, you almost bought this summer? RDC's online Camp Store is open 24 hours a day, year-round!

New stripe knit winter hats are now available in four fun colors. They have been a big hit, eleven were ordered the first day they were posted! More styles arriving soon so check back often. We have also stocked up on last summer's favorites—RDC rugby shirts, embroidered tees, sweatshirts, mugs and much more. RDC gift cards are available and can be used online or during your stay at Camp next season.

Shop these and other great gift items at [www.RDCsquam.com/shop!](http://www.RDCsquam.com/shop!)

Claire Hekking, Retail Manager



## Dining Hall Etiquette

The RDC dining halls are an integral part of the overall Camp experience. In the spirit of this, we would like to remind you of some important dining hall guidelines. While the dining hall dress code has become more relaxed over the last several decades, RDC is proud of its time-honored custom of dressing for dinner. For many guests, this is an important and traditional aspect of their RDC experience. We would like to remind all of our guests of the RDC dress code and request that you follow these simple guidelines while inside the dining hall. Young children should be supervised at all times by an adult. Children should refrain from running for the safety of all. To help maintain the sense of community and camaraderie while at meals, we would also like to remind you to please not use cell phones or laptops while in the Camp dining halls. Please see below for guidance on dinner attire.

*Dress code: No caps, tank tops, bathing suits or bare feet at any meal. Casual sportswear is acceptable for breakfast and lunch but more appropriate dress is recommended for dinner (non-athletic shorts, pants, collared shirt for men; dresses, skirts, pants, non-athletic shorts for women).*





# Reservation Requests & Information

## 2025 Reservation Requests

Our reservation team of Becky, Lucy, Zoe, and Jessica are looking forward to welcoming you back to RDC for the 2025 season.

We will be able to serve you more efficiently if your form is filled out completely and clearly; newspapers must be ordered at least seven days prior to your arrival; golf cart rentals are available only for guests with mobility issues; weekly boat rentals may be reserved prior to your arrival; daily rentals may be requested upon your arrival.

To request a reservation, please complete the enclosed Reservation Request Form or go online to [RDCsquam.com/reservations](https://RDCsquam.com/reservations). Reservations are booked according to seniority. To give yourself the best opportunity to receive the cottages and dates of your choice, your request must be received before **FEBRUARY 15**.

You will find all of our 2025 materials at [RDCsquam.com](https://RDCsquam.com), including floor plans for all our cottages and lodges. Please give us a call if you have any questions.



## 2025 Reservation Information

RDC's 2025 season will begin **Thursday, May 29**, and end **Friday, September 12**.

### Off-Peak Season Discounts

Cottage stays of five nights or more, May 29 through June 20 and August 30 through September 12, qualify for our off-peak discount. This 20% discount applies to the cottage base rate only. Discounted rates do not apply to lodge rooms or overages.

### Arrival and Departure Times

Arriving guests should not enter their accommodations before registering at the office. **Check-in** begins at 4 p.m. Please **check-out** by 10 a.m.

### Dining

Both Rockywold and Deeplaven dining halls will offer traditional seating with a 90-minute serving time for each meal. Please note dining hall hours are subject to

change throughout the season. Hours are posted outside each dining hall. Mid-day meals on departure and arrival days are not included in weekly rates. Bagged lunches are available to guests who give the dining hall a day's notice before departure.

Please notify Camp of any food allergies or dietary restrictions on your reservation request form and by emailing [RDC@RDCsquam.com](mailto:RDC@RDCsquam.com). Gluten free, dairy free, and vegetarian options are available at each meal.

### Daily Services

We offer full daily housekeeping and outside crew services. If you prefer a lower-contact experience and would like to opt-out of any portion of these services, you may notify our office staff at any time.

## Reservations in the Lodges & Rock Office Rooms

Within our two lodge facilities, Greenwood Lodge and Long House, guests can rent double and single bedrooms for short-term or week-long stays. Each lodge has a large common area with a fireplace and a spacious porch overlooking the lake.

These rooms offer more affordable and flexible options for guests, they have been valuable places to welcome newcomers, and importantly, they facilitate the stays of those who need more accessible accommodations. Several double occupancy rooms have private half baths. Reservations in the lodges are subject to a two-night minimum stay, and the usual seniority and priority guidelines apply. The lodges are available to guests 13 years of age and older. Lodge guests are seated at a community table in the dining hall unless otherwise requested.

The Rock Office Rooms are available for guests of all ages. These rooms are located above the Rockywold Office and Library. Rock Office offers rooms with single, double and triple occupancy and shared bath. They can be rented individually with a two-night minimum stay.

Guests staying in the lodges or other rooms rented by the day are entitled to lunch on their day of departure. These guests must, however, check out of their room(s) before the lunch hour begins, no later than 12:30 p.m.

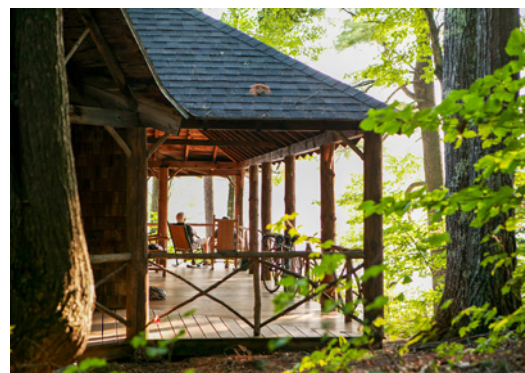


Photo by Thea Coughlan

Photo by Cindy Jones



## 2025 RATES

All cottages enjoy a private dock on Squam Lake, a fireplace, a screened-in porch, and an old-fashioned icebox. Our Full American Plan includes lodging, all meals, daily housekeeping, organized activities, and use of recreational facilities, including eight clay tennis courts, three pickleball courts, a basketball court, and a ball field. During peak season, reservations are made on a weekly basis for cottages. Cottages may be rented for less than a week during off-peak season, subject to a three-night minimum stay. Lodge rooms require a two-night minimum stay throughout the full season. There are no additional service charges. Gratuities are not required, but guests are welcome to reward employees for exceptional service.

### COTTAGE RATES (Season runs May 29 – September 12)

**Peak Season Rates** apply from June 21 – August 30.

**Off-Peak Season Rates** apply from May 29 – June 20 & August 30 – September 12.

(20% off peak season rate for stays of 5 nights or more)

	2-Person	3-Person	4-Person	5-Person	6-Person	8-Person
<b>Peak Season Weekly</b>	<b>\$4,417</b>	<b>\$5,964</b>	<b>\$7,525</b>	<b>\$8,918</b>	<b>\$10,297</b>	<b>\$13,181</b>
Peak Season Per Person Per Night	\$315.50	\$284.00	\$268.75	\$254.80	\$245.17	\$235.38
Off-Season Per Person Per Night	\$252.40	\$227.20	\$215.00	\$203.84	\$196.14	\$188.30

### OVERAGES

Most cottages accommodate guests beyond the minimal occupancy; such persons are charged the **“Weekly Overage Rate”** of **\$1,275.75** or a **“Daily Overage Rate”** of **\$182.25** per night. Overage Rates include three meals per day and organized activities. The Overage Rate for children ages 3-9 is 50% off the above Overage Rate. There is no overage charge for children under 3 years of age.

### LODGE & ROCK OFFICE ROOM RATES

The daily rate covers our Full American Plan charges and overages apply as described above. Reservations in the lodges and Rock Office rooms are subject to a two-night minimum stay. (Discounted rate periods apply to cottages only.)

	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
<b>Greenwood Lodge &amp; Long House</b>		
(Restricted to guests 13 years of age and older)		
Forest View	\$224	\$364
Lake View	\$260	\$400
Forest View w/ Half Bath	----	\$400
Lake View w/ Half Bath	----	\$442
<b>Rock Office Rooms</b>	\$192	\$343

### EARLY & LATE SEASON CONFERENCE RATES

(May 29 – June 20 and August 30 – September 13)

See our 2025 Conference Lodging Rate Sheet or contact Becky at [Becky@RDCsquam.com](mailto:Becky@RDCsquam.com) for details.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Arrival and Departure times:** Check-in begins at **4 p.m.**, and **check-out is 10 a.m.** To ensure your accommodation has been properly cleaned, sanitized, and inspected, arriving guests should not enter their lodging facility before registering at the office. Mid-day meals on departure and arrival days are not included in weekly rates. Bagged lunches are available to guests who give the dining hall a day's notice before departure.
- **A 20% deposit**, received within 30 days from the date of our offer letter, is required to confirm a reservation.
- **Cancellation Policy:** If a cancellation is made prior to May 15, 50% of the deposit will be refunded. Reservations canceled after May 15 and prior to a month of expected arrival will lose the full 20% deposit. Reservations canceled within one month of expected arrival will be responsible for 50% of the total bill if the resulting vacancy is not filled. Reservations canceled within two weeks of expected arrival will be responsible for 100% of the total bill if the resulting vacancy is not filled.
- **New Hampshire Rooms and Meals Tax of 8.5%** is added to lodging and meal charges.
- **Gratuities:** Unlike many other resorts, RDC does not add a service charge to guest bills; however, guests may wish to reward employees for exceptional service. Gratuity envelopes are available in both offices.
- **There are no additional service charges.**
- **RDC's Recreation Programs**, with activities for all ages, begins June 8 and ends August 29.
- **A morning playgroup**, called Wee Campers, is provided from June 9 to August 29 for children 3 to 6 years of age, Monday – Friday, 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon. (Refer to RDC's Guest Manual for details.)
- **Pets** cannot be accommodated except during “Dog Week”, Saturday, September 6 to Friday, September 12. Sorry!
- **We do not accept credit cards.** Cash or check only, please!



## Boat House Update

RDC partnered with Design Assembly for a second project in June 2024, after building the compostable privy on Loon Island in 2023. This year the architecture students, led by architect (and RDC Board Member) John McLeod built a boat shed at the Boat House to store 20 pedal kayaks. The new shed provides off-season storage for the pedal kayaks and is a handy workspace in the summer, when all the kayaks are in the water.

Next year we will have 30 of the very popular Malibu pedal kayaks, a sit-on-top kayak with an efficient pedal drive system and hand-controlled rudder steering. We are also continuing to upgrade older Old Town Dirigo tandem kayaks with the Malibu II double sit-on-top kayak. The newer kayaks are easy to get in and out of at a dock, have a comfortable seat, and are very stable.

Have you been wanting to try your hand at sailing on Squam? Did you know that the Sunfish is the most popular recreational sailboat in history? Its classic design, unmatched stability and sailing ease are enjoyed by all ages. RDC has a fleet of Sunfish that can be rented by the day or week. Compete in our weekly Sunfish Regatta, held on Wednesday or Friday afternoons at 3 p.m. (depending on weather) and race from Flagstaff Point, around Otter and Birch Islands, around Deephaven Reef and back to the race committee boat.

Guests often ask what the difference is between an aluminum canoe and a plastic canoe. Here is the answer! Aluminum canoes are solid canoes that were built to last for generations. They provide good stability and tracking for families or Wacky Canoe Races. Plastic canoes are the ideal family canoe with a wide, flat bottom that provides reassuring stability. These canoes are aesthetically appealing and fun to paddle for the whole family.

Weekly boat rentals may be reserved prior to your arrival. Daily rentals may be requested at the office upon your arrival and will be provided if available. Check out the full fleet on our website [RDCsquam.com/recreation/#ourfleet](https://www.RDCsquam.com/recreation/#ourfleet).

*Eric Morse, Harbormaster*



Photo by Eric Morse



## RDC Additional Charges

All rentals have limited availability. Weekly boat and golf cart rentals may be reserved prior to your arrival. Cancellations for week-long boat rentals must be called into the office by 4 p.m. the day before your arrival. There will be a one-day rental charge for each cancelled boat after delivery. Daily rentals may be requested upon your arrival and will be provided if available. For boat descriptions and photos visit [www.RDCsquam.com](https://www.RDCsquam.com).

RDC Boat Rentals:	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	1 Week
Canoes & Kayaks	\$60	\$100	\$140	\$180
Pedal Kayaks	\$85	\$135	\$185	\$240
Sunfish Sailboat	\$85	\$135	\$185	\$240
Rowboat with 4-hp motor	\$120	\$210	\$300	\$380
Rowing Canoe with 2-hp motor	\$120	\$210	\$300	\$380
Rowboat & Rowing Canoe	\$75	\$125	\$175	\$225
Stand Up Paddleboards	\$70	\$115	\$160	\$205
HydroBikes	\$85	\$135	\$185	\$240
Bicycle Rentals	\$40	\$55	\$75	\$110
Golf Cart Rentals	\$180	\$240	\$305	\$385



Photo by Marcin Dymanus

*(bicycles may not be reserved prior to your arrival)*

**Newspapers** must be ordered at least one week prior to your arrival and are billed at their published rates.

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# Map of Rockywold-Deephaven Camps, Inc.

## ROCKYWOLD

1. SUGAR HOUSE
2. SUGARBUSH
3. MAPLE SHADE
4. SHORE EDGE
6. HASKELL
8. SATIS
9. ARDENWOOD
10. HEMLOCK LODGE
11. MONTVERT
12. SHELTERING PINES
13. WEST WATER
14. NUTHATCH
15. WE TWO
16. HONEYMOON
17. CRAGSMERE
18. SHINGLE BLESSEDNESS
19. NIRVANA
20. KILKARE
21. GREENWOOD LODGE
22. ROCK. OFFICE & LIBRARY
23. ROCK. DINING HALL & KITCHEN
24. GARDEN SHED
25. EMPLOYEE DINING ROOM
28. STAFF REC. ROOM
29. ROCK. DORMITORY
33. ROCK. HOUSEKEEPING
34. ROCK. ICE HOUSE
35. RECYCLING SHED
38. SAP HOUSE (Toddler Playroom & Staff Residence)
40. MA BELL (Public Telephones)
41. WATER TOWER
42. GARAGE #21
43. GARAGE #22
44. BALL FIELD PAVILION
- 44A. WEE CAMPER REST ROOM
45. ROCK. GARAGE DORM
- 45A. GUEST STORAGE
46. THE COMMONS (Camp Store & Archive Center)
47. ZODIAC (Game Room & Store)
48. PLAYHOUSE
- 48A. KELLOGG (Rec Hall)
49. HOUSE OF TUDOR
50. BOAT SUPPLY SHED
51. ISHIVANA
52. PETER PAN
53. BUFFUM
54. CLIFFSIDE
55. HAMPTON
56. BACKLOG
57. SHELTER
58. OVER YONDER
59. PINE LEDGE
60. EVEREST
61. BOAT HOUSE

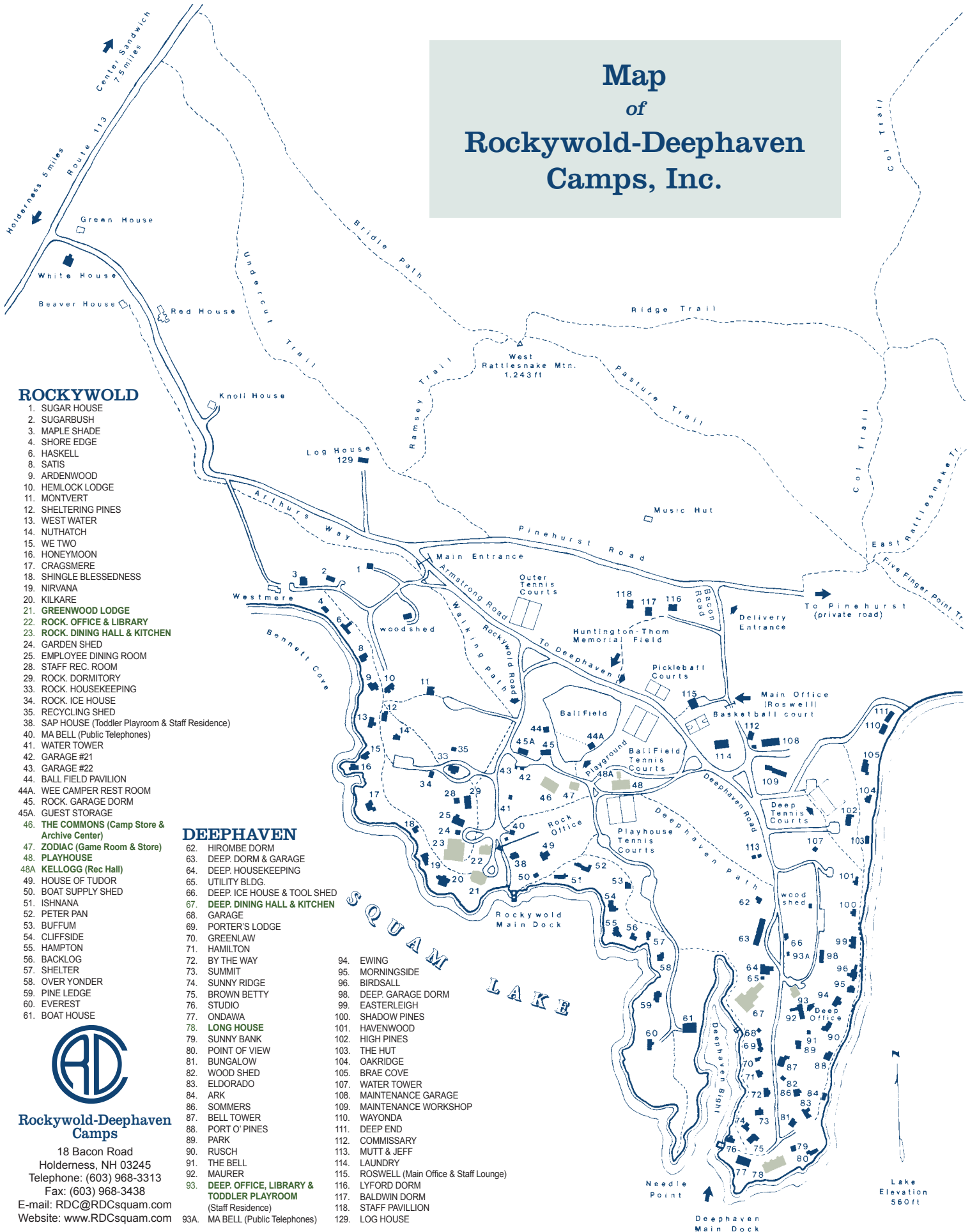
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62. HIROMBE DORM
63. DEEP. DORM & GARAGE
64. DEEP. HOUSEKEEPING
65. UTILITY BLDG.
66. DEEP. ICE HOUSE & TOOL SHED
67. DEEP. DINING HALL & KITCHEN
68. GARAGE
69. PORTER'S LODGE
70. GREENLAW
71. HAMILTON
72. BY THE WAY
73. SUMMIT
74. SUNNY RIDGE
75. BROWN BETTY
76. STUDIO
77. ONDWA
78. LONG HOUSE
79. SUNNY BANK
80. POINT OF VIEW
81. BUNGALOW
82. WOOD SHED
83. ELDORADO
84. ARK
86. SOMMERS
87. BELL TOWER
88. PORT O' PINES
89. PARK
90. RUSCH
91. THE BELL
92. MAURER
93. DEEP. OFFICE, LIBRARY & TODDLER PLAYROOM (Staff Residence)
- 93A. MA BELL (Public Telephones)
94. EWING
95. MORNINGSIDE
96. BIRDSALL
98. DEEP. GARAGE DORM
99. EASTERLEIGH
100. SHADOW PINES
101. HAVENWOOD
102. HIGH PINES
103. THE HUT
104. OAKRIDGE
105. BRAE COVE
107. WATER TOWER
108. MAINTENANCE GARAGE
109. MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP
110. WAYONDA
111. DEEP END
112. COMMISSARY
113. MUTT & JEFF
114. LAUNDRY
115. ROSWELL (Main Office & Staff Lounge)
116. LYFORD DORM
117. BALDWIN DORM
118. STAFF PAVILION
129. LOG HOUSE



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Lake  
Elevation  
560ft

## ROCKYWOLD

### Two-Person Cottages

Shore Edge 1T- 2D *	(4) **
Backlog 1T- 2D	(56)
Shelter 1T- 1D	(57)

### Three-Person Cottages

Nuthatch 2T- 1D	(14)
Honeymoon 1T- 1S- 1D	(16)

### Four-Person Cottages

Sugarbush 2T- 2D	(2)
Hemlock Lodge 2T- 2D	(10)
Sheltering Pines 2T- 1D	(12)
West Water 2T- 2D	(13)
We Two 2T- 1D	(15)
Buffum 2T- 1D	(53)
Over Yonder 2T- 4D	(58)

### Five-Person Cottages

Haskell 3T- 1S- 2D	(6)
Montvert 4T	(11)
Shingle Blessedness 3T- 1D	(18)
House of Tudor 2T- 1S- 1D	(49)
Ishnana 3T- 1D	(51)
Peter Pan 2T- 1S- 1D	(52)

### Six-Person Cottages

Maple Shade 4T- 3D	(3)
Satis 4T- 3D	(8)
Ardenwood 5T	(9)
Kilkare 4T- 4D	(20)
Hampton 4T- 2D	(55)
Pine Ledge 4T- 2D	(59)
Everest 4T- 3S- 1D	(60)

### Eight-Person Cottages

Cragmere 6T- 1S- 1D	(17)
Nirvana 5T- 3S- 2D	(19)
Cliffside 5T- 1S- 2D	(54)

## DEEPHAVEN

### Two-Person Cottages

Greenlaw 1T- 1D	(70)
Sunny Bank 1T- 1D	(79)
Bungalow 1T- 1D	(81)
Morningside 1T- 1D	(95)
The Hut 1T- 1D	(103)
Oakridge 1T- 1D	(104)

### Three-Person Cottages

Hamilton 1T- 1S- 1D	(71)
Sunny Ridge 1T- 1S- 1D	(74)
Studio 1T- 1S- 1D	(76)

### Four-Person Cottages

By the Way 2T- 1D	(72)
Park 2T- 1D	(89)
Rusch 2T- 1D	(90)
Birdsall 2T- 1S- 1D	(96)
Shadow Pines 2T- 1D	(100)

### Five-Person Cottages

Porter's Lodge 3T- 1D	(69)
Point of View 2T- 1S- 1D	(80)
Ark 2T-1S- 1D	(84)
Bell Tower 3T- 1D	(87)
Ewing 3T- 1D	(94)
Maurer 3T	(92)
Havenwood 3T- 1D	(101)
Wayonda 1DB- 3T	(110)

### Six-Person Cottages

Summit 3T- 2S- 2D	(73)
Brown Betty 3T- 1S- 1D	(75)
Ondawa 3T- 2S- 3D	(77)
Sommers 3T- 2S- 1D	(86)
Port O'Pines 4T- 1D	(88)
Easterleigh 4T- 1S- 1D	(99)
High Pines 4T- 1D	(102)
Deep End 1DB- 3T- 2D	(111)

### Eight-Person Cottages

Eldorado 6T- 1S-1D	(83)
Brae Cove 5T- 1S- 3D	(105)

\* Numbers following cottage names indicate: Twin-bedded rooms "T" (2 twins); Single-bedded rooms "S" (1 twin); Double-bedded rooms "DB" (1 double bed); and daybeds in living rooms and/or porches "D."

\*\* Numbers in parentheses indicate map location numbers.

Occupancy should not exceed the total number of beds listed for each cottage without advance written arrangement with management.

### OTHER FACILITIES:

Long House (78) in Deephaven, Greenwood Lodge (21), and Rockywold Office Rooms (22) in Rockywold offer single- and double-room accommodations.

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# Reservation Request Form



Rockywold  
Deephaven  
Camps

# RDC

Please "print clearly or type" and be sure to list the full names of all guests in your party, including children.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Will this be your first stay at RDC? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Are you an RDC Shareholder? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## Cottage or Lodge Preferences

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

4th choice \_\_\_\_\_

## Week or Date Preferences

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

4th choice \_\_\_\_\_

## Adult Guests (First & Last Names)

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## Children (First & Last Names)

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## Child's Age

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Maximum number in party \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekly Boat Rentals:** All rentals have limited availability. **Weekly rentals may be reserved prior to your arrival.** Daily rentals may be requested upon your arrival and will be provided if available. Visit [www.RDCsquam.com](http://www.RDCsquam.com) for more information.

**CANOE:** Plastic \_\_\_\_\_, Aluminum \_\_\_\_\_; **HYDROBIKE:** \_\_\_\_\_; **SUNFISH** Sailboat: \_\_\_\_\_

**KAYAK:** Recreational \_\_\_\_\_, Touring \_\_\_\_\_, Double \_\_\_\_\_; Pedal \_\_\_\_\_; Sit-on-top \_\_\_\_\_

**ROWBOAT:** w/ 4 hp Motor \_\_\_\_\_; **ROWING CANOE:** w/ 2 hp Motor \_\_\_\_\_; **PADDLEBOARD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Golf Cart Rental** for guests with mobility issues, such as the elderly, physically handicapped or injured: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dining Hall:** Sit with\* \_\_\_\_\_ Sit near \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum number of chairs at your table(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Highchair(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Booster Seat(s) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note dietary restrictions in comments. \*Lodge guests will be seated at a community table unless otherwise requested.*

**Newspapers** must be ordered at least "one week" prior to your arrival and are billed at their published rates.

Boston Globe (Sun.-Sat.) \_\_\_\_\_

N.Y. Times (Sun.-Sat.) \_\_\_\_\_

USA Today (Mon.-Sat.) \_\_\_\_\_

Wall St. Journal (Mon.-Sat.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Extra Cot** \_\_\_\_\_ **Crib** \_\_\_\_\_ **Desired location/room** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Storage** (description) \_\_\_\_\_

**Wee Campers:** Number of children planning to attend \_\_\_\_\_ (for children ages 3 to 6 only)

**Special Requests or Comments** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check here if you would like written confirmation that we have received your deposit.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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## RDC's Reservation Process:

We frequently receive multiple requests for the same accommodations in the same time periods, especially in July and August. Potential conflicts are resolved on the basis of priority and seniority (defined below).

In order to receive early consideration for an accommodation, we must receive a written request prior to **February 15**. Requests received after **February 15** will be honored but only after filling all those received before the deadline. Typically, availability becomes quite limited as the summer approaches. We ask that all guests use the Reservation Request Form on the reverse side of this paper.

When reservation bookings begin on **February 15**, the order in which reservations are placed is as follows:

- 1) All "priority" guests.
- 2) Guests with the most "seniority credit" to guests with the least seniority credit.

(Additional credit is given to guests staying for two or more consecutive weeks in the same accommodation.)

## Priority:

Guests who have reserved the same accommodation during the same time period for three consecutive years earn what is called a priority. A guest having priority on a particular accommodation will be given the first option to reserve that accommodation for the appropriate time period.

## Seniority Credit:

Guests receive one seniority credit for each year in which they were guests in camp for one week or longer after the age of 25. This credit applies whether or not the individual has paid an RDC bill. No credit is given for partial-week stays. An additional credit is granted to guests who stayed at RDC prior to age 25, current RDC shareholders receive one additional credit, and a further credit is granted to those guests who served as an employee for at least one full season. A maximum of one seniority credit per season is allowed for any individual.

- If the accommodation requested is available, an offer letter will be sent to you with a request for a 20% deposit. If we receive your deposit within 30 days from the date of the offer letter your reservation is confirmed.
- If the accommodation requested is not available, a staff member will attempt to contact you to discuss alternatives. Please make sure we can reach you in **February and early March** by giving us current work and home phone numbers, e-mail addresses and an alternative contact person should you be away!
- If the accommodation requested is not available, and no alternatives exist, you will be notified and put on a waiting list if you wish.

## Cancellation Policy:

- If a cancellation is made prior to May 15, 50% of the deposit will be refunded.
- Reservations canceled after May 15 and prior to a month of expected arrival will lose the full 20% deposit.
- Reservations canceled within one month of expected arrival will be responsible for 50% of the total bill if the resulting vacancy is not filled.
- Reservations canceled within two weeks of expected arrival will be responsible for 100% of the total bill if the resulting vacancy is not filled.



Photo by John Derbort

***We hope you are able to join us this summer.  
If you have any questions, please write or call us at:***

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## 2025 Retreats & Workshops at RDC

RDC partners with several organizations to host events each summer during our early and late seasons. The retreats and workshops listed below are open to the public. We hope you will join us for one or two!

**Yoga at Squam Lake:** Join Katie O'Connell and Dragonfly Yoga Barn for their thirteenth annual **Relax & Renew Retreat** at RDC! June 12 to 15, energize and nourish your body and soul with four days and three nights of fun, yoga, kayaking, amazing food, friendship, lakeside lodging, loon calls, hooting owls, hiking, massage, tai chi, crackling fires, and so much more. Do as much or as little as you like! All activities are included in your fee except kayaks and massage therapy, which are available at additional cost. Full details are posted at [www.dragonflyyogabarn.com](http://www.dragonflyyogabarn.com).



Photo by Leslie Jose

**Squam Writes** will hold their annual RDC writing retreat June 5 to 8. This craft-focused weekend is geared toward experienced writers looking for writing time, connections, and support. Gain valuable insight from successful, seasoned industry professionals, problem-solve with peer critiques, and relax with meditations designed to increase your creative flow. Registration is now open! More information is available at [squamwrites.com](http://squamwrites.com).



The annual **Sacred Makers Soul Retreat** for mixed media artists and fiber arts enthusiasts will take place June 4 to 8. Kiala and Damon Givehand bring their loving energy to RDC as seasoned retreat leaders and creatives who strive to gather other MAKERS & MYSTICS for a life-affirming journey within. Over four days, participants have the chance to gather and experience creative workshops designed to highlight and explore what is sacred about the act of creating. Project-based and intuitive classes on mixed media techniques, stitching, fiber arts, bookmaking, and more will be offered at all levels. All classes have an emphasis on strengthening your intuition and learning to express yourself through the act of making. The June session will also feature fun evening gatherings and time for creating and sharing. And, for the first time in the United States, New Zealand artist Liz Constable of Book Art Studios will be teaching her signature paper dyeing technique. Spaces are limited. We hope you will come and create with other Sacred Makers from around the world. Please register at [www.sacredmakers.com](http://www.sacredmakers.com).

**Writing with Woodside**, where writers generate new words after walking and observing, returns from June 12 to 15. Leader Christine Woodside is a lifelong RDCer and the editor-in-chief of the U.S.'s oldest mountaineering journal, *Appalachia*. She has published three books including: *Going Over the Mountain: One Woman's Journey from Follower to Solo Hiker and Back*. Wherever you are in your writing practices, this three-day workshop will inspire. No pressure to "workshop" or write in any particular way. Optional manuscript reviews available. For more information and to sign up, visit [chriswoodside.com/writing-workshops/](http://chriswoodside.com/writing-workshops/). Career-builder and student rates available.

Peace of Mind Reiki will host its fourth **Squam Reiki Retreat** at RDC September 5 to 7. The history and beauty of, not only Squam Lake and the White Mountains that border it, but of RDC itself, will foster layer upon layer of enriching experiences. Adding to the location and an all-inclusive retreat will be the gift of sharing community with other Reiki trained (or interested) individuals. Come together to explore, ignite and share Reiki and each other in the beauty of this very special place. All lineages—all levels welcome. Contact Leslie for more information and to register at: [lesliejose.com/squam-reiki-retreat/](http://lesliejose.com/squam-reiki-retreat/) or email Leslie at: [peaceofmindreiki@gmail.com](mailto:peaceofmindreiki@gmail.com).

Have you ever thought to come to your favorite lake and indulge in a long weekend of creative play with **Squam Art Workshops**? Perhaps THIS is your year? SAW has offered retreats at RDC since 2008, and with all that is going on in the world, it has never felt more needed to step off the merry-go-round and remember how it feels when we nurture our creative spirit. The support, encouragement and creative inspiration that RDC has offered the Squam Art Workshops' community for so many years is one of the great blessings in the collaborative world of artists and makers. So, if it calls to you, we'd love for you to join us. For the first time ever, we will be gathering a week earlier: September 3 to 7. For more information visit [www.squamartworkshops.com/all-retreats/](http://www.squamartworkshops.com/all-retreats/).



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# 2025 Conference Lodging Rates



Photos left to right by Thea Coughlin, Squam Art Workshops, and Becky Kneeland

**May 29 - June 20 and August 30 - September 13**

## OVERNIGHT & MEAL ACCOMMODATION RATES

(per person per night)

For group sizes of:

25 to 99 overnight stays per night	\$208.00
100 to 199 overnight stays per night	\$190.00
200 or more overnight stays per night	\$173.00

## RATE INFORMATION

- To qualify for conference rates, your group must have a minimum of 25 overnight stays per night.
- The conference leader will be responsible for payment to RDC of all overnight accommodations and other associated fees.
- Overnight accommodation rates listed are per person, per night, and include three meals per day.
- The rate for children ages 3-9 is 50% off the above rates. No charge for children under 3 years of age.
- All rates are subject to 8.5% NH Rooms and Meals tax.
- Rental of camp boat and driver (24-passenger boat) is \$275 per hour.
- Daily rentals of canoes, kayaks, rowboats, sailboats, bicycles, golf carts, and HydroBikes may be requested upon your arrival and will be provided if available.

## FACILITY INFORMATION - RDC has multiple meeting/function facilities:

**The Rockywold and Deephaven Dining Halls** can be used for a wide variety of activities and events. Both the Rockywold and Deephaven Dining Halls can comfortably seat 250 people.

**The Playhouse** is a pavilion with a raised stage, suitable for entertainment, exhibits, and dances.

**The Ball Field & Pavilion** are available for outdoor gatherings, including field games, special picnics, and barbecues.

**The Long House** is a lodge situated on the Deephaven point providing spectacular views of the Squam Mountain Range and Red Hill. It has a common area that can accommodate up to 100 people theater seating, 75 people for receptions, and 60 people for banquets.

**Greenwood Lodge** is located on the Rockywold side of Camp and provides views of the lake and its islands. The common area can accommodate 45 people theater seating and 60 people for receptions (*using porches*).

**Deephaven Conference Room** is adjacent to the Deephaven Office. The room can accommodate 25 people in a classroom or 40 people in theater seating.

**RDC's larger cottages** can also be used as small meeting facilities.

**Kellogg (Rec Hall)** is connected to the Playhouse and located in the center of Camp. The room is equipped with a large TV, AC/heat and can accommodate up to 25 people.

**The Commons** is located in the center of Camp and in close proximity to the Playhouse. Within The Commons is a meeting room that opens to a large screened-in porch. It is equipped with a 75" screen TV, sound system, AC/heat and can accommodate 30-50 people.





# NOW HIRING

## Rockywold Deephaven Camps

Squam Lake - Holderness, NH

May - September

- Recreation • Housekeeping • Food Service • Front Desk
- Store Clerks • Grounds Keeping • Boathouse

*\*Full-time, part-time and temporary positions available\**



### Friendship

Working at Camp is more than just a job, it is a chance to create meaningful, lifelong friendships. These connections last well beyond the summer becoming unforgettable memories that last a lifetime



### Get Outside

RDC has a variety of positions that suit all skill levels. Experience is valued but not necessary. Most importantly, a summer at RDC will create memories that last a lifetime. Invite a friend or two to share the experience with you!



### Fun

As an employee, enjoy perks like swimming, canoeing, kayaking, sailing, hiking, and a variety of fun recreational programs. At RDC, work and play come together for an unforgettable experience!

For more information or to apply online visit  
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*A rustic family vacation since 1897*

## Theme Weeks

In addition to our traditional programs and activities, we will be offering the following theme weeks this summer.



**Fourth of July:** Kick off the summer June 28 to July 5 and celebrate Independence Day at RDC. We will be holding our annual Fourth of July festivities on July 4. Start the day with our annual triathlon. Bring your red, white and blue props, make a tie-dye shirt with the Rec. Staff, grab some balloons and get ready to march in our parade. The parade ends on the field where an old-fashioned picnic and games begin!

**Wellness Week:** July 5 to 12, offering an abundance of yoga, healthy snacks, and other wellness-related activities.

**Tennis Week:** There are eight clay (Har-Tru) tennis courts at RDC for guest use. Tennis is a favorite pastime at Camp and in mid-July, a competitive week-long tournament is held. Join us for Tennis Week July 12 to 19.



**Dog Week:** RDC welcomes your four-legged family members to Camp during the last week of the season. We are hoping you and your dogs will join us in 2025 from September 6 to 12. Some restrictions apply.

Please call the Camp office for more details on any of our special offerings.



**RDC is on Facebook and Instagram!**

If you would like to see what's happening at RDC, check us out on Facebook or Instagram!



## Rockywold-Deephaven Camps 2025



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