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Every bike involved in Boomer's Legacy carries an extra, special passenger: a photo of one of Canada's fallen soldiers from the Afghanistan mission of the

It's all in memory of Andrew "Boomer" Eykelenboom, a Canadian military medic killed in Afghanistan in 2006, but the ride continues hopes he left behind: to build awareness of our military's efforts in conflicts around the world and raise funds to help distressed civilians in those areas, particularly women and

for the first time, taking part in what is now the 5th annual Boomer's Legacy. In fact, this is the first time Boomer's Legacy has put pedal to pavement anywhere in Canada, other than in its hometown.

This not-for-profit, military supported, registered charity bicycle ride started in Comox, British Columbia and, so far, has raised over \$660,000 for such things as shoes for orphans and science books

Greenwood will have

riders on the road September 10

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From left, local cyclists Marc Britney, Eric Plante,

Steve Jackson, Dean Peach and Navil Zilka are among the Greenwood Boomer's Legacy

team members, ready to ride.

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for schools. A family's herd of sheep destroyed by the Taliban was replaced, and medical supplies help remote villages treat what could otherwise be fatal conditions. The fund extends beyond Afghanistan as well, most recently supporting an orphanage and women's shelter

in Kosovo.

The Greenwood route has had some of its own ups and downs ... continued page 2.







# Fielding friendships on Op MOBILE

Public affairs officer, Air Expeditionary Wing, Sicily

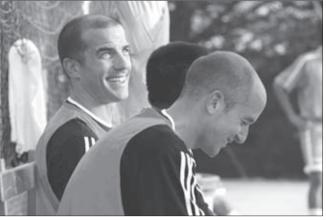
July 19 to 21, members of Task Force Libeccio took to the soccer pitch for a friendly tournament between the national contingents deployed in Trapani, Italy for Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR.

Initiated by the British camp, the tournament idea was quickly adopted by the Canadians and Italians, eager for an opportunity to enjoy Europe's most popular sport with their NATO allies.

"We have to build that relationship with the other nations," says Warrant Officer Pierre Gagnon, coach of the Canadian team. "Sport is the best way to do that, and it worked well. We have a lot of new friends.'

The Canadians and Italians played the opening match July 19. Several Canadian and Italian fans, including Italian 37 Wing Commander Colonel Maura Gabetta, lined the soccer pitch to cheer on their respective teams.

Unfortunately, Canada wasn't as sharp as the Italians, despite some great



Captain Luc Perreault (left) and Master Corporal Sebastien Beaudet take a break from play. (

goaltending by Captain Jean- 26. Gabetta also rewarded François Bidal, and lost "a lot to one," as Gagnon put it. Sergeant Gino Collard scored the lone goal for the Canadians, who still had a lot of fun playing against the very skilled Italians.

In their next game, against the British July 21, the Canucks didn't fare much better — but at least added two more goals to their have never even played tournament total, both scored by Major Scott Frost.

undefeated throughout the tournament and were crowned winners during a meet-andgreet for all of the teams July at our game."

Image Corporal M.St-Amour

each team for participating with a pennant, a framed team photo and a plaque.

Soccer is admittedly not Canada's sporting strength, and Gagnon says the detachment is already preparing to introduce the other two nations to Canada's game: hockey.

"A lot of guys on our team soccer, so we expected to get beaten," he says. "We The Italians went told the British and Italians when we receive our hockey equipment from Canada, we're going to kick their butts



Captain Jean-François Bidal (centre) and Corporal Han Thai (left) of Task Force Libeccio challenge the Italian net in the first round of a soccer tournament July 19 between the Canadians, British and Italian contingents participating in Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR. Image Corporal M.St-Amour

Captain Jean-François Bidal, Collard, Sergeant Athanasios Corporal Jean-Nicolas Blais, Corporal Matthew Robbins and Corporal Han Thai.

The Canadian squad the land-based component included Major Scott Frost, of Operation MOBILE, Canadian's contribution Captain Luc Perreault, to the NATO-led effort to Second Lieutenant John protect civilians and civilian-Marshall, Sergeant Gino populated areas in Libya under United Nations Mavridis, Master Corporal Security Council Resolution Sebastien Beaudet, Master 1973 (2011). With about 400 CF members deployed in Italy, Task Force Libeccio consists of the task force Task Force Libeccio is headquarters in Naples, the patrol aircraft.

Air Coordination Element in Poggio-Renatico, and the Air Expeditionary Wing Sicily, with detachments at Trapani and Sigonella. The Trapani detachment includes seven CF-188 Hornets, the CC-150 Polaris and CC-130 Hercules in-flight refuellers and the Mission Support Flight, while the Sigonella detachment has CP-140 Aurora long-range

### Ready to ride

pilot, deployed twice since January, and between 30 and 40 riders involved have been doing what they can to make sure the local ride's first 185 kilometres are covered.

Lieutenant (US Navy) Greg Becker, also at 405 Squadron, says, "Most people are doing it for the cause,

Corporal Allen Cayen totally agrees: "I'm far from being an athlete – I can ride in my backyard, but I'm doing

Cayen started his training in July, but knows he's going to "suffer.

"It is a good cause."

getting going: chief organizer are fundraising to support Naval Zilka, a 405 Squadron Boomer's Legacy. Here at the base, they'll work as a team to hold a boot drive at the three gates September 7, between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. There are Boomer's Legacy red support armbands at various base locations available for a donation, and supporters may also financially back individual riders on-line. Cayen himself, along with Eric Plante from the Fitness & Sport Centre, pledge to shave their heads – and Plante's beard - September 9 at 4 p.m. at the Annapolis Mess. Cayen's own personal fundraising target is \$1,000.

Zilka, back August 30 Riders tackling the ride for a two-week window of

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leave, is now in a flurry of activity, tying up last-minute details. He's still aiming for 50 riders, and says there is still time for anyone interested to get involved. He's looking forward to the last leg through Halifax, when Eykelenboom's mother, Maureen, and brother, Steve, join riders on the route for the final kilometres and the event's closing.

"I had spoken with Mrs. Eykelenboom before, I realized, after I saw a notice in a military magazine last January about Boomer's Legacy and called to find out more about it," says Zilka.

It turns out, when he was working in Ottawa in 2006 with the embassies, he was the link between the Afghan embassy and Canadian families when there were Canadian casualties to take care of.

"I knew I knew that name, and then I felt a responsibility to do this ride on this coast. It's what she hoped would happen - the ride spreading, and we're spearheading a movement here in Greenwood

The route from Greenwood to Halifax starts at 14 Wing at 7:45 a.m. under Military Police escort from the Fitness & Sport Centre's parking lot, then sets out along through Valley routes to Mount Uniacke as a paced ride, about 20 kilometres per hour. A hill here may spread out the group, but everyone will meet up in Bedford for the final, escorted leg into the city, over the MacDonald Bridge and including a run by Canadian Forces Base Halifax (Stadacona). Along the way, there are rest stops in Wolfville, St. Croix and Bedford, and Zilka has made contacts with Legions, fire halls and communities along the way, inviting them to show support for riders as they pass by. The finishing lap around downtown Halifax takes the team to the finish line in the shadow of Citadel Hill, around 6:30 p.m.

For details on the ride and its causes, visit www. boomerslegacy.ca.



Corporal Allen Cayen is ready to bare all, shaving his head September 9 for Boomer's Legacy.

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# Air Training School prepares next generation of Afghan airmen

By Major Glen Parent

Kabul International Airport covers a vast area on the north side of the city. The sprawling complex includes civilian and military air terminals, air cargo centres and International Security Assistance Force facilities.

One military unit located represents the future of the Afghan Air Force.

The Afghan Air Training School (or Pohantoon e Hawayee, which means Big Air School) is where new members of the Afghan Air Force learn the basics of flying and maintaining aircraft and running an air unit. They also participate in literacy training, incorporated into nearly every course conducted by the Afghan national security forces.

Ten advisors from Canada's Air Force serve at the training school as part of the Canadian Forces contribution to the NATO training mission in Afghanistan. The Canadian staff are part of 738 Air Expeditionary Advisory Squadron (738 AEAS), a NATO unit assigned to advise the school's Afghan commander and his senior



An Afghan Air Force C-27A Spartan transport aircraft sits on the tarmac at the Kabul Airport.

Right now, civilian the school's Combat Arms contractors teach the majority of aircraft maintenance and flying skills. The first fully certified Afghan Air Canadian advisors working at the training school are helping with a transition to more reliance on Afghan instructors

Major Mike Juillet of the Canadian Forces works with Afghan instructors to help them develop their teaching skills. He also works with Afghan staff at the school to ensure course materials are prepared in advance, and instructors are prepared to deliver their lectures. Juillet is impressed with Colonel Faizuddin, the director of

Training Department.

"Colonel Faizuddin is the Force instructor at the school,' he says. "He sets the example for the younger instructors. He is a professional teacher who explains things in detail for his students.'

Graduates of the school move on to more advanced training at air bases across Afghanistan, including Kandahar in the south and Shindand in the west of the country. Eventually, many will become pilots or ground



Candidates at the Afghan Air Force Training School pay close attention to a lecture by Col Faizuddin, director of the Combat Arms Training Department.

Images Master Corporal R.Wilson

crew at units that fly aircraft Afghan Air Training School. as diverse as the Sovietdesigned Mi-17 "Hip" transport helicopter and Mi-35 "Hind E" attack helicopter, and the Italian-built C-27A Spartan airlifter.

Master Warrant Officer Paul Nesbitt is the chief of logistics at the 738 AEAS and the logistics advisor to the ANA logistics officer at the

"The staff at this school have a professional attitude, graduation certificates, they and the students are proud of their accomplishments,"

says Nesbitt. "When they are presented with their hold them high over their heads for everyone to see.



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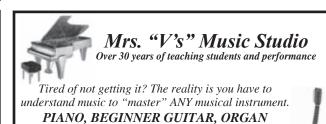


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# Remembrance: the universal language

Public affairs officer, Air Expeditionary Wing, Sicily

There may be a language barrier between Italians and Canadians, but during the Agira War Memorial parade July 28, the message was clear: thank you.

Three communities in central Sicily — Agira, Regalbuto and Nissoria welcomed some 100 members of the Trapani and Sigonella squadrons of the Air Expeditionary Wing Sicily in honour of the Canadian soldiers who lost lives in the campaign to liberate Sicily during the summer of 1943.

"You gave us back our towns," said Mayor Gaetano Punzi of Regalbuto. "Thank you - not just for what you did back then, but also for what you're doing now. We are friends here. Thank you, brothers.'

The day opened in Agira at the Church of Santa Maria

With their backs to the U.S. Navy guard of honour, Lieutenant Colonel Daniel McLeod (right), commander of the Air Expeditionary Wing Sicily, and Chief Warrant Officer Anthony Pettipas, Trapani Detachment chief warrant officer, lay a wreath on the Cross of Sacrifice at the Agira Canadian War Cemetery.

Maggiore, where parish priest Father Silvio Rotondo and the task force padre, Captain the Reverend Paul Gemmiti, celebrated Mass. The pews were filled with people from Agira, Regalbuto and Nissoria, and military personnel from Canada, Italy, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States. Mass was followed by a parade of remembrance at the Agira Canadian War Cemetery, which contains the graves of 490 Canadians — 477 soldiers and 13 airmen.



Agira was the first town the Canadians helped liberate, in a battle fought July 28, 1943. It was selected in September 1943 as the burial place for Canadians who lost their lives in the Sicilian campaign.

After the parade, the town of Regalbuto served up a true Sicilian lunch in the main square before the Canadians moved to a memorial cross to lay a wreath. Passersby halted their vehicles, lining both sides



Members of the Air Expeditionary Wing Sicily conduct a commemorative parade at the Agira Canadian War Cemetery on the 68th anniversary of the Battle of Agira. Images Corporal M.St-Amour

of the narrow roads, to wave Air Expeditionary Wing, some Forces' contingent gathered for a last moment of remembrance. lost on the members of the country.

and clap for the Canadian of whom have also served in Afghanistan, where they saw for themselves the impact our The show of support wasn't nation can make on a war-torn

"It made me feel hopeful," said logistics officer Lieutenant Stephen Penney, in Afghanistan as an infantry soldier in 2007. "These men who were laid to rest in Agira

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Members of the Air Expeditionary Wing Sicily gather at the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore for Mass.

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may have made the ultimate sacrifice, but they did not die needlessly: they died for a purpose, and are remembered and honoured for it many years later.

"I lost friends and comrades in Afghanistan and, being here, seeing how the locals still honour those who died hopeful that, some time in the future, my friends and brothers in arms will be remembered and honoured, not only by their own countrymen, but also by the people of Afghanistan, who will enjoy these same freedoms because of their sacrifice.

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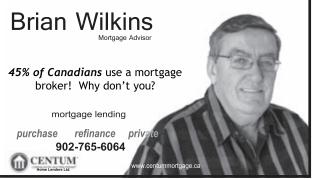
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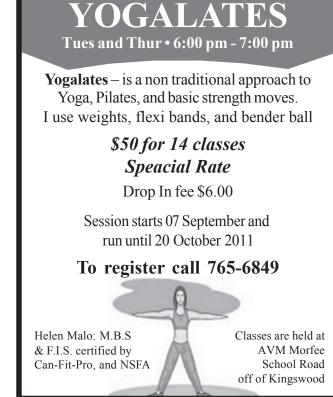


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Corporal Angela Wrenn receiving her promotion from Lieutenant Colonel Ghislain Létourneau, Wing Logistics Engineering Officer and Chief Warrant Officer Hank Etheridge, Wing Logistics and Engineering **Branch Chief Warrant Officer** 



Master Corporal Phil Graham receiving his promotion from Captain Tom Gardner, Acting Wing Construction and Engineering Officer, and Chief Warrant Officer Hank Etheridge, Wing Logistics and Engineering Branch Chief Warrant Officer. Image submitted



Master Corporal Cory Gargin receives his appointment from Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Flynn, Commanding Officer of 14 Air Maintenance Squadron; pictured on the right is Squadron Chief Warrant Officer Gary Pitman.



Master Corporal Michael Frenette receives his appointment from Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Flynn, Commanding Officer of 14 Air Maintenance Squadron; pictured on the right is Squadron Chief Warrant Officer Gary Pitman.



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Sergeant Robert Howatson receives his promotion to current rank from Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Flynn, Commanding Officer of 14 Air Maintenance Squadron; pictured on the right is Acting Squadron Chief Warrant Officer, Master Warrant Officer Bill Sproul.



Master Corporal Kevin Bernon receives his appointment from Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Flynn, Commanding Officer of 14 Air Maintenance Squadron; pictured on the right is Squadron Chief Warrant Officer Gary Pitman.

# Girls to represent Valley at N.S. soccer

It has been a good soccer season to date for the Under-12 girls Kingston/ Greenwood Demon Dogs.

The girls won silver in the Amanda Forster Tournament in July and then finished the regular season in first place in their division

Eight teams from the Valley then progressed to playoffs. In their first game, the Demon Dogs faced East Kings Murphy and won 1-0. In their second game, they played Clare and, in a very hard fought game, won in a shootout. August 29, the gold medal game was played in Kentville, with the Demon Dogs versus Kings West Meister. In another very hard game both teams played exceptionally well, it was 1-1 after regular time and the Demon Dogs won the game in shootout.

The Demon Dogs will represent the Valley Soccer Association at the Nova Scotia Provincial Championships in Antigonish September 10 and 11. Thank you to all the parents, family and friends who supported the team over **Donald and Jude Doucet.** 

Pictured from left are (in front) Brooklyn Bishop, Erin Green; front row, Isabel MacDonald, Kaitlin Carter, Terri Savory, Jenna Ramsey, Hanna Larder, Kaleigh Harris, Janique Doucet, Audrey Duquette; back row, Mackenzie Cross, Maggy Michaud, Abigail Disley, Katharine Richter, Claire Gullison, Mary-Anne Ruggles. The coach is Mike Green, and assistant coaches are Bernie Mac-Image submitted



# Ceramic club ready for fall

Ceramic Club will open September 14, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Our new hours club. are Sundays, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with the understanding we may expand the hours of operation.

A big thank you to everyone who is helping to get the September, it will be \$15 club ready to open, from

and placing them back where member for the 2011/2012 of our molds, with the price they belong to cleaning the season to receive these

This year, our slip (liquid clay) sale will coincide with our opening, and end September 30. The regular price of slip is \$20, tax included; for the month of (maximum five boxes per

savings

Every shift at the club has a supervisor to offer help and guidance to both old and new members. In our club, you will learn how to pour and clean your own pieces. We have over 2,000 molds to choose from, with such areas of interest as animals, wall decor, mystical, garden and many more. When you join,

The CFB Greenwood cataloging to locating molds person). You must be a you will receive a catalogue to pour and fire all items and other useful information.

If you think this may be the hobby you are looking for, drop in any time we are open or call us at 765-1494 ext.5074. We are located in the small building across from the MFRC at the Morphee Centre. Come around to the back of the building, and our door is the one closest to the sidewalk.



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# Congratulations to

Karen Parker, BA, B.Ed, M.Ed



Tom and Jenny Parker of Grafton, Kings County are very proud to announce the graduation of their daughter Karen from the University of New Brunswick with a Masters of Education, Curriculum Studies. Karen previously graduated from Acadia with a Bachelor of Arts and St. Thomas

University with a Bachelor of Education. She has been teaching French Immersion at Dwight Ross Elementary School in Greenwood and New Minas Elementary School for the past four years. This fall Karen will be teaching French Immersion in Mississauga, Ontario.

# Attention all dart players

The Men's Valley Dart League is now in the process of recruiting teams and/or players for the upcoming season.

If you are interested in playing in this very dynamic league this year, you are invited to the first General Meeting to be held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 98, Kingston, September 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Should you require additional information, please contact Trevor Campbell, president, Men's Valley Dart League 2011-12 at (902) 847-9815.

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# MP&EU: Small unit, big job

By Flight Lieutenant Rolf Hippman, Maritime Proving and Evaluation Unit

What is the Maritime Proving and Evaluation Unit? The MP&EU is made up of

The MP&EU is made up of 36 unique people: Canadian Forces regulars and reservists, exchange personnel from the United Kingdom and the United States, civilian contractors and government public servants.

Downstairs, the annex houses the engineering part of the unit, commanded by an aerospace engineering officer who has a group of skilled technicians working for her. They are all electronics experts, except for one, skilled in more of the Aurora hardware (airframe and engines). In support of the whole unit is a graphic artist, who illustrates test results, plans and reports with professional artwork as well as provides graphic arts support to 14 Wing Greenwood. Temporarily, there are also contractors from General Dynamics Canada in support of the Block III project.

Upstairs are the aircrew and supporting personnel. The Orderly Room has a clerk, who, with a civilian finance manager, keeps the unit running administratively. The aircrew come from all trades on the Aurora and are a mix of officers and noncommissioned members. Two of the officers are on exchange from the Royal Air Force and the United States Navy. The unit has a small Data Analysis Support Flight of one civilian and one contractor. Finally, the whole team is supported by another contractor who specializes in flight test on behalf of the Aerospace Engineering Test



Maritime Proving and Evaluation Unit Commanding Officer Major Kurt Lalonde

Establishment (AETE).

The unit formed at Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) Base Greenwood in 1959 due to an expansion in testing 404 Squadron was performing. Very soon, the unit moved to RCAF Base Summerside, Prince Edward Island, where it had on strength the Argus and Neptune aircraft for testing. In 1978, the unit returned to Greenwood in preparation for the arrival of the CP140 Aurora, where it remains today.

After an extended stay in 9 Hangar, the unit temporarily moved to 14 Hangar until it came to 10 Hangar Annex. MP&EU can be easily spotted as the unit logo, the Arctic tern, is painted above the hangar door and on the ventilation louvre above the main door.

Today, MP&EU operationally tests and evaluates new equipment, verifies documentation and ensures tactics and procedures are updated for the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) fleets. Every time new equipment needs to be added

to the Aurora, it must be tested to make sure it meets the contract specification but, more importantly, can be used operationally by frontline crews and be maintained by maintenance personnel. It can be the best equipment on the market but, if it continually fails, is hard to repair and difficult to operate, it's unusable operationally. The equipment could be as small as a glove and as expensive as an entirely new sensor suite and data management system: in other words, the Block III upgrade.

In the late 1990s, the decision was taken to gradually upgrade the Aurora. The Aurora Incremental Improvement Programme (AIMP) was set in place, as it would have been too expensive to upgrade the aircraft all in one go. Each increment is called a Block. Block I upgraded unsupportable equipment, with the first aircraft delivered in 2004. Block II is still being applied to aircraft, upgrading the navigation and communication systems from 2005 to 2011. MP&EU will complete acceptance of the final aircraft later next year. Block III will upgrade all the sensors and ties them together with a modern data management system.

During the upgrades, smaller projects were added to MP&EU's case load, and new equipment needed to be tested. When new equipment arrives at Greenwood, it is invariably a one-of prototype. The skilled technicians within the unit have to figure out a way of getting it onto the aircraft without interfering with current systems. They occasionally have to build, from scratch, mountings, wiring and place antennas onto the airframe. The link between



aircrew and technicians is what makes the unit very cohesive.

Unmanned Air Vehicle (UAV) for operations in support of ground troops in Afghanistan,

One example of the projects MP&EU gets involved with is the Overland Equipment Mission Suite (OEMS), a network of three laptops connected to the electro-optic and infra red turret and other sensors. Any of three operators can control the turret, and the equipment can send imagery from it to the ground via a video data link. This project went from conception to operation use in record time, as OEMS needed to be on board the aircraft, tested, reports written, manuals, guidance and checklists produced for the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Because of MP&EU's expertise and experience in testing, when the Canadian government acquired the Heron

Unmanned Air Vehicle (UAV) for operations in support of ground troops in Afghanistan, MP&EU was chosen to conduct the evaluation. This was the second time MP&EU was asked to test a UAV, having tested the SPERWER in Afghanistan in 2003. This was carried out, much of it in theatre in Kandahar province, with test team members deployed.

As a result of the continuing work with upgrades to the Aurora, the installation and testing of the OEMS and the preparatory work for Block III, the unit was awarded the Golden Hawks trophy by the Air Force Association of Canada in recognition of its leadership, professionalism, dedication, team work, outstanding contribution to the delivery of operational

#### Maritime Proving and Evaluation Unit Block III General Dynamics crest

capability and leading the Canadian Air Forces' fixedwing Intelligence, Surveillance Reconnaissance and Control capability development.

So there you have it: a small unit with a huge job. The unit is sometimes called the Maritime Partying and Entertainment Unit due to testing in exotic locations; however, the unit has one official and two unofficial mottos: the official version you see on our unit crest, but the unofficial mottos tell more of the story: "We go through the pain so that the frontline doesn't have to" and "Work hard, play hard." We are proud of all three.



20 Lilac, first place.



24 lvy, second place.



3 First Crescent, third place Images Sergeant P. Nicholson, 14 Wing Photojournalist

# Beautiful results in RHU summer contest

By Captain Catherine Cabot

Wing Commander Colonel Irvine and Wing Chief Warrant Officer Jardine have chosen the winners of the 2011 Residential Housing Unit (RHU) summer beautification contest, organized

by the community council.

In first place, and winning \$250, is 20 Lilac. The second place winner of \$150 is 24 Ivy, and 3 First Crescent was third, winning \$100. The winners can look forward to having their cash prize hand delivered to their door shortly.

The community council would like to thank all of those who participated in this year's contest. There were many beautiful landscaping projects to choose from, and we look forward to the support of 2012

Fitness an opportunity, 'passion' for Plante

By Sara Keddy, Managing editor

Eric Plante considers his job anything but. Physical fitness – personally and in support of others undertaking an active

lifestyle – "keeps me young. "I love it. It's play. I'm always in contact with people, and I like to deal with people.

Plante is a fitness instructor at 14 Wing Greenwood's Fitness & Sport Centre. He helps Canadian Forces personnel, their families and the community meet their own fitness goals, taking pride in making what is often a challenge a positive experience.

"Fitness doesn't come as easily to some people, and our main goal is to give everyone the right tools and guidance to make it easier.

"I take that negative attitude and turn it into a positive. We've seen a lot of success and satisfaction.'

He says he was always active as a kid, from cross country skiing to football to vollevball.

'I wasn't the most talented, but I always tried. I worked hard - and it was hard to lose, but I was never the type of guy who took it seriously. I got over it quickly.

Plante's dad was military, and he himself joined the army as a combat engineer as soon as he was old enough. He remembers seeing the fitness instructors at Valcartier, then a military job, and he knew that's what he really wanted to do. He ended up taking a tour in Germany in 1987, but resolved to try and switch trades. He finally took the course in 1991, ending up in Greenwood. He's a civilian employee now, as the trade closed in 1997 and others he was interested in – including search and rescue technician

Looking back at the role of fitness staff, Plante says Greenwood when he arrived used an old hangar, and made do with a small weight room, no cardio equipment and a "weird set-up.

"Fitness was not a priority then – it was just assumed forces' members were doing it," Plante says. Then, it was the military's sports programs that were dominant: intersection volleyball, broomball, ice hockey.... Plante himself was part of a national broomball championship team in Gagetown. In 2003, he undertook his first triathlon in Montreal: it was the year he turned 40, perhaps his "mid-life crisis.

"There is no age you can't do it, unless you've given yourself a specific time and put that pressure on yourself. I had a lot of fun."
While his more competitive opportunities

may be behind him, he is using his personal interests and on-the-job skills now to volunteer as an athletics trainer, wherever and whenever he can get himself on a list. He's attended a number of Canadian Forces' national championship tournaments, including swimming, men's and women's volleyball and triathlon.

"I take care of the athletes for those competitions, prep them with taping or massaging. If it's swimming, they'd lay right on the deck, and I'd give them a quick rub, jolt their muscles and get them going.

Plante says having a role in what top athletes are doing on the national stage is

"a passion.
"They've worked really hard to get there: the training, the personal time and sacrifice. These are super-motivated people.

"I just want to be there.



# Don't fence her in

# Wing athlete takes sport to world stage

By Sara Keddy, managing editor

Michelle Guertin does a lot of her training on her own: she doesn't want to take her sword to the gym.

The 14 Wing Greenwood lieutenant with Transportation & Electrical Mechanical Engineering represented the wing, and the Canadian Forces, in July at the 5th CISM Military World Games in Brazil with the national fencing team.

Now 23, she first picked up the sport during training at Royal Military College.

"When I started, I thought I was actually putting up fences!" she says, having never been exposed to fencing. She tried it out, beginning what's been a five-year training path to the world stage.

"I have always been an active person – ball, biathlon, volleyball, running - and I love to compete. Anything that tests my mind and body, I'm interested."

She tried hockey for the first time last winter, joining the 14 Wing women's team, but the bulk of her spare time goes into her fencing training.

"I train on my own, mostly, and email my coach" who, incidentally, founded a fencing club here in Greenwood 20 years ago when her husband was a navigator here. There is

for hands-on training and practice bouts when she can, and travels throughout the Maritimes independently to keep her competitive edge and a top-40 ranking. She travelled

to Venezuela in 2010 for a military team event and attended a training camp in Cuba in February, and was thrilled to make the national forces team for the Military World Games.

"Just getting out of Canada

was the challenge," Guertin says. "Once in Brazil – with more than half the 19 female competitors with international rankings – you just train and do the best you can. It was a great experience.'

Canada's fencing team made its debut at the Military World Games, and its coach said the team would come home with a medal: it did, one of just two Canadian military athletes

no fencing today, so Guertin heads to Halifax won. Guertin herself fenced five bouts in the pools, then lost to a Polish athlete in the second round of crossovers to finish 12<sup>th</sup> of 19: "Not bad at all – it was a big challenge.

She's now focused on the next Military

competition Michelle Guertin, a lieutenant with 14 Wing's Transportation & Electrical Mechanical Engineering unit, at the 2011 Military World Games in Brazil.

Image submitted

will be even stiffer as Asian and Pacific rim countries strong in the sport are expected to send a full slate of competitors. "It's our

World Games

in Korea, where

Olympics, our chance to compete at a

high level. I would love to go again.

She acknowledges the challenges she faces: fencing training and sharp competition close to home is hard to find, and she wants to devote time to building her military career.

I'm short, too, and that's not an advantage, but, no matter what you put in front of me, I'll try it.

"I've got heart."

# Lots on at the **Kingston** library

By Andrea Leeson, Kingston library manager

The Kingston library's Summer Reading Club is finished and was a huge success. Over 230 kids signed up, and well over 150 kids earned fast passes to Upper Clements Park.

Now is a good time to check your shelves at home and make sure you have returned all your library books before they get mixed up with your school books.

Popovers will start with Shelly September 12 at 10:30a.m. Popovers is a free story and craft time for preschool children. They must be accompanied by an adult.

We are hoping for continued seniors' computer lessons, but no starting date has been set at this present time. Check our website, www.valleylibrary.ca, for happenings at all our branches, or call 765-3631 to ask about any of our services.

# Youth Happenings

Recreation youth worker

Drop into the 14 Wing Community Centre today and get your September calendar so you don't miss out on any of our great programs and events. Wing Welcome is this week, with our main events happening Sept. 10, the skateboard and BMX competitions, Youth Idol and the Much Music video dance.

year's Terry Fox Run happening the following weekend, Sept. 18. Come support a great cause and legacy!

information on any programs or events, call Megan at 765-8165.

Here's what's happening this week.

Art program

Sept. 6, 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Bring your imagination to today's art program. Today we'll make some back to

school crafts. Pre-register for this program, please.

**Active Chicks** 

Sept. 7, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. nd legacy! Crafts & Cooking: girls,
If you would like more bring \$2 to create a cool craft and make a yummy treat. Please pre-register for this event.

Teen activity

Sept. 8, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Teens, get your bowling shoes on! We are going down to The Greenwood Bowling Centre to play "bingo 2011 Wing Welcome Sept. 10

Skateboard and BMX competitions - 11 a.m. to 3

Youth Idol - 3:30 p.m. to

Much Video dance - Preteen 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. \$4, teen 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. \$5

**Movie & Treat Night Sept. 17** 

**Pre-teen** - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Soul Surfer - a teenage surfer girl summons the courage to go back into the ocean after losing an arm in a shark attack.

**Teen** - 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. *Prom* - a group of teenagers get ready for their high school

Ice-cream sundaes:\$2/\$3 **Youth Centre Hours** 

	Pre-Teen (ages 9 – 12)	Teens (ages 13 - 18)	
Monday	4 pm to 6 pm	6 pm to 9 pm	
Tuesday	4 pm to 6 pm	6 pm to 9 pm	
Wednesday	4 pm to 6 pm	6 pm to 9 pm	
Thursday	4 pm to 6 pm	6 pm to 9 pm	
Friday	6 pm to 8 pm	4 pm to 6 pm 8 pm to 10 pm	
Saturday	2 pm to 4 pm 6 pm to 8 pm	4 pm to 6 pm 8 pm to 10 pm	
Sunday	2 pm to 5 pm	5 pm to 9 pm	

# **Blood donor clinic coming to 14 Wing**

**Community recreation** coordinator

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again time to roll up your sleeves and take the time to give blood. Canadian Blood Services will hold a two day donor clinic at the 14 Wing Greenwood Community Centre September 12 and 13. Donors may either give

time slot or the 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. slot. Please ensure you bring identification with your full name and signature or full name and photograph, and new donors are welcome.

Canadian Blood Services

units at 14 Wing each day; in order to reach that goal, 220 donors have to be seen.

DND was Canadian Blood Services first national Partner for Life, and 14 Wing has registered as a local Partner for Life and

has set a goal of 150 donors register for the program in 2011. All DND and defence team members are encouraged to sign up during the clinics.

Please note: if you get a flu shot, you must wait two days before donating blood.

This two-day clinic is made possible with the support of McDonald's and Tim Hortons. For information, call Eric MacKenzie, 765-1494 ext. 5337. Please call 1-888-236-6283 to book a clinic appointment.

### 14 Wing Greenwood Search & Rescue Spotters Volunteers List

413 Squadron CASARA office will be running a Military Spotters course next month. This will be to act as a vital part of 413 Squadron during actual searches as a spotter. You would be required to fly on the Hercules and Cormorant. You must be a CF member (Regular or Reserve "B" class). For more information or if interested, please call Sgt. Al Daigle at local 3113 and leave a message.

# Collecte de sang à la 14<sup>e</sup> Escadre

Par Eric MacKenzie, coordonateur des loisirs communautaires

Voici votre chance de sauver des vies! Le temps est venu encore une fois de se rouler les manches et de donner du sang. La Société canadienne du sang tiendra une collecte de deux jours au Centre communautaire de la 14<sup>e</sup> Escadre, les 12 et 13 septembre. Les donneurs

15 h ou de 17 h à 20 h. N'oubliez pas d'apporter une pièce d'identité affichant votre nom au complet et votre signature ou votre nom au complet et une photo. Les nouveaux donneurs sont les bienvenus.

La Société canadienne du sang espère recueillir 130 unités par jour à la 14e Escadre; pour que cet objectif puisse être atteint, 220 donneurs doivent se présenter.

Le MDN a été le premier Partenaire pour la vie de la Société canadienne du sang, et la 14º Escadre s'est inscrité en tant que Partenaire pour la vie local et s'est donné l'objectif d'avoir 150 donneurs inscrits

peuvent se présenter de 13 h à au programme en 2011. On encourage tous les membres du MDN et de l'Équipe de la Défense à s'inscrire durant les collectes

> Veuillez noter que si vous avez reçu un vaccin contre la grippe, vous devez attendre deux jours avant de pouvoir donner du sang.

Cette collecte de deux jours bénéficie de l'appui de McDonald's et Tim Hortons. Pour de plus amples renseignements, prière de communiquer avec Eric MacKenzie, 765-1494 poste 5337. Prière de composer le 1-888-236-6283 pour prendre un rendez-vous en vue de faire un don de sang à la collecte.

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## **Health Promotion Services (PSP)** Fall/Winter 2011 - 12 Program Schedule

Program	Date	Time	Location
Top Fuel for Top Performance	28 – 29 Sep 11 (2 day course) 23 Feb 12 (day 1) bi weekly 2 day course 07 Mar 12 (day 2)	0830 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Mental Fitness & Suicide Awareness Super Training	06 – 07 Oct 11 26 – 27 Jan 12	0800 – 1600 (day 1) 0800 – 1200 (day 2)	F&S Centre
Take a Stand Lose Grand	12 Oct 11 – 14 Dec 11 (every Wednesday)	1200 – 1400 hrs	F&S Centre
Nutrition & Active Living Seminar	13 Oct 11 19 Jan 12	0830 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Alcohol, other Drugs & Gambling Supervisor Trg	20 Oct 11 16 Feb 12	0800 – 1600 hrs	F&S Centre
Injury Prevention Briefing	03 Nov 11 08 Mar 12	1330 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Managing Angry Moments	08 Nov 11 – 06 Dec 11 07 Feb 12 – 06 Mar 12 (every Tuesday)	0830 – 1130 hrs	F&S Centre
Stress Take Charge!	16 – 17 Nov 11 08 – 09 Feb 12	0830 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Keeping your Parties Safe Seminar	24 Nov 11	1330 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Basic relationship Training	10 – 31 Jan 12 (every Tuesday )	0830 – 1130 hrs	F&S Centre
Butt Out –	Monday (by apt only)	1330 – 1530 hrs	F&S Centre
Self-Help Program	Friday (by apt only)	0930 – 1130 hrs	F&S Centre

For more information or to register, contact: Health Promotion Office (PŠP) F&S Centre (Gym)

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## Services de promotion de la santé Automne – Hiver 2011-12

Programme	Date	Heure	Local	
Bouffe-santé pour un rendement assuré	28 au 29 septembre 11 (deux jours) 23 février 12 (jour 1) sur deux semaines 07 mars 12 (jour 2)	0830 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Force mentale et sensibilisation au suicide – Formation du Superviseur	06 et 07 octobre 11 26 et 27 janvier 12	0800 – 1600 (jour 1) 0800 – 1200 (jour 2)	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
"Take a Stand Lose Grand"	12 octobre 11 au 14 decembre 11 (tous les mercredis)	1200 – 1400 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Séminaire sur la nutrition et la vie active	13 octobre 11 19 janvier 12	0830 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Formation de sensibilisation aux problèmes liés à l'alcool, aux autres drogues et au jeu excessif	20 octobre 11 16 février 12	0800 – 1600 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Séminaire de la Prévention des blessures	03 novembre 11 08 mars 12	1330 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Gérer les moments de colère	08 novembre 11 au 06 decembre 11 07 février 12 au 06 mars 12 (tous les mardis)	0830 – 1130 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Le stress, ça se combat	16 au 17 novembre 11 08 au 09 février 12	0830 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Séminaire Fêter en sécurité	24 novembre 11	1330 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Cours préparatoire sur les relations	10 – 31 janvier 12 (tous les mardis )	0830 – 1130 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
Écrase-la (S'aider soi-	Lundi (sur rendez-vous seulement)	1330 – 1530 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	
même)	Vendredi (sur rendez-vous seulement)	0930 – 1130 h	Salle de classe du Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports	

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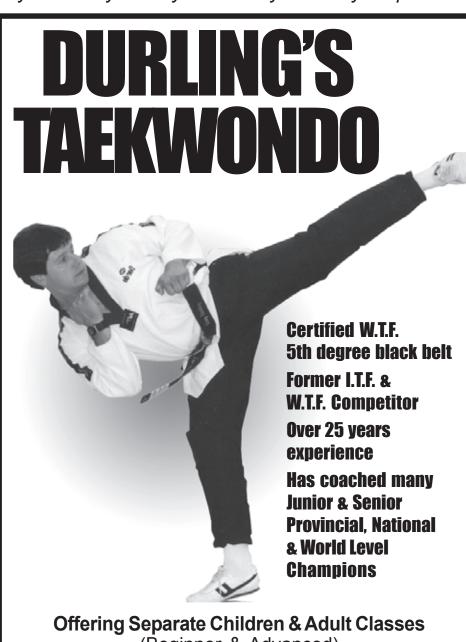
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#### Volunteers wanted

The Middleton Food Bank seeks volunteer(s) to pick up food from various suppliers and bring to the food bank, operating out of its location in Nictaux. Requirements: a pickup truck with no cap, physical strength and time flexibility to make pick-ups on short notice. Fuel costs reimbursed. For information, call 825-4330.

#### Meeting

September 6 is the general monthly meeting of the Kingston & District Health Auxiliary at the Kingston fire hall at 1 p.m. All are welcome to see the work we are doing to help our community.

#### Playgroup

September 7 is the first session of a parent-run playgroup for children to age five, Mon-

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

some of the bigger tasks that were

on your agenda, you can focus

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Scorpio, when the going gets

tough, you just have to get tougher.

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SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you're only fooling

yourself if you think you can keep

up with all the secrets and still

get others to trust you. Others

may be humouring you. It's time

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, just when it seems like

your luck won't change for the

best you have a stroke of good

fortune. The best part is the luck

Aquarius, when you are not able

to tackle a problem, it's alright to

call in a professional to help you

solve it. Not everyone is an expert

Pisces, there's no time like the

present to simply do something

nice for a friend or family member.

Go on and bring a smile to

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

will last for a while.

in every subject.

someone's face.

to confess.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

days, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; in the Morphee Annex (across from the MFRC), Greenwood. Nonstructured fun for children - and adult conversation. \$25 yearly membership (must have a rec card number). Check us out on Facebook – Greenwood, The Playhouse; or call Nicole,

#### Darts

September 7, there is a meeting of the Men's Valley Dart League at the Kingston Legion, 7:30 p.m., for interested teams and players. For info, contact Trevor Campbell, 847-9815. Seasonal walk

September 9, join Hike Nova Scotia and the Valley Trekkers Volkssport Club for a guided walk in Annapolis Royal at 6 p.m. Participants qualify to win trail prizes. Go to www. hikenovascotia.ca for details.

**Greenwood Robotic Club** Wanted: junior and senior high school students to join the new Greenwood Robotic Club. We will be at the Wing Welcome registration event September 10, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. We have two programs: F.I.R.S.T (For Inspiration In Science & Technology) Lego League for junior high school. Regional competitions are late this fall at NSCC and the provincials are at Acadia University in February. The second program is the High School Robotics Competition (HRC) for senior high school students. The HRC will compete in February 4 at Acadia University. Contact for the club is RayRousseau@

#### EastLink.ca or 844-2400. **Greenwood Skating Club**

September 10, registration for fall and winter programs offered by the Greenwood Skating Club will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gym at the 14 Wing Fitness Centre. Programs include learn-toskate (CanSkate), figure skating (StarSkate) and power skating

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West Kings High School is in the early stages of trying to start up a football program for the 2012 season. There is a lot of work to be done, and seeing how many potential players would be interested. There will be a table at 14 Wing's Wing Welcome in September along-side our local Minor Football team recruiting players. In the late fall, there will be flyers handed out at the school for any students who want information. A parent/ player meeting will follow. If you are interested in assisting, contact Mark Gordon at markgordon@eastlink.ca.

#### Yard sale

September 10, RCAFA #107 (Valley) Wing will hold a yard sale at 904 Central Avenue, Greenwood, rain or shine, 9 a.m. to 1p.m. Lots of goodies to be had. Proceeds help support Air Cadets.

#### Supper

September 10, RCAFA#107 (Valley) Wing hosts "40 Bites Around the World!" Bring a potluck dish for dinner at 6 p.m., stay for the dance at 8 p.m. There is an advance signup sheet in the wing.

#### Country Music Night

September 10, the Kingston Lions present a country musical night from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. at the Kingston Lions' hall. Entertainment features Bernie & Jackie, Harold Hunt and the Bauchmans. Come out and help us support our community. Admission is \$5. For info, please call 847-0525.

#### Dog walk

September 10 is the Companion Animal Protection Society of Annapolis County's annual Paws for Life dog walk at the Jubilee Park in Bridgetown, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. All leashed, friendly dogs are welcome. There will be great prizes, a chance to have your pet photographed by professional pet photographer Bridgit Havercroft, fun games, goodie bags for all, our famous chilli lunch and a chance for all to support the work of CAPS by filling your pledge sheet. Special award for the dog with the most pledges! Get your pledge sheets from all vet clinics in Annapolis County and at the Greenwood Animal Hospital, at Goshe Pet Care in Tupperville, at info@caps-annapolis.org or call 825 2277. For info: Anna Clark, CAPS chairwoman,

#### Hymn sing

September 11, there will be a hymn sing at the Wilmot Baptist Church Christian Fellowship Centre, corner of Hwy.1 and Dodge Road, 7:30 p.m. Special guest is David Graves. All welcome.

#### **Gospel concert**

September 11, there will be a gospel concert at the Inglisville Baptist Church, 7 p.m., featuring On Eagles Wings. Everyone welcome.

#### **Girl Guides registration**

September 13 is registration for Sparks, Brownies and Guides, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Kingston school. Our first night of Guides will be September 19, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Brownies start September 20, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Sparks start September 21, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. All groups meet at Kingston school. For information on Sparks, call Candace Timmins, 848-6030. For Brownies, contact Melissa Perry, 242-2144. For Guides,

contact Megan Todd, 765-0856. Luncheon

September 13, the Kingston Lions' monthly community luncheon will be held at the Kingston Lions' hall, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Menu: turkey dinner, strawberry shortcake. Cost \$8 per person and \$8.50 delivered. For delivery, call 765-2128. Proceeds for Lions' charitable work. Come out and help us support our community.

#### Ticket auction

September 15, the Nictaux Hospital Auxiliary will host a ticket auction at noon. Bake table, 50/50 draw. All at the Nictaux fire hall, Hwy. 10. Information: 825-6570.

#### Dart league

September 16 is the general meeting and registration for the RCL Branch 98 Friday mixed dart league. Registration starts at 7:30 p.m., and the meeting is at 8 p.m. Team draws will follow.

#### Coffee party

September 16, the Kingston & District Health Auxiliary will be having a coffee party at the Kingston fire hall, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Proceeds to Annapolis Valley Health.

#### Breakfast

September 17, come for breakfast at the Aylesford United Church, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Freewill offering. Sponsored by the Committee of Stewards. Supper

September 17, there is a turkey dinner and silent auction. 5 p.m., at the Kingston fire station. \$10/ person. For tickets, call 765-0009. All proceeds to the Arthritis Society of Nova Scotia.

#### Ceremony

September 18, RCAFA #107 Valley) Wing hosts a Battle of Britain parade and ceremony, 2 p.m., at the cenotaph. Spectators are invited to join as we honour those who fought and died during the 1940 battle. A social gathering will follow.

August 28 - September 03

#### ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, just when you think you've Libra, now that you've tackled had enough, the waters recede and the path is clear. All it takes is a little determination and a lot of patience to get there.

#### TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

There are no easy answers this week, Taurus. That is why you will just have to be diligent in your own quest to find the best solutions.

#### GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, a small disagreement at work eventually will lead to a bigger disaster than you had imagined. You may have to have another party intervene to work things out.

#### CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cut someone close to you a little slack, Cancer. This person has been extremely distracted and isn't able to devote all of his or her attention to the task at hand.

#### LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

No matter what you do, you can't seem to lose this week, Leo. Call it a lucky streak or the stars aligned in your favor. Whatever the case, let the good times roll. VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, when a family member comes to you for advice, snide remarks won't suffice. This person really needs assistance and trusts you to have an open mind on the situation.

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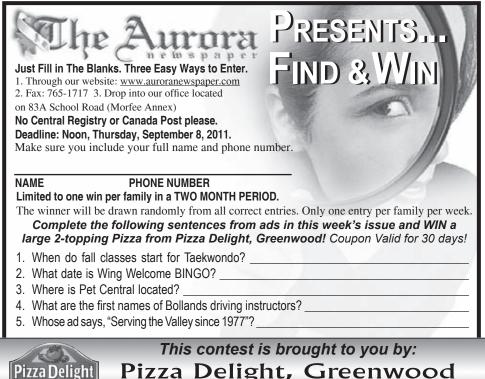
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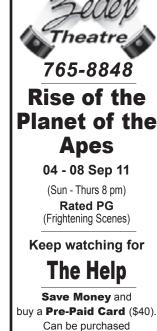
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# Surprise skate park improvements – and more!

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Scott Chisholm and Dan Muise visited the park to see what repairs are needed. Both Chisholm and Muise toured the entire park, with the help of Evan Banks, owner of Limitless Skate and Snow, and will be completing some repairs to the lips and rails of the

Before leaving, the men to the area of the park.

surprised skateboarders by lifting a brand new, two-foot ramp off the back of their truck. The park is heavily used, and the youth have already taken full advantage of the new addition to our

With the help of other recent Kings County community park development grants, the park will be able to complete an upgrade by early October. This includes adding an eight-foot by 50-foot surface

All of these decisions were made by the members of the Greenwood Skate Park Club, which is opened to anyone between the ages of 9-18. Anyone under 9 can join the club, provided a parent or guardian (18 or older) is present when they visit the skate park. This includes our BMX users and skateboard users. Our membership is only \$15 a year, \$12 for each additional child, and all of your registration dues go towards fundraising purposes to provide upgrades to the park. Membership forms are available at Limitless Skate and Snow, in the Greenwood Mall, and at the 14 Wing Community Centre. Please note that your completed form must be submitted

at the Community Centre

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where you will be given a receipt for your payment. If you are interested in joining the Club, please contact Eric MacKenzie at 765 – 1494 ext 5337

The 14 Wing Community Centre and local skaters encourage the community to attend the next skateboard and BMX competition, part of Wing Welcome, September 10, 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For information on this competition, for ages nine to 18, contact Megan LeMoine at 765-8165.

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Level: Beginner

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#### Vision Match

Match the statement with the school subject.

a. A noun is a person, 1. Geometry place or thing. b. Herbivores are animals 2. History that eat plants. c. Pi times radius squared 3. Language Arts equals the area of a circle. 4. Science d. In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue.

Answers: I. c 2. d 3. a 4. b

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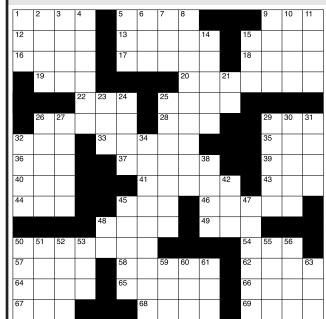
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# **Metro Crossword**

Spelling: US English

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#### **ACROSS**

1. Former Russian federation 5. Gomer \_\_\_, TV marine 9. America's favorite uncle

39. Subdivision of a play

43. Vietnam War offensive 44. "Hi-Ho Steverino"'s Louis 45. Soak flax

46. Nostrils

America's ravorite uncle
 Tv singing show
 Tv singing show
 Contest of speed
 Throw forcefully
 Plebe
 A Death in the Family"
 author

18. 'A Death in the Family' author

19. Batting statistic
20. 11th US state
22. Grand \_\_ vintage
25. The content of cognition
26. Boxes of wine bottles
28. Diego, Francisco,
Anselmo
29. An upper limb
32. Buldy

32. Buddy 33. Muddle with infatuation

35. Middle Will Illiadation 35. The cry made by sheep 36. Outward flow of the tide 37. Instances of selling

40. Point east of due north 41. Made full

48. Come to the surface 49. Dame (Br. title abbr.) 50. 2008 movie Millionaire

54. Pakistani rupee 57. Aboriginal Japanese 58. Shifted to change course

62. Paddles
64. Radioactivity units
65. Saudi citizens

66. Go down slowly 67. "Emily" actress Stark

4. Antiquities

38. Convey a message 42. A small amount 68. Dryer residue 45. Red wine region of No.

Exclamation: yuck!
 Pronounce indistinctly
 One of Serbian descent

Spain
47. Freedom from activity
48. Rural delivery
50. Cutty \_\_ (drink)
51. Chinese dynasty

24. Utilizes 25. Place in 26. Taxidriv 27. "Tiny Al

. Othizes
. Place in quarentine
. Taxidriver
. "Tiny Alice" author

Edward 29. Make less active

30. Plural of 15 across 31. Marshall Dillon 32. "Milk" actor Sean 34. Female store clerk

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52. Change by reversal
53. House mice genus
55. A sudden attack by a
small force
56. Gray sea eagle
59. Spoken in the Dali 4. Antiquities
5. Communist China
6. Affirmative shout
7. A boy or young man
8. Made textual corrections
9. Palm starch

region of Yunnan
60. Point north of due east
61. Winter time in most of
the US (abbr.)
63. Swedish krona (abbr.)

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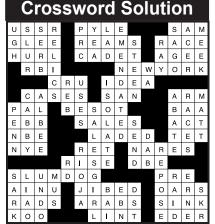
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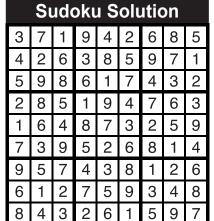
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Adam MacNeil, Lorne McMullen from Eden Golf Club, winners of the 2011 Greenwood Shoot-out Tournament, with organizers Doug Carpenter and Scott Cooper.

### 19<sup>th</sup> hole

By Wendy Richardson

#### Greenwood ladies win The Peg, Tidman Tray

This year Greenwood hosted The Peg tournament, the annual friendly challenge between the ladies from Paragon, Eden and Greenwood. Hurricane Irene threatened to delay it but, August 29, all the ladies showed up and we decided to ignore the wind and play: a great decision, because the "breeze" was warm and didn't cause us any trouble. We had a mixture of team members from the three clubs.

Thanks to the ladies who brought in muffins and sweet breads. Having a cup of coffee and a treat was a great way to start the day. Thanks also to Avery's Farm Market for donating the fresh fruit.

After golfing, we arrived back at the clubhouse to find the dining room had been set up with tablecloths, flowers, trays of veggies and dip - a

setting fit for queens. Great to the line prizes on #9 and 4th LN Joan Wheeler. job! Thanks to our little elves - Gail, Karen and Sherri - for doing this while the rest of us golfed. The meal was delicious and the carrot cake was yummy.

Thanks also to Bruce and the grounds crew, Rose in the kitchen, the pro shop staff and, of course, refreshment cart girl Jen. Great job, everyone. Wayne P.: thanks for taking the time to mark the lines on #9 and #17. Hope you are on the mend!

Gail Croucher chaired this event, and her special thanks are extended to the men who did the scoring:Frank, Vern, Dean and Randy. Also helping Gail were Sandra, Donna, Sheila, Betty S., Betty L., Sue B., Brenda and myself. A special thank you to all the ladies who were knitting all summer to make the head covers used as door prizes. Kathy & Co. and Hair Expressions generously donated prizes for the closest

The winner of this year's Tidman Tray is the Greenwood team of Sharyn Trimm, Betty Saltzman, Wanda Moyer and Marg Welin. Although the field low net winner was Barb Lycett (Eden) and the field low gross winner was Joanne Spicer (Paragon), Greenwood won the Tidman Tray! Since Paragon will host next year, its president, Gwen M., pointed out, as the host club won this year, Paragon plans to keep that trend going.

The rest of the winners were: A Division - 1st LG Karen Greenman, 1st LN Marg Tidman, 2nd LN Sandra Cathcart, 3rd LN Donna Hill and 4th LN Donna Leonard. B Division - 1st LG Connie Armstrong, 1st LN Bonnie Kierstead, 2nd LN Pat Stroud, 3rd LN Helen Marshall and 4th LN Kathy Daley. C Division -1st LG Audrey Costin, 2nd LN Louise Stewart, 2nd LN Sue Burke, 3rd LN Betty Lane and

#### McMullen/ MacNeil win shoot-out

The weekend of August 27, Greenwood hosted 70 teams at the Men's Shoot-out Golf Tournament. Hurricane Irene was scheduled to hit us some time August 28 but, after a few calls to the Met Section on base, we were told she had taken a course towards New Brunswick. There were a couple of downpours on the Sunday and it was muggy, but

play continued on time.

Doug and Scottie extend their appreciation to all those who helped with registration, scoring, marshalling, etc; Sandra, Wendy, Sandy, Donna, Sheila, Marcel, Doug McE, Ron K and the ladies in the kitchen, the pro shop, and the beverage cart staff. Thanks to Bruce and the maintenance crew for getting the course in great shape. Sherri and

Shawn Scotney ("Shawn's Sports Excellence") for sponsoring three of the four Par 3s. The ladies say thanks to all who supported the 50/ 50 hole. (#11). Money goes to beautification of the course.

The KPs for Saturday were #3 Wayne MacKenzie, #8 Paul Patterson, #11 Kevin Boudreau, #13 Kevin Boudreau and, Sunday, the KPs were #3 Bob Kanchuk, #8 Phillip Burgess, #11 Wayne Burns and #13 Dave Rose.

Field low gross winners were from the Eden Golf Club, Lorne McMullen and Adam MacNeil. They shot a two-day total of 128. Don't know if it was the young fellow carrying the "old" guy or not, but that is nice shooting.

The rest of the winners were: A Division - 1st LG Paul Arsenault/ Mark Swansburg (130, just two strokes off Karen: thanks so much for all your help and selling the Graves/ Mike Graves, 2nd

tickets. Special thanks to LG Scott Cooper/ Dave Ronaldson, 2nd LN Malcolm Hutt/ Greg Robley,3rd LG Nick Coates/ Bill Bolch and 3rd LN Jeff Woodworth/ Shawn Scotney. B Division - 1st LG Paul Patterson/ Robert Kanchuk, 1st LN Ian MacKenzie/ Weldon Rideout, 2nd LG Dave Horne/ Eric Efford, 2nd LN Perry McDow/ Joe Richard, 3rd LG Chuck Daborn/Larry Youden, 3rd LN Glen Jeffrey/ Mitch German. C Division -1st LG Denny Saulnier/ Andre Benoit, 1st LN Gerry Arnold/ Wayne Burns, 2nd LG Ken Hamilton/ Bob Malloy, 2nd LN Ron Wagg/Danny Creaser, 3rd LG Ken Killam/ Keith Snair, 3rd LN Bill Salterio/ Eric Calnen. D Division -1st LG Frank Shelley/ Mel Martin, 1st LN Roy Cleary/ Laurie Cleveland, 2nd LG Brad Fayant/ Al Doyle, 2nd LN Frank Croucher/ Vern Crossman, 3rd LG Danny Snow/ Shawn Poteri, 3rd LN Pete Foy/ Calvin MacDonald.

### Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre

# Second Language Training fall 2011

Dates: From Monday, September 19, 2011 to Friday, November 25, 2011

Registration deadline: Friday, September 9, 2011 at the GMFRC Front Desk

**Duration**: 10 weeks, for a total of 60 hours (three hours, twice a week)

Location: 14 Wing Birchall Centre, Language School

Cost: For spouses, Canadian Forces members and dependants over 14 years of age: \$50 refundable upon completion of 85 per cent of classes. All other participants: \$100.

Free childcare is offered to military families during GMFRC childcare hours; places are *limited.* preregistration is necessary.

Placement Test: Contact Danielle Brochu at 765-1494 local 5276

**Limit** of 10 students per class – register early to avoid disappointment.

**For information**: GMFRC reception, 765-5611

Schedule: Subject to change depending on Birchall Centre Second Language Classrooms, teacher, and students availability. Let us know your availability; we will do our best to accommodate you.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.			French Module 3		French Module 3
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.		English Module 5		English Module 5	

*English module 1*: Schedule to be determined based upon needs. Let us know what time (day or evening) you prefer. \*\**French Module 1*: Delayed to January 2012

### Centre de ressources pour les familles militaires de Greenwood

# Cours de langue seconde -Session automne 2011

Dates: Du lundi 19 septembre au vendredi 25 novembre 2011

Date limite d'inscription : vendredi 9 septembre 2011 à la réception du CRFMG

Durée des cours: 10 semaines, pour un total de 60 heures (trois heures deux fois par semaine).

Lieu : Centre Birchall de la 14e Escadre, École des langues

Coût: membres des Forces canadiennes, conjoints et personnes à charge de plus de 14 ans -50\$ remboursables à condition que le participant ait assisté à 85 per cent des cours. Autres participants-100\$. Service de garde gratuit offert aux familles de militaires pendant les heures d'ouverture de la garderie du CRFMG, les places sont limitées, réservation obligatoire.

**Test de classement**: Contacter Danielle Brochu au 765-1494 poste 5276 **Limite** de 10 étudiants par classe – inscrivez-vous tôt pour éviter toute mauvaise surprise!

Pour informations: Téléphonez à la réception du CRFMG au 765-5611.

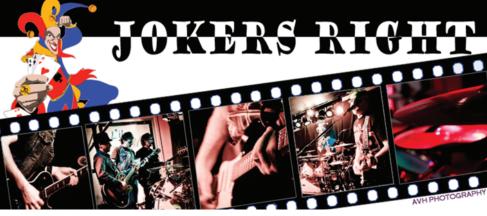
Horaire : Sujet aux changements en raison de la disponibilité des salles de classe de l'École des langues du Centre Birchall, aux enseignants de cours et afin de répondre aux demandes des étudiants. Donc, laissez-nous savoir vos préférences et nous ferons de notre mieux pour vous accommoder.

	Lundi	Mardi	Mercredi	Jeudi	Vendredi
9 h – 12 h			Français module 3		Français module 3
18 h – 21 h		Anglais module 5		Anglais module 5	

*Anglais module 1* : horaire à déterminer selon la demande. Laissez-nous savoir la période que vous préférez (jour ou soirée). \*\**Français module 1* : reporté en janvier 2012









### Wing Welcome 2011 contacts

For information on any of the following events, or to register, contact the following:

Bingo - Capt Mario Andre, 765-1494 ext 5327

Golf tournament – Maj Tom Gorman, 765-1494 ext 3606

Fitness & Sports activities & Iron Kids Triathlon – Fred Williams, 765-1494 ext 5498

To book a club display table – Jill Jackson, 765-1494 ext 5331

Recreation Activities – Jill Jackson, 765-1494 ext 5331 or Eric MacKenzie, 765-1494 ext 5337 Skate Park Competition, Youth Idol, Pre-teen Dance – Eric MacKenzie, 765-1494 ext 5337 Sponsorship & Advertising – Anne Kempton, 765-1494 ext 5833

### Wednesday September 7

1900-2200 hrs Wing Welcome Bingo

### **Thursday September 8**

0800-1430 hrs Wing Welcome Golf

### Friday September 9

0745-1830 hrs

1645-1700 hrs Figure Skating Demo Greenwood Gardens 1700-1800 hrs **Family Skate Greenwood Gardens** 1730-1930 hrs **Pig Roast** Annapolis Mess 2030-0100 hrs **Wing Welcome Dance Annapolis Mess** 

**Boomer's Legacy** 

#### Saturday September 10

0830 hrs **Town Crier Welcome Annapolis Mess** 0830-1000 hrs Pancake Breakfast Annapolis Mess 0900-1100 hrs **Iron Kids Triathlon** F & S Centre 0900-1230 hrs **Child Care/Novelty Games** F & S Centre **Temporary Tattooing** 0900-1300 hrs **Display Booths/Demos** F & S Centre 0900-1300 hrs **Exit Bouncer Extravaganza** F & S Centre 1130-1530 hrs **Skateboard Competition Community Centre** 1300-1500 hrs **Family Glow Bowling Bowling Centre** 1300-1500 hrs **Zedex Family Movie Zedex Theatre** 1300-1500 hrs **Family Swim** F & S Centre 1530-1800 hrs Youth Idol **Zedex Theatre** 1800-2000 hrs **Pre-teen Video Dance Community Centre** 2030-2330 hrs **Teen Video Dance Community Centre** 

#### Sunday September 11

1030 hrs **Chapel Services** 1100 hrs **Chapel Services** 1300-1500 hrs **Zedex Family Movie** 

St. Mark's Protestant Chapel Queen of Heaven RC Chapel

**Zedex Theatre** 

**Annapolis Mess** 

**Golf Course** 

F & S Centre