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Corporal Michael Pittman, from 14 Wing's 413 Squadron, executing a squat during competition. Pittman won heavyweight gold medal in the bench press, and put in the event's top overall bench.

Leading Seaman A. Bouchard, 14 Wing Imaging

Atlantic lifters power up

Captain Mathieu Kuhn

Tens of thousands of pounds were lifted at 14 Wing Greenwood's Fitness & Sports Centre November 20 and 21.

Acting 14 Wing Greenwood commander Lieutenant-Col-

onel Scott Latter and Wing Chief Warrant Officer Pierrot Jetté welcomed athletes from Gagetown, Goose Bay, Halifax and Greenwood for the 4th Canadian Armed Forces Atlantic powerlifting competition.

Athletes were divided into

four categories: women, lightweight (180 pounds and under), middleweight (181 to 220 pounds) and heavyweight (over 220 pounds). Lifters tested their strength in the squat, bench press and deadlift in three attempts, with the

best of each lift contributing to the overall score. The Wilks formula was used, a coefficient that takes into account bodyweight when calculating an individual's score within each category.

The day could not have gone

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Aurora at 22-plus Op Impact sorties

Operation Impact work continues over Iraq, as Canadian Armed Forces act with the international coalition against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

November 20, Captain (Navy) Paul Forget, Canadian Joint Operations Command, detailed to-date mission work in a briefing from Ottawa.

ISIL has not made any significant territorial gains and the Iraqi security forces are increasingly successful. In Baiji, ISIL has been almost entirely repelled from an oil refinery and nearby city.

Through the efforts of 600-plus Canadian deployed personnel, including 80 from 14 Wing Greenwood, work and sleeping quarters have been built in Kuwait. Air movements personnel have delivered over 1.2 million pounds of equipment and ammunition.

As of November 23, Air Task Force-Iraq has conducted 109 sorties. Canadian CF188 fighter aircraft have conducted 68 sorties to strike ISIL targets and gather information. The aerial refueller CC150 Polaris has conducted 19 sorties, delivering approximately 857,000 pounds of fuel. The reconnaissance CP140 Aurora

aircraft, based out of 14 Wing, have conducted 22 sorties to develop a picture of the operating environment and provide battle damage assessments.

November 19, coalition missions were conducted to the northwest of Kirkuk. Two Canadian CF188 Hornet jets conducted pre-planned strikes against ISIL fighting positions. November 17, four CF188 fighter jets, as part of a larger coalition operation, conducted airstrikes against ISIL positions near Mosul. The target was an ISIL improvised explosive device factory. There were approximately 55 IED attacks across Iraq in September and 77 in October. ISIL uses IEDs to channel Iraqi security forces into specific areas, block access routes, attack the walls of outposts with vehicle- and person-borne IEDs, target humanitarian aid workers and create chaos and instil fear within the population in public spaces.

Coalition operations are part of efforts to degrade ISIL, countering their immediate threat in the region; and to support Iraqi security forces' initiatives and the freedom of movement of those forces and civilians.



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Master Corporal Pamela Evans, 14 Wing Greenwood, in one of three squat attempts.

Leading Seaman A. Bouchard, 14 Wing Imaging

Atlantic lifters...

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any better. The refereeing by Lucas Hardie, Josh Leddicote and Billy Cromwell was top quality, what you would expect to see at a national, federation-sanctioned event. Alex Hughes, Kyle Bell and Chris Hann did an exceptional job spotting and found the perfect balance between letting lifters struggle to make their lift and stepping in when they knew it wasn't going to happen. Last but not least, Lauren Walton and Edith Tremblay kept the event moving smoothly as MC and scorekeeper, respectively.

Greenwood walked away as team champions, putting in the highest scores from top-five lifters - 379.38168 total points - from each team. The 12 Wing Shearwater team score was

372.23982 for the runner-up position.

Women

Squat: gold - Erica Humble, silver - Tahitia Alegre

Bench: gold - Tahitia Alegre, silver - Stacey Cusan

Deadlift: gold - Erica Humble, silver - Tahitia Alegre
Top overall female - Erica Humble 284.7631

Lightweights

Squat: gold - James Ekins, silver - Nathan Justice

Bench: gold - Nathan Justice, silver - James Ekins

Deadlift: gold - James Ekins, silver - Nathan Justice
Top overall lightweight - James Ekins 374.2717

Middleweights

Squat: gold - Devin Shillington,

silver - Zach Verdun

Bench: gold - Devin Shillington, silver - Kevin Coakley

Deadlift: gold - Devin Shillington, silver - Geoff St Germain

Top overall middleweight - Devin Shillington 410.2269

Heavyweights

Squat: gold - Pete Vickery, silver - Mike Martin

Bench: gold - Mike Pittman, silver - Mike Martin

Deadlift: gold - Mike Martin, silver - Joseph Zinati

Top overall heavyweight - Mike Martin 416.4145

Top overall squat - Pete Vickery 148.6360

Top overall bench - Mike Pittman 105.2542

Top overall deadlift - Devin Shillington 172.7271

Recognizing, maximizing abilities builds stronger team

Lieutenant-Colonel
Brian Richardson,
14 Wing champion for
persons with disabilities

In 1992, the United Nations (UN) proclaimed December 3 as the International Day for Persons with Disabilities (IDPWD). The UN encourages governmental, non-governmental and private-sector organizations to mark the occasion by organizing activities that focus on understanding disability issues, the rights of people with disabilities and the gains to be derived from the integration of people with disabilities in every aspect of the political, social, economic and cultural life of their communities.

National Defence will commemorate IDPWD 2014 under the theme, "Towards an Enabled Future." With the promise of technology and its astonishing advancements, we now have the power to promote and truly enable inclusion and accessibility in such a way all members of our communities can fully participate in society and realize their full potential.

Events will be held throughout the Canadian Armed Forces in early December to create awareness of disability issues and their solutions, and to recognize the achievements and the valuable contributions made by members of the defence



team who have a disability. All civilian employees and military members are highly encouraged to participate.

Here at 14 Wing Greenwood, I, as the wing champion for persons with disabilities, will host an awareness session in the Birchall Theatre, beginning at 1:30 p.m. December 3. This session will include a video from People First Nova Scotia, highlighting the efforts of intellectually disabled Nova Scotians endeavouring to move away from institutional care toward

community living. A second video will feature a member of 14 Wing's own defence team who has embraced physical fitness as a way to overcome his own challenges. The awareness session is expected to conclude by 3 p.m.

By accepting that diverse abilities add value to the defence team and facilitating the full participation of all our team players, we open doors to new ways of thinking and maximize organizational effectiveness - building Strength through Diversity.



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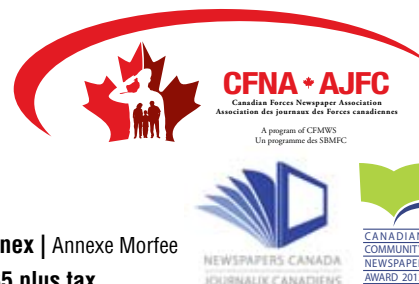
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Horse, rec club sold

Funds flow into enhanced recreational spaces, programs

Sara Keddy,
Managing editor

14 Wing Greenwood no longer owns the land once home to the Greenwood Horse and Recreation Club.

The multi-acre property on Ward Road sold October 31 for \$425,000. Community users who continued to access the property's trails since the facility closed in 2011 should be aware it is now privately-owned.

The Personnel Support Program formerly managed the facility on behalf of 14 Wing personnel and community users. PSP manager Mike Taylor says finalizing the sale opens new recreational opportunities for military personnel, their

families and the wider community.

"The money from the sale is now available for the wing commander and his advisors to use to enhance existing recreational spaces and infrastructure here in Greenwood – and even create some new ones long on the 'wish list,'" Taylor says. "We're excited to be able to move on some of these improvements."

In fact, outdoor improvements at the Greenwood Golf Club wrapped up just before the course closed for the season in November, including a new stone patio and wide access steps from the clubhouse's main verandah. The Greenwood Bowling Centre is on the list to see its lanes



A lower stone patio and BBQ area was added off the main verandah of the Greenwood Golf Club, left, as the season closed in October and, earlier this fall, improvements at the 14 Wing Greenwood-owned Lake Pleasant Campground in Springfield included an extensive list of minor and major upgrades. The projects are being funded from the proceeds of the sale of the former Greenwood Horse and Recreation Club grounds.

S.Keddy

resurfaced this month. And, work is underway to convert the under-used Ivy Street ball field into a new soccer field, hoped to be ready for play by mid-summer 2015. A major set of improvements was undertaken at the Lake Pleasant Campground earlier in the season, including roofing, decking and skirting of rental cabins, landscaping and development of a long-term improvement plan.

Still under consideration, with funding and work partnerships to be determined between partners, are improvements at the Apple

Bowl soccer field, including a possible walking track and outdoor fitness circuit. The community centre has identified improvements, including new basketball nets, storage and flooring; and fencing the skateboard park. There is also the possibility of a dog park and community garden initiative.

"Recreational spaces, programs and great facilities are one of 14 Wing Greenwood's biggest assets," Taylor says. "We know our military members and their families have high expectations, and we know, with some of these proj-

ects, we'll be able to continue in some spaces unique to our to meet them – and even add community."

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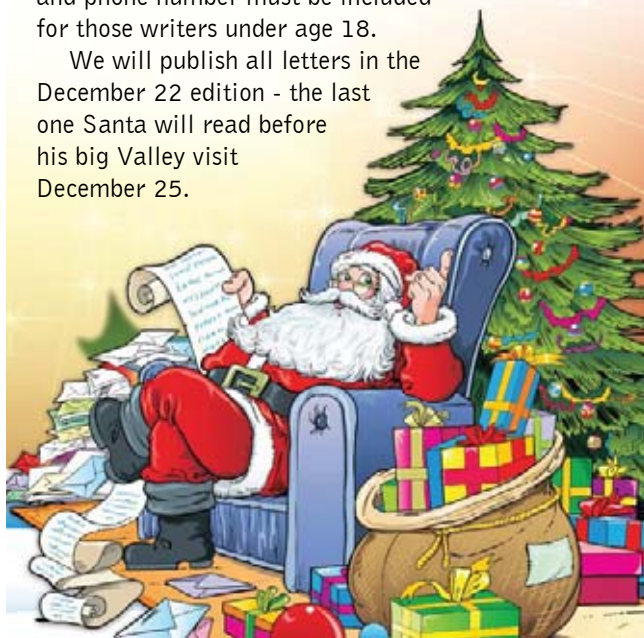
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Writers should hand deliver their 50-word maximum length letter to our front desk, including their full name, age and home community; along with a photo of themselves if they like. A parent's name and phone number must be included for those writers under age 18.

We will publish all letters in the December 22 edition - the last one Santa will read before his big Valley visit December 25.



December 6 chance to reflect, act on abuse, violence

December 6 is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women in Canada. Established in 1991 by the Parliament of Canada, this day marks the anniversary of the murders in 1989 of 14 young women at l'École Polytechnique de Montréal. They died because they were women. As well as commemorating the 14 young women whose lives ended in an act of gender-based violence that shocked the nation, December 6 represents an opportunity

for Canadians to reflect on the phenomenon of violence against women in our society. A service to mark the day will be held in Queen of Heaven Chapel Saturday, December 6 at 11 a.m.

Help is available at 14 Wing Greenwood. In addition to assistance from the Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre (902-765-5611), if you think you have been abused:

- Call a friend or family member you trust. Be sure it is someone who understands violence

is never okay or justifiable, you are not to blame for abusive behaviour and our safety and your children's safety must be the top priority.

- Call a shelter or crisis line.
- Family Info Line (24/7) 1-800-866-4546
- Employee Assistance Program and Member Assistance Program (Public Service employee, military member and their immediate families) 1-800-268-7708
- Employee Assistance Pro-

gram (NPF employees and their immediate family) 1-800-387-4765

- Chrysalis House (women's shelter – 24/7) 1-800-264-8682
- Victory over Violence emergency teen shelter 902-678-2323
- Sexual Assault Crisis Line 902-421-1188
- Call the police at 911. Remember, violence is a crime. It is against the law to physically or sexually assault someone.

- Join a support group. You are not alone. Self-help groups, where individuals experiencing abuse meet, are extremely useful in helping individuals find ways to protect themselves and deal with the emotional, physical and financial changes in their lives. Check with the Family Info Line (1-800-866-4546) to find out about support groups in your community.
- See a counsellor. Find a counsellor who values your right to

freedom from abuse and will work with you, believe you and support your choices and decisions.

The 14 Wing Employment Equity and Diversity Council, who champions Women, Visible Minorities, First Nations persons and Persons with Disabilities, welcomes those members of the DND/ CAF community who would like to help promote issues or volunteer their time. The council meets quarterly, but is active throughout the year.

Le 6 décembre est l'occasion de réfléchir, d'agir au sujet des abus, de la violence

Le 6 décembre est la Journée nationale de commémoration et d'action contre la violence faite aux femmes. Instituée en 1991 par le Parlement du Canada, cette journée souligne l'anniversaire du meurtre de 14 jeunes femmes en 1989 à l'École polytechnique de Montréal. Elles sont mortes parce qu'elles étaient des femmes. En plus de commémorer les 14 jeunes femmes qui ont perdu la vie à la suite à un acte de violence basée sur leur genre qui a marqué la nation, le 6 décembre

offre l'occasion aux Canadiennes et aux Canadiens de réfléchir au phénomène de la violence à l'égard des femmes dans notre société. Une cérémonie pour commémorer cette occasion aura lieu dans la chapelle de Saint-Marc, le samedi 6 décembre à 11 heures.

Si vous pensez avoir été victime de violence il y a de l'aide disponible au Centre Resource de la Famille des Militaires de Greenwood (902-765-5611), vous pouvez aussi :

- Contactez un(e) ami(e) ou

un membre de votre famille à qui vous faites confiance. Assurez-vous que cette personne comprend que la violence n'est jamais acceptable ni justifiable, que vous n'êtes pas responsable du comportement violent de votre partenaire et que votre sécurité et celle de vos enfants doit être une priorité.

- Contactez une maison d'hébergement ou un service d'écoute téléphonique.
- ligne d'information pour les familles (24/7) 1-800-866-4546

- Programme d'aide aux membres (pour les fonctionnaires, militaires et leurs familles immédiates) 1-800-268-7708
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- Sexual Assault Crisis Line 902-421-1188
- Appelez le service de police

(911). N'oubliez pas que tout acte de violence physique ou sexuelle est illégal.

- Joignez-vous à un groupe de soutien. Vous n'êtes pas seul. Les groupes d'entraide, où les victimes de violence se rencontrent, sont extrêmement utiles pour aider à trouver des moyens de se protéger et d'affronter les bouleversements émotionnels, physiques et financiers. Adressez-vous à la maison d'hébergement la plus près de chez vous ou à un service d'écoute téléphonique

ou communiquez avec la ligne d'information pour les familles (1-800-866-4546) pour vous renseigner sur les groupes de soutien dans votre communauté.

- Rencontrez un conseiller. Trouvez un conseiller qui valorise votre droit de vous libérer d'une relation de violence, qui travaillera avec vous, qui vous croira et qui appuiera vos choix et vos décisions.

La Conseil d'équité d'emploi et de diversité de la 14e Escadre est responsable d'amener de l'avant des discussions aux sujets des femmes, minorités visibles, personnes des Premières nations et des personnes handicapées. Le conseil accueille les membres de la communauté militaire et civile de la 14e Ere qui souhaitent contribuer à la promotion des questions ou donnent de leur temps. Le Conseil se réunit chaque trimestre, mais est actif toute l'année.

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Corporal Robert LeBlanc,
Community relations representative,
31 Military Police Flight

The holiday season is fast approaching and, with this, comes long-awaited reunions with friends and family. This is a time for peace and good will, not family tragedies. Unfortunately, tragedies occur at any time or place and, often, when least expected.

One of the most common tragedies during the festive season is motor vehicle accidents caused by impaired drivers. During this period, often severe road conditions, combined with the irresponsible impaired driver, increase the potential for tragedies.

Military Police, along with other law enforcement agencies across Nova Scotia, ask you take extra care and control

- not only during the holiday season, but throughout the entire winter season. Adjust your speed to the conditions of the road and ensure your vehicle is properly prepared for winter driving. Most importantly, we ask you do not drink and drive; instead, ensure you have alternate travel arrangements: a designated driver, taxi or have someone who has not consumed alcohol pick you up.

There was a significant increase in charges throughout Nova Scotia this past year related to distracted driving and drivers impaired by alcohol or drugs. This potentially fatal driving behaviour is an unfortunate act people continue to engage in.

31 Military Police Flight members would like to extend very best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season.

Caporal Robert LeBlanc,
Représentant aux relations communautaires,
31e Escadrille de la police militaire

La saison des fêtes approche à grands pas, de même que les réunions longuement attendues avec les amis et la famille. C'est le temps de l'année où règnent la paix et la bonne volonté, qui ne devraient pas être ternies par des tragédies familiales. Malheureusement, les tragédies peuvent se produire n'importe quand et n'importe où, et souvent lorsqu'on s'y attend le moins.

Les accidents automobiles causés par des conducteurs en état d'ébriété comptent parmi les tragédies les plus fréquentes durant le temps des fêtes. Durant cette période, les conditions routières souvent difficiles et les conducteurs irresponsables en état d'ébriété augmentent le potentiel de l'occurrence d'une tragédie.

La police militaire et tous les autres organismes de mise en application de la loi en Nouvelle-Écosse vous demandent de faire encore plus attention et de

faire preuve d'encore plus de maîtrise, non seulement durant le temps des fêtes, mais pendant tout l'hiver. Adaptez votre vitesse aux conditions de la route, et veillez à ce que votre véhicule soit bien prêt pour la conduite hivernale. Et par-dessus tout, nous vous demandons de ne pas conduire avec les facultés affaiblies; prenez plutôt d'autres mesures pour assurer vos déplacements : un conducteur désigné, un taxi ou une personne qui n'a pas consommé d'alcool pour venir vous chercher.

Le nombre d'infractions pour des infractions telles que la conduite distraite ou la conduite avec des facultés affaiblies par l'alcool ou la drogue a augmenté de façon considérable dans toute la Nouvelle-Écosse. Ce comportement au volant potentiellement fatal est une façon d'agir que les gens ne réussissent malheureusement pas à abandonner.

Les membres de la 31e Escadrille de la police militaire vous souhaitent de passer un joyeux temps des fêtes en toute sécurité.

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10 tips for a ‘winter-ready’ home

(NC) The Old Farmer’s Almanac predicts another fierce winter in many regions of the country but, this year, let’s be more prepared. Here are steps you can take to make sure your home is more comfortable, more responsible and, with energy costs as they are much more affordable in the face of harsh Canadian weather:

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2. Fill propane tanks now and take advantage of fixed price deals ahead of the high demand winter season.

3. Arrange for automatic propane refills to avoid ever running empty.

4. Set a programmable thermostat. By resetting it when you are away you could save up to 10 per cent on your fuel bills per year.

5. Water heating adds up to 14 to 18 per cent of most utility bills,

so reduce yours by setting your water heater to no higher than 49 degrees Celsius.


6. Make sure your attic is well insulated to avoid heat loss.

7. Seal cracks and holes in outside walls and foundations.

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(NC) – For many of us, giving to our favourite charities is an important part of how we celebrate at this time of year. But, don't forget -- it's important to donate wisely. Follow these tips and be a wise donor:

- Only give to registered

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- Learn about how to give wisely. The CRA has produced a number of helpful videos about donating to charities, which you can view on the CRA's YouTube channel, CanRevAgency, or on the CRA's website at cra.gc.ca/videogallery.
- Take action. Never write cheques to individuals, only

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How to make the holidays truly magical for kids

(NC) We've all felt the pressure to attend every holiday movie, try every sweet goodie, and pile up all of our presents under the tree. Yet many parents find that it's not the gifts their kids remember. Children most enjoy the traditions, the time spent together and the moments of connection with family, friends, and even complete strangers.

"My kids can't recall what was under the tree two years ago," says Debbie Wolfe a mom in Toronto. "But they often talk about our annual trip to see the decorated shop windows downtown, or the refugee family we invited for Christmas dinner that year."

Here are five other ideas for memorable, magical holidays:

1. Start a holiday tradition: Try sledding on Christmas



- Eve, making the cookies your grandmother made, or watching a holiday classic every weekend in December.
2. Open your heart: Invite a less fortunate family for a meal, or get your kids to send a gift to a family in a developing country. This can be done at World Vision Gifts.
3. Take in music: Whether it's free holiday music at your city hall, or Christmas carols at a nearby church, the sounds of the season have a wonderful way of lifting spirits.
4. Set up mailboxes: Tape large envelopes to bedroom doors and drop in notes of fun and encouragement. Invite kids to cookie baking in the kitchen that afternoon, or count down the days until Christmas.
5. Let the lights shine: Brighten those dark December nights with candles at dinner time. Or let them sleep by the Christmas tree one night, with the lights twinkling.



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From chore to cheer

(NC) There are few holiday traditions as time honoured as wrapping and preparing gifts for loved ones. More and more creative do-it-yourselfers are taking this special tradition a step further by adding a personalized touch to their gifts with handmade wrappings and cards. In fact, creative types are even organizing “wrapping parties” to take advantage of this special time to connect with friends and family.

“When people get together to be creative, wonderful things happen,” says Shelli Gardner, cofounder of Stampin’ Up!, a crafting and décor company. “And it’s not just because they are stamping. Although our products definitely make creativity easy and fun, the stamps, ink, paper, and accessories are only the vehicle for the real magic that happens - the connecting. Whether we’re getting together to make cards, create decorations, or have a wrapping party, reaching out to others is what makes the great memories.”

To help create these memories, Gardner adds there are some beautiful new and exciting materials to help create personalized cards, décor, and packaging to make the holidays merry and bright. Here are a few of this season’s popular trends:

Tasteful treats

Offering homemade festive cookies and treats is a great way to show someone you care, but they become even more heartfelt when packaged in handmade gift wrapping and boxes.

Personalized DIY greeting cards

According to Gardner, options also abound for those looking to put a personal touch on their holiday cheer with handmade greeting

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How to give top tech gifts on a tight budget

(NC) Technology tops many wish lists at this time of year, but finding affordable tech gifts can be difficult, particularly with multiple people on your list. This is changing.

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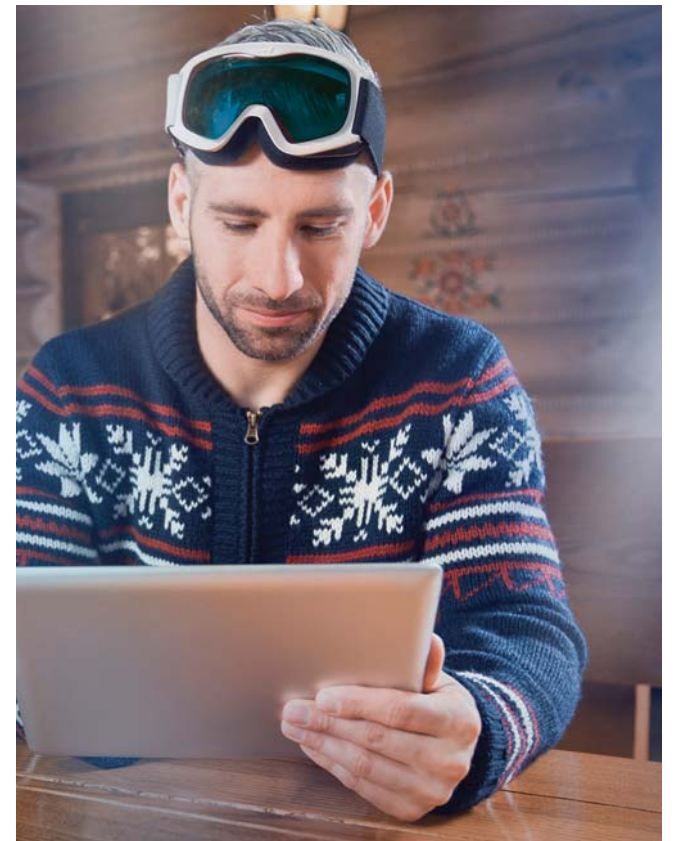
- The casual gamer: Fast is fun, so make sure you find a tablet that is quick and responsive. Gamers come in all shapes and sizes, so you

can let everyone on your list pick-up and play in their spare time wherever they go.

- The movie lover: A tablet is the perfect gift for someone who is passionate about the latest movies and TV shows. Give them an amazing on-the-go media experience that they can take in a backpack or purse. At

home, they can watch their movie on the big screen by connecting to their TV with a wireless adapter.

- The social butterfly: Social networking is an immersive experience and being able to switch quickly and seamlessly between your favourite platforms is crucial. A tablet's larger screen



and faster processor makes quick work of running multiple social apps and browsing the web.

- The worker bee: Look for a high performing tablet. With a powerful processor and extended battery life, the worker bee can keep up with the demands of a busy day, including multi-tasking, scheduling meetings and running multiple programs.

- The grandparents: Grand-

parents want to Skype with their grandkids, see the latest family photos and maybe play a little Sudoku. With a light design and large screen, a tablet combines accessibility with utility.

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- Nettoyez vos outils : le fluide déposé par du gazon coupé

est très corrosif; il est donc très important de nettoyer ses outils de jardinage et sa tondeuse, particulièrement avant de les entreposer. Recherchez des tondeuses avec un raccord pour tuyau d'arrosage, ce qui vous permet de nettoyer facilement le plateau de coupe.

- Videz le réservoir à essence : de l'essence restant dans un réservoir pendant tout l'hiver se décomposera, laissant ainsi des dépôts et des particules qui obstrueront le système d'alimentation. Avant d'entreposer votre équipement électrique, assurez-vous de vider tous les réservoirs d'essence.

- Faites une mise au point : pour obtenir la meilleure

performance qui soit et prolonger la durée de vie de vos outils, donnez-leur un traitement de luxe en les apportant chez un concessionnaire qualifié pour qu'il procède à une mise au point annuelle.

- Huilez vos outils : utilisez un linge huilé pour essuyer les zones métallisées et ajouter quelques gouttes d'huile aux parties mobiles.
- Gardez votre équipement protégé : entreposez votre équipement de tonte de gazon à l'intérieur, si possible.

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Great tasting guacamole

(NC) Holiday entertaining is all about the appetizers, and some of the most delicious recipes are often the most simple. Celebrity chef Lynn Crawford shares her secret recipe for guacamole:

Spicy Guacamole Dip

- Makes: 2 cups
Prep Time: 10 Minutes
Ingredients
- 2 ripe avocados
 - 2 tbsp lime, juiced
 - ½ red onion, finely chopped
 - 1 garlic clove, minced
 - 1 bunch cilantro, finely chopped (remove stems)
 - 4 tbsp Hellmann's Real Mayonnaise
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 - ½ tsp ground black pepper

Directions

Halve and pit the avocados. Scoop out the flesh of the avocados into a bowl and gently mash with a fork, leaving them somewhat chunky. Add the remaining ingredients, and fold everything together to gently mix.

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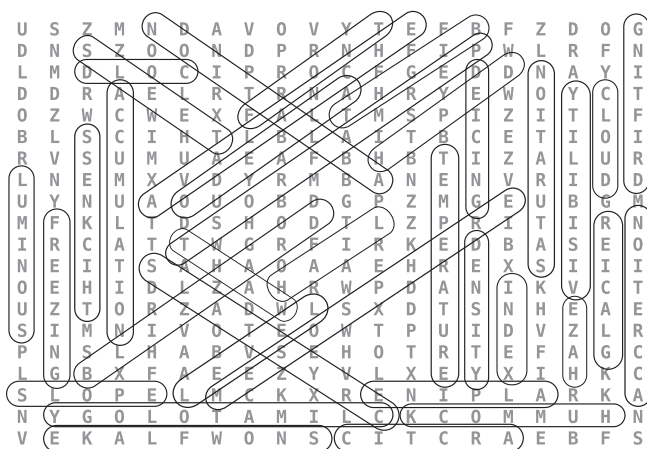
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Greenwood skater heading to nationals

Kingston native, Alex Robert, 14, qualified November 8 as the Pre-Novice Men's Champion and is heading to Montreal December 2 for the National Championships at the Skate Canada Challenge Event. The competition will take place December 3 and 4.

Robert is also on the core team of figure skaters training for the Canada Winter Games in Prince George, BC later this winter. He began skating in the Greenwood club at age eight, and has developed into a strong and much-admired skater on the provincial scene. This will be his first trip to nationals and he is hoping for a good performance.

"I just want to go out there and entertain people," he says. "When I'm skating and I look up and see faces smiling back



at me, I know I lit up their day - even just a bit, and that truly is the best part of my sport."

Coaches Ann Young and Cheryle Gaston see great things in this young man, as he has a lot of potential. They look forward to seeing him further develop his skills on the ice.

Send well-wishes to Robert on the Greenwood Skating Club's Facebook page.

Firefighters' food drive coming your way!

14 Wing Greenwood's Fire and Emergency Services firefighters are in the middle of their 18th annual food drive, all in support of the Upper Room Food Bank in Kingston.

For the past 17 years, FES has acted as the conduit for 14 Wing's support of the Kingston food bank. This year's December effort is just in time for the Christmas season. The local food bank regularly sup-

ports up to 150 families in the immediate area. Firefighters remind wing personnel and the community, with the number of members of the defence team, if everyone donated even one pound (e.g. can of tomatoes) of food, it would add up to over 2,400 pounds - enough to run the food bank for 45 days! Collection boxes are already placed in buildings around the wing where folks

may drop off non-perishable items.

Saturday, December 6, starting at 10 a.m., meet wing firefighters at your door with items or leave the donations in a bag on your front step. Fire trucks and personnel will be canvassing the Residential Housing Units neighbourhood, and residents are encouraged to donate, or leave a bag on their doorstep

for firefighters if they plan to be away.

Collection boxes will be picked up December 8, with all items delivered to the food bank by noon.

Wing Fire and Emergency Services appreciates the donations made every year by personnel and their families. Please remember to participate, and our thanks in advance.

All-stars face off in Kingston

It's hockey night in Kingston December 11, as some well-known players take to the ice - on both teams.

The puck drops at 7 p.m. for a match-up between Glenn Anderson's NHL All-Stars and the Kingston Aces local all-stars. The Anderson collective includes NHL greats from the Legends All-Stars Hockey organization and guest country singer Aaron Pritchett, while the

home team includes local hockey alumni, VIPs, military members and others. West Nova MP Greg Kerr is the honorary home team coach. This is the first match-up of its kind at the Credit Union Centre, the 2014 Hockeyville East Coast finalist arena.

The local hockey Timbits will open the evening with a mini-game, the arena's canteen is open and there will be a 50/ 50 draw for Big Broth-

ers/ Big Sisters. A draw will also be made of tickets sold to give 10 people a chance to shoot on the net between the second and third periods for \$5,000.

One thousand game tickets will be sold, from \$20. Guests have the opportunity to upgrade tickets to include dressing room access (\$40) and a meet and greet/ reception (\$50, ages 19 and up), which also includes a

performance by Pritchett. Tickets are available at the Village of Kingston office and the Halifax Forum box office.

"We're a community rink, all about community support," Wayne Fowler says, president of the Valley Credit Union Centre. "People were really behind us with the Hockeyville bid last winter, and this is a fun way to thank them - and keep the momentum going for our rink."

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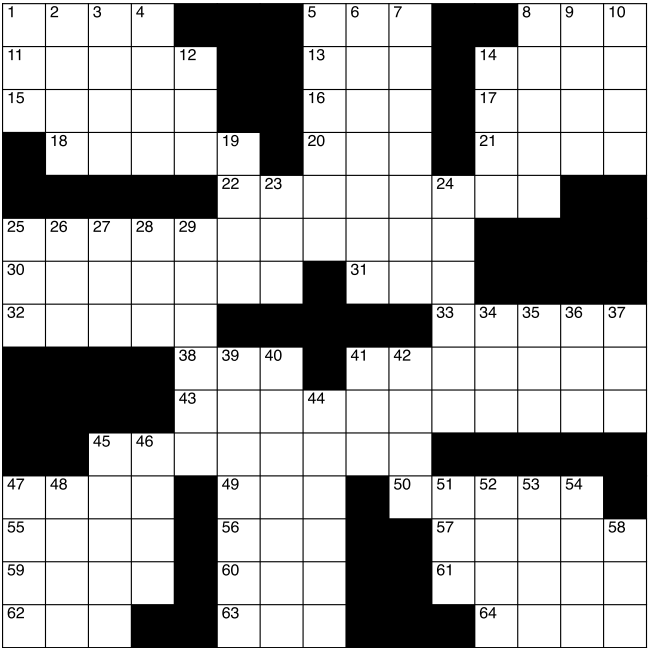


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metro crossword

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1. Breezed through

5. What part of (abbr.)

11. Reciprocal of a sine

15. Moves suddenly

18. Household god (Roman)

21. Picasso mistress Dora

25. Old Italian monetary units

29. Brew

33. Especially capable

37. Coffeehouses

41. Not

45. Holly genus

49. Work done after 40 hrs

53. Immunization

57. More aseptic

61. The brain and spinal cord (abbr.)

65. Cambodian monetary units

69. Toward the stern

73. Wrath

77. Nicaraguan capital

81. Artefact recycling center

85. Injure severely

89. A steep rugged rock or cliff

49. Nothing

50. Bangladesh capital

55. Ground up corn

56. Measure of disc storage density

57. Smart ____: irritating (Roman)

59. Persian dialect spoken in Afghanistan

60. Former CIA

61. Spanish auxiliary verb

62. ____ Titanic

63. Teensy

64. Banana genus

DOWN

1. Deaf signing

2. Fashionable

3. Girl's name meaning 'snow' in Welsh

4. Unhearing

5. Heavenly body

6. About heat energy

7. New Jersey capital

8. Steel rope

9. Selling

10. Eurasian land rail genus

12. Point midway between S and SE

14. Disfigure

19. Sound unit

23. Volt-ampere

24. Mentally deranged

25. TV taping device

26. 4th Caliph of Islam

27. Musician ____ Lo Green

28. Golden state (abbr.)

29. Importune

34. A recess in a wall

35. Honourable title (Turkish)

36. Hairy coat of a mammal

37. Small amount

39. Arc of spectral colors

40. Oval

41. Gym floor padding

42. Used of tobacco

44. Overnight case

45. Volcanic craters

46. Tangerine grapefruit hybrid

47. Military leader (abbr.)

48. Enlarge a hole

51. Express pleasure

52. Bivalve mollusk

53. Philippine Island, city and harbour

54. Unreturnable serves

58. Malaysian Isthmus

Adult skating
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to noon, adult skating will be available at the Kingston Credit Union Centre. Cost \$4/person.

Hospital campaign
Through December 5: Middleton Soldiers' Memorial Health Auxiliary will be selling Christmas lights in memory or honour of loved ones at the Middleton Home Hardware Store every Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. These lights and names will adorn a Christmas tree in the lobby of Soldiers' Memorial Hospital during December. All proceeds go to Soldiers' Memorial Health Auxiliary.

Dessert tea & ticket auction
December 1, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Waterville & District Fire Hall, County Home Road, Waterville, Kings County; 1st Berwick Pathfinders and Rangers (Girl Guides of Canada) will host a dessert tea and ticket auction. Admission \$5 (coffee/ tea/ punch, homemade dessert selection). Tickets draws start at 8 p.m. For info: Sara Keddy, 902-538-9191.

Bridge party
December 1, 1 p.m., Funds for Fuel bridge party at the Macdonald Museum, 21 School Street, Middleton. Cost \$4 per person, light lunch served. All welcome. Phone 902-825-6116 for information.

Ticket auction
December 4, St. Monica's Catholic Women's League hosts its annual ticket auction at 37 Connaught Avenue, Middleton. Doors open at 2 p.m., draws begin at 7 p.m. All new prizes, home-baking, fudge, preserves, canteen.

Supper
December 5, Branch 98, Royal Canadian Legion, Kingston; hosts a TGIF scallop and chips supper, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost: eat in \$7, take out \$7.50.

Concert
December 5, 8 p.m., the Middleton Choral Society, directed by Maureen MacLean and accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood, presents its Christmas concert at the Kingston United Church. Freewill offering admission.

Christmas hamper applications
December 5 is the deadline for applications for Friendly Neighbours' Christmas hampers. Applications are available at Foodland, Coldbrook; Save Easy and Foodland, Berwick; Sobey's, Greenwood; Needs, Aylesford; Pharmasave, Kingston; Bert's, Auburn. All applications must be completed and returned to the store where picked up, and will not be accepted after December 5.

Festival du livre
Toute la communauté francophone de la Vallée est à nouveau invitée à venir visiter le Festival du Livre Scholastic à la bibliothèque de l'école Rose-des-Vents. Ce Festival vous offre plus d'une centaine de titres en français qui sauront plaire à vos enfants. Venez les visiter au Festival du Livre et déposer votre coupon de participation pour le tirage de livres d'une valeur de 25\$. Mercredi le 3 décembre de 10h à 15h, jeudi le 4 décembre de 10h à 15h et 17h30 à 20h30 et vendredi le 5 décembre de 12h30 à 15h00.

Breakfast
December 6, 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., enjoy breakfast at the Middleton Curling Club, 6 King Street. A community favourite – freewill offering.

Yuletide tea
December 6, 2 p.m. to 3:30, enjoy the Kings Historical Society's Yuletide tea at the Kings County Museum, 37 Cornwallis Street, Kentville. Bake and gift tables, and visit the Victorian parlour



Bingo results
Shown is Albert Johnson, TV bingo co-chairman of the Kinsmen Club of Mid-Annapolis Valley, presenting Geraldine Howie with \$8210, along with a cheque for \$100. Howie won the Kinsmen TV Bingo cookie jar on the third game playing Kinsmen TV Bingo, which can be played each Wednesday at 6 p.m. on EastLink Television Channel 13. Bingo booklets are available from several businesses in the viewing area, from Waterville to Bridgetown. Profits go to the Kinsmen Service Account, which supports a wide variety of community needs and charitable, non-profit organizations such as Multiple Sclerosis and Cystic Fibrosis.

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Legion event
December 6, Branch 98, Royal Canadian Legion, Kingston; hosts a Hootenany, 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. No cover charge. Meat draw starts at 3 p.m.

Breakfast
December 6, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Precision Dance members will host a fundraising pancake breakfast at the Melvern Square Community Centre. Adults \$6, children five and under \$3. All welcome.

Tea and sale
December 6, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., the annual Christmas tea and sale will be held at the Kingston United Church, 733 Main Street. There will be a delightful selection of sandwiches and festive sweets, bake table, jams, jellies, pickles crafts etc. Open to all.

Déjeuner de Noël
Vous êtes invités au déjeuner de Noël du comité de parents le samedi 6 décembre de 8h30 à 11h00 à la cafétéria de l'école Rose-des-Vents. Le coût pour ce délicieux repas est de 5.00\$ par personne ou 20.00\$ par famille (famille immédiate seulement, parents et enfants). Jeux géants offerts par ÉcolesPlus de 9h à 12h. Photos avec le père Noël (un don de minimum 5\$ est demandé pour le prêt d'équipements du MDN). Pour obtenir plus d'informations, communiquez avec Marie-Ève Durand du comité de parents: m-edurand@hotmail.com.

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Lunch and sale
December 6, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., annual quiche and salad luncheon and Christmas bake sale at Emmanuel Church, 37 Gates Avenue, Middleton. Shopping is free and the lunch is \$6 per person. Once again, Miracles Christian Store will be setting up a display of gift ideas. Special Christmas baking and lovely gift baskets at varying prices. For more info: Sally, 902-825-3087.

Christmas fundraiser
December 7, noon to 8 p.m.: the 45th Annapolis County Christmas Daddies Appeal airs from the Royal Canadian Legion, Digby. Help volunteers meet the needs of Annapolis County children

this holiday season. Talent applicants are now being accepted at j.titusmith@eastlink.ca. Phone in pledges to the AVR broadcast or make donations directly at any branch of the Royal Bank (specifying it is for the Annapolis Digby Christmas Daddies Fund).

H.A.R.T. fundraiser
December 7, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., H.A.R.T. hosts a Christmas ticket auction, crafts, lunch, raffles at the Berwick fire hall. Free admittance. Turkey soup \$5. All proceeds go to our vet bill at the Port Royal Animal Hospital. For information, visit www.valleyhart.com or call H.A.R.T. at 341-HART.

Pancake breakfast
December 7, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Cambridge & District Elementary School (Hwy 1, next to Central Kings) hosts its annual community pancake breakfast. Homemade pancakes and sausage, coffee/ tea – freewill offering. Visits with Santa and Crystal the Elf, family photos with Trina, balloons and jokes

with Sundae the Clown, holiday light exchange (bring two old sets of incandescent and trade for one new LED set). Free flu shots with pharmacist Robyn Keddy. All school family and community friends welcome.

House tour
December 7, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., four homes, a barn and the Kingston United Church will feature on a Christmas season house tour. Tickets \$10 each at the Kingston Pharmasave, Middleton Pharmasave, Aylesford PharmaChoice and Joann Corey, 902-765-0105. Everyone welcome at the church, 733 Main Street, for refreshments and fellowship during the tour. All proceeds to the Kingston United Church.

Luncheon
December 9, between noon and 1 p.m., enjoy a community luncheon at the Kingston Lions' hall. Ham dinner with all the fixings, coffee, tea and dessert. Cost is \$9 at the door or \$9.50 delivered (Kingston/ Greenwood area only,

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Hockey game
December 11, 7 p.m., the Kingston Valley Credit Union Centre hosts Glenn Anderson's NHL All-Stars versus the Kingston Aces Local All-Star. Tickets (from \$20) on sale at the Kingston village office and the Halifax Forum box office. Meet & greet reception tickets also include a performance by Aaron Pritchett.



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November 30 - December 6

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, expect to be called into action several times this week. You may prefer to avoid the spotlight, but that won't be the case this week. Make the most of this opportunity.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, all of a sudden you are so busy it can be difficult to find a few moments to rest. Thankfully, you are able to keep up with all of the activity.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, seek advice from a trusted confidante as you contemplate a major lifestyle change. This person will provide valuable insight as you look to make the best decision possible.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, going solo on a project may not seem like the ideal situation. But you don't want to be distracted this week, so going it alone is the best way to tackle the tasks at hand.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, following your gut may not always work out, but this week everything works out for the best. Curb impulsiveness as much as you can, though.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, although you might be dreaming of a lavish vacation and an escape from the daily grind, it's just not possible at this time. Start saving for this dream excursion.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, although it's noble to offer assistance to everyone you meet, you may be struggling to take care of yourself in the process. You must put your needs first.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
A desire to detach from others and be entirely self-sufficient can have some challenges, Scorpio. You don't need to give up independence to have the support of others.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, your energy levels are high and there is nothing you can't accomplish this week. Avoid extra caffeine because you're already buzzing.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Find a balance between caution and carelessness, Capricorn. You cannot control every situation, and this week you may have something unexpected come your way.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, if you're on the lookout for new work opportunities, look no further than your own supervisor for guidance. He or she may be your biggest ally.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
You have boundless creativity, Pisces, and this week you get to channel it into a special project. Don't overextend yourself until everything gets done.

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What better way to invite the community to the annual Kingston Christmas rink party than have a parade down Main Street, leading directly to the rink?

"This is a community-driven first," says village recreation coordinator Glen Abriel. "We were approached, and a few business owners in the village would like to

lead this. – we'll start off this year just small – short and sweet! – and we'll see what it looks like and grow it for next year."

Apple Blossom Festival Princess Kingston Amy Spurrell will be on hand, and the Kingston Volunteer Fire Department will provide transportation for the village's big guest, Santa

himself. Anyone interested in joining the parade is requested to contact Abriel, 902-765-2800, for route details and registration information.

The parade leaves Sparky Street at 5:30 p.m. December 5, and heads down Main Street to Westwood Avenue, and the Valley Credit Union Centre.

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Santa Comes TO KINGSTON



Rink party, holiday fun in Kingston

Celebrate Christmas with family, friends and the Village of Kingston this Friday, December 5.

The village is ready to host its annual evening of family fun at the Valley Credit Union Centre, with a Main Street parade at 5:30 p.m. leading directly to the rink events, which take place between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

"People do look forward to this every year," says village recreation coordinator Glen Abriel. "It's a party at the rink!"

Guests and activities include Timbeannie the Clown with balloon animal tricks, cookie decorating, face painting, wagon rides, free skating, an LED holiday light exchange, BBQ Jimmie dogs, chilli and popcorn.

"It's all free," Abriel says. "It's all just a way for the village to show its appreciation to ratepayers. All we ask is guests coming bring a donation for the food bank. We've had great support, and people have been very generous in the past."

The village commission members, staff and volunteers – including Pine Ridge's

Grade 8 leaders – are ready to greet community members and run the activities.

Abriel reminds everyone the December 5 Christmas party is a great way to warm up for the holiday season ahead, and the December 31 New Year's Eve community event, also based out of the rink, is a fun way to wrap up a special time of year.



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