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**Sea and sky** Aircrew from 415 (Long Range Patrol and Force Development) Squadron have been maintaining flying currency throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. On a recently flown Crew Operational Readiness Exercise (COREX), the crew was able to conduct some impromptu joint maritime training with Her Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Ville de Quebec. This included several identification runs in the low level environment, a required crew skill-set.  
Corporal A. Laviolette, imagery technician

# Milestone for Aurora Structural Life Extension Project

**Major Patrick Ouellet, 415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Squadron**

All 14 Royal Canadian Air Force CP140 Aurora aircraft designated for the Aurora

Structural Life Extension Project (ASLEP) have now been modified, with the last one, CP140114, delivered to 14 Wing Greenwood April 24.

The Aurora long range patrol aircraft, in service with the RCAF since 1979, was origi-

nally designed for a service life of 25,000 flying hours. With most aircraft in the fleet nearing this limit, a project to extend their structural life was implemented in 2012. The program, performed by IMP Aerospace at the Halifax

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**Flight engineer Sergeant Danny Lewis performs his pre-flight verifications.**  
Submitted

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***If you are staying close to home and do not have delivery, read The Aurora in full online at auroranewspaper.com.***



Pilot Major Jérôme Grivelet and fourth crewman Warrant Officer Ash Brown board the aircraft for its ferry flight back to 14 Wing Greenwood



## Aurora milestone...

...cover and the horizontal stabilizers. This project will add an additional 15,000 flying hours of service life per aircraft. Each airframe that underwent this modification was extensively accepted under a rigorous flight test program executed by designated aircrew from 415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Squadron. This process en-

sured, when the aircraft returned to their main operating bases, they were in conformance with their type design and ready to fly operations. Some of the old wings were sent to Greenwood and Co-mox for training, while some were sent to testing facilities. The remainder were sent to a disposal facility. Combined with the implementation of the Block 4 upgrade and the upcoming engine and propeller upgrade, the CP140 will keep patrolling the skies well into the 2030s. →

## From the editor:

In the course of preparing, publishing and delivering your weekly Aurora Newspaper through the past number of weeks, we have paid particular attention to the role – and safety – of our community paper carriers. We have close to two dozen paper carriers covering the major subdivisions in the Kings-ton/ Greenwood area, the military Residential Housing Units and a number of higher-density residential areas in Western Kings and Annapolis counties. Many of these are youth or sibling groups, working under the guidance of their parents, to earn their first money and even incorporate the job in home schooling curriculum. They walk many kilometres every week, in all weather, to reach your doorstep.

With COVID-19 public health guidance on social distancing and limiting contact, we've been in weekly contact with our carriers to ensure they are safe, happy and continuing to successfully deliver their papers. Our Fales River Subdivision, Alex, replied as follows: "Everything has been going very well, people have been very friendly and appreciative in receiving papers. When they have been outside they have just said throw it to me, or throw it in the driveway. Two weeks ago, a lady who was working at the McDonalds drive through yelled out to me as I was walking through the parking lot 'thank you for continuing to deliver, I look forward to reading the paper each week.' I felt really good about that." On behalf of The Aurora staff, and our carriers, thank you, readers, for your support.

# the Aurora

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## Defence 0365 coming to 14 Wing

**Major Sylvain Rousseau**  
14 Wing information management officer/  
Wing Enterprise Cloud Network OPI

The past few weeks have been challenging, to say the least. With many members of the Defence Team working remotely, a Microsoft Office 365 platform – Defence 0365 – is being deployed to all personnel. This cloud-based platform, which includes familiar products such as Outlook, Word, Excel and PowerPoint, as well as collaborative working tools to support chat and video conferencing; will enable members to work on both personal and work devices. The wing information management officer, Major Sylvain Rousseau, will be the lead for both wing implementation and the Enterprise Cloud Network. The wing ISSO and D/ISSO will be the trusted agents for the wing, and the SMC/help desk will be the "power users" for the wing. Each unit/ squadron will appoint an EGN team of trusted agents and power users to support the rollout of Defence 0365. The trusted agents will be responsible for receiving all the user account credentials for their unit/ squadron and disseminating them to their personnel, while the power users

will become the unit experts with Office 365 and help users at their unit/ squadron if they experience issues. All 14 Wing personnel will soon receive an onboarding email from their respective team representatives with instructions on how to activate their account. All personnel will also receive information on how to get support from their organization's power users. Be careful: don't fall for phishing emails posing as Department of National Defence/ Canadian Armed Forces messages on this subject. Your onboarding email will come from a trusted source with a forces.gc.ca email address. Once personnel have received their onboarding email and have activated their account, they will be able to access the support portal to help them get set up and provide self-guided training resources. For those still waiting to be receive your onboarding email, we invite you to visit the Defence Team's "Working Remotely" page on Canada.ca for information and updates as they become available. There will be a highly ambitious schedule and it will require patience, self-guided learning and initiative from our people to maximize the benefits of this tool. →



A #NOVA SCOTIA STRONG sticker as seen placed on a vehicle.

## Turning tragedy into hope

**Sergeant Lori-Ann Hoyles,**  
Financial Services  
Supervisor,  
Wing Comptroller

April 18 and 19, amidst the global health emergency of COVID-19, Nova Scotia suffered an inconceivable tragedy. A gunman went on what would later be identified as the worst mass shooting in Canadian History, as 22 innocent Nova Scotians were murdered.

As Canadians do, the country came together, sharing support and words of encouragement for and with one another. Many on social media platforms adopted the hashtag, #NOVA SCOTIA STRONG, and it immediately began to show as paintings on windows, on T-shirts and signs in local businesses.

One 14 Wing Greenwood member from the Wing Comptroller section, Master Corporal Cathy Burns, wanted to find a way to help. She possessed the right equipment, paired with a unique talent and a design and got right to work. What she created was a bumper sticker that bears the popular motivational hashtag, with a heart strategically placed



Master Corporal Cathy Burns with her four-year-old son, Landon, proudly holding a #NOVA SCOTIA STRONG decal.

within the province where the shootings occurred. Burns set a goal to raise \$500, committed to donating 100 per cent of the proceeds to the local food bank. That goal quickly increased to \$1,000, as individual orders poured in. Burns is no stranger to tragedy. She most recently provided first aid on the scene to the victim of a fatal vehicle-pedestrian accident near her home. She says raising money for the food bank, and giving

back to her community, really helps her overcome the emotional challenge of dealing with the loss of life due to that accident. When asked what she is going to do when she's reached her fundraising goal, Burns said with a smile: "I am not sure - make more." If you would like to purchase a #NOVA SCOTIA STRONG decal, please reach out to Burns at 902-389-2675, or at cathyburns1986@gmail.com. →



Upper Room Food Bank manager Harley Hazelwood shows off a May 13 donation from Master Corporal Cathy Burns' decal initiative: \$1,200!

## Calls quiet for SAR crews

May 5 just after 7 p.m., two 14 Wing Greenwood aircraft with 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron were tasked by the Halifax Joint Rescue Coordination Centre in response to a report of a 70-year-old man in the water near Anticosti. The Hercules and Cormorant patrolled the area, but nothing was found. The Cormorant refueled

in Havre-St. Pierre, Quebec; both aircraft were back in Greenwood around 6 a.m. May 6. May 7, just before 2 p.m., a Cormorant left 14 Wing in support of a search and rescue near Saint John, for a 78-year-old man. The aircraft transported the patient to hospital and returned to Greenwood just after 4 p.m. →

*Raymond Tynes,*  
Human Rights Commission

## Unite Communities

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The Government of Nova Scotia has an Employment Equity Policy. We welcome applications from Aboriginal people, African Nova Scotians, other racially visible people, persons with disabilities, women, and other employment equity groups. Applicants are encouraged to self-identify.



14 Wing Greenwood's Annapolis Mess committee organized a major TGIF wing event May 8: offering members a chance to pick up a Friday treat, support the local food bank and a local business PLUS win gift cards in now-weekly virtual draws. The morale initiative replaces traditional Friday gatherings at the Mess, restricted due to COVID-19 public health guidance. Leading Seaman C. Moon, 14 Wing Imaging



# 'Tune in' for virtual Mess TGIFs

So, the 14 Wing Greenwood Annapolis Mess is open again... sort of... virtually! Corporal Sandi McLean, the current president of the Mess Committee (PMC), decided it was time the Annapolis Mess started supporting its members and helping out with the morale and welfare of 14 Wing Greenwood during these difficult times. The Mess closed March 13, as COVID-19 affected public gatherings, and then further public health restrictions



limited activities. As it may still be a while before the Mess can reopen, McLean proposed reframing weekly TGIFs as virtual events, randomly drawing names and giving out gift certificates to local companies open for business: a way to both help Mess members and support the community. The rest of the Mess executive and many other volunteers quickly jumped on board to assist with the initiative. After several virtual TGIFs,

and dozens of winners, there has been lots of positive feedback. The Mess committee is now taking it to the next level, running one larger event every month with additional giveaways. They are also looking into how it could provide virtual entertainment, perhaps with local bands performing online.

For now, every Friday at 4 p.m., the Annapolis Mess PMC or VPMC will be giving away 30 \$25 gift cards supporting six local businesses continuing to offer its services. The businesses will change every week. The Mess has a master list with all Regular and Primary Reserve Force members, and Associate members, and everyone has been assigned a number and is automatically entered into the draw. The draws are live on the Annapolis Mess Facebook page, with the list of winners posted following the draw. You may only win once, and winners will have to sign for the gift cards at the WOR in the Birchall Training

Centre. Once a month, the Mess will hold a special event. The first was May 8, with a drive-through wings pick-up. Two thousand wings were prepared by the Oaken Barrel by pre-order, distributed from the Queen of Heaven Church Street parking lot. Mess members were encouraged to bring along a non-perishable donation for the Upper Room Food Bank as they collected their take-home TGIF treat.

Posters with details on all draws and upcoming special events will be added to the Mess Facebook page as they are planned. "Wing leadership is encouraging members to start following the Annapolis Mess Facebook page to keep up to date on the latest draws and future giveaways," says Deputy Wing Commander Lieutenant-Colonel Dale King. "Good luck to everyone, and a big thank you to Corporal McLean for leading the charge." →



# Fun, familiar faces for 14 Wing families with Rec online

Looking for fun activities for your family? Something creative, interactive, crafty or designed to get you moving? Access a range of ideas with familiar faces from 14 Wing Greenwood Community Recreation via its Facebook Page. Every week is themed, from bugs to space to camping fun, with day-to-day postings to keep you entertained.

**Monday - Creative Moments:** For all those creative types out there looking for easy crafts – or perhaps push their imagination - you should check out our weekly videos at 3 p.m. We make everything from snacks to decorations for your room to board games. Keep your mind active with creative moments.

**Tuesday - Get Moving:** Looking to burn off some energy? Check out the Get Moving videos at 3 p.m. We post links to yoga videos, make our own how-to videos for activities inside and outside and also post resources for parents to help keep youngsters active!

**Wednesday - Story Time:** We are lucky to have a great library and a wonderful librarian at 14 Wing. Isabel is reading stories at 3 p.m. that match with our theme for the week. Check out the great books she has on the go!

**Thursday - Thinker Space:** This is for the science minds out there! Rikki will teach us something new each week. We have learned about gravity and insects so far. What will we learn about next?

**Friday - Teen Corner:** This is our space for teens. We do video game reviews, how-to videos, life hacks and how to survive your first year of university or college! Stay tuned for these at 4 p.m. →

## How to sign out an F&S Centre bike

The 14 Wing Greenwood Fitness and Sports Centre will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., to issue and receive bicycles on a loan card, starting May 11, for military personnel only.

Bike loans will be on a first come, first served basis. You will need your military I.D. card or must be in uniform. There will be no cost involved (if bikes are returned damaged, cost recovery will be based on how the damage occurred). If you have a helmet, bring it with you. Please respect the open and return date timings, as others could be waiting for the bike you have. F&S Centre access is through the blue double door, to the right of the main entrance.

If you have any questions, please contact Graham. White2@forces. →



**Chris d'Entremont**  
Member of Parliament for West Nova/Député - Nova-Ouest

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1. Whose toll free number is 1-866-280-5302? \_\_\_\_\_
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3. How can you help unite communities? \_\_\_\_\_
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**Congratulations to last week's winner: LORETTA TOTTON**



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- Grocery items
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- Match prepared orders with volunteer drivers for delivery

Contact Heather Young, hmyoung@icloud.com

KG-ISN is a partnership of community volunteers, 14 Wing Greenwood, Greenwood Sobeyes, Kingston Lions and an expanding group of organizations and businesses. The service area will include Middleton to Berwick.

*If you need more information on this program, wish to volunteer, or need support in accessing the service call the Kingston Lions at 902-765-2128.*


All deliveries will be carried out in compliance with the direction of Nova Scotia's Chief Medical Officer of Health for COVID-19 precautions.



**14 Wing entities with Facebook pages**


- The Aurora News**  
14 Wing Greenwood news and events
- 14 Wing Health Promotion**  
Tips, program highlights and resources
- 14 Wing Fitness**  
Online work-outs, resources and tips
- 14 Wing Community Recreation**  
Online activities, resources and fun
- 14 Wing Greenwood PSP**  
A wider resource for PSP entities (recreation, fitness, health promotion, news and events)
- 14 Wing Spiritual Resilience Page**  
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- 14 Wing Library**  
Online story time, resources for learning and fun
- Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre**  
Resources, activities and program highlights
- 14 Wing Greenwood Bowling Centre**  
Centre updates
- Greenwood Military Police – Police militaire de Greenwood**  
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# Keeping our distance will bring us together again.



Staying home and away from others isn't easy, but it's worth every minute to keep each other safe from COVID-19. #Staystrong

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4. You can draw it
7. Very fast aircraft
10. Go quickly
11. Fifth note of a major scale
12. Biochemical abbreviation
13. Make somebody laugh
15. Returned material authorization (abbr.)
16. City in NE Morocco
19. Colorless gas
21. NE football player
23. A snake is one
24. Small spot
25. Inform
26. Republic of Ireland
27. Large statues
30. Documents about an individual
34. Helps little firms
35. Namibia's former name
36. Large insects
41. Thirsty
45. A well-defined track or path
46. One who utilizes
47. Plant-eating mammals
50. Not in tip-top shape
54. Alternate names
55. A part of a broadcast serial
56. City in central Italy
57. LOTR actor McKellen
59. Trees provide it
60. Men's fashion accessory
61. Type of screen
62. Snake-like fish
63. Possesses
64. When you aim to get there
65. Tooth caregiver
DOWN
1. Hit heavily
2. Italian rice dish
3. Some are cocktail
4. A citizen of Israel
5. Read-only memory
6. Passed by
7. Northern diving ducks
8. References
9. Iranian language
13. Swiss river
14. Woman (French)
17. Gov't department
18. Consumed
20. Aliments
22. Balkan Jewish appetizer
27. Reciprocal of a sine
28. Skywalker mentor
29. Resinous secretion of insects
31. Similar
32. Female sheep
33. Cool!
37. Borders the Adriatic Sea
38. Flowers
39. It's sometimes upped
40. Immobile
41. Female body parts
42. Common request
43. Made a second thrust
44. Fall into deep sleep
47. Subway resident
48. Brew
49. The event of being born
51. Aspirations
52. Doctor of Education
53. Punk musician \_\_\_ Dee
58. A subdivision of a play

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NOTICE: Many community events are being cancelled in coming weeks to avoid public gathering. Please check ahead with the organizers, as submission dates and Aurora press deadlines are in advance of distribution.

Notice of cancellation - Port George Jamboree July 25 was the date planned for the 2020 Port George Jamboree. Because of COVID-19, organizers have unfortunately had to cancel the event. Hike NS Intro to Hiking webinar May 28, Hike Nova Scotia will offer an Intro to Hiking

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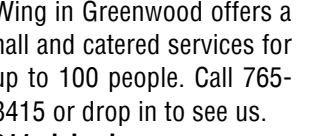
# horoscopes

- May 17 to May 23
ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
After a misunderstanding with someone close, you may be licking your wounds, Aries. Don't let one or two arguments derail your friendship. Find a way to remedy things.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
If you are tired of taking one for the team, you may need to be more assertive in your work and social circles, Taurus. Set your limits and then stick with them.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21
Try not to commit to anything out of a sense of guilt, Gemini. Rather, commit to things for the right reasons, which might make you more likely to see them through to completion.
CANCER - Jun 22/July 22
Cancer, as you step out of your comfort zone, think about figuring out some thrill-seeking ideas. Now is the time to push the envelope and really see the wild side.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
You are often a force to be reckoned with, Leo. This week will be no different. You can direct your focus in any direction. So think clearly on what you want to do.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, are your aspirations in tune with your actions? Long-term goals come into focus, and you now have to set the course to realize all of your goals.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Honest and diplomatic communication may be needed at the office or your place of employment, Libra. Others may turn to you to be a mediator. Put those skills to use.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, are you spreading yourself too thin? You probably have too many irons in the fire and will have to prioritize and pull back; otherwise, you may feel overwhelmed.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Check all of the balances in your accounts, Sagittarius. You may have to make very important financial decisions as they pertain to your family's future.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, family dynamics may be a little strained lately. It may be time for family members to redefine their roles and boundaries. Things may be sorted soon.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you will support the people you feel closest to and be their ultimate champion. However, sometimes you need to step back and let others fight their own battles.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, normally you are a relatively friendly, easygoing person who is apt to reconcile quickly. But this week you could be out of sorts.

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Fun By The Numbers Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

# Tech savvy veterans get with the program

Peter Mallett, The Lookout

Information technology executive Patrick Shaw says he has a solution for his industry's workforce shortfall: teach, and then hire, more Canadian Armed Forces veterans. The Toronto-based tech industry consultant is turning his attention to the education sector to create this army of highly skilled information technology and cyber security experts from veterans and transitioning members of the military. "We envision developing their software skills through training in IT and cyber security; it will have tremendous value for our industry and for Canada as a country," says Shaw. With that in mind, he and his business partner, Jeff Musson, founder of tech networking group Northof41; launched a fast-track distance education learning program, Coding for Veterans. The program runs in partnership with Ontario's Durham College

and the University of Ottawa. Students can attend similar classes in person elsewhere, but the course is entirely geared towards attending classes from locations across Canada through the computer application, Moodle. It's all about supply and demand. The information communication and technology sector needs approximately 182,000 staff by the end of the year to fill new cyber security analyst, software programmer and data analyst jobs. "We decided we could do something about this," says Shaw, noting the untapped market of the retiring military members. In the last 15 years, approximately 140,000 military personnel have released and transitioned to civilian life, with another 25,000 more expected over the next five years. The seed for the Coding for Veterans educational program was planted two years ago, following a conversation Shaw and Musson had with a representative from the Canadian Security Intelligence Service.

Each post-secondary institution's course is geared towards developing a different skill set. The Durham College courses focuses on introductory software development and basic computer coding required for most computer programmer jobs, such as how to set up a network and ensure its security. Shaw says this instruction would be suitable for those people with limited experience in the field of information technology. The course at Ottawa University is more advanced and focuses on cyber security and its management. Students in the Coding for Veterans program must undergo an introductory phase. At the end of their course work, they enter a mentoring phase where they are assisted in finding employment. The time commitment is roughly five hours a day for eight months, with course instruction on demand and viewable any time of day through the Moodle app. "We designed our program this way because we wanted to take into account the specific needs of all veterans, including those with commitments at home and to their families, and also those with injuries or

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