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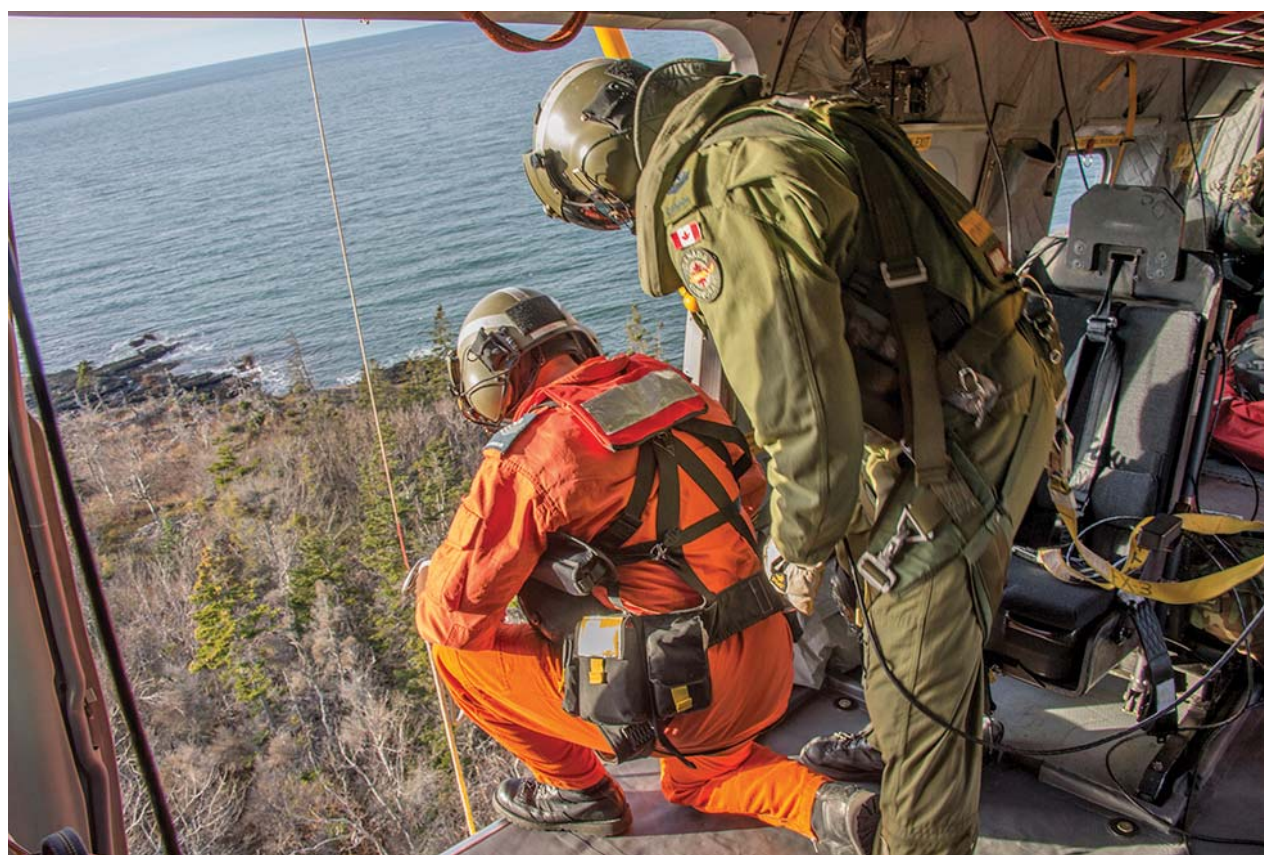
SAR crews 'watch the waves' over start of lobster season

November 26, 14 Wing Greenwood's 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Rescue 344 launched just after 4 p.m., in response to a call from the Halifax Joint Rescue Coordination Centre. The Hercules was tasked to provide top cover southwest of Newfoundland for a 400-foot vessel struggling in five-metre waves with no engine power and in danger of running aground. Eleven individuals were on board. A 9 Wing Gander Cormorant helicopter was the primary responder, with the JRCC also tasking a nearby tug, the Beverley M, to assist as it could. The Hercules was released

from the scene, returning to 14 Wing just before 2 a.m. November 27.

November 27, just after 2 a.m., JRCC tasked a 14 Wing Cormorant, Rescue 909, to conduct a medivac of a 65-year-old man from Hopedale, Newfoundland and Labrador. The aircraft stopped en route for refueling in Gaspé, where it was stood down.

The November 27 opening of the Western Nova Scotia lobster fishery in LFA33-34 was delayed due to poor weather and conditions. The season got underway November 28, with search and rescue aircraft from 14 Wing Greenwood's 413



413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron search and rescue crews took the opportunity during the opening day of lobster season November 28, referred to as "dumping day," to conduct training aboard a CH149 Cormorant, over the Yarmouth area shoreline.
Corporal B. White-Finkle, 14 Wing Imaging

Squadron and 8 Wing Trenton's 424 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron tasked to patrol as 1,500 fishing boats made their way to set traps from Halifax west around Yarmouth to Digby.

November 29, a Green-

wood Cormorant launched around 6 a.m. in response to a call from the "Savanah-Jax," a vessel 40 nautical miles southwest of Yarmouth taking on water. Five individuals were reported on board. Coast Guard and oth-

er vessels in the area were also responding. Within a few minutes, the Cormorant was stood down; JRCC asked the crew to remain in the Yarmouth area as a number of other situations were developing. One

included a medivac by the Cormorant of a 25-year-old man experiencing seizures and periodic loss of consciousness aboard the fishing vessel "Princess Paisley," eight nautical miles from Cape Sable Island.

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Master Corporal
Pamela Evans

Developing interoperability and relations between the armed forces of Poland, Ukraine, Lithuania and Canada; the first Exercise Maple Arch was held in 1999. Marking the 18th year of the exercise, taking place in Nowa Deba, Poland, November 5 to November 16 this year, the relationship continued, with Canadian Armed Forces' personnel attending in an enhanced mentorship role.

Maple Arch is a computer-assisted exercise (CAX), considerably different from other exercises. A CAX allows for increased complexity of operations, often difficult to replicate without great expense during field training. The CAX methodology allows for multiple cycles of operational planning while, at the same time, challenging the unit headquarters' operations centre to track and control ongoing operations. In addition, sub-unit commanders may hone skills in mission preparation, without being challenged with the day-to-day management of deployed personnel and equipment maintenance routinely seen on field training exercises.

This year's exercise had a

combined total of approximately 460 military members, which included 14 Wing Greenwood imagery technician Leading Seaman Louis-Philippe Dube, the official photographer of the exercise and assistance for Public Affairs Officer Major Lena Angell in training the LUTHPOLUK Brigade battalion commanders on how to properly respond to media and provide them some experience in front of a camera.

While on exercise, Dubé produced multiple images and video products that included interviews of all commanders. Additionally, in an act of remembrance, Dubé shot a photo displaying military members from all four nations, standing shoulder-to-shoulder holding a poppy, which was then shown on the Canadian Army Facebook page as its "Photo of the Week."

"I worked with the Canadian and the Ukrainian public affairs officers," said Dubé. "It was a good opportunity to learn the different mentalities, standards and goals when producing photos and videos for different nations."

"And I enjoyed meeting new people, learning about different cultures, experiencing Polish food and trying to achieve a goal together."



Participants from Canada, Poland, Ukraine and Lithuania worked on public affairs skills – including some on-camera practice interviews, coordinated by Canadian public affairs members.



Soldiers from the Polish 5th Podhale Riflemen Battalion analyze the battleground November 6, part of the computer-assisted international Exercise Maple Arch in Poland.



Soldiers from Lithuania, Ukraine, Poland and Canada stand shoulder-to-shoulder November 10.



Colonel Zenon Brzuszek, Commander Lithuania-Poland-Ukraine (LITPOLUKR) Brigade, observes a Ukrainian officer as he maneuvers his soldiers using computer simulation during Exercise Maple Arch November 14.

All images Leading Seaman LP Dubé, 14 Wing Imaging

Marine markers should be handled by explosives experts

Sara White,
Managing editor

Call the experts.

If you spot a military-issue marker on your regular beach walk, leave it alone, flag it and call your local police service. The markers' chemical residues and potential trace explosives should be professionally handled.

That's Corporal Todd McAvoy's job. He's a member of 14 Wing Greenwood's Explosives Disposal Flight, trained to deal with everything from training flares and marine markers to conventional military munitions as a Canadian Armed Forces' air weapons technician.

From its home base in Greenwood, the EDF team is responsible for any military ordinance found throughout Western Nova Scotia. The rest of the province, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick are covered by Halifax's Fleet Diving Unit Atlantic. McAvoy says the Greenwood flight could have 40 calls a year; so far in 2017, they've been called out 27 times.

Typically, someone finds a grey, steel, Thermos-type canister along a salt water shoreline. These are generally the remains of marine markers used by military

aircraft during training: they drop out of the plane or helicopter, hit the water and emit up to 20 minutes' worth of smoke.

"If aircrews want to track something, they drop a marker in that spot and they're able to follow the water currents and waves. They could drop seven or eight and follow them if they're looking for something on a search and rescue exercise or call."

The used canisters drift along and often wash ashore – the same as marine rope, broken lobster traps, buckets, driftwood and seaweed. While they're likely well-worn, they should be treated with care by those who find them.

McAvoy says the canister's smoke comes from red phosphorus inside, reacting with oxygen once the canister is armed and released from an aircraft to make the white smoke. That chemical shouldn't be touched. When the EDF team brings used markers back to 14 Wing, they're destroyed in a controlled explosion, taking care of the last of the phosphorus.

But McAvoy also cautions about the canister's activation equipment: when aircrew arm the markers, a small explosive works its way through the device

to open air channels and activate the phosphorus inside. If that explosive isn't all expired, the marker could be dangerous.

"Don't touch the marker. Don't move it to the top of the tide line. Don't put it in your trunk and bring it home. My advice is, get your GPS coordinates if you can – everyone has a phone, or flag it with something uncommon on a beach – not driftwood or rope. Call the police."

Once local police get the call, they know to contact the EDF team.

"We'll look for it. Generally, we'll bring it back to Greenwood; very few times, we'll blow it up on the spot."

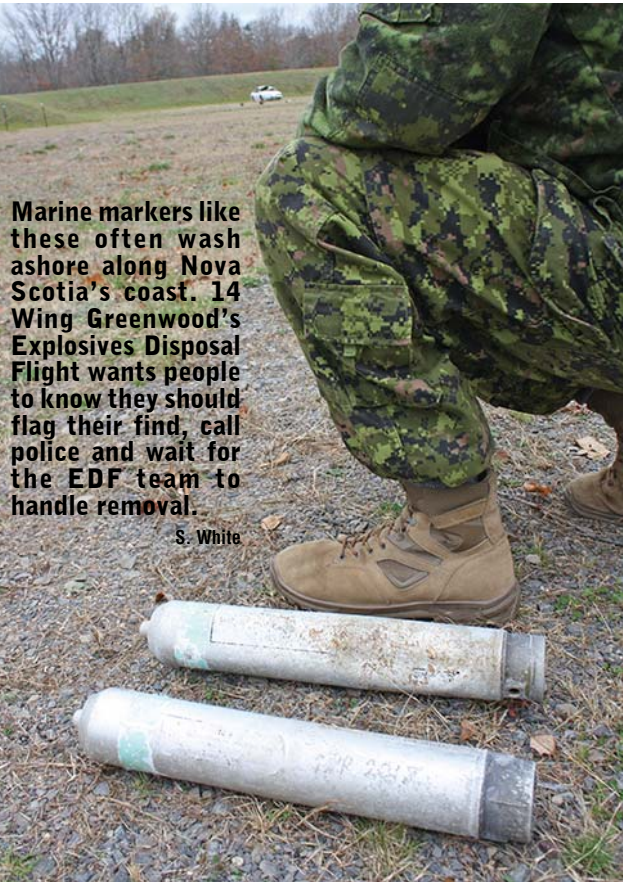
Over the years, the region's tides seem to leave these marine markers in

familiar spots. The EDF team has made frequent calls to the same spots over the years; there aren't too many dirt lanes to isolated beaches and coves the team hasn't been down by now.

Of course, the EDF team also handles other military munitions, for 14 Wing Greenwood and, also, whatever else may turn up in the community. McAvoy says it's not uncommon for someone cleaning out a garage or attic to find something grandpa brought home from war service: grenades, old artillery or ammunition. Anything like this of concern to finders should be called in to police.

McAvoy says no one will ever get in trouble.

"We just want people to be safe, and let us handle it."



S. White

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New tool to assist in transition from military to civilian life

Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) members preparing to transition to civilian life, as well as veterans, have a new tool to help them in finding meaningful employment in the private sector.

MNET, short for Military Occupational Structure ID (MOSID) to National Occupational Classification (NOC) Equivalency Tool, officially launched October 16. The free to use, online career transition tool matches military occupations with civilian occupations and job openings.

MNET is easy to navigate. CAF members and veterans simply need to enter information about their military career and a matching civilian occupation with job description, as well as a link to relevant civilian employment opportunities on Job Bank is produced. Employers can also

post forecasted job openings specifically for veterans.

“It is exciting to see the implementation of this great initiative well ahead of schedule. It would not have been possible without the commitment to interdepartmental cooperation demonstrated throughout this process,” said Brigadier-General Mark Misener, leading the creation of the Canadian Armed Forces Transition Group. “CAF members often think little of the training and experiences that they have amassed during their careers and the weight it can carry over into the competitive labour market. MNET illustrates how valuable their experience can be.”

MNET is the result of the combined efforts of the CAF's Directorate of Casualty Support Management, the Military Personnel Generation Learn-

ing Support Centre, Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), and Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC). In one of many examples of this interdepartmental cooperation, ESDC provided access to their catalogue of more than 30,000 occupational titles in order to allow military occupations to be matched to their closest civilian equivalents. As MNET was created in large part using current resources from the various departments involved, and based on an existing United States Department of Labour application, the online tool was able to be produced at the low cost of \$18,000.

In addition to MNET, veterans also have access to VAC's newly introduced Veterans in the Public Service Unit, formed to help veterans navigate the federal public service

hiring process. The unit assists veterans by providing them with potential public service job opportunities that match their skills and education. The unit also works with managers from across the public service to raise awareness regarding the training, experience and skills that Canadian veterans have to offer.

The coming months will see additional features added to MNET to enhance member's at all levels in leveraging their military talents towards a second, as the Canadian Armed Forces and its partners continue to seek new and innovative ways to make transition easier and ensure the best possible care and support to both currently serving members and veterans.

Access to MNET is now available at cafaced-rfacace.forces.gc.ca/mnet-oescl/.

'All about the information' Financial literacy focus of SISIP's 'Start Fresh' campaign

Sara White,
Managing editor

Money may make the world go 'round, but it's also the source of many challenges.

14 Wing Greenwood's SISIP Financial Services branch highlighted November as National Financial Literacy Month, including a presentation by national vice-president Pierre Goulet at two town halls hosted by Wing Commander Colonel Mike Adamson and an open house at its CANEX Mall office.

Adamson attended the open house, making sure to emphasize the importance of Canadian Armed Forces' members taking care of their individual and family finances.

"I want to make sure our people here at 14 Wing are aware of the programs that are available to them, and any



14 Wing's SISIP Financial team hosted a cake and coffee social November 22 to mark National Financial Literacy Month. From left are Wing Chief Warrant Officer Luc Emond, Melinda den Haan, 14 Wing Commander Colonel Mike Adamson, Lois Baird and Darnise Strickland.

are always questions about homes and insurance and investments; there's financial planning and taxes; postings can be eye-opening when you have a lifestyle here and know what your paycheque can 'do' - and then you move."

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October 21, the Greenwood Amateur Radio Club hosted its annual flea market at the 14 Wing Greenwood Community Centre. Attendance was close to last year's, with just five people fewer coming through the doors! The day's sales and events were enjoyed by all, with the chance to sit and renew contacts with old friends and meet new friends, pick up some different equipment and



meet many of the faces behind call signs. Plans are already in the works for next year, and ham radio enthusiasts are welcome to get in touch for information on club activities.

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Give the gift of sport this holiday season

(NC) Below are helpful tips on sharing the gift of sport with everyone on your list.

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For the fashionista. Go snow chic for the fashionista. Try a stylish padded jacket, two-tone leggings, or carbon fibre skis to help them be on-trend with this season's slope style.

For the basketball buff.
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ketball fans will love the latest pair of Curry's or LeBron's. Add that to an NBA jersey and you'll score yourself an invite to the next game.

For the gamer. Waiting for football season to pick up again? Gamers will love the latest Madden NFL video game.

For the golfer. Beginners

and experts alike will enjoy a set of aerodynamic golf balls and golfing accessories like visors, gloves, and tees. Thank goodness for those heated driving ranges.

For the yogi. You can't go wrong with a membership at their favourite studio. Accessorizing is also a hit this

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Delight with a peppermint candy cane dessert

(NC) Peppermint candy cane could be the official taste of Christmas. For added whimsy, add a sprig of holly and a bow to make this dessert look like a festive wreath.

- Candy Cane Pavlova**
Serves: 8
Ingredients
 - 6 egg whites
 - 1 3/4 cups (425 mL) granulated sugar
 - 1 tsp (5 mL) white vinegar
 - 1 tsp (5 mL) cornstarch
 - 2 cups (500 mL) whipping cream
 - 3 tbsp (45 mL) granulated sugar
- Directions*
 - Preheat oven to 300°F (150°C). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Trace a 10 inch (25 cm) circle with a marker on the parchment, then add a 4 inch (10 cm) inner circle. When marker dries, flip it over so that the marked side is facing down.
- Whisk egg whites using an electric mixer until foamy. With mixer running, gradually add sugar. Increase speed to high and whisk until egg whites are glossy, thick, and hold stiff peaks; about 4 to 7 minutes. Stir vinegar with cornstarch until smooth. Whisk into egg whites.
 - Spoon mixture onto prepared sheet following the marker lines to create a wreath. Use the back of a large spoon to create indentations for the whipped cream.



- Place pan in the oven and reduce temperature to 250°F (120°C). Bake 90 minutes or until meringue is golden and cooked through. Let cool completely.
- Using an electric mixer on high, whip cream with sugar and peppermint until it forms soft peaks. Spoon into indentations in meringue. Roughly crack 4 candy canes into large pieces and sprinkle over whipped cream, then place 8 whole ones evenly apart so each serving gets a candy cane.

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Meals for the holiday hustle

(NC) Fast food may be a quick solution to getting meals on the table, but chef Matt Basile of Toronto's first street food experience company, Fidel Gastro has a better solution. He recommends creating healthy recipes with the Panasonic Steam Convection Oven.

Spicy Buttered Lemon Chicken

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 30 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 whole chicken, cut into 8 pieces
- Half a bunch of rapini
- 4 tbsp (60 mL) butter
- 4 tbsp (60 mL) sambal
- 1 lemon
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) canola oil
- Salt to taste

Directions

- Lightly salt chicken in a bowl. Melt butter, sambal, and lemon juice together in a small saucepan. Pour sauce over chicken in bowl, leaving some off to the side to brush over the chicken.
- Place rapini on oven's glass dish on the middle rack. Select Steam 1 and steam the rapini for 8 minutes. Remove and place in a bowl with tablespoon of oil and lightly salt.
- Remove glass dish from the oven and replace with grill pan. Place chicken on grill pan on the middle rack and cook on Combination 4 setting for 20 minutes.
- Remove and paint chicken with sauce, placing rapini around it. Set on Grill 1 for 7 minutes. Remove when done and lightly salt before serving.

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Stabilizing your wine is a very important step - if not one of the most important (along with sanitizing and cleaning) – in the whole process of wine making. Once your wine has reached its target/ specific gravity (indicated in the instructions),

stabilize it within 48 hours, ensuring it is fully degassed before adding the sulphites during the process. This will enhance the efficiency of the sulphite, and protect your wine against oxidation and microbial contamination. By protecting your wine soon after the completion of fermentation, you are limiting its exposure to oxygen and spoilage-causing microorganisms.

This can be done a couple of ways: shake or rock the carboy back and forth on an angle, with your thumb on the rubber stopper, allowing air out periodically; or, use a wine spoon to stir it vigorously four to six times over two days; or, attach a wine whip or degasser (these can be purchased at your home



brew shop) to your cordless drill and whip for two to four minutes. Try to limit the number of rackings to no more than

three. This will help limit the amount of oxygen introduced. If you are planning on aging your wine for greater than six months, it is recommended to add an additional quarter-teaspoon of sulphite to your carboy, generally 48 hours before bottling.

Aging your bottles at a cooler temperature will ensure the wine you worked hard to make will age gracefully until opened for all to enjoy!

Next week, beer, wine and food! Cheers, and happy brewing.



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Votre guide de survie pour le temps des Fêtes

(EN) Il est plus facile que vous ne le pensez de passer une saison des Fêtes agréable et reposante — il suffit de faire quelques petits changements à votre routine quotidienne. Voici trois conseils qui vous permettront de constater que c’est vraiment la plus belle période de l’année.

1. Soyez réaliste. N’oubliez pas que vous n’êtes qu’une seule personne, alors fixez-vous des objectifs réalistes concernant les tâches à effectuer et les événements auxquels vous êtes invité. Vous n’êtes pas obligé d’assister à la soirée de Noël organisée par votre cousin germain un mardi soir, et vous pouvez apporter des biscuits achetés en magasin à la vente de pâtisseries planifiée par l’école de votre enfant. Demandez aux amis et à la famille de vous aider si nécessaire et n’ayez pas peur de dire non.

2. Dorlottez-vous. Lorsque

nous sommes très occupées, nous avons tendance à nous négliger, ce qui ne fait qu’augmenter le stress et nous empêche de profiter de la saison, ce qui est dommage car, après tout, le temps des Fêtes est une période de réjouissances. Alors, dorlottez-vous tout comme vous le recommanderiez à votre meilleur ami. Faites vos exercices, allez voir un spectacle, lisez un bon roman ou passez une journée dans un spa.

3. Magasinez intelligemment. Au lieu de passer une journée épuisante à magasiner dans un centre commercial,



achetez vos cadeaux tôt et en ligne. Vous pouvez magasiner de façon plus intelligente en faisant des achats pour les Fêtes qui vous permettront d’accumuler des milles pour vos prochaines vacances de rêve. Les membres d’Aéroplan peuvent obtenir des milles en magasinant sur la net boutique d’Aéroplan qui comprend plus de 120 détaillants en ligne comme Apple, Indigo, La Baie d’Hudson, et Sephora. Vous pourrez trouver un cadeau pour tous les membres de votre famille tout en accumulant des milles en vue de ce voyage reposant que vous voulez faire après les Fêtes.

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(NC) For most of us, the holidays are a time to gather with friends and family in celebration. While there is already so much to prepare for, one of the things that you shouldn’t forget even when you have a long to-do list is prepping your premises.

If an accident happens on your property, you can be held responsible whether or not it was deliberate. The best way to prevent this from happening is by doing what you can to ensure your property is safe for your guests.

Prevent common causes of slipping. While you may be able to navigate your home without injury, some of your guests may not be as light on their feet. Be sure to use slip-resistant rugs or add gripper pads underneath rugs that tend to move to ensure they’ll stay put. For guests staying overnight and who may be showering the following morning at your place ensure that bathtubs and showers have no-slip mats. Finally, when someone spills their holiday punch, make sure that it’s cleaned up immediately.

Clear the way. Be sure to clear both your home and property of any clutter prior to your visitors arriving. Reroute any exposed cables from electronics, clear the floor of any items such as toys or remotes, and

gather outdoor debris such as stones or tree branches.

Advise your guests of areas of caution. You may have an area of your home undergoing renovation or that cannot be repaired before your event. Be sure to advise your guests as soon as they arrive of any areas that may be hazardous or that require extra caution.

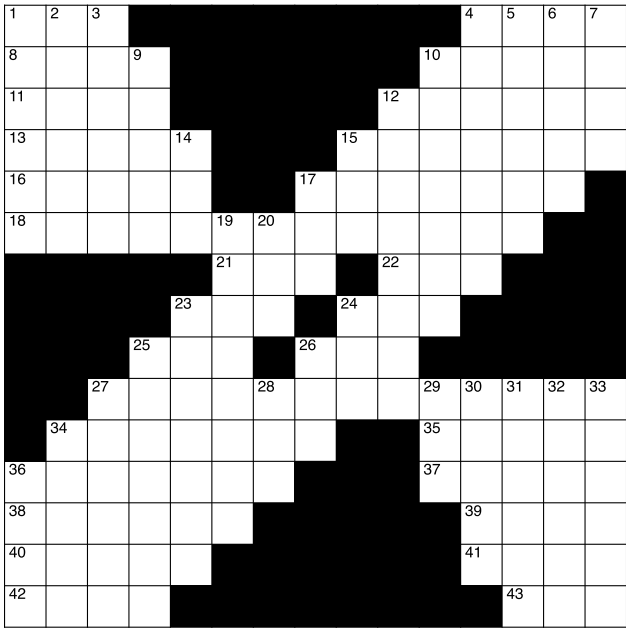
Accidents can happen. For peace of mind, consult your insurance provider to make sure you have the home coverage you require.



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1. Female deer
4. Unfashionable people
8. Entranceway
10. Courteous
11. Level
12. Deli meat
13. Details
15. Stole
16. A genus of bee
17. Expressed as digits
18. Your child's
21. ___ and flow
22. Small amount
23. Revolutions per minute
24. Criticize
25. Snake-like fish
26. Cooling mechanism
27. Inquiry
34. Engage in political activity
35. The lowest adult male singing voice
- DOWN**
1. Adventurous
2. Deliverer of speeches
3. Skin condition
4. Widened
5. James Cameron film
6. The 3rd letter of the Hebrew alphabet
7. Moved along a surface
9. Pharmacological agent
10. Charity
12. Seeing someone
14. Not happy
15. Farm animal
17. Give a nickname to
19. Uses up
20. Type of missile (abbr.)
23. Criticizes
24. Midwife
25. Entwined
26. Supervises interstate commerce
27. A way to convert
28. Female sibling
29. TV network
30. Tropical Asian plant
31. Line on a map
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Volunteer opportunity – Soldiers’ Memorial Hospital
The Nova Scotia Health Authority welcomes volunteers: we are looking for volunteers at Soldiers’ Memorial Hospital. Volunteer roles require a weekly commitment of two hours. If you are interested, contact Jennifer Moore for more information, 902-365-1701 local 3444 or jenniferl.moore@nshealth.ca. Criminal record checks are required for all volunteers.

Hospital fundraiser
To December 8, Soldiers Memorial Health Auxiliary is holding its annual Christmas Light-a-Bulb fundraiser. Honour your loved ones by purchasing a memorial at Middleton Home Hardware Store Thursdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. These memorials will adorn a Christmas tree in the lobby of Soldiers Memorial Hospital through December. Thank you for your support.

Christmas hamper applications
The Friendly Neighbours’ Christmas hamper program applications are now available at the following locations: Foodland, Coldbrook; Independent and Foodland, Berwick; Sobeys, Greenwood; Needs, Aylesford; Pharmasave, Kingston; Bert’s, Auburn. All applications must be completed and returned to the store where they were picked up no later than December 8.

Kinsmen & Kinette Christmas support program
To December 13, applications will be accepted by the 2017 Kinsmen & Kinette Christmas Miracle, which provides Christmas gifts for Kings County children ages one to 13 years old. Application Dates are December 6, 7, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and December 9 a.m. to noon. The last day to apply is December 13, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Applications are available at the Kentville Recreation Centre, in the Kin Room (use the side entrance and go down stairs). Applicants must bring proof of age for each child (birth certificate or health card).

Dessert tea and ticket auction
December 4, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Berwick Pathfinders (Girl Guides of Canada) host a dessert tea and ticket auction at the Waterville fire hall, County Home Road, Waterville. Admission \$5 includes desserts and coffee/tea; auction tickets 10 for \$1, draws at 8 p.m. For info, Sara, 902-679-6568.

Story time
December 5, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library hosts story time for children to age five and caregivers. Come on in, have a seat, relax and enjoy some wonderful stories. Registration is required.

12 Days of Cookies
December 6, 10 a.m., Berwick and District Library staff are baking – and sharing – recipes and cookies as part of the “12 Days of Cookies.” A fun way to showcase the library’s collection of cookbooks and magazines.

Vigil
December 6, 7 p.m., there will be a Violence Against Women Vigil at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 45 Main Street, Middleton. A quiet time of prayers, poetry, music and white ribbons.

Renew Your Curiosity: After School Exploration
December 7, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library hosts “Riddle Me This,” riddles, jokes, tongue twisters and games for kids (ages five years and younger must be accompanied by a caregiver). Registration is required.

Art night with Colleen Gerrits
December 7, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., the Berwick and District Library hosts a painting class with local artist Colleen Gerrits for teens and adults. All supplies provided. Register at 902-538-8060.

Crafting club
December 7, 3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., the Bridgetown & Area Library free Crafting Club is underway (meets the second Thursday of each month through March 8). Olivia offers an awesome crafting experience, all materials supplied, registration required at 902-665-2758.

Ticket auction
December 7, St. Monica’s Catholic Women’s League invites you to enjoy a festive, goodwill ticket auction at St. Monica’s Parish Hall, 37 Connaught Avenue, Middleton. Doors open at 2 p.m., draws begin at 7 p.m. All new prizes and gift certificates, homemade breads, sweets, fudge, preserves. Raffle for a handsome homemade quilt, lobster and gas certificates. 50/ 50 draw. Tasty canteen with chili and biscuits and hot dogs.

Teen games night
December 8, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library invites youth ages 10 to 14 to hang out with



Sophie support

Kingston Lions President Russell Maillet presented a cheque for \$2,000 to Eleanor Benjamin, the great-grandmother of Baby Sophie, which will help in the purchase of a new stand up chair required by the local youngster. The presentation was made at the Lions’ November monthly community luncheon. Submitted



your friends, listen to music and munch on snacks. Register at 902-825-4835.
À l’Evergreen
Le 8 décembre, à 20 h, le théâtre Evergreen, 1941, route Stronach Mountain, à Margaretsville, présente le Trio BBQ, avec son spectacle de Noël. Sur scène, le Trio BBQ allie la virtuosité, la vitesse, le charme et le rire contagieux. Le groupe s’est fait remarquer lors des nombreux festivals auxquels il a participé aux côtés d’artistes internationaux. En 2009, il a été récompensé par le Conseil de la culture des Laurentides, qui lui a décerné le Prix de la révélation musicale de l’année. Lors du spectacle de Noël, le Trio BBQ chantera à sa façon les chansons classiques de Noël! Pour obtenir des billets en gratuit, consultez le site [Web. evergreentheatre.ca](http://Web.evergreentheatre.ca) ou composez le 902-825-6834.

12 Days of Cookies
December 8, 10 a.m., Bridgetown & Area Library staff invite everyone to stop in to see, and taste, what we have baked. For the “12 Days of Cookies” in December. This is a fun way to showcase the library’s collection of cookbooks and magazines.

Musical evening
December 8 and 9, 7 p.m. (doors open 6:45 p.m.), enjoy “Scrooge’s Tale,” a play written by Rev. John Moses with music by William F. Treadgold, jointly presented by Aylesford and Kingston United churches at Aylesford United Church, 2414 Highway 1. Freewill admission for this musical evening, with proceeds to the Berwick and Kingston food banks.

Lunch and sale
December 9, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., enjoy the annual Christmas

luncheon and bake sale at Emmanuel Church, 37 Gates Avenue, Middleton. Featuring: turkey-a-lasing, cranberry jellied salad, dessert and tea/coffee for \$6 person at the door (admission is free to shop if you don’t want lunch). Homemade Christmas baking and specially made Christmas baskets for gift-giving.

Variety show
December 9, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., take in a variety show at the Harmony Hall. Featuring Dave Kay, Gerry Marshall, Bob Forrester, Heather Best and Pat England. Freewill offering, proceeds for the Salvation Army.

Hike
December 9, join the Valley Trekkers Volkssport Club for the Kingston walk. Meet at the Aurora Inn, 831 Main Street (take Exit 17 off Hwy 101, Kingston). Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. for walking at 10 a.m. This is a 5/10km, 1A walk. For further info:

902-847-1772.
Dinner and a show
December 9, dinner served at 5:30 p.m. as the Aylesford United Church hosts the show “Scrooge’s Tale, and a roast pork dinner. For tickets (\$20), contact 902-847-3507 or aylesfordunitedchurch@gmail.com. Proceeds to the Berwick and Kingston food banks.
Breakfast
December 9, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., there will be a community breakfast at the Kingston Baptist Church, 695 Main Street. For a freewill offering, come and enjoy a delicious breakfast with traditional and healthy food choices.
At the Evergreen
December 9, 7:30 p.m., the Evergreen Theatre, 1941 Stronach Mountain Road, Margaretsville; presents “The Rink,” with the Lighthouse Theatre Company. This comedy focuses on three retirees who return to their home

sudoku

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town, meeting at a funeral for an old friend. The lawyer, engineer and old hockey player decide to build an outdoor rink, a focal point from their own childhoods, but there are obstacles in their way - including their own differences. The play is really about rekindling old friendships, and older people who have something to give. Tickets \$15 at 902-825-6834 or evergreentheatre@gmail.com.

Concert
December 10, 2 p.m., Loretta and George Piper and friends invite you to a Christmas concert, featuring carols and readings, at the Inglisville Baptist Church.

Variety show and auction
December 10, the Lawrencetown Legion hosts a Christmas variety show and auction. Freewill offering, 50/ 50 and food and drink will be available.

Book shopping party
December 11, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Central Kings school book club hosts a fun and fundraising shopping party at Coles - New Minas (in the County Fair Mall). Fifteen per cent of sales will sup-

port club members’ purchase of group reading materials, author reading events and more. Gift wrapping by freewill donation from book club members, and musical entertainment by some of the club members who are also members of the CK band.

Bridgetown Ukulele Group
December 11, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the Bridgetown & Area Library welcomes back the Bridgetown Ukulele Group! Play, sing and share the enthusiasm for all things ukulele. No experience necessary. No uke? No problem! We’ve got extras. This free program is open to anyone aged 16 and over. Info at valleyukulele@gmail.com.

Craft, bake sale
December 11 to 17, the Friends of the Library host their annual craft and bake sale at the 14 Wing Greenwood Library. All proceeds go towards purchasing new books for the library.

Luncheon
December 12, noon to 1 p.m., take in the Kingston Lions’ community luncheon (held in partnership with Lion Carol Beals, in memory of her late husband, Wayne Shearer). All proceeds will support Lions’ work in the community. Menu: hot turkey dinner, \$9 per plate, with dessert (deliveries to Kingston/ Greenwood area \$9.50, call 902-765-2128 by 10:30 a.m.).

patrick’s puzzle

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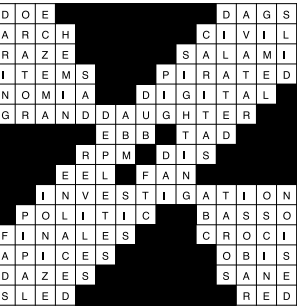
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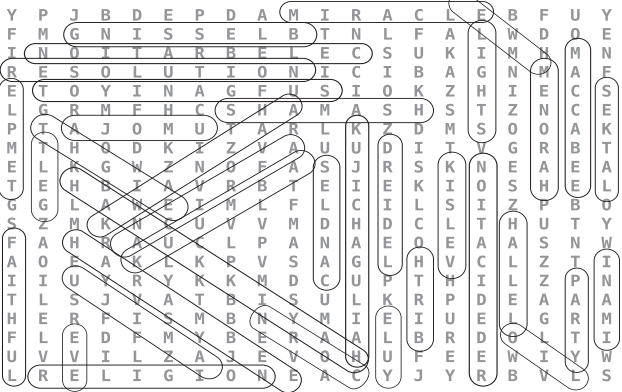
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“Welcome to my Kitchen” host Joan McElman and 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Mike Adamson man the pledge desk. B. Graves



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Pledges made for holiday help Telethon success depends on community effort

The 2017 Friendly Neighbours Christmas Mommies & Daddies Telethon was a great success November 26, with the contributed total as the show went off the air from Aylesford at \$24,000 – and growing!

Special thanks to organizers, which include Eastlink tv, the Lions clubs of Berwick, Kingston, Berwick, Coldbrook and Aylesford; and the hosting Aylesford Fire Department. Their efforts, and community support, ensures funds are raised each year to help provide Christmas food hampers for individuals and families in the communities served by partnering Lions clubs.

Pledges may now be honoured – and new pledges are happily accepted - at the following locations: Royal Bank branches in Coldbrook, Berwick and Middleton; CIBC in Kingston and Greenwood; Scotiabank in Middleton

and Greenwood; the Credit Union in Greenwood and Cambridge; and Chisholm's Pharmachoice in Aylesford

Highlights during the telethon included the annual MC efforts of Rod Reeves and Lion Bob Lyle.

The 14 Wing Greenwood Quartet opened the program with a 15-minute musical performance, kicking off the afternoon's entertainment. Special thanks to all the performers for their contribution to both the televised and live shows.

While the phones were open, Scotiabank staff volunteered and, over a three-hour period on the phone desk, matched telethon community pledges with a \$5,000 cheque from their Community Matching Funds program.



Lion Hank Baak of the Kingston Lions Club. operating the camera. B. Lyle



Mary's Islanders dancers performing. B. Lyle

To everyone involved in the telethon and the community at large, we thank you for your financial support and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. You have helped those less fortunate have a better Christmas.

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7th annual 12 Days of Cookies begins December 4

The Annapolis Valley Regional Library invites you to share in the joy of cookies.

For 12 days in December, staff will be baking – and sharing – recipes and cookies. Each recipe along with pictures will be shared online via Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and on the AVRIL blog. All branches and the Bookmobile will be taking part in this 12 day cookie extravaganza week days from December 4 to 19.

This is a fun way to showcase the library's collection

of cookbooks and magazines, especially during the holidays. Some favourite recipes from past years are Sour Cream Sugar Cookies, Espresso Thumbprint Cookies and Merry Fruit Cookies. We invite everyone to stop in to see, and taste, what we are baking.

Be sure and check out the recipes and cookies on the AVRIL blog at renewyourcuriosity.ca and to see which branch will be sharing cookies each day.

Bookmobile schedule – December

Wednesday, December 6
Springfield 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
East Dalhousie 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13
Maitland Bridge 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Cornwallis Park 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Bear River 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursday, December 14
Melvern Square 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Torbrook Mines 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Nictaux. 3:15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19
Centreville 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Coldbrook (Plaza) 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Patrick Duguay and Brielle Pyette, with their instructor, Steve Nickerson; following their Aikido Black Belt test.

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Patrick Duguay and Brielle Pyette, performing the sword demo as part of their Aikido Black Belt test.

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Youth earn Aikido Black Belts

Fourteen-year-old Brielle Pyette and Patrick Duguay, both from the Annapolis Valley, tested for their Junior Black Belt at the East Coast Aikido Dojo in Greenwood November 23.

In front of more than 50 spectators, these young students performed an outstanding test. This was a very physically and technically demanding test, and was the result of years of training in the Aikido program offered at the gym of École rose des vents in Greenwood. Pyette and Duguay demonstrated outstanding skill and a superior knowledge of more than 60 techniques and throws, a testament to their dedication, hard work and devoted study over several years.

Aikido, the martial art of the Samurai, embraces many aspects of humanity through its compassion, harmony and forthright, non-competitive training methods. With that said, Aikido is one of the most intricate, effective and efficient martial arts in the world. Pyette

and Duguay are both dedicated students, training every Tuesday and Thursday in addition to assisting the junior students in the children's class and participating in more advanced training in the adult class.

Congratulations are extended from family, instructors

and all their friends at the East Coast Aikido School. All are very proud of this outstanding accomplishment, and invite youth and adults alike to join students on the mats for a fun and friendly study of one of the most popular martial arts in the world.

Workout and treats December 13 at F&S Centre

Wednesday, December 13, regular visitors to the 14 Wing Greenwood Fitness & Sports Centre may enjoy their workout, and then a light snack, as staff at the centre host their annual holiday customer appreciation coffee morning.

Drop by the centre between 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. for a treat, and a chance to chat with centre staff about your fitness program.



Taking the challenge

Students of Durling's Taekwondo Club competed in the November 27th annual Wagner's Taekwondo Challenge, held in Dartmouth. They demonstrated their skills in board breaking and Olympic-style sparring. Almost all of them placed in the top-three of their divisions. Participants included, front row from left: Kaitlinn McInnis, Drew Kavanaugh and Cameron Lausourtorsiri; middle row: Addison Foley, Hannah Foley, Ryan Durling and Landon Carey; back row: Wesley Hickey and Hunter McQuinn.

Submitted

Valley athletes make Athletics NS awards list

Athletics Nova Scotia announced its 2017 award winners November 18 at its annual meeting in Halifax. Awards recognize the best athletes (run, jump, throw, wheel and masters; plus para and Special Olympics), coaches, officials and volunteers.

Valley athletes on the list

include Youth Male - Noah James, Windsor; Para Male - Ben Brown, Cambridge; Junior Female - Jane Herggett - Port Williams; Senior Female - Sarah Mitton, Brooklyn; Masters Female - Pam James, Windsor; and Dave Hoskin Award - Volunteer - Ed James, Windsor.



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