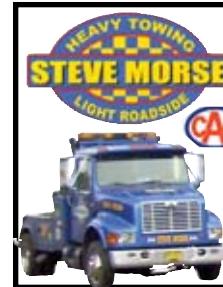




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413 crews fine-tune winter rescue skills

**Warrant Officer
Dominic Veilleux,
413 (Transport and
Rescue) Squadron**

Over the past several weeks, the crew at 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron conducted focused winter training in and around Greenwood. The objective was to refine rescue techniques, test equipment and strengthen coordination between ground rescue elements and CH149 Cormorant aircrew in snow- and ice-dominated environments.

A key focus of the training was patient movement in deep snow. Search and rescue technicians used skis in combination with a Stokes basket and SKED litter, creating an efficient system for casualty transport while reducing rescuer fatigue and maintaining patient control. They practiced these techniques across varied terrain to ensure adaptability to real-world conditions.

Terrain assessment and avalanche awareness were also incorporated into the training, as crews evaluated snow conditions, terrain features and secondary hazards while planning routes and extraction options. Although large-scale avalanches are uncommon in Nova Scotia, this training reinforced



sound decision-making and risk management in winter environments.

Ice operations formed another critical component of the training. SAR Techs practiced movement and anchoring on frozen and partially frozen surfaces,

applying rope systems suitable for ice-covered cliffs, coastal features and inland waterways. These skills are directly applicable to winter incidents involving ice falls, slips or stranded individuals.

Throughout the training period, close integration with



Captain Jeremy Appolloni, left, Master Corporal Will Slack, Sergeant David Campeau, Corporal Jeremy Tremblay, Captain Darik Pikavet and Warrant Officer Dom Veilleux under the tail of a 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron CH149 Cormorant, loaded for their recent winter conditions training series. Submitted



Cormorant aircrew ensured ground techniques aligned with aircraft capabilities and operational timelines. This collaboration reinforced communication, trust and efficiency across all elements of the rescue team.

The winter training was

driven by strong initiative at the team-leader level. Special thanks to Sergeant David Campeau and Sergeant Darryn Wright-ingle for their leadership, initiative and contributions to the planning and execution of this winter training. By

identifying operational needs and testing techniques under realistic conditions, squadron crews were able to refine procedures and strengthen readiness for the wide range of winter missions faced within the squadron's area of responsibility. ↗



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Skills program to help veterans build construction careers

A new provincial program will help Canadian Armed Forces veterans, Reservists and their family members transition to construction careers.

The Skills Bridge initiative, announced January 21, is funded by the Province of Nova Scotia and will be delivered by the non-profit organization Helmets to Hardhats, offering training, coaching and direct pathways into apprenticeship and employment opportunities.

"People who serve our country deserve a province that steps up for them in return. Veterans and Reservists have skills that are in high demand, and our construction industry has more opportunity than ever before," said Premier Tim Houston. "This initiative connects the two. It gives people a clear path into good jobs, and helps build the homes, hospitals and schools Nova Scotians need."

Skills Bridge offers two streams of support: one focuses on classroom and leadership training in partnership with the Nova Scotia



Darryl Cathcart, national director of training and development, Helmets to Hardhats. The organization helps veterans, Reservists and military family members transition into skilled trades careers.

Construction Sector Council; the other provides direct referrals and apprenticeship placements within the province's construction sector. Through peer-to-peer coaching, national outreach and collaboration with unions and employers, Skills Bridge will create clear and supported pathways for veterans entering the skilled trades. It

builds on services currently offered by Helmets to Hardhats, which helps veterans, Reservists and military family members transition into skilled trades careers.

"Over the next three years, this program will provide training, coaching and direct access to unionized construction careers for up to 100 participants," said BuildForce Canada, a na-

tional construction industry organization, projects 8,400 retirements in the next decade across Nova Scotia's construction industry, with 7,900 new workers projected and 17 per cent growth expected.

"Our skilled trades unions are proud partners of Helmets to Hardhats, and we see firsthand the value veterans bring to our industry," said Alison Casey, executive director, Mainland Nova Scotia Building Trades Council. "Skills Bridge will help veterans access meaningful careers in construction while strengthening Nova Scotia's skilled trades workforce. This initiative reflects what's possible when government, industry and training partners work together."

James Hogarth, national executive director, Helmets to Hardhats. "It is an important step in ensuring that military members, veterans and their families can thrive in the skilled trades."

The program runs to October 1, 2028. The province is investing a total of \$480,000 over three years.

Mainland Building Trades Council: mainlandbuildingtrades.ca

Portrait project recognizes Persian Gulf service, sacrifice

With the 35th anniversary of the end of the Persian Gulf War in 2026, photographer Trevor Godinho will be in



Halifax February 26 to 28, capturing portraits and oral histories for Honour Country Sacrifice, an ongoing national documentary project that preserves the stories of Canadian veterans and active members of the Canadian Armed Forces. The Halifax sessions will focus on veterans connected to the Persian Gulf War, marking this important milestone through contemporary portraiture and first-person reflection.

Honour Country Sacrifice portrait project spotlights members of the Canadian

Armed Forces, past to present day, Second World War to those who are just enlisting, as well as those families who have made the ultimate sacrifice; with the goal of shining a spotlight not just on the institution but the individual Canadians that serve.

Godinho, inspired to create the largely self-funded project from time spent with Second World War and NATO veterans during Remembrance Day in 2017, wonders what other amazing Canadians stories are out there and are in danger of

being lost. Godinho hopes his images provide a glimpse into the humanity of the individual, and that the public will see themselves - and make a real connection with those that serve. In 2024 he received the Minister of Veterans Affairs Commendation for Honour Country Sacrifice's contribution to preserving Canada's military history.

Additional information about the project, and arranging a portrait session on the Halifax visit, may be found at honourcrysacrifice.com

Cape Split winter night rescue a partnered challenge

January 29, a 14 Wing Greenwood search and rescue crew responded to a call involving two hikers and a dog stranded at Cape Split.

Tasked by Joint Rescue Coordination Centre Halifax after a request from Nova Scotia RCMP, 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron's CH149 Cormorant Rescue 912 was dispatched when local responders were unable to reach the hik-



Firefighter Gordon Halliday, Canning Volunteer Fire Department

Black History Month

Movie night features 'Cool Runnings'

Wednesday, February 18, at 7 p.m., the 14 Wing Greenwood Defence Racialized Persons Advisory Group will host a screening of "Cool Runnings" at the Zedex Theatre, Greenwood, to celebrate Black History Month.

Admission is free for all 14 Wing personnel and their families; Zedex concessions for snacks will be open. ↗

Wing hosts February 27 art showcase

Friday, February 27, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; the 14 Wing Greenwood Defence Racialized Persons Advisory Group welcomes you to a Black History Month art show in the Annapolis Mess, featuring musical performances and visual art exploring themes of culture, healing and community connection.

All 14 Wing personnel are encouraged to attend, engage with the artists, and support this meaningful celebration. dress is dress of the day.

Volunteer call for Atlantic volleyball tournament

February 23 to 27, 14 Wing Greenwood will host both the men's and women's Atlantic region volleyball tournaments. Want to help?

Volunteers are needed as lines people (training provided), scorekeepers, CAFAPT-qualified athletic therapists and general event "runners."

For information on the schedule and volunteer opportunities and timings, contact PSP sports coordinator Anthony Jacques, anthony.jacques2@forces.gc.ca

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War Amps 80th key tag campaign in the mail

The War Amps started mailing 2026 key tags to Nova Scotia residents January 26. Watch for yours, or find out how to join a life-changing program.

Seven-year-old Kenzie Stronks was born without her left arm below the elbow and was enrolled in The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program on the same day. In the letter accompanying this year's key tags, her parents, Shannon and Josh, describe how The War Amps has supported their family. Kenzie receives financial assistance for artificial limbs, peer connections through CHAMP events and so much more.

"When she walks into a room, her amputation often makes her different from everybody else, so being able to meet kids just like her

at CHAMP seminars is very special," say Shannon and Josh. "Thanks to The War Amps, Kenzie has the artificial limbs and devices she needs for the hobbies she loves. She has a bike device that attaches to her artificial arm and allows her to keep a safe grip on the handlebar while riding. She also has a tumbler device that fits onto

her artificial arm to help with balance and floor exercises during karate."

The key tag service is a

free key return service for Canadians that generates funds for The War Amps' many programs, including CHAMP. Since amputee veterans started the service in 1946, it continues to employ amputees and people with

disabilities, and has returned more than 1.5 million sets of lost keys to their owners. Each key tag has a confidentially coded number. If you lose your keys, the finder may call the toll-free number on the back of the tag or place them in any mailbox in Canada, and The War Amps

will return them to you by the public's support of the courier, free of charge. The War Amps receives no government grants; its programs are possible through 800 250-3030. ↗



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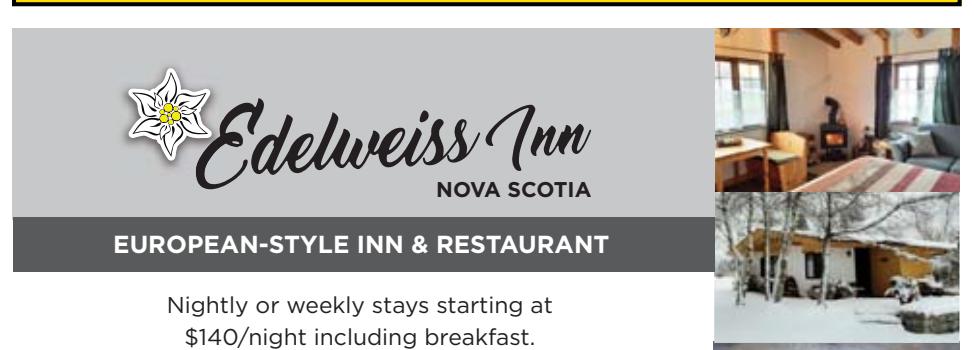


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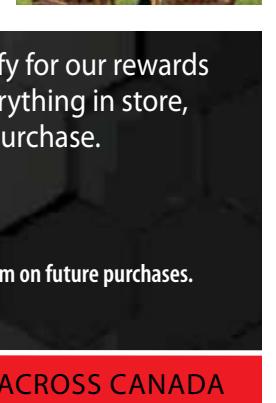
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There are separate event sign-up sheets for each of the unit teams, as well as a sign-up sheet for the February 16 free bowling event. Each event listed has a link that will take you to the rules. Follow all things Winter Carnival on Facebook @ 14 Wing Greenwood Winter Carnival / 14e Escadre Carnaval d'hiver (facebook.com/14wingwintercarnival)

Monday February 16
Families are welcome to enjoy the day's free events

10 a.m. to noon: Bowling | Greenwood Bowling Centre **CANEX**
 To book, email 14winggbc@gmail.com

Noon to 2 p.m.: Outdoor fun | (hot dogs, bonfire snow shoeing, **Giant Tiger** games, horse and wagon rides, s'mores)

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.: Greenwood Golf Course

2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Skating | Greenwood Gardens Arena

Swimming | Fitness and Sports Centre

Tuesday February 17

8 a.m. to noon: Soccer | Fitness and Sports Centre

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Hockey | Greenwood Gardens Arena

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Texas hold 'em, card games | Annapolis Mess

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Combined Charities 50/50 | Annapolis Mess

7 p.m.: Bingo | Annapolis Mess

Annapolis Mess members plus 1 guest, 19+

Wednesday February 18

8 a.m. to noon: Floor hockey | Fitness and Sports Centre

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Pool, darts, trivia | Annapolis Mess

Thursday February 19

8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.: Opening ceremony (banners, unit games) | Annapolis Mess

10 a.m.: Ice capades | Greenwood Gardens Arena

10 a.m.: Choir bake sale | Greenwood Gardens Arena

1 p.m. to 2 p.m.: Obstacle course | Community Centre

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Choir bake sale | Community Centre

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Bowling | Greenwood Bowling Centre

2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Dodgeball | Community Centre

6:30 p.m.: ParaPowerPlay all-star sledge hockey game | Greenwood Gardens Arena

Friday February 20

8 a.m. to noon: Hockey semi-finals | Greenwood Gardens Arena

8 a.m.: Breakfast | Squadron-hosted

2 p.m.: Hockey final | Greenwood Gardens Arena

Annapolis Mess events

4:30 p.m.: 14 Wing Leadership Awards | Annapolis Mess

4:30 p.m.: TGIF | Annapolis Mess

4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.: Combined Charities 50/50 | Annapolis Mess

4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Choir Jail 'n Bail and popcorn | Annapolis Mess

6 p.m.: Lip sync (19+) | Annapolis Mess

8 p.m.: Closing ceremony and karaoke (19+) | Annapolis Mess

Retour aux années 80 et 90 avec la musique et les films de l'époque

Il y a des feuilles d'inscription distinctes pour chaque équipe de l'unité, ainsi qu'une feuille d'inscription pour l'événement de bowling gratuit du 16 février. Chaque événement répertorié comporte un lien qui vous mènera aux règles. Suivez tout ce qui concerne le carnaval d'hiver sur Facebook @ 14 Wing Greenwood Winter Carnival / 14e Escadre Carnaval d'hiver (facebook.com/14wingwintercarnival)

Lundi 16 février
Les familles sont invitées à profiter des événements gratuits de la journée.

10 h à midi: Bowling | Centre de bowling Greenwood
 Tour réserver, envoyez un courriel à 14winggbc@gmail.com

midi à 14 h: Activités de plein air | (hot-dogs, feu de joie, raquette, jeux, promenades en calèche, s'mores)

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14 h 30 à 16 h: Natation | Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports

Mardi 17 février

8 h à midi: Soccer | Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports

Hockey | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

Texas hold 'em, jeux de cartes | Mess d'Annapolis

Combinaison de charités 50/50 | Mess d'Annapolis

Bingo | Mess d'Annapolis

Membres d'Annapolis Mess plus 1 invité, 19+

Mercredi 18 février

8 h à midi: Hockey en salle | Centre de conditionnement physique et de sports

Billard, fléchettes, quiz | Mess d'Annapolis

Jeudi 19 février

8 h à 9 h 30: Cérémonie d'ouverture (bannières, jeux par unité) | Mess d'Annapolis

Spectacle sur glace | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

Vente de pâtisseries par la chorale | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

Parcours d'obstacles | Centre communautaire

Vente de pâtisseries par la chorale | Centre communautaire

Bowling | Greenwood Bowling Centre

Dodgeball | Centre communautaire

Match de hockey sur luge ParaPowerPlay avec les étoiles | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

Vendredi 20 février

8 h à midi: Demi-finales de hockey | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

Petit-déjeuner | organisé par l'escadron

Finale de hockey | Aréna Greenwood Gardens

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Membres du mess d'Annapolis et de l'équipe de la Défense et invités

16 h 30: Prix du leadership de la 14e Escadre | Mess d'Annapolis

16 h 30: TGIF | Mess d'Annapolis

16 h 30 à 18 h 30: Combined Charities 50/50 | Mess d'Annapolis

16 h 30 à 20 h: Choir Jail 'n Bail et pop-corn | Mess d'Annapolis

18 h: Lip sync (19+) | Mess d'Annapolis

20 h: Cérémonie de clôture et karaoké (19+) | Mess d'Annapolis

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Atlantic gold for men's Bombers

Sara White,
Managing editor

The 14 Wing Greenwood Bombers men's team report a "great week of hockey" at the January Canadian Armed Forces Atlantic region championship: and, they won.

The Bombers took one loss through the round robin, but earned the bye into the final and redeemed that loss with a championship 5-0 win over the CFB Halifax Mariners January 30.

5th Canadian Division Support Base Gagetown hosted the tournament at Soldiers Arena



in Oromocto January 26 to 30, with 12 Wing Shearwater's Flyers rounding out the region's representation.

Greenwood opened January 27 with a 6-3 win over the host Warriors. Captain John Livingston made his mark with a hat trick: one in the first period and another two in the second period. Team captain Corporal Tyler Williams opened the scoring in the first period and closed it in the third; and Sailor First Class Ryan Hoskins scored one in the third as well.

Gagetown put two on the board in the second period and their third in the third.

January 28's match against Halifax didn't go 14 Wing's way, ending with a 4-1 loss. The Mariners scored two power play goals early in the first period to set the Bombers on their heels, but they picked up their game and heavily outshot Halifax through the rest of play - just not



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getting a puck past their goalie. In the third, with a couple bad bounces and two breakaway chances, Halifax took it to 4-0.

Greenwood's single, scored with roughly five minutes left in the game, came from Captain David Savery.

The evening game was a good win: a 5-1 result over Shearwater to finish the round robin in

first place and head straight to

Friday's final.

Williams opened the game with the only goal in the first period. 12 Wing got a second period goal, but three from Corporal Maxwell Longmire, Hoskins and Savery put

Greenwood ahead 4-1. In the third, Corporal Francis Parent put in the final goal for the 5-1 finish, with the Bombers picking

him as game MVP. Also in the round robin, Gagetown beat Shearwater 6-0, Shearwater beat Halifax in a 3-2 overtime game, and Gagetown beat Halifax 4-2. In the quarter-final, third-place Halifax beat

fourth place Shearwater, and then kept it going through the semi over Gagetown to make the January 30 final against Greenwood.

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From the heat of summer to small homes.

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The BIG CHILL is a fundraiser for youth-at-risk in Annapolis County, where one in three youth live in poverty. Funds help youth with clothing, food hampers, training courses, dental work, scholarships for higher education and more.

This year, says organizer Jamie Peppard, one of the event founders, funds will also help

seven families still recovering from the Long Lake wildfire disaster. Their uninsured homes were lost, and emergency funding for their temporary AirBnBs and apartments runs out in August. Lawrencetown Education Centre, where Peppard is

principal and students have long supported the BIG CHILL with trail preparation and day-of event management, has partnered with the Housing Construction Council, EMO and three Rotary Clubs to build six

small homes. "As I look across the street and see current and former participants are being encouraged to register now for the return of this February 28 challenge outside Middleton.

The BIG CHILL is a visible

way for people to add to community development efforts. Register individually or as a team at givetolive.ca/chill for either a five-, 15- or 30-kilometre snowshoe route. Organizers advise early sign-up to allow for



Judy Baker has signed up for her 11th (!) BIG CHILL event, coming up February 28 outside Middleton, and is ready to tackle the 30-kilometre route. As a Middleton native, her family was involved in a number of community organizations growing up, and she regularly pitches in on BIG CHILL pre-event trail prep.

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that allow the BIG CHILL route to cross their properties.

Register and find out more about the BIG CHILL

at givetolive.ca/chill, and follow along at facebook.com/events/1549532619528495

Registration open now for next Life Through a Mask workshop

7Arts in Greenwood, with support from True Patriot Love, is pleased to present its next offering of Life Through a Mask.

This workshop is a mask-making activity for veterans, military members and their families. No art skills are required: instead, enjoy hands-on

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through February and March.

Register now for this free

program at 7arts.ca/veterans, or call 902-765-7278 for information. A youth program is also an option, for those ages

13 to 17. Those interested will be contacted with scheduled dates and timings. The program takes place at 7Arts' studio, 619 Central Avenue, Greenwood.

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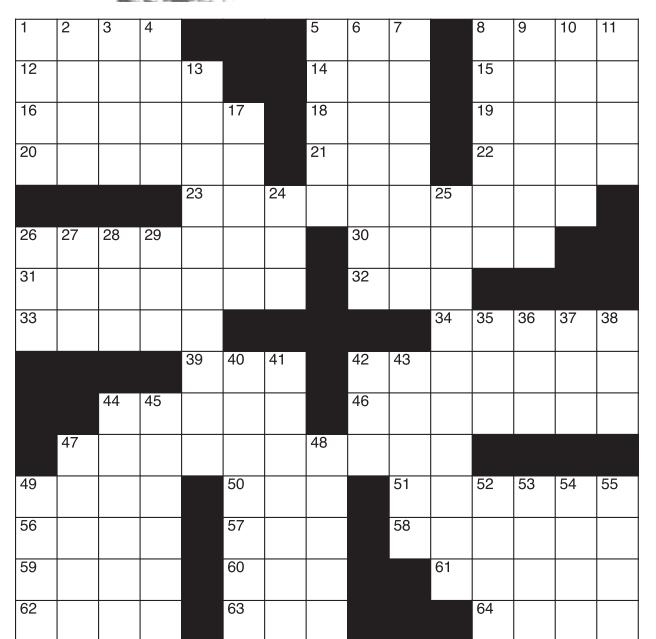
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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

You have the cosmic green light to start that major project you've been planning or to take a leap in your career, Aries. Trust your intuition - it's sharper than ever.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Abundance is knocking, Taurus. Your hard work is translating into tangible rewards, and you may receive unexpected good news regarding finances or resources.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Your mind is sparkling, Gemini, making you the most magnetic person in the room. Use this vibrant energy to connect, share ideas and lead discussions.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

This week is all about your own transformation, Scorpio. You feel a surge of internal power and clarity that allows you to confidently pursue deep, personal goals.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Your sense of optimism and love for exploration is fully charged, Sagittarius. Even if you can't take a trip, your mind is open to exciting new philosophies or ideas.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Cancer, a feeling of emotional security empowers you to tackle any professional challenge with grace and confidence. You are totally centered right now, so go for it.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Your professional reputation is soaring, Capricorn. Key figures at your job are recognizing your dedication and leadership. Expect exciting opportunities for advancement.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, you are radiating charisma this week and attracting positive attention wherever you go. Use this incredible visibility to network or showcase your talents.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Your network is buzzing with opportunities, Aquarius. Collaborative efforts are highly favored, and you'll find incredible support for your most innovative ideas.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, your intuition is a superpower that guides you toward fulfillment and emotional satisfaction this week. Embrace your artistic side and allow your imagination to lead the way.

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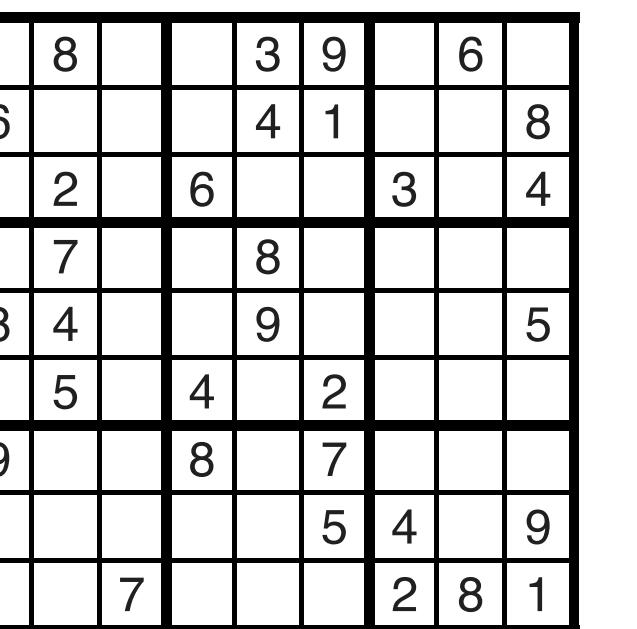
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Sledge hockey all-star action in Greenwood February 19

Para PowerPlay's Winter Carnival all-star showcase game is coming up Thursday, February 19, at the Greenwood Gardens Arena; being held in conjunction with the 14 Wing Greenwood Winter Carnival.

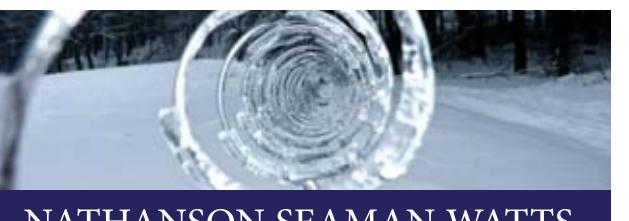
Game night, Para PowerPlay all-stars will take on the South Shore I.C.E. Storm in a para hockey game. Doors open to the public at 6 p.m., with player introductions at 6:30 p.m., followed by the national anthem, opening ceremony and puck drop, with Paralympic Gold Medalist Paul Rosen. The event will

more than \$1,000 in gift cards and items like an official Bauer Olympic Jersey; and, any minor hockey player coming to the game with a team jersey will receive a certified NHL puck with an NHL team logo. Some lucky fans will win signed merchandise.

Para PowerPlay is a not-for-profit organization working in the Annapolis Valley - and beyond - to foster inclusion and respect in sports. That includes breaking down barriers and making athletic opportunities accessible to



everyone, of all abilities. The association offers sledge hockey team play, camps and drop-in try-its, wheelchair basketball programming and more. Find out how to get involved as an athlete, volunteer, coach or board member at parapowerplay.ca



Helping hands

The Greenwood Health Auxiliary recently donated \$500 to the Kingston Lions' health and welfare committee. Pictured are Lions' president Butch Fleury, Greenwood Health Auxiliary president Mary Osmond and Kim Pollard, chair of the health

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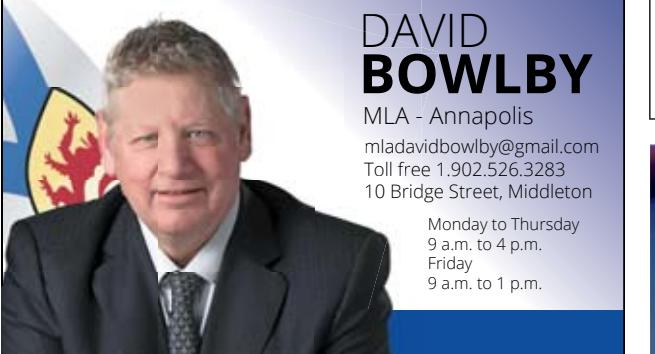
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2. Fax: 902-765-1717 (for easier faxing, simply send the contact and question portion)
3. Drop into our office located at 61 School Road (Morfee Annex), Greenwood, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Thursday, 8 a.m. to noon Friday.

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- 2 Where can you buy tickets to see Joker's Right? _____
- 3 What is the address for the Aylesford Lions Club? _____
- 4 What is the theme of the 2026 Winter Carnival? _____
- 5 To what number would you fax this entry to? _____
- 6 What is the name of the European-style Inn? _____
- 7 What can you do at 5359 Hwy 201, West Paradise? _____
- 8 Does Fraser's PRO Home Centre still offer Air Miles? _____
- 9 Who is offering 10% back in Royalty Bucks? _____
- 10 When is the lip sync during the Winter Carnival? _____
- 11 When is Canex open Saturday? _____
- 12 What is Savage Oil's email address? _____
- 13 Who will give you a free in-home consultation? _____
- 14 How many advertising prize partners do we have for the Monster Find 'n Win? _____
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- 20 David Bowlby is the MLA of which constituency _____
- 21 Who uses 1-866-280-5302 as a toll free number? _____
- 22 Who can take orders over the phone, by email or directly on their website? _____
- 23 Who offers advice, answers and results? _____
- 24 Who is here to walk alongside you? _____
- 25 Who uses 902-844-0987 as their phone number? _____
- 26 How many monsters are in this paper? _____
- 27 Where can you use the code MILITARY20? _____
- 28 Who can do both wheel lift and flatbed towing? _____
- 29 How big is the duplex for rent? _____
- 30 Text list with exit to what number? _____

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