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Gibson to speak at wing African Heritage Month event

14 Wing Greenwood will mark African Heritage Month February 5 with a presentation from 10 a.m. to noon, in the Ad Astra and Argus lounges at the Annapolis Mess, as part of the Defence Visible Minority Advisory Group's focus for the year.

The guest speaker will be Craig Gibson, an African Nova Scotian born and raised in Gibson Woods, Kings County. He joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1980 and became a chief superintendent, earning the Long Service Medal, among many other distinguished awards. In June 2018, he was appointed honorary lieutenant-colonel with the West Nova Scotia Regiment. Gibson will be speaking to us of his journey, as well as delivering a presentation of the No. 2 Construction Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, also known as the Black Battalion.

Light snacks will be served, and all are welcome.



14 Wing Greenwood Major James LeGresley accepted the Silver Milestone Award from Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency chief executive officer Marjorie Davison January 17, acknowledging the base's role in providing apprenticeship opportunities to a number of trades personnel over the years.

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Work, partnerships, opportunities recognized

**Sara White,
Managing editor**

An apprenticeship opportunity in his trade at 14 Wing Greenwood has worked out for Deven Stronach.

He took plumbing at the Middleton Nova Scotia Community College in 2008 and 2009, earning his first 1,000 hours. He was hired by a local contractor after a five-week on-the-job training for a further six months; then, he won a competition in February 2010. He

became a full-fledged, 8,000-hour journeyman in 2013.

"You learn things at school but, on the job, you learn from someone who knows," Stronach says. "Every situation is different, but it can be approached the same way."

Stronach works with 14 Wing's Real Property Operations detachment on projects and maintenance that come its way. He's one of 15 apprentices that have worked since 1999 at 14 Wing through their training to journeyman status,

recognized January 17 by the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency.

Agency chief executive officer Marjorie Davison and industrial training consultant Brenda Daniels visited 14 Wing to present a Silver Milestone Award: as of 2018, 14 Wing had made a benchmark providing apprenticeship opportunities.

"It's important for us to have these partnerships here at 14 Wing and in the public sector," Davison said. "Working from

an apprentice to a journeyman gives you a chance to stay and grow a community in Nova Scotia."

She said, in 2014, only 20 per cent of employers provided apprenticeship opportunities for employers; in 2018, the agency has seen its highest number of opportunities.

"We can't do it without employers – and we'll keep an eye on you in Greenwood, and we may be back. There are two more award levels!"

14 Wing Greenwood Major

James LeGresley accepted the Silver Award, saying the base "sees great success with its employees, and being able to mould and mentor you and see you move into full-time positions."

"The apprenticeships give you the opportunity to get that on-the-job experience and trade tickets – and that really goes to your own efforts: you should feel proud of what you bring to the base and the contribution you make for those who come after you."

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Wing work, life all part of Valley community

Sara White,
Managing editor

While there’s a fence line around much of 14 Wing Greenwood, Colonel Mike Adamson says, really, the base operates and feels a lot like any town in the Annapolis Valley.

Adamson was the guest speaker at the Middleton Rotary Club’s January 21 meeting, joined by Wing Chief Warrant Officer Dan Campbell.

“I first came to Greenwood as a new lieutenant, and I’ve had four tours flying at various ranks and squadrons here,” Adamson said. “We bought our first house here in Kingston; we had our girls here. It’s been 17 years in Greenwood, back and forth, and the Adamson family has enjoyed their time here. My thanks to you as a community.”

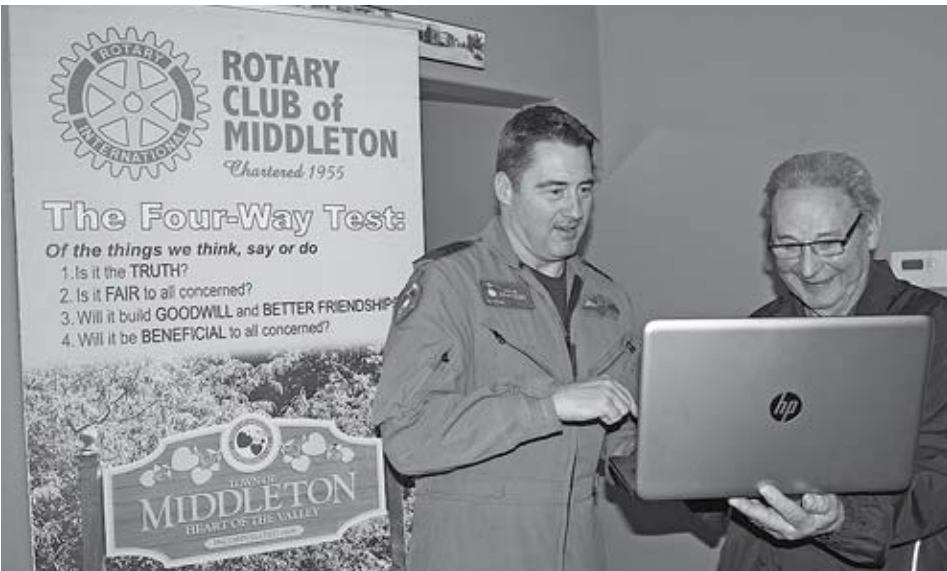
Adamson talked about the base and its personnel’s roles and responsibilities, on the base itself but also an exten-

sive network of infrastructure throughout Nova Scotia and operations on the East coast and around the world. The three main missions in Greenwood are maintaining NORAD response, long range patrol and search and rescue.

As home to the long range patrol CP140 Aurora aircraft, along with a squadron operating on the West coast, 14 Wing conducts regular exercises and patrols for drug trafficking, offshore environmental issues, submarine tracking, fisheries observation, Arctic flights and more.

“We have a very capable platform, and a lot of what we do doesn’t make the news,” he said. “It’s secure work by nature.”

Search and rescue is different: with a huge geography to cover from Greenwood, 24 hours a day, every day; a demanding skill set maintained by personnel and an incredible amount of equipment and spe-



The highlight of 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Mike Adamson’s presentation on the base at the January 21 Middleton Rotary Club meeting may actually have been the invitation from Lou Mestekemper to pick the winning number on the club’s weekly 50/ 50 toonie draw.

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cialized kit, “if you’re out there and your day is not going well, you want these guys.”

Greenwood units and personnel are looking forward to new aircraft and equipment over the next few years, and Adamson said there is a high

rate of request for Greenwood postings from personnel serving across the Royal Canadian Air Force. Advancements mean new procedures and missions and opportunities.

Base activity does impact the wider community, as fam-

ilies live, shop and volunteer. There are 2,200 people working at the base, with \$135 million in annual payroll. He also noted the base’s \$50 million annual operating budget, \$3 million in annual payment in lieu of taxes and \$540 million

from over 90 countries. Halifax International Security Forum is an independent, non-profit, non-partisan organization based in Washington,

in infrastructure to maintain.

“The things I worry about include investing in our people,” Adamson said. “It’s a transient job and life in the military, a never-ending story of churning people through. That means training, delivering air operations, introducing newer capabilities, working with a ‘younger’ military. Ops tempo takes careful monitoring, and this base is busy. We’re not fully manned in any area, and there’s not much we can do to slow down the pace of operations in search and rescue. And the Auroras have been busy over the past three-and-a-half years cycling crews through the Middle East. We have a 100 people off deployed around the world now, and that means someone else here at home is picking up their jobs here.”

He thanked the Rotary members for inviting him to “come and talk about what we do, and demystify the 14 Wing.”

Social, stories shared during 415 Squadron veterans’ visit

January 22, five currently-serving 415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Squadron members and a squadron alumnus visited the Veterans’ Unit at Soldiers Memorial Hospital in Middleton to socialize with veterans, hear their stories, show our appreciation for their sacrifices and share some of what the squadron is up to.

The visit got off to a slow start: nobody in the visiting party was able to determine how to get into the Veterans’ Unit. There weren’t any codes on the double set of doors, but the buttons to open the doors were not in obvious locations. And the design meant we had to pass through one set before passing through the other set: only one set can be opened at a time, deliberate to control the coming - and, especially, going - of residents. This provided a bit of comic relief for everyone involved!

Once comfortably inside, veterans made their way to the dining area, where Alexis Hannah, our visit coordinator, got things kicked off with coffee, tea and Timbits. The veterans in the long-term care facility come from many different backgrounds: some had spent time overseas in the Army, Navy or Air Force; while others served in Canada. Some were involved in the Second World War, while others were in the Korean War. Not all of the stories were about fighting an enemy or preparing for battle. Much of the conversation covered what veterans did after their time in the service: some went into construction, building houses in the Halifax or Digby areas; or farmed around Kentville.

These veterans, some of who participated in terrifying events while in the service, are not unlike those in service today: travelling the world, establishing roots and a family, budgeting for

a new car or a holiday, living life both in uniform and beyond. What was not lost on the 415 Squadron visitors was the sense of pride these veterans have. The smiles and laughter generated in the conversations meant some had to be louder than others to be heard! The veterans were impressed with the 415 Squadron visitors, very pleased with the squadron members’ professionalism and genuine interest in their stories.

The sad point of the visit has to do with how veterans are “selected” for long-term care benefits, and where they are “posted” to receive the care they need. Just because someone has previous service in the military, they are not automatically eligible for care in a facility sponsored by Veterans Affairs Canada. The amount of work it takes to get someone approved for subsidized care is phenomenal. Even when the care is



415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Squadron representatives recently visited the Veterans’ Unit at Middleton’s Soldiers’ Memorial Hospital. From left are Master Corporal Alonzo Hampton, Captain Jim Kelly, SMH host Alexis Hannah, Master Corporal Mathieu Leblanc and Lieutenant-Colonel Bernie Thorne. Missing are Al Harvey and Major Keith Fugger.

Submitted

approved, the veteran is not always settled in the nearest facility or desired facility. The level of care observed at Soldiers Memorial Hospital’s Veterans’ Unit is outstanding.

Staff truly care for their charges and are passionate about their work, and it shows through in the attitude and mood of the veterans. While it was hard to leave

at the end of the day, 415 Squadron members were honoured to learn from the veterans and delighted to see the quality of care the veterans receive.

Halifax International Security Forum announces dates of 2019 forum

Halifax International Security Forum announced today that the 2019 Forum will take place November 22 to 24 in Halifax.

Hosted by Canada’s Minister of National Defence, and featuring defense ministers and senior military leaders from democratic nations as

well as a bipartisan congressional delegation from the United States, the annual forum brings together individuals who are on the ground

facing consequential local threats, writers who challenge and influence the world’s thinking on security, and democratic decision-makers

from over 90 countries. Halifax International Security Forum is an independent, non-profit, non-partisan organization based in Washington,

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January 11, Master Corporal William Venedam received the Wing Chief Warrant Officer's Coin from Wing Chief Warrant Officer Dan Campbell, left, and 404 (Long Range Patrol and Training) Squadron Chief Warrant Officer JP Lesperance.

Master Corporal D. Salisbury, Courseware Development



Aviator Mark Houston, centre, recently received his promotion to corporal, presented by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Luc Vachon, left, and Chief Warrant Officer Dean Parsons.

Master Corporal K. Conrick



Second Lieutenant Jean-Michel Noubibou, centre, was promoted to lieutenant January 15 by 14 Wing Greenwood Deputy Wing Commander Lieutenant-Colonel Bruno Baker, left, and Chief Warrant Officer Denis Flamand. The promotion is effective from August 2018.

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January 19, Corporal Dale Ryan, centre, was promoted to current rank by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Luc Vacon, left, and Chief Warrant Officer Dean Parsons.

Sergeant M. Carreira



Second Lieutenant Patrick Hale, centre, recently received his promotion to lieutenant from Major Rodney Chongva, right, officer in command of 14 Wing Replenishment Flight. Also present was Lieutenant Shaun Noel.

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January 24, Corporal Brooke Taylor, centre, received her promotion to current rank from 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Luc Vachon, left, and Chief Warrant Officer Dean Parsons.

Master Corporal K. Conrick



Major Craig Lewis, centre, was recently presented his Certificate of Service by 415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Lieutenant-Colonel Bernie Thorne and Master Warrant Officer Jean Plamondon.

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Master Corporal Douaire, left, was promoted January 18 to the rank of sergeant by 404 (Long Range Patrol and Training) Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Ray Townsend, left, and Chief Warrant Officer JP Lesperance.

Master Corporal D. Salisbury

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Former 14 Wing Greenwood photojournalist Sergeant (retired) Pete Nicholson, centre, was presented January 14 with a Certificate of Service for dedication during his career by Commander Colonel Mike Adamson, left, and Wing Chief Warrant Officer Dan Campbell.

Leading Seaman C. Moon, 14 Wing Imaging



January 24, Corporal Neal Sharpe-Schmid, centre, received his promotion to current rank from 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Luc Vachon, left, and Chief Warrant Officer Dean Parsons.

Master Corporal K. Conrick



November 29, Corporal Stephen Dunn, centre, received the Special Service Medal with Alert Bar, presented by 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Frank Gauvin and Chief Warrant Officer Keith Robarts.

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November 29, Corporal Lee Johnson, centre, received his promotion to master corporal, presented by 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Frank Gauvin and Chief Warrant Officer Keith Robarts.

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'Seamless Canada' progresses with provinces and territories during Ottawa symposium

Canadian Armed Forces members and their families are now one step closer to experiencing a “Seamless Canada” when they relocate across the country during the course of their careers.

Department of National Defence (DND) and Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) representatives met for two days in Ottawa December 5 and 6 with counterparts from all 13 provinces and territories to advance the Seamless Canada initiative.

Recently released CAF members may now apply for the new Veteran’s Service Card

Veterans who have released from the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) between February 2016 and September 2018 may now apply for the Veteran’s Service Card.

The Department of National Defence (DND) and Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) announced the Veteran’s Service Card in September, which is being distributed in three stages in close consultation with VAC.

The first stage, which began in September, is ongoing. All CAF members who are eligible receive the card automatically upon their release. The second and current stage sees Veteran’s Service Card distribution beginning December 3. Stage three will begin during the summer of 2019, when cards will be produced and issued upon request to all eligible veterans who released prior to February 2016.

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The Ottawa roundtable discussions centred on health care, spousal employment, education and childcare. The participants also worked on

shaping the governance of the Seamless Canada framework and deciding on a strategic, long-term path to improving how military families can better transition between the provinces and territories.

A number of military spouses, both male and female, have also featured prominently in shaping the Seamless Canada dialogue. They spoke to the assemblies in June and again in Ottawa this month about their personal experiences with relocation and how it has affected their families over the years.

The Seamless Canada

working group has agreed to continue meeting regularly to improve services across provinces and territories to help ease the burden placed upon CAF members and their families when they relocate.

Seamless Canada builds on steps already taken by provincial ministries in Alberta, Ontario and New Brunswick that enhance services for military families. Several other provinces have also worked hand in hand with Military Family Resource Centres in the past to streamline some services in those jurisdictions.

The Seamless Canada



“People are at the core of everything the Canadian Armed Forces does to deliver on its mandate,” Lieutenant-General Lamarre, Commander Military Personnel Command said. “Intro-

ducing the Veteran’s Service Card is one small way we can show our members that we are committed to enhancing their support throughout their careers and when they transition to become veterans,”

he added. All serving CAF members and veterans are encouraged to register for a MY VAC Account with VAC. For more information, please visit canada.ca/veterans-service-card.

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- West Hants Middle School - February 25, 2019, 6:30 pm

Intensive French (Grade 6 Entry):

- Pine Ridge Middle School - March 5, 2019, 6:00 pm

Integrated French (Grade 7 Entry):

- West Hants Middle School - February 25, 2019, 6:30 pm
- Annapolis West Education Centre - March 28, 2019, 6:00 pm

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www.avrce.ca/ourschools for school contact information



Appreciating veterans

Veterans Todd Muise and Andre Boudreau did an excellent job uniting veterans and promoting outdoor recreation as a positive mental health initiative January 25 in Ellenwood Provincial Park, near Yarmouth. The day was a success, encouraging veterans and their family members to socialize, share experiences and enjoy nature together. West Nova Member of Parliament Colin Fraser and Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre staff attended, and the event provided a strong sense of “community” for local veterans. Participants look forward to future initiatives in Western Nova Scotia.

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Letters come full circle

Honorary Colonel D. Hennessey, 14 Construction Engineering Squadron

The 2018 Adopt the Troops for Christmas Campaign was a huge success here on the South Shore. Local business owners stepped forward to supply donations that would allow members of the military deployed over the holidays to receive a package from folks at home, making sure they know their sacrifice to duty would not be forgotten.

Schools also participated, making cards, letters and crafts to be included in the packages sent through the Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre. Hebbville Academy supplied

more than 60 letters and cards and, recently, two of the students, Janelle Boudreau and Abby Bolivar, received a personal thank you from a member deployed overseas. His letter recently arrived, having been posted December 1.

“Thank you and your classmates for your Christmas cards. It is very nice to receive mail from Canada. We have hung your cards up in our office here and they have gotten everyone here in the Christmas spirit! I don’t believe this will reach you by Christmas, but I hope you have a nice holiday, and a great 2019. Thank you again for your cards.”

Both students were amazed their cards had made it so far



Hebbville Academy students Janelle Boudreau and Abby Bolivar were happy to get a letter of thanks from the deployed Canadian Armed Forces member who received their Christmas greetings in his care package just before the holiday.

Honorary Colonel D. Hennessey, 14 Construction Engineering Squadron from home, and were even both plan to participate in the happier it helped make a difference for someone serving in the military for them. They campaign again next year, and want to make sure even more students take part.

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Young Dolphins swim to best times at latest Nova Tech meet

A group of 20 up-and-comers within the Greenwood Dolphins Swim Club kicked off 2019 with plenty of personal best times at the Swim Nova Scotia #3 Meet, hosted by the Yarmouth Y Whitecaps at Université Sainte Anne in Church Point January 26.

“With so many swimmers, it was great to see such a high percentage of personal best times” said Dolphins head coach, Chris Stone.

“With 20 swimmers accounting for 84 swims in the meet, 67 of those - or just shy of 80 per cent - were lifetime bests. That’s great growth as we look to continue to work on our skill development through the rest of the season.”

Leading the way with 100 per cent personal bests for the day were Ainsley Appleby, Allisen Appleby, Abigail Bond, Owen Bond, Jaden Bridger, Aiden Kershaw, Ethan Kershaw, Madeline MacSween, Benjamin Rigby and Elliott Surek.


“Having 10 of the 20 swimmers in the meet hit the 100 per cent personal best mark is outstanding,” said Stone.

Several Dolphins hit one of two requisite times to move from the Participation Level to Level 1 or Level 1 to Level 2 of the Nova Tech program, with Abigail Bond and Ezri Button



A contingent of young swimmers from the Greenwood Dolphins Swim Club had great success at the January 26 Swim Nova Scotia #3 Meet. In the back row, from left, are James Reinhart, Ethan Kershaw, Elliott Surek, Ezri Button, Abigail Bond, Jeremy Matheson, Nicholas Wallace and Logan Hatfield. In the middle are Madeline MacSween, Tianna Clansey, Allisen Appleby, Autumn Den Haan, Jaden Bridger and Owen Bond. Across the front are Benjamin Rigby, Kailey Kershaw, Ainsley Appleby, Krysta Locas, Adirana Michalopoulos and Aiden Kershaw.

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 - 12. They protect and serve
 - 14. Swindle
 - 15. Show's partner
 - 16. Lift
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 - 23. Occupies
 - 24. Power-driven aircraft
 - 26. Indicates position
 - 27. Matchstick games
 - 28. This and
 - 30. No longer here
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 - 34. Spore-producing receptacle on fern frond
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 - 40. Guilty or not guilty
 - 41. Carbon dioxide
 - 42. Able to arouse
- intense feeling

 - 48. Earl's jurisdiction
 - 50. Omitted
 - 51. Heartbeat
 - 52. Albania capital
 - 53. Fashion accessory
 - 54. Interaction value analysis
 - 55. Symbol of exclusive ownership
 - 56. More promising
 - 58. ___ student, learns healing
 - 59. Nonresident doctor
 - 60. Midway between east and southeast
- DOWN**

 - 1. Enrages
 - 2. Capital of Saudi Arabia
 - 3. Uses in an unfair way
 - 4. Cesium
 - 5. Written works
 - 6. Breakfast item
 - 7. Found in showers
 - 8. A way of fractioning
 - 9. Unit of measurement
 - 12. Sailboat
- 13. Indian goddess
 - 17. For each
 - 19. Farewell
 - 20. Ethnic group of Sierra Leone
 - 21. German industrial city
 - 25. Measures intensity of light
 - 29. Small, faint constellation
 - 31. Promotes enthusiastically
 - 32. Malaysian inhabitant
 - 33. Ancient units of measurement
 - 35. An unspecified period
 - 38. Frame house with up to three stories
 - 41. Lassie is one
 - 43. Martinis have them
 - 44. Rant
 - 45. Famed journalist
 - 46. Opening
 - 47. Round Dutch cheese
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 - 57. Registered nurse

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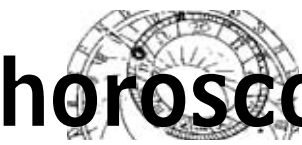
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Military Christian Fellowship
Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Military Christian Fellowship (MCF) meets in the annex at St. Mark's Chapel, Greenwood. All welcome, bring your lunch. Coffee/ tea served.
Middleton Writers' Group
February 4, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library hosts the Middleton Writers' Group. Participants write, read aloud and discuss their stories based on the current theme. The topic for the next

meeting is: "Creation Myth." If you would like to become a member, call facilitator Paul Gregory, 902-825-2218. Novice and practiced writers welcome.
Friends of the Library – AGM
February 5, 1 p.m., the Bridgetown and Area Friends of the Library meet in the DeVenney Room for its AGM. Elections will be held for anyone interested in the following positions: president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. Angela Reynolds will do a short presentation on library achievements and plans for the upcoming years. (This meeting was postponed from January 22.)
Paint like Maud
February 5, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Bridgetown & Area Library hosts artist Lauen Soloy, and an opportunity to create a Maud Lewis-style painting. All supplies provided; no painting experience



horoscopes

February 3 to February 9

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Change is on the horizon, but you don't yet know where you fit into the equation, Aries. Enjoy the unexpected and don't worry so much about the future.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, though you may think you can only choose one direction in life, you really can reverse course and go in another direction if you so desire.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, normally you are conservative and weigh things carefully. However, this week your other side takes over and you are apt to be a little more spontaneous.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, there is only so much time to learn something new at work and you may be worried a bit. Someone will talk you through, and you'll find your way.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, if life seems a little more hectic these days, you may be taking on too many responsibilities. Lighten the load and focus on what matters most.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

It can be challenging to wrap your head around certain goals, Virgo. However, you will manage to pick and choose those tasks that are most important and get things done.

necessary. For ages 15 to 115. Advance registration required.
'Maudie' film screening
February 6, 6 p.m., the Kingston Library shows "Maudie," based on the true story of Nova Scotia folk artist Maud Lewis. Snacks provided. Storm date February 13, 6 p.m.

Crafting club

February 7, 3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., the Bridgetown & Area Library crafting club and Olivia will be offering an awesome new crafting experience. All materials are supplied. Register at 902-665-2758.

Wildlife meeting

February 7, 7 p.m., the Kings County Wildlife Association hosts its monthly meeting and annual wild game pot luck at the Louis Millet Centre in New Minas. Speakers are Shan and Sali Cunningham, owners/ operators and professional guides. The public is invited to attend. There is no charge.

Chase the Ace

February 7, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (weekly Thursdays). Chase the Ace at Paddy's Pub, Kentville, with Valley Cheer Athletics Association. Tickets: 1 for \$2, 3 for

\$5 and 10 for \$10. If you're not there, we'll call you for a proxy draw. FB: Chase the Ace Valley Cheer Athletics.

Between the Covers Book Club
February 7, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library book club is discussing "The Immortalists," by Chloe Benjamin. Next month's selection is "Miller's Valley: a novel," by Anna Quindlen. If interested, call the library at 902-825-4835.

African folktales

February 8, 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Bridgetown & Area Library celebrates African Heritage Month with exciting African folktales and a craft, too. For ages four to eight. Registration required.

Paint like Maud

February 8, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Lawrencetown - Dr. Frank W. Morse Memorial Library and Lauren Soloy host an opportunity to create a Maud Lewis-style painting. All supplies provided, no painting experience necessary. For ages 15 to 115. Advance registration required.

The Hangout: Get Your Game On
February 8, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.,

the Rosa M. Harvey Middleton & Area Library is calling all young adults who love to play games! Spend your Friday night hanging out with your friends, listening to music and munching on snacks. For ages 10 to14. Register at 902-825-4835.

Valentine's Day craft

February 8, 3:30 p.m., the Kingston Library and Shelly host a Valentine's Day crafting hour from for children ages five to 12.
Music evening
February 8, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., the Berwick Legion, 232 Main Street, hosts a music social with The Upbeats. Admission: pass the hat.

Screening of Maudie

February 8, 7 p.m., the Annapolis Royal Library, in honour of Heritage Day February 18, will showing the film Maudie, based on the life of local folk artist Maud Lewis. Registration required.

Mexican supper

February 8, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Berwick Legion, 232 Main Street. The menu is all homemade Mexican: chicken enchiladas, rice, Mexican coleslaw, cheese biscuits - all for \$8. Dessert for only \$2. Takeout available. Call 902-538-9340 for information.

KidCraft

February 8, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., the Annapolis Royal Library invites kids ages eight and up for after school crafts.

Kindermusik

February 9, 1 p.m., the Kingston Library hosts the musical adventure of Kindermusik, designed for pre-school aged children and their parent/ caregiver.

Walk

February 9, the Valley Trekkers host a walk in Wolfville. Meet

at Muddy's Convenience Store, 446 Main Street. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. for walking at 10 a.m. This is a 5/ 10 km, 3A walk. More info: 902-678-8278.
Game day
February 9, noon to 2 p.m., the Berwick and District Library invites all ages to bring your favourite games to share at the library.

Breakfast

February 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, enjoy a delicious breakfast with traditional and healthy choice items - fruit, yogurt, homemade muffins.

Dance

February 9, 9 p.m. to midnight, the Berwick Legion invites those 19-plus to come on out with your sweetheart, fly solo or bring your friends for an awesome night with Wayne Parker & Matt Lunn. \$7 a person, and the Kitchen and bar will be open. Members and all guests welcome!

Expressive art

February 9, 10 a.m., the Kingston Library hosts Sarah Osborne for an expressive art therapy group for girls ages 11 to 15.

Drumming with Kadijah

February 9, 1 p.m., the Kingston Library hosts an hour of family drumming with Kadijah in conjunction with African Heritage Month (ages five and up). In case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled to February 16, 1 p.m.

Snowshoe hike

February 9, 6 p.m., Hike Nova Scotia and the Ross Creek Centre for the Arts present a guided torchlight snowshoe hike on the Primrose Trail in Canning. You

must pre-register at property@artscentre.ca. Free with your own snowshoes, \$10 with rental. Qualify to win a trail prize. See www.hikenovascotia.ca for details.

Saint Valentine's dessert party

February 9, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., dine on over 30 different delectable desserts, with entertainment by Frank Dobbin; at the Kingston United Church, 733 Main Street. Cost \$15 - only 80 tickets to be sold, available at Pharmasave Kingston or contact Joann, 902-765-0105.

Hike

February 9, 10 a.m., Hike Nova Scotia and the Town of Kentville present a guided hike at the Kentville Ravine. Bring your own snowshoes (will be a hike if no snow). Qualify to win a trail prize. See www.hikenovascotia.ca for details.

Concert

February 10, 2 p.m., St. Mark's Chapel, Church Street, Greenwood; presents a concert with Sonlight. Freewill offering.

Hike

February 10, 1 p.m., Hike Nova Scotia and the County of Annapolis present a guided hike on the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail in Nictaux. You must pre-register at www.annapolisvalley.ca. Qualify to win a trail prize. See www.hikenovascotia.ca for details.

Snowshoe and community art day

February 10, 1 p.m., Hike Nova Scotia and the Ross Creek Centre for the Arts present a guided snowshoe hike and art day in Canning. You must pre-register at property@artscentre.ca. Free with your own snowshoes, \$10

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Talent show

February 11, 1 p.m., "The Talents of Many" Talent Show takes place at the Wilmot Baptist Christian Fellowship Centre, 208 Dodge Road, Wilmot. Put on by the Rays of Sunshine Social Group. Call Nancy at 902-765-4124 for info or if you wish to participate.

Make Valentine cards that light up

February 12, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Berwick and District Library invites those ages eight and up to craft your own Valentine paper circuit card: use LED lights, copper tape and coin batteries. All materials supplied. Registration required at 902-538-8060.

Lunch

February 12, noon to 1 p.m., the Kingston Lions host their monthly community luncheon. The menu is roast beef with all the fixings, tea, coffee, ice cream and strawberries. Cost \$9 at the door (\$9.50 delivered, Kingston/ Greenwood area only; call 902-765-2128 before 10:30 a.m.). All proceeds support Lions' work in the community.

What Does it Say to you?

Book Club

February 13, 1 p.m., the Kingston Library's What Does it Say to You? Monthly book club explores community, life, meaning and

more through popular fiction. Facilitated by Lynn Uzans, an avid fiction reader, community builder and believer we can make our communities and world a better place. Stop by and reserve a copy of the book.

Chase the Ace

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Valentine brunch

February 14, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the RCAF Association, 904 Central Ave, Greenwood, will be

having a Valentine's day brunch. Open to everyone. Cost is \$7.

Make your own Maud Lewis

February 15, 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Berwick and District Library is celebrating all things Maud. Make your own art work, keeping in mind she painted on any object around the house! Dress to make a mess. For ages five to 12. Register at 902-538-8020.

Tremont Board Game Café

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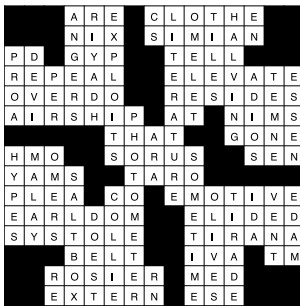
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Speed skaters medal

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Valley lacrosse players picked up in East Coast Junior draft

An exciting night in the East Coast Junior Lacrosse League January 30, as players around Nova Scotia watched the 2019 draft unfold. A number of Valley Thunder Lacrosse athletes and alumna were picked through a draft that went 13 rounds deep.

The Mi'kmaq Warriors selected Brett Reeves in their fourth round pick.

Will Churchill was the fifth round pick of the St. Margaret's Bay Rebels.

In round six, Brady Connell was picked up by the Warriors and Owen Fritz was selected by the Rebels in a trade move from the Dartmouth Bandits.

Round seven saw the Warriors pick up another Valley player: Logan Swinamer.

In round eight, the Bandits selected Wyatt Blood.

The last Valley player selected, in round 9, was Logan Gesner.

The ECJLL season runs from the end of April into

July, with teams from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in the mix.

Valley Thunder Lacrosse

offers minor league box lacrosse programs for youth ages four and five through to Midget, age 16. The season

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The program will be led by Personnel Support Program

runs April through the end of June, playing out of both the Kingston Credit Union Centre and the Berwick Kings Mutual

Century Centre. For more information, visit valleylacrosse.ca or Facebook Valley Thunder Lacrosse.

staff, and will include a general overview of fitness components, training principles and programs; a detailed explanation and demonstration on all cardio and weight equipment. Gym rules and safety procedures, and emergency response and evacuation measures.

Sign up for Youth on Weight Training Feburary18, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The cost is \$10, and the workshop is open to 14 Wing Greenwood Community Recreation Card holders. To register, contact Shane.Barnes@forces.gc.ca.

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25	#04364015 SOUTH WATERVILLE COMMUNITY HALL 2176 PROSPECT RD, SOUTH WATERVILLE LAND FELLOWSHIP HALL DISTRICT 07 NON-REDEEMABLE ZONED F1 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$7,182.20	26	#04543793 JOYCE V TAYLOR and BARRY K TAYLOR 1146 ISNOR RD, NORTH KENTVILLE LAND DWELLING DISTRICT 02 ZONED R1	\$1,755.27
27	#04628764 EISA ALATTAR and MANAR ALMUMIN BLACK DUCK LAKE RD, LOT 14 EAST DALHOUSIE DISTRICT 05 ZONED S2 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$796.42	28	#04837622 FRANK W WEAGLE ESTATE OF BENNETT RD, AYLESFORD LAND DISTRICT 04 ZONED O1/R6 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$414.87
29	#05020913 HEATHER FLORENCE CROUT 310 BLACK DUCK LAKE RD, LOT 2 EAST DALHOUSIE DISTRICT 05 ZONED S2 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$577.68	30	#06016634 TARA-LYNN MARIE COSMAN 190 LEMARCHANT DR, LOT 45 CANAAN DWELLING DISTRICT 07 ZONED F1	\$3,569.46
31	#06115659 KAREN GAUDET and TROY MACQUARRIE FOREST DR, LOT 25C EAST DALHOUSIE DISTRICT 05 ZONED F1 (not a building lot) HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$635.78	32	#08128111 HUETTLET HOME AND LAND DEVELOPMENT INCORPORATED RELAXED GARDEN RD, VICTORIA HARBOUR LAND DISTRICT 03 NON-REDEEMABLE ZONED R6 (not a building lot) HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$3,582.37
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35	#01293936 PEGGY ANNE BENNETT NO 12 HWY, NORTH ALTON LAND DISTRICT 07 NON-REDEEMABLE ZONED F1 (not a building lot) HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$1,603.83	36	#01386888 TODD ALEXANDER KIDSTON and SONJA J M KIDSTON HIGHWAY 221, CENTREVILLE LAND District 03 ZONED A1 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$411.11
37	#01386918 TODD ALEXANDER KIDSTON and SONJA J M KIDSTON HIGHWAY 221, CENTREVILLE LAND District 03 ZONED A1 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$404.60	38	#0520657 FLORENCE KEIZER, ESTATE OF NO 359 HWY, CENTREVILLE LAND District 02 ZONED R2 HST IS APPLICABLE ON THE PURCHASE PRICE	\$668.68
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Newfound sport sending Kingston youth to Canada Games



Samuel Gallant takes a moment from pre-Canada Games training at the 14 Wing Greenwood Fitness & Sports Centre's squash courts.

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**Sara White,
Managing editor**

Samuel Gallant was looking for a new sport a year or two ago, something different than hockey or volleyball. Now, he's heading to the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer, Alberta February 15 to March 3. "A year ago, this wasn't even on my radar – it's really nice to find out it's an option," Gallant says. The 16-year-old Kingston youth is in Grade 11 at West Kings. When his math teacher, James Wiseman, a ranked Nova Scotia men's player; took a group of students to the 14 Wing Greenwood squash courts in a recruitment effort, Gallant was hooked. "It was hard at first, and I got frustrated hitting the ball – but I loved it, too," Gallant says.

He's found the demanding fitness level and the ability to set his own goals – and meet them – great aspects of this new sport. "You don't need a team to practice, and you can go to the courts as much as you want. Your success depends on what you put into it." Gallant was at the Greenwood courts several times a week after that, and many of the base club's players encouraged him. At the ZX Club's annual tournament two seasons ago, he beat a provincial junior player – and the provincial coach noticed. Janet MacLeod invited Gallant to come play with her program in Kentville, and he started attending some competitions and development camps. He's also been heading to the city a couple times a week for the past few months, training with the team of eight that will represent Nova Scotia in Red Deer. "It's a welcoming community, and everyone wants to help you grow," Gallant says. "It's definitely been hard to work around with school and practicing, but I've gotten used to it and I have to manage it. I've gotten better with my time, and I'm doing more goal setting." The Canada Games will be Gallant's first national event in squash; he played with Nova Scotia's Under 15 volleyball team at a regional event last year, and tried out for the U17 volleyball team this year but didn't make it – yet. He's "kind of nervous" for Red Deer, but he's happy the squash team has been so diligent in training together and working hard. "I'm hoping to absorb a lot and get the experience – and have fun."

AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Celebration & Meet and Greet

Defence Visible Minority Advisory Group of 14 Wing
Invites you to join us to celebrate African Heritage Month with
Guest Speaker Mr. Craig Gibson

Where: Ad Astra and Argus Lounges
On: Tuesday 5 February 2019
from 1000h – 1200h
Who: 14 Wing Members



Mr. Craig Gibson, an African Nova Scotian who became Chief Superintendent of the Royal Canadian Mounted police will be speaking to us of his journey, as well as delivering a presentation of the **The No. 2 Construction Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF)** — also known as the **Black Battalion**.

Light Snacks will be served

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