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Shaping up a Spitfire

Museum volunteers put hot air to talented craftwork

Sara White,
Managing editor

The volunteer restoration team at the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum have become “international experts” in heating, blowing and shaping Plexiglas pieces for vintage Lancaster aircraft, having crafted turrets for its own display aircraft and over a dozen others for Lancasters across Canada and in the United Kingdom.

February 8, they turned their talents to a new challenge: blowing a canopy bubble for Air Show Atlantic’s 30-year-old, three-quarter scale Second World War Spitfire model. With the air show’s return to 14 Wing Greenwood in August, show organizer Colin Stephenson asked the museum team if they could “take a look.”

“Their Spitfire canopy is not the right shape, it’s not moveable and it makes it hard to access the cockpit to sit inside,” says GMAM volunteer Dave Saulnier, who led production on the Spitfire assignment. He provided a small crowd in

the museum’s workshop with a walk-through of the intense 30-second process, as the Plexiglas, heated to over 340 degrees locked in a frame; was removed from a hand-built box oven and blown into a – hopefully – distinctively tear-drop-shaped Spitfire canopy.

“We ‘heat soak’ the Plexiglas and the whole mold, above 300 degrees,” he said. Two volunteers watched the oven’s thermometer as it reached 340 degrees.

“The Plexiglas becomes malleable – like plastic, very soft. Below 275 degrees, it hardens. When we pull it out and set the mold on the horses, we can get the air hose screwed in and start blowing – we have all of 30 seconds to get the thing out of the oven, blow in the air before it drops below 275 and it’s unmalleable.”

Two volunteers swung open the door and held it. Another two volunteers with heavy gloves lifted the mold out onto the sawhorses. A jig set on the floor between the horses acted as the height guide.



After crafting 16 restoration Lancaster aircraft Plexiglas pieces, volunteers at the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum turned their talents to molding and blowing a Second World War-era Spitfire canopy, destined to replace the inauthentic design of the Air Show Atlantic’s exhibit three-quarter-scale model. From the oven to the bubble, it’s an intense, 30-second opportunity to get the tear-drop shaping just right.

S. White

“We blow the air in upside down, so the Plexiglass bubble forms downwards and evenly. We want to be just above that block – but not touching it.”

Saulnier stepped in with the air hose and started the fill, while another volunteer knelt below to monitor the bubble formation.

“Once it’s blown, we maintain the air pressure until the Plexiglas hardens. But, the more it cools, it cools around the bolt holes in the mold and the template, and it could crack there, away from the bolts. Ask me how I know....”

Flipping the mold and new bubble, and with the air hose detached, four volunteers quickly grabbed impact wrenches to race their way through bolt removal. The first attempt to lift the top mold sheet over the bubble quickly ran into trouble: the bubble, as it formed, bulged out over the mold’s opening.

“Which is what we wanted, so we will have to cut the mold,” Saulnier said. He also noticed a few flecks in the now-cooled Plexiglas.

“This may or may not be the right shape or the right size. We’d be lucky if we got it on the first try. It’s a prototype, and a good chance to see what’s going to work.”

Atlantic Air Show marketing coordinator Tim Stephenson filmed the entire bubble-making exercise, and admitted the air show team views their Spitfire as a “labour of love.”

“We’ve had it for about 10 or 12 years. It came from the Nova Scotia International Tattoo – it was a prop. Then it went to the Shearwater Aviation Museum, who then handed it over to us. We use it as a marketing tool and take it all around with us as a promotion.”

They knew the model Spitfire may be a “little too inauthentic,” and the canopy upgrade now underway is a great step to bring it more into conformation as a Second World War fighter plane. Having it slide open will ensure kids – and bigger “kids” – will be able to get in to the cockpit, use the yoke and pedals and have a more hands-on interaction. And, get great pictures.

“We have good fun with it!” ➔

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14 Wing impresses with early RCAF100 effort

Sara White,
Managing editor

“Holy smokes – this may be the best display I’ve seen yet for RCAF100!”

High praise from Commander Royal Canadian Air Force Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny, visiting 14 Wing Greenwood February 1 with RCAF Command Chief Warrant Officer John Hall and RCAF Honorary Colonel Loreena McKennitt.

The RCAF leadership team had the opportunity to see some of the RCAF centennial displays up around the wing, and hear about some of the celebratory events that have already happened – and lie ahead on the 2024 calendar.

“Do whatever you can to reach out to families, Canadians, those we have served – go out, celebrate and keep doing what you’re doing,” Kenny said. “You’re making us proud. Our future is bright because of you.”

Hall described 2024 as a great opportunity: “our year. “It only happens once!



February 1, 14 Operations Support Squadron Captain Adam Gorman, centre, was presented a Royal Canadian Air Force Command Chief Warrant Officer’s Coin by Chief Warrant Officer John Hall, right, with Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny. Gorman is the 14 Wing RCAF 100 team lead, demonstrating exceptional leadership in the planning of 2024 RCAF centennial events. Forward-thinking, proactive and able to inspire and mobilize a diverse team towards a shared vision, Gorman’s efforts to date have mapped a highly anticipated schedule of local events set to not only commemorate but also educate our community about the RCAF’s rich history.

Corporal V. Roy, Wing Imaging

We’re going to get an opportunity to look back, reflect and inspire Canadians. Take the time.”

Hall encouraged 14 Wing

members to enjoy the year’s events, whether they have just a touch of added RCAF100 celebrations or they are signature events.

“Get out, talk to people and let them know there are great opportunities in the RCAF as we move into our next 100 years.” →

Dress up, dine out Celebrate RCAF100 March 20 at 14 Wing Centennial Ball

Enjoy an evening of ice sculptures, fabulous food, entertainment and fancy dress, as 14 Wing Greenwood hosts an RCAF100-themed Centennial Ball March 20.

Doors open at the Annapolis Mess at 6 p.m. for a 7 p.m. start; the evening will wrap-up at 11 p.m. Dress is Mess kit or black tie formal. Organizers are confirming a guest speaker, but the 14 Wing Orchestra is tuning up now for your musical enjoyment – and there are surprises in store! The evening features a stand-up buffet, including a hot beef and chicken station, an oyster and sushi bar, a three-tier centennial cake, chocolate fountain and sorbet bar and more.

Tickets are available until February 29. They are free for 14 Wing Greenwood Defense Team members, \$30 for a non-14 Wing Defense Team member guest (or \$50 for two tickets). See your squadron representative to reserve your tickets by the deadline. →



February 1, 14 Operations Support Squadron Corporal Peter Kim, centre, was presented a Commander Royal Canadian Air Force Coin by Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny, left, with RCAF Command Chief Warrant Officer John Hall. September 13, 2023, Kim volunteered to support a 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron mission in need of a Korean-speaking member to assist with an operation 225 nautical miles south of Halifax. A crew member aboard the MV Morning Chant, a Korean shipping vessel, was in distress. From the top-cover CC130 Hercules, Kim leveraged his linguistic skills to guide the Morning Chant into a designated clear space and prepare the deck for the subsequent hoisting of the ailing crewmember onto the CH149 Cormorant. Kim played a crucial role, gathering personal and medical history critical for patient care.

Corporal V. Roy, Wing Imaging



February 1, image technician Corporal Shawn Dlugozima, centre, was presented a Commander Royal Canadian Air Force Coin by Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny, left, with RCAF Command Chief Warrant Officer John Hall. Dlugozima displayed great initiative volunteering to support and develop the RCAF Aviation Experience displays, highlighted during Aero Gatineau and the International Plotting Competition and Farm Show, both in September 2023. Dlugozima worked as a valuable and effective team member to overcome challenges, as this was an entirely new experience for everyone. As a result of their energy and professionalism, along with the expertise Dlugozima possesses in gaming technologies, this initiative proved to be a massive success. Dlugozima represented the RCAF in the most positive light, meeting the Canadian public with competence and engagement, helping demonstrate the amazing talents residing in our RCAF members.

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February 1, Margaret Reid, centre, was presented a Commander Royal Canadian Air Force Commendation by Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny, left, with RCAF Command Chief Warrant Officer John Hall. Reid achieved remarkable milestones over nearly three decades at the Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre, including the establishment of a licensed childcare centre, oversight of a user-friendly app’s creation, management of COVID-19 challenges. Available around the clock, Reid always ensured uninterrupted support for countless RCAF families, embodying the military values. Retired in late Feb 2023, Reid leaves a legacy of unwavering dedication and substantial achievements at the GMFRC.

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Positioning RCAF for present, future at top of commander’s mind

Sara White,
Managing editor

Resourcing the Royal Canadian Air Force with the people, power and money it needs to reach a 2035 strategic vision keeps Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny thinking.

“I always go back to the reason why I think it’s important Canada has a military,” he said, opening a town hall with several hundred 14 Wing Greenwood personnel as part of a February 1 visit with RCAF Command Chief Warrant Officer John Hall and RCAF Honorary Colonel Loreena McKennitt.

Kenny detailed some of the more pressing international concerns: the Russian invasion of Ukraine, China’s efforts to exert influence in all domains, including space; North Korean and Iranian aggression.

“There are actors out there to change the state of play to advantage themselves. From my perspective, we need to have a visible, credible deterrence – the world is not going to get any better in the security setting. All of this creates impacts on us, directly or indirectly: commercial shipping, supplies, higher prices, climate change.”

Kenny said the RCAF, looking ahead to what it will be in 2035, must consider people, readiness, modernization and partnerships.

“We examine ourselves to be sure we’re ready. We need a military to provide our citizens with the protections they de-



Commander Royal Canadian Air Force Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny, centre, speaks with Major Melissa Irvine, left, at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Detachment Aldershot. Camp Aldershot has been hosting a series of successful RCAF de-centralized basic military and primary leadership qualification courses over the last couple of years.

Corporal V. Roy, Wing Imaging

serve to ensure day-to-day lives continue, as they have, really, since the Second World War.

“If we don’t have deterrence, we give others opportunities.”

The good news for the RCAF is the money and effort on the immediate horizon to push the Cormorant helicopter mid-life upgrade, signed contracts for F35 fighters, A330 transport and refueling aircraft, P8 replacements for the CP140 Aurora and the SkyGuardian remotely-piloted aircraft. There is infrastructure funding for hangars, upgraded technology and simulators. There are personnel allocations to operate it all, and recruitment challenges appear to be on the upswing.

“It’s absolutely at the front of our minds how we give you and your families what you need to do your job. We have

a modernization effort now we haven’t seen since maybe even the Second World War. We know what the platforms will look like. What will our people look like? That’s what makes an air force.”

Hall classes the RCAF’s personnel as a capability in itself. “We don’t move without you,” he said. “We have to support you and your family.”

He encouraged everyone to read the 2023 CAF “Trusted to Serve” essentials document: the CAF’s commitment between leadership and its members to meet the ethos and values of both the profession of arms and communities and workplaces where “everyone is valued.”

“If you’re not reading that, you’re letting your co-workers – and us – down,” Hall said. “Great platforms and great ca-

capabilities are online, but never forget the CAF ethos, that we respect the dignity of all people.”

The town hall’s question-and-answer period was wide-ranging, from housing pressures to CAF sports, from trade evolution to bringing on new capabilities.

“Thank you for your candid responses to our questions,” 14 Wing Commander Colonel Jeff Davis said to close the town hall. “We’ve been honoured to have you for this quick visit, and the opportunity as a wing to ask questions and address issues we have here at the wing-level. Your perspectives on global security, and our cultural foundations as the RCAF, are much appreciated as we look at modernizing and multiple transitions, all coming fast and furious.” →



February 1, 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Warrant Officer Michael Burrell, centre, was presented a Royal Canadian Air Force Command Chief Warrant Officer’s Coin by Chief Warrant Officer John Hall, right, with Commander RCAF Lieutenant-General Eric Kenny. Burrell is responsible for moving the ACS Modernization Restructure forward. Heavily relied upon, they utilized their extensive knowledge of the aircraft structures technician occupation to quickly adapt and progress this branch initiative. Their profound communication skills and ability to foresee future issues has been invaluable, engaging with key stakeholders to ensure staffing and support requirements are addressed.

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Celebrating the Herd – all 79 years

Members, both past and present, of 404 Squadron gathered at the VP International spaces to celebrate our present and remember past exploits Friday, February 2 (Ground Hog Day).

This newly initiated “Black Friday” event allowed serving

and veteran members of the modern day 404 (Long Range Patrol and Training) Squadron (a.k.a. The Thundering Herd) to gather for a few hours to share comradery and stories of past and present successes of our squadron. Commanding Officer Lieu-

tenant-Colonel Alex Gignac told the crowd the purpose was not to be seen as a memorial, but to provide members a chance to foster connections between current members of the Herd, as well as alumni; and it is hoped this will become an annual event.

Several veterans of 404 Squadron were present and shared some stories with current members, just starting to build their repertoire.

The original “Black Friday” was February 9, 1945. Banff Strike Wing, under the Royal Air Force Coastal Command,

suffered the highest loss taken by any Coastal Command strike wing throughout the entire Second World War. Allied losses in Førde Fjord, Norway, included six of the eleven 404 Squadron aircraft involved in the attack. While 2024, marks 79 years since

Black Friday, it is also the centennial of the Royal Canadian Air Force, perhaps a fitting time to start a new tradition of social and comradeship.

The February 2 gathering was held a week early to avoid conflict with the wing’s Winter Carnival pep rally. ➔

March is Nutrition Month: feed your mind with healthy info

14 Wing Health Promotion has a series of informative presentations scheduled as

part of its March is Nutrition Month campaign. All sessions are free, and open to mili-

tary members (Regular and Reserve), their families and, where space permits, DND

and NPF civilian employees. All sessions are at the Fitness and Sports Centre classroom. For information and to register, contact Edith Tremblay, 902-765-1494 local 5388 or edith.tremblay@forces.gc.ca.

March 8, 9 a.m. to noon – learn about the foundation of healthier eating and the bidirectional link between

nutrition and mental health. Be re-introduced to the benefits of essential vitamins and minerals, the function and importance of the vagus nerve, and explore the differences between the “Western” and Mediterranean diets.

March 8, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Find out about performance enhancers, what manufactur-

ers claim as beneficial, and what nutritional experts say about possible side effects and health risks.

March 20, 9 a.m. to noon – playing sports? Training? Regularly working out? Learn more about what to eat and drink before, during and after exercise for energy and recovery. ➔



Power pay-it-forward

Some power moves have been happening in recent months at the Kingston Lions Hall. In late fall, Kingston Lions president Rick Acker, left, with Kings West MLA Chris Palmer; set in place an upgraded emergency generator system, meaning quick and reliable service to the community when the Kingston Lions Hall is activated as a Kings REMO emergency comfort centre. The Nova Scotia Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage contributed to the upgrade through the community generator program. Then, the Lions were pleased to donate their former 15 KW gas generator, to the Annapolis County Ground Search and Rescue (ACGSAR) organization in support of its critical operations and enhancing their capabilities. Lions are happy to be paying their good fortune forward. From left are Lions Vern Mullen and Rick Acker, and ACGSAR leadership Diane Heaton, Jeff Tarkka, Jim Pierce, Peter Wentzell and Brian Mullen.

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Basketballers NB-bound for Atlantic regionals

Sara White,
Managing editor

14 Wing Greenwood’s men’s basketball team is on the road this week, heading to 5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown for the Canadian Armed Forces Atlantic region championship February 26 to March 1.

Also in the field are teams from CFB Halifax and 12 Wing Shearwater.

Greenwood’s team coach is Alyssa DeAdder, 14 Wing’s Personnel Support Programs sports coordinator. The roster includes 11 athletes: Lieutenant Jonathon Wilson, Master Corporal Edrian Vlaar, Corporal Evan Trites, Corporal Wesle Aucoin, Corporal Warren Regier, Corporal Jordan Mayo, Corporal Richard Ronbeck, Aviator Dave Lubin, Lieutenant Isaiah Chua,

Sailor Second Class Nicholas Chater and Aviator Tevon Wilson.

“The team has been working really hard, practicing twice a week since September, and have really been focusing on developing their skills,” says DeAdder. “It will be interesting to see what the other teams look like this year, as Halifax is always a powerhouse when it comes to basketball due to a luck of the draw with several CISM basketball players.”

Greenwood is not counting themselves out, after a strong 2023 regionals showing, just missing the finals due to catching some injuries during the tournament’s round robin.

“We’re hopeful we can make it into the finals this year, and make a run at nationals,” DeAdder says.

Public consultations, new management of Southwest Nova’s ‘Field of Dreams’

The Bridgetown Regional Outdoor Sports Hub, a world-class track, throwing and field facility; opened in 2022 and has the potential to inspire quality of life improvements and attract development in Annapolis County.

The public is invited to meet the new management of Southwest Nova’s ‘Field of Dreams’ March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 33, 20 Jeffery Street, Bridgetown. Learn about the facilities, discuss the

future and meet the Annapolis County Outdoor Sports Society, a volunteer non-profit which took over management January 1.

“I have been coaching and organizing running and triathlon events for three decades,” says Phil Marsh, ACOSS committee member, retired Running Room regional director, and part of the parliamentary campaign that established National Health and Fitness Day. “I would say this installation is among the top five in Canada,

comparable to what was built for the 2015 PanAm Games in Toronto.”

Bring your questions and your ideas (and a friend!). Light refreshments provided.

“We look forward to these conversations with the public,” says ACOSS president Bob Powell, who has 35 years’ experience in municipal recreation, including stints chairing

the Canadian Men’s and Women’s Senior Curling Championships, World Junior Hockey Championships and Canadian East/ West Prospects camp. “This is our first chance to introduce who we are and what we hope to achieve.”

The Bridgetown Regional Outdoor Sports Hub comprises a full track and field facility capable of hosting all running,

jumping and throwing events, and multiple natural and lighted artificial turf soccer fields. The Annapolis County Outdoor Sports Society started when engaged citizens recognized the need for volunteer support to mow and maintain the site. The Municipality of the County

of Annapolis retains ownership of all lands and facilities. ACOSS assumed management on a five-year, renewable lease starting January 1. The municipality and ACOSS have signed funding agreements in place to support operational and capital development. ➔

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February 26 is the practice day for all teams, with Greenwood on the floor at 3 p.m. Captains and coaches meet at 4 p.m., followed by an evening meet and greet.

Following the 1 p.m. open-

ing ceremony February 27, action gets underway at 1:30 p.m., as Greenwood meets Shearwater; Shearwater plays Halifax at 6:30 p.m. Games are four 10-minute quarters, with two minutes

between quarters and 10 minutes at the half.

February 28, it’s Greenwood versus Halifax at 1:30 p.m. The semi-final – second versus third – will go at 6:30 p.m.

February 29 opens with the 9 a.m. final, pitting the semi-final winner against the round robin’s first-place team. Action closes with the medals ceremony immediately following the final. ➔

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Youth art lessons

February 27, 7Arts in Greenwood offers youth art lessons. New artists and projects each week. Ages seven to 12, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., \$25/ lesson or \$80 for four lessons. Ages 13 to 17, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.: teens shape their creative journey, bringing personal projects or exploring with 7 Arts' materials. Guided by one-to-one mentor-

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training in Nictaux. Sign-up at www.nswalks.ca or 902-483-2813.

Fibre arts drop-in

February 28, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.: are you a female-identifying fibre craft artist (knitting, crochet, cross stitch, embroidery, felting, or rug hooking) over the age of 25? Drop by 7Arts in Greenwood for our craft and chat group. Bring your own materials or purchase a kit from us!

Un événement musical/ a musical event

L'Association francophone de la Vallée présente un événement musical à ne pas manquer : Raphaël Butler, artiste talentueux et passionné. Le 29 février à 19h30, à la cafétéria de l'École Rose-des-Vents. 10\$ par adulte ou 5\$ par étudiant (18 ans et moins) payable à l'entrée. The Association francophone de la Vallée presents a musical event not to be missed: Raphaël Butler, a talented and passionate artist, February 29 at 7:30 p.m., at Rose-des-Vents school cafeteria. \$10 per adult

or \$5 per student (18 years and under) payable at the door.

3D felted Easter egg craft

March 1, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., have an eggs-cellent adventure creating a 3-D felted Easter egg at 7Arts in Greenwood. Learn needle felting in a comfortable and fun atmosphere. Cost is \$30 per seat plus an additional (optional) \$20 for a take home kit. Reserve your seat at info@7Arts.ca.

Life Through a Mask: art program for military, veterans

March 4, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., is the first of four weekly sessions of Life Through a Mask, a free mask-making workshop for Canadian Armed Forces members and veterans at 7Arts, 619 Central Avenue, Greenwood. Learn basic sculpting skills, make peer connections – facilitated by a veteran/ artist and registered art therapist as an introduction to expressive arts therapy as a healing tool to discover strengths and resiliency. With funds from Veterans Affairs Canada. To register: lifethroughamask@gmail.com.

Drum circle

March 5, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Health RHYTHMS community drum circle at 7Arts, Greenwood. Free for veterans, military members and their families. Sponsored by True Patriot Love. Please register at mindfullymore@gmail.com.

Youth art lessons

March 5, 12, 19 and 26; 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., 7Arts in Greenwood offers youth art lessons. New artists and projects each week. Ages seven to 12, \$25/ lesson or \$80 for four lessons. Register at info@7Arts.ca. **Fibre arts sessions** March 6, 13, 20, and 27; 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.: are you a female-identifying fibre craft artist (knitting, crochet, cross stitch, embroidery, felting or rug hooking) over the age of 25? Drop by 7Arts, Greenwood, for our craft and chat group. Bring your own materials or purchase a kit from us.

Breakfast

March 9, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., there will be a freewill offering community breakfast at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Middleton. Known as the "Buy Local-Buy Fresh" breakfast: when you buy the best, you serve the best! Best eggs east of TOFINO!

Foam weaponry craft session March 9, 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., embark on an epic journey into the realm of foam weaponry

at 7Arts in Greenwood. \$20 per person, all supplied included. Pre-registration required by emailing info@7Arts.ca.

Teens' ArtBeat Lounge

March 9, 23, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Teens ages 13 to 18 are welcome to 7Arts' ArtBeat Lounge in Greenwood, your ultimate playground for artistic expression! Whether you're into visual arts, music, dance, or poetry, this is your space to shine. Suggested donation \$5. Pre-registration not required.

March break at 7Arts

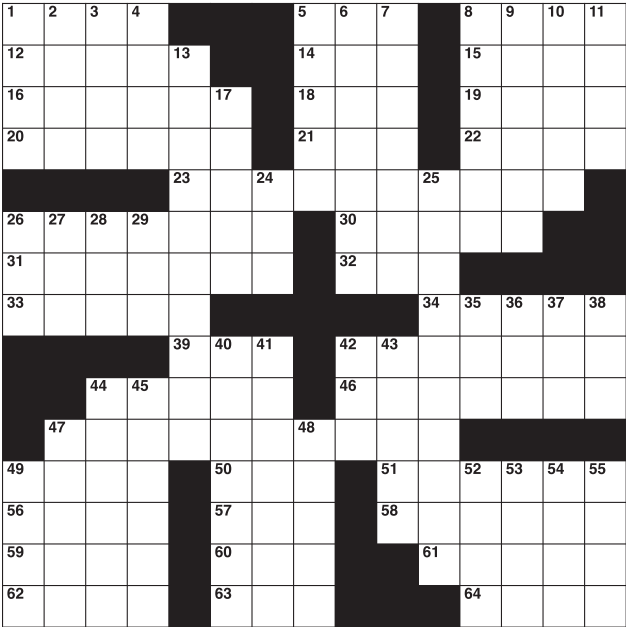
March 11 to 15, 7Arts in Greenwood offers a range of workshops. March 11 (10 a.m. to noon) - Spring felt embroidery - \$15 per person, ages 6+. March 13 (10 a.m. to noon) mid-week, all-ages MakerSpace, with a special project: DIY clay photo holder - \$5 drop-in fee, plus \$5 for special project supplies. March 15 (2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) mug rug traditional rug hooking - \$20 per person, ages 7+. To register for any of our March break workshops, email info@7Arts.ca.

Needle-felted gnome craft

March 14, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., create your very own Easter gnome at 7Arts in Greenwood. Learn needle felting in a comfortable and fun atmosphere. \$30 per person, plus an additional (optional) \$20 for take-home kit. Email info@7Arts.ca to reserve your seat.

crossword

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- ACROSS**
- Home of Iowa State University
 - fi (slang)
 - Mottled green and yellow fruit
 - Capable of thinking and expressing oneself clearly
 - Sports broadcaster Eagle
 - Midday
 - Kinsmen
 - Cable network
 - Simpleton
 - Brunch beverage
 - Fed
 - European capital
 - Native inhabitants
 - Mechanical device
 - Rare geese native to Hawaii
 - Bedroom furnishing
 - The products of human creativity
 - Mass transit option
 - Made a mistake
 - Sacred sound symbol
 - Large N. American reindeer
 - Dull and flat
 - Partner to huffing
 - Written works
- DOWN**
- One who graduated
 - An inspired holy person
 - Electronic counter-countermeasures
 - A place to store things
 - Indian instrument
 - Spanish saloon
 - Whole number
 - Not fastened
 - Gives a boost
 - Lounges about
 - Interested in
 - Remove salt
 - Type of sword
- ACROSS**
- Monetary unit of Serbia
 - Midway between east and southeast
 - Peninsula of southwestern Asia
 - Widely used multiuser OS
 - Aggressive dog
 - Varnished
 - Hindu queen
 - Time units, abbr.
 - Farm animals
 - Capital of Latvia
 - Where golfers begin
 - Takes to civil court
- DOWN**
- Naturally occurring solid material
 - Gets involved without being invited
 - Feline
 - Bobby __, NHL champ
 - 'Kill Bill' actress Thurman
 - Hawaiian dish
 - Moroccan coastal region
 - Baseball statistic
 - Long period of time
 - Moved earth
 - Central Netherlands city
 - Take stock of
 - Central processing unit
 - Distinctive qualities one generates
 - Getting stuck
 - Loss of bodily movements
 - Veranda
 - Abrupt
 - What cats do
 - Expresses pleasure
 - Type of cheese
 - Professional STEM organization
 - Automatic data processing systems

horoscopes

February 25 to March 2

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Take a few days off from work if you find you have been running yourself ragged. Aries. The pressure to be the best may have gotten to you and you need a rest.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Powering through a situation sometimes works, but not if you are feeling ill or injured, Taurus. Prioritize your health right now and take a step back if need be.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, there are always two sides to every story, so resist the urge to weigh in on a situation between friends right now. Get all of the information first and then stay neutral.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Listen to someone's feelings when they come to you and try to vent, Cancer. Exhibit some patience and help this person work through his or her issues.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

A great opportunity is coming down the pike, Leo. You will have to get your timing correct to maximize its impact on your life. Organize all of the elements you can control.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Advice from a loved one prompts you to reevaluate your plans for the coming weeks, Virgo. Step away from the situation to see how things might work.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

It is important to take the reins this week, Libra, particularly if you want to get noticed by those in positions of power. You need to be your own best advocate.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Powering through a situation sometimes works, but not if you are feeling ill or injured, Scorpio. Keep in mind that others may not be ready to hear your advice.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Take ownership of any mistakes you have made and learn from them this week, Sagittarius. That is the only way you can grow as a person and make a difference in others' lives.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, are you ready to accept the consequences of your actions? If you go out on your own path when others are warning against it, you will need to confront the consequences on your own.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, you may be ready to make a big move in your life, but others may not be there with you just yet. You need to find the timing that works for as many as possible.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, it may not be possible to put blinders on for every situation. However, sometimes it is advisable to look the other way in the name of keeping the peace.

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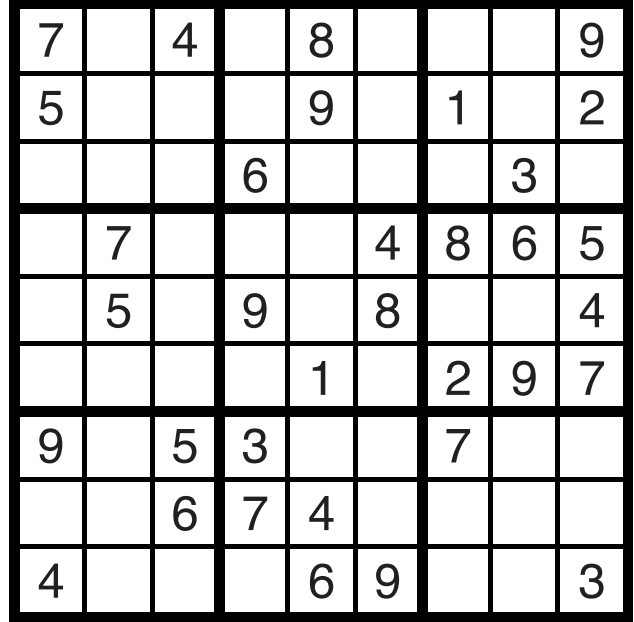
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sudoku

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Level: Beginner

Dedicated, determined women ready for Atlantic volleyball regionals

14 Wing Greenwood's women's volleyball team is heading to Canadian Armed Forces Atlantic regionals February 26 through March 1.

Returning members include Corporal Brandi Weibel (middle), Major Jacinda Vlaar (power), Master Corporal Cindy German (right side/ setter) and Corporal Carrie Laycock (right side/ setter). Newcomers to the 14 Wing roster include Corporal Cassidy Durling (libero), Lieutenant Mollie Davidson (power), Lieutenant Emilie Labbe (setter), Private Anais Messier (right side/ power), Corporal Kristine Oulette (middle) and Warrant Officer Amanda Jardine (power).

Labbe played for Royal

Military College while there and is a great asset to the Greenwood team; Jardine and Messier are new to the sport but bring a competitive background from other sports. Most of the women are multisport athletes, appearing on one or several 14 Wing base teams, including softball, soccer and hockey. At every level, athletes are dedicated and determined to learn, and 2024 goals include working towards everyone having a basic understanding of rotations (thanks to Vlaar and Labbe for deep skills in this area), and determining where each fits into the team in time to mesh for regionals.

Coach Master Corporal Leo Gautier is knowledgeable of

volleyball, and athletes are happy he stepped up to fill the leadership role.

Practices have been twice a week through the winter, and the women were ready to test it all out in a pre-regionals exhibition scrimmage with the West Kings District High School women's volleyball team February 21.

Regionals is in Halifax at the dockyard gym, with the women's division including CFB Halifax, 14 Wing Greenwood and CFB Gagetown. Greenwood's first game is the opening game against Gagetown, at 9:45 a.m. February 27. Game 2 for Greenwood will be against Halifax February 28 at 8:45 a.m. Second versus third will take place



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February 9:30 a.m. February 29, with the final at 9:30 a.m.

March 1. Round robin games are best two out of three; the

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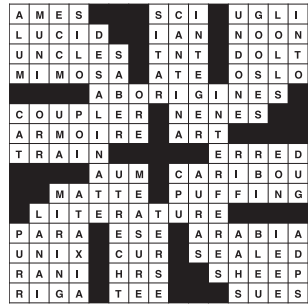
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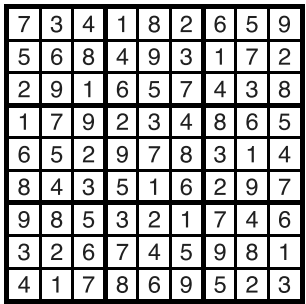
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