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Remote explosives robot requires 'really, really good' skills

Sara White,
Managing editor

All that gaming may come in handy if you are called upon to direct a remote explosives disposal robot in the course of your work.

Air weapons systems technicians with 14 Wing Greenwood's Explosive Disposal Flight, part of 14 Air Maintenance Squadron, held a recent training scenario, using the Telerob Explosive Ordnance Disposal and observation robot (tEODor) – or "TEO," as the EOD team members call it, to investigate a suspicious vehicle. TEO can

help techs approach, search and clear potential explosive threats, keeping themselves out of harm's way.

"It's tricky to operate," says EOD Sergeant Rita Boutilier, describing the depth perception, ability to watch the camera and maneuver a number of controls and capabilities – all at once, in potentially stressful conditions.

"Some gamers have demonstrated the ability to adapt quickly to the TEO console – they're sometimes naturals, but it does take some getting used to. The work you're doing is sometimes very, very



An improvised explosive device disposal operator from 14 Wing Greenwood's Explosive Disposal Flight inspects the engine compartment of a suspicious vehicle during a recent training scenario. Aviator B. Beaucage, 14 Wing Imaging

delicate, and you have to be really, really good at it."

AWS techs train to safely handle military ordnance, with a number of certifications available within the trade to build skills. Operating TEO in a military environment – here at home on base, or in a deployed situation tackling improvised explosive device (IED) disposal – is just one of those specialties. Boutilier says 14 Wing's EDF trains with TEO regularly to ensure operators are meeting the standard.

"Luckily, we haven't had

to use TEO for a lot of real-time situations; however, we conduct training as much as possible to maintain a high level of proficiency." →

The Telerob Explosive Ordnance Disposal and observation robot (tEODor) prosecutes a suspicious package.

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Remembering F/O Arnold Blenkhorn, a Second World War Swordfish

Chris Henneberry

A veteran Swordfish, Flying Officer Arnold Blenkhorn passed away January 26 at his residence in Athol, Nova Scotia. He was 99 years of age.



415 Squadron Flight Officer Arnold Blenkhorn, in 1945 and in 2010.

Blenkhorn was born in Amherst, Nova Scotia, July 18, 1921. After completing his studies at the Agricultural College in Truro, he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in late 1942. Following almost two years of training in various parts of Canada, he qualified as a wireless radioman and gunner. He arrived in England June 28, 1944 and trained on Wellington bombers with a crew consisting of Pilot Alvin Huffman, Bomb Aimer Frankie Hale, gunners Ken

Clayton and Sammy French and Navigator Hector Madis. The crew converted to Halifax VIIIs and joined 415 Squadron at East Moor in February 1945. At that

point, Flight Engineer Milford Lavers, a second cousin of Blenkhorn's, was added to the crew. By the time the crew arrived at East Moor, the squadron was fully manned and, since the war was wind-

ing down, the requirement for bombing missions was on the decline. Nevertheless, the available crews were still eager to get into the air and conduct the seven- to eight-hour operational missions. As a result, the Huffman crew flew six operational missions before the squadron was deactivated.



Blenkhorn returned to Amherst in January 1945. Soon after returning, he married Catherine, his wife of over 70 years, and together they took over her family dairy farm. He also served as the marsh lands supervisor, maintaining dykes in Cumberland County, for close to 30 years. When it arrived, retirement suited him. He sang with the barbershop quartet, the Travelers, and his church choir. He enjoyed hockey,



The Second World War 415 Squadron Huffman crew in front of a Halifax Bomber. Flying Officer Arnold Blenkhorn is pictured in the upper row middle. Submitted

playing from a young man well into his 60s. He started curling in his retirement, and curled for over 30 years. Over the years, Blenkhorn remained in close contact with all of his crewmates. He attended squadron reunions and was always eager to learn how the squadron was being employed. He was a proud member of the 415 Squadron Association and readily engaged the young men and women of today's air force.

He enjoyed the company and the stories shared with fellow Swordfish. Blenkhorn ensured he was present at the most recent reunions, held in 2011 and 2016. He also made it known he wished to attend the squadron's 80th anniversary, which will be celebrated later this year. He was the last living member of the Huffman crew and one of the very few Swordfish left from his era. A very friendly and jovial

gentleman, Blenkhorn always had a ready smile. He will be fondly remembered by those fortunate enough to meet him. Internment will take place in the Southampton Cemetery in the spring. He was predeceased by his wife, Catherine. To learn more about Blenkhorn and other Second World War veterans of 415 Squadron, please view the 415 Squadron Association website at 415sqn.com. →



A Royal Canadian Air Force CP140 Aurora aircraft from 407 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron returns to Andersen Air Base, Guam after a training flight during Exercise Sea Dragon. Petty Officer 1st Class G. Slaughter, United States Navy

407 Squadron showcases Aurora capability at international ex

A CP140 Aurora aircraft and crew from 407 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron and support personnel from 19 Wing Comox took part in Exercise Sea Dragon, held at Andersen Air Base, Guam, January 12 to 28. Hosted by the United States Navy's Seventh Fleet, Exercise Sea Dragon 21 is a premier multinational anti-submarine warfare exercise in the Pacific region. This year marks the first participation of the Royal Canadian Air Force in the exercise.

The RCAF's participation enabled substantial training opportunities for the long range patrol community working with allies and partners in the Pacific, including Australia, India, Japan and the United States. This training is critical to ensuring the RCAF's Aurora crews remain ready and able to conduct patrol missions at home and operate effectively with other nations, including those in the Indo-Pacific theatre. The detachment's exercise was very successful, culminating in their receiving the award given to the top performing crew on exercise with the most efficient tactics.

"Training alongside our allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region is critical to maintaining an effective and

interoperable RCAF Long Range Patrol capability to meet our Defence Policy mandate," said Major General Eric Kenny, commander, 1 Canadian Air Division. "I am very proud of our deployed members who demonstrated the professionalism, agility and mission-ready focus to take top prize during the exercise. I would like to thank the United States Navy for hosting this valuable and well-executed training opportunity."

While COVID-19 precluded many exercises in 2020, the RCAF is safely and successfully engaging in training events at home and around the world through implementation of a number of safety measures, including pre and post-exercise quarantines, separate accommodations, minimal physical

contact with other exercise participants and locals, strict adherence to personal protective equipment use, and public health measures, such as two-metre physical distancing throughout the exercise, both on and off duty.

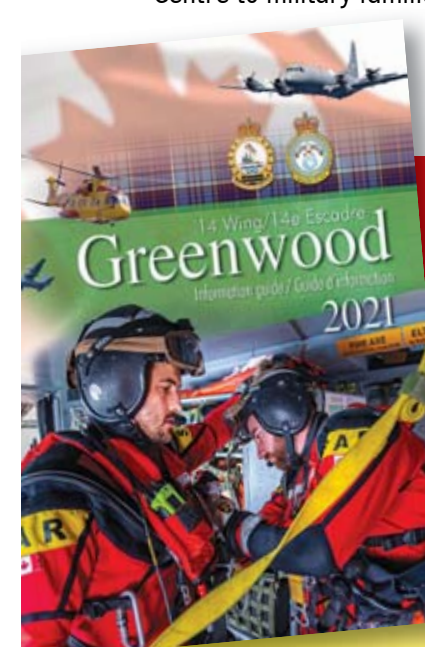
The CP140 Aurora is a long-range patrol aircraft used for multiple types of missions over land and water. The Aurora supports a wide variety of roles, including operations management, maritime and overland intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, anti-submarine and anti-surface warfare, strike coordination, and search and rescue. It can also assist other government agencies to combat, illegal fishing, pollution, drug trafficking, and more. →

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An Airborne Electronic Sensor Operator with 407 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron takes an inventory of sonobuoys. Major M. Kuhn

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Medevac work keeps SAR crews busy

January 26, the Halifax Joint Rescue Coordination Centre dispatched a 14 Wing Greenwood Cormorant CH149, with 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron, just before 4 p.m., perform a medevac from a fishing vessel in LaHave Bank. The medevac was successful, with the patient delivered to an awaiting ambulance at the Point Pleasant Park helipad in Halifax. Rescue 903 returned to Greenwood at 6 p.m.

February 3, a medevac turned into a complicated call for Hercules Rescue 343. Tasked around 1:30 p.m. from 14 Wing, the Hercules travelled to La Romaine, Quebec, aiming to pick up a patient for transport to Quebec City. Just before 3 p.m., R343 determined it was unable to land in La Romaine due to local weather conditions, and returned to Greenwood. A reassessment of weather, and the stand-up of a back-up crew in Greenwood for potential launch at 3 a.m. February 4, was planned. R343 arrived back in Greenwood early, and a decision was made to try again closer to 8 p.m., when Quebec weather was expected to change. That pushed to almost 11 p.m., and then had to be suddenly cancelled

as the aircraft became un-serviceable. The backup crew again prepped for a 3 a.m., February 4 attempt if Quebec was unable to secure patient transport before that crews launch and arrival. Provincial air assets tried to launch through the night but met further delays; another request for SAR assistance was made, and the 413 Squadron backup crew launched on Rescue 333 at 6:30 a.m., expected to arrive in La Romaine at 8 a.m. AST. By 1 p.m., Rescue 333 was still unable to land in La Romaine area weather conditions. The aircraft refueled in Stephenville, Newfoundland and Labrador, and headed back to make several more attempts at landing before returning to Greenwood late that afternoon.

February 7, JRCC tasked a 14 Wing Hercules just after 1 p.m. to provide top cover for a Gander-based CH149 Cormorant conducting a medevac for a 39-year-old man off the fishing vessel Lunnek, 290 nautical miles east of St. John's. Rescue 333 left Greenwood just after 3 p.m. The man was successfully airlifted from the boat to health services in St. John's. →

A team of researchers is aiming to make Arctic facilities more sustainable with the Defence Research and Development Canada-led project, Advanced Microgrids towards Arctic Zero Emissions (AMAZE). Submitted



DRDC sets AMAZE-ing goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Arctic facilities

A team of researchers is aiming to make Arctic facilities more sustainable through the Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC)-led project, Advanced Microgrids towards Arctic Zero Emissions (AMAZE), awarded \$1.65 M over three years from the Greening Government Fund in June 2020.

Defence buildings and assets in Canada's far north, including the North Warning System, use significant amounts of fuel for electricity and heating because of their remote locations and extreme cold conditions.

"This project, while targeting reduced fossil fuel use and greenhouse gas reductions, is also about maintaining or improving DND operations,"

says Dr. Gisele Amow, lead defence scientist. "Every litre of fuel that is not used is one litre of fuel that does not produce greenhouse gases or have to be flown, resulting in significant cost savings and yearly flight rates."

Key collaborators on the AMAZE project include DND's assistant deputy minister infrastructure and environment, Natural Resources Canada's (NRCan) CanmetENERGY Valrennes laboratory, and the National Research Council Canada.

AMAZE builds on previous DRDC-led Arctic work with NRCan CanmetENERGY at CFS Alert, where roughly 1.8 million litres of fuel is consumed annually at its main power

plant. Since fuel is delivered by heavy lift aircraft, it takes seven litres of fuel to deliver one litre of fuel to the site. The study identified energy savings, such as switching to LED lighting and building upgrades, that could save up to 37 per cent annual fuel use.

CanmetENERGY will develop a simulation software tool to identify the best combination of technologies to use in Arctic locations where diesel generators are commonly used. As well, a microgrid test facility developed by the NRC will enable testing of individual technologies with advanced microgrid controls. The outcomes of AMAZE will also benefit other government facilities and remote civilian communities in the far north in reducing greenhouse gases.

Development and testing of the microgrid system will continue in 2021 with the goal to deploy at a North Warning System site in 2022. →

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New primary healthcare centre now open in Middleton

A new, larger healthcare centre in Middleton is now officially open. Family physicians, nurses and staff from the Middleton Collaborative Practice moved into the new Soldiers Memorial primary healthcare centre in mid-December and began seeing patients soon after that.

The new health centre is about six times the size, at 12,600 square feet, of the aging medical clinic it replaces. There are about 26 exam rooms, consultation and conference rooms, waiting room and administration space; with more space to train

health professionals, including medical residents, which will help with recruitment.

The project was completed under budget, at a cost of \$10 million: the Soldiers Memorial Hospital Foundation committed \$1 million toward the cost.

"It is truly heartening to see our local community rally around the new primary healthcare centre," said Kelly Hutton, chair of the Soldiers Memorial Hospital Foundation. "We are grateful for the support of our donors, community leaders, government and our local healthcare community for making this excit-

ing project a reality. I expect the centre to be a catalyst in recruitment of physicians and other health-care providers to the Annapolis Valley."

Dr. Leslie Ribeiro, with the Middleton Collaborative Practice, says staff is excited, and quickly settling into this new modern building.

"We have hit the ground running, and this month the additional space has already afforded us the privilege of hosting new learners, including a dietitian student, a nurse practitioner student, a social worker student, and a medical student." →



The Mid-Annapolis Valley Kinsmen Club has pledged \$15,000 towards the Soldier's Memorial Hospital Foundation's \$1 million campaign to cover its commitment towards the construction of the new primary health care centre in Middleton. The facility is state-of-the-art and, hopefully, will aid in the recruitment of much-needed new physicians to our area. From left are Kinsmen Vice-President Neil Heighes, Soldier's Memorial Hospital Foundation Chairperson Kelly Hutton, Kinsmen President Paul Melnick and SMHF Past Chair Jim Mosher. Submitted

Youth outreach programs expanding

Nova Scotia youth who are struggling, marginalized and at-risk need more access to supports in their communities to help them grow, develop, stay safe and have more opportunities for their future.

The Youth Outreach program is expanding in four locations, three in the Halifax Regional Municipality

and another in the Windsor/Kentville areas. The expansion is part of a \$1.9 million investment in child welfare prevention and early intervention.

The Portal Youth Centre in Kentville will add services in the Windsor and Kentville areas to support African Nova Scotian youth. As part of the expanded programming, a

youth outreach worker will be hired.

Youth Outreach supports young people ages 16 to 24 in the community, and youth in care ages 12 to 18. The program responds to needs that may include basic personal needs, housing, life skills development, cultural and personal identity and relationship building. →

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February 15, 10 a.m., Hike Nova Scotia and the West Hants Regional Municipality host a moderate, 1.6 km, free hike in Falmouth. Meet at the Eldridge Road Recreation Site (156 Eldridge Road, Falmouth). It will be a 1 km hike with activities and planned for families with young children. Activities along the route will keep everyone engaged and having fun. Pre-registration

mandatory at kjohnston@westhants.ca or 902-790-6976. Those who are pre-registered will be notified if we need to cancel due to COVID, ice, weather, etc. Participants may win a "trail" prize.
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Come Walk with Us webinar
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Hike
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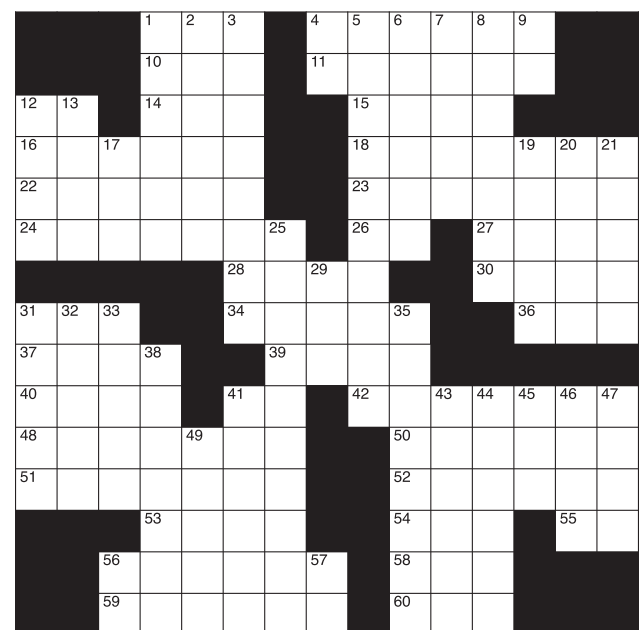
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44. Neighborhood in Manhattan
45. Distinctive practice
46. Vice president
47. Contributes to
49. Small bones
56. Oil company
57. Empire State

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February 14 to February 20

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you are feeling ambitious this week, so it might be time to try a new hobby or other interest. Write down your goals and see if any align with potential hobbies.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, some nice surprises are likely to come your way, especially in your private life. Enjoy every moment as it unfolds and express your appreciation when applicable.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, you are likely to upstage everyone else this week because people simply cannot get enough of your magnetic personality. If you grow weary of the limelight, take a break.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, clear your social schedule in favor of some quiet time at home. Such a respite can provide a great opportunity to reflect and make a new plan.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, you have a goal to meet someone new and there's a good chance you will discover that person in the days to come. Accept the possibility that hopes and dreams can come true.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, friends often end up filling marital roles. Even though a person may not be related by blood, certain friends can be relied upon through thick and thin.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Even though the holidays are over you may still want to continue the celebration. Libra. Find a way to socialize with friends or family in a responsible manner.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, you may be finished with the business that made last month hectic. Now you are ready to start a new chapter. A calm period is ahead.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, a potentially lucrative opportunity may present itself in the days to come. Consider all of your options and give equal thought to all of them.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, even if you don't say much, there is a lot of chatter going on in your head. Take some time to find a quiet place and meditate for a while.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Sometimes you just have to take a risk without vetting all of the possible outcomes. Aquarius. If it feels like it's a good time to make a change, embrace the opportunity.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
This week is the ideal opportunity to show strength and exhibit your organizational skills. Pisces. Don't be afraid to think big.

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	8	1	5	4		
1	3			5	9	
9	1		3	4		8
	2	4	9	1		
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	4				8	1
7				9	2	6
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Level: Beginner

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!

Volunteer workshop targets board, director success

Not-for-profit organizations and their boards of directors are the engines of community change. Every board member wants to do a good job - but is often unsure of what they should focus on, and what they should do.

February 23, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the Kings Volunteer Resource Centre will host a virtual workshop to help you answer those questions. We will explore the 12 questions every board member should ask to help ensure your duties as a board member are fulfilled and your organization is well-positioned for the challenges it faces. Whether it is program delivery, fundraising, or people management issues, these answers will get you on the track to success, make your work easier and more fun.

Max Chauvin will facilitate. Since 2002, Chauvin has helped community organizations focus, achieve extraordinary success and transform their communities. He is a nationally certified trainer and facilitator and holds both an MBA and an MSC in strategic planning. Those who have worked with Chauvin know he will provide tough love when required and will do

Youth Happenings

The 14 Wing Greenwood Community Centre has lots of exciting activities planned for the upcoming week. Open to youth ages six to 12, the centre offers a variety of programs, ranging from sports to crafts to special challenges and more. Whether you're looking to try something new, meet new people or hang out with friends, the opportunities and options are endless.

To register or for information, please call 902-765-1494 local 5341, Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. and noon and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Please note and respect all COVID-19 protocols currently in place.
Monday, February 15 – Heritage Day day camp, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. \$20 Community Recreation Card holders, \$30 non-rec card holders (plus HST).
Wednesday, February 17 – youth yoga, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Free.

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Kingston class joined by Trudeau, O'Ree, guests in NHL anti-racism program launch

Pine Ridge Middle School's Grade 8 Kasapowitsch class was recently selected to represent Nova Scotia in Classroom Champions and the NHL's announcement of "Lessons from Willie." The program is designed to bring the story of Willie O'Ree to light, and his experience as the first black player in the NHL. The program provides social justice and anti-racism resources to schools across North America and a series of inspirational videos educators and families can use to start meaningful conversations with kids.

Patricia Kasapowitsch's students in Kingston were honoured to be selected to participate in a February 1 live stream panel discussion to launch the initiative. The panel featured Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Willie O'Ree, Sarah Nurse and other special guests, all hosted by Ron MacLean.

The class created a theme of "Be Like O'Ree" in preparation for this event, in which they highlighted some of Mr. O'Ree's qualities as a game

changer, barrier breaker, community builder and positive role model - not just in sport.

One of the things Mr. O'Ree said a few times during the discussion, student Madeline Boudreau said, was, "You get out of it what you put into it." This is a good reminder that, even when we feel we don't want to, going the extra effort will lead us to the success we really want.

Charlotte Tagg and Charlotte Thompson both agree "we learned that, no matter who you are and where you come from, when you put your mind to it, you can achieve anything. Mr. O'Ree has inspired us to keep working at all that we do and to put our best effort in life."

Thompson added: "I valued the time with Willie O'Ree. It was a truly amazing experience I will never forget!"

Student Alex Hazelwood also described the event as "an interesting and memorable experience."

The class will be using and sharing the free resources in the coming weeks to highlight



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the valuable and powerful conversations students can have relating to social justice and racism. The program and resources may be found online at lessonsfromwillie.ca. The class encourages everyone to #belikeORee. ➔

February 15 to 20

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Monday	8 a.m. to noon	Curling, Greenwood Gardens
Tuesday	8 a.m. to noon	Curling, Greenwood Gardens
Wednesday	8 a.m. to noon 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Curling, Greenwood Gardens Sled race, CANEX parking lot
Thursday	10 a.m. to noon 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Curling semi-finals, Greenwood Gardens Wing Commander's Mystery Challenge
Friday	10 a.m. to 11 a.m. 10 p.m. to noon 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Escape room, Annapolis Mess Curling final, Greenwood Gardens Escape room, Annapolis Mess
Saturday	4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	TGIF/ trivia, Annapolis Mess (413 & OSS) Family scavenger hunt, Community Centre