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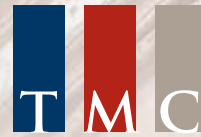
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Smudge experience in Aldershot outdoors 'beautiful' ceremony

Sara White,
Managing editor

Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class (retired) Debbie Eisen knows a lot about what recruits on BMQ 0274 Echo are experiencing during their 10-week training at 5th Canadian Division Support Base Detachment Aldershot. She followed many of the same learning paths and practices at the beginning of her 36-year Canadian Armed Forces career. November 2, she asked them to join her on a different path.

Eisen and Denise John visited Camp Aldershot from the Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre in Halifax with Petty Officer 1st Class Katerina Stewart, the military co-chair of the Atlantic Defence Aboriginal Advisory Group.

The women prepared and lead a smudging ceremony in the wooded training grounds above the BMQ's field camp under sunny fall skies.

"Thank you for allowing us to gather together, thank you for the wind to cleanse Mother Nature, thank you for the sun. Be with our loved ones who are preparing themselves for their final journey to you, and protect these young men and women in their training as they learn to protect Turtle Island," Eisen said, as she invited those around her in pray to their own Creator as they liked.

Eisen then circled the group, wafting the smoke from her shell of smouldering medicines – tobacco, sage,



Corporal C. Moon, 14 Wing Imaging

cedar and sweetgrass – over the hands, ears, eyes, moth and limbs of BMQ members with an eagle feather.

Following the ceremony, RCAF D-BMQ Detachment Commander Major Russ Payne thanked Eisen, John and Stewart for spending

their afternoon with the BMQ staff and recruits.

"Welcome to Aldershot – I can't thank you enough," said Payne. "This ceremony is important – not just because of recent history in Canada, but because this should have been far more important for

many years before this. This was a beautiful ceremony."

Eisen invited questions, and the first from one of the recruits was, "how do we say 'thank you' in your language?"

"Wherever you are posted, that is a very good question,"

she responded. "The first thing you should do is find out whose territory you are in, learn how to say 'hello' and 'thank you' in that language.

"And I thank you all for taking part – we are glad to have been able to share with you." →

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The International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) will take place December 3. The day aims to promote the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities in all spheres of society and development, to increase awareness of disability issues, and to mobilize support for the dignity, rights, integration and inclusion of persons with disabilities in every aspect of the political, social, economic and cultural life of their communities.

The Defence Team will commemorate the 2021 IDPD under the theme, "Courageous Conversations for a more Equitable, Diverse, Inclusive and Accessible Future." The theme invites us to empower change through open, honest and engaging dialogue. This may include having difficult or uncomfortable conversations that allow us to reflect on our own unconscious biases, remove barriers, challenge stigma and promote awareness and understanding. Inclusive and accessible work environment and practices enable us to tap into the rich diversity of talent within our Defence Team.

A national event will take place December 3 at National Defence Headquarters Carling in Ottawa, Building 3, 11 a.m. to noon EST; featuring speakers and video presentations. The event will be broadcast live on MS Stream. All Department of National Defence and Canadian Armed Forces members are welcome to join in person or online, as we reinvent how we work – and come together in a more inclusive and accessible way.

14 Wing Greenwood's champion for IDPD is 415 (Long Range Patrol Force Development) Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick LeBlanc.

For more information on IDPD, visit <https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities>

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October 4, Corporal Shawn Mernard, centre, was promoted to current rank by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron acting commanding officer Major Andrew Smith, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Brian Nelson. Sergeant M. Carreira



October 4, Aviator Bernard O'Meara, centre, was promoted to current rank by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron acting commanding officer Major Andrew Smith, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Brian Nelson. Sergeant M. Carreira



October 4, Corporal Timothy Wilson, centre, was promoted to current rank by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron acting commanding officer Major Andrew Smith, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Brian Nelson. Sergeant M. Carreira



October 4, Corporal Robert Pierce, centre, was promoted to current rank by 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron acting commanding officer Major Andrew Smith, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Brian Nelson. Sergeant M. Carreira



November 9, Corporal Hailey Friesen, centre, was presented the Commanding Officer's Commendation certificate by 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Aleem Sajjan, left, with Chief Warrant Officer David McDowell in 10 Hanger, 14 Wing Greenwood.



November 9, Master Corporal Ghislain Hachey, centre, was presented the Stinger of the Quarter certificate by 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Aleem Sajjan, left, with Chief Warrant Officer David McDowell in 10 Hanger, 14 Wing Greenwood.



Second Lieutenant Danielle Beland, centre, 14 Operational Support Squadron (Air Traffic Control section); was promoted October 8 to lieutenant by squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Serge Parisien, left, with Squadron Chief Warrant Officer Craig MacLellan. Corporal J. Fox, 14 Wing Imaging



November 9, Aviator Mark Plank, centre, was promoted to corporal by 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Serge Parisien, left, with Chief Warrant Officer David McDowell in 10 Hanger, 14 Wing Greenwood.



Master Corporal Jessica Reynolds, centre, was presented with the Canadian Decoration by 14 Operational Support Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Serge Parisien, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Craig MacLellan in the Hornell Centre of 14 Wing Greenwood, November 22.



Corporal Ryan O'Toole, centre, was presented with the Canadian Decoration First Clasp by 14 Operational Support Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Serge Parisien, left, with Chief Warrant Officer Craig MacLellan. Shot in the Hornell Centre of 14 Wing Greenwood, November 22.



November 9, Aviator Karrie Plank, centre, was promoted to aviator trained by 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Aleem Sajjan, left, with Chief Warrant Officer David McDowell in 10 Hanger, 14 Wing Greenwood.



November 9, Corporal Cindy German, centre, was presented the Commanding Officer's Commendation certificate by 14 Air Maintenance Squadron Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel Aleem Sajjan, left, with Chief Warrant Officer David McDowell in 10 Hanger, 14 Wing Greenwood.

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Christmas hamper program for military families

As we approach the holiday season, the GMFRC will be helping military families who require a bit of extra support to make their Christmas bright. In conjunction with Friendly Neighbours, we request assistance in identifying military families that would benefit from a Christmas hamper, which provides a full turkey dinner and breakfast for the family.

Families may apply for this program by contacting Shauna Manning, 902-765-1494 local 1811, or the padres, 902-765-1494 local 5883, to fill out a confidential application form.

Applications will be accepted until December 10. →

Programme de paniers de Noël pour les familles militaires

À l'approche de la saison des fêtes, le CRFMG aidera les familles des militaires qui ont besoin d'un peu de soutien supplémentaire pour rendre leur Noël joyeux. En collaboration avec « Friendly Neighbours », nous demandons de l'aide pour identifier les familles de militaires qui pourraient bénéficier d'un panier de Noël incluant un souper complet de dinde et un petit déjeuner pour la famille.

Les familles peuvent s'inscrire à ce programme en communiquant avec Shauna Manning au CRFMG 902-765-1494 au poste 1811 ou les padres au 902-765-1494 poste 5883 pour remplir un formulaire de demande confidentiel.

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Christmas with Friends returns to Wolfville December 12

Christmas with Friends returns to University Hall in Wolfville. After cancelling in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Annapolis Valley singer-songwriter Rachel MacLean is back to host the 11th celebration with special guest Mark Riley and The Gilberts.

Riley has lived, loved and epitomized music all his life, and is also known as the man with the bands! Born into a very musical family just outside of Dartmouth, Riley is an alumnus of the Nova Scotia Mass Choir and has worked with many music groups,



The Gilberts Archive

including Bluesmobile and Shoulder to Shoulder. He formed The Mark Riley Quartet, a jazz band, and established the Mark Riley Project.

The Gilberts are a sibling contemporary folk trio bringing vibrant three-part har-

monies, soulful lyricism and melodious alchemy to their original songs with diverse influences, including folk music from the 1960s to the current scene, choral, musical theatre and singer-songwriters. Frieden, Reuben and Maisie emigrated to Canada in 2003, growing up on folk festival fields around Nova Scotia.

Valley singer songwriter MacLean has been sharing her music with audiences for over 25 years. She performed for over 15 years as part of the popular duo, "The MacLeans," and recorded five successful

independent albums with her sister during that time. MacLean has been performing solo across the Maritimes for over a decade, pleasing audiences with her beautiful voice, sweet smile and inspirational music. She released her first solo album, "Beyond The Rain," in 2013, followed by "Fallen Snow" in 2019.

Christmas with Friends takes place December 12 at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the Acadia Box Office, 902-542-5500 or acadia.uoft.ca/tickets.com. All provincial public health protocols will be followed. →

Welcome return: N.S. Tattoo 2022 tickets on sale now

The Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo returns to Scotiabank Centre June 25 to July 2, after a two-year pandemic hiatus. Tickets for Nova Scotia's premier summer spectacle went on sale November 19.

The 2022 return of the Tattoo will feature talent from around the globe, including the Heeresmusikkorps Neubrandenburg (German Army Band Neubrandenburg), the IMPS Motorcycle Display Team from the United Kingdom, and the Vancouver Police Pipe Band.

More cast announcements will include local talent, new international acts and the return of fan favourites.

"We are very excited to be producing the show again after a long 20 months of hibernation," says Scott Long, managing director and executive producer of the Tattoo. "The production team is working tirelessly to create one of the best shows yet, and we look forward to hosting our cast and audience once again, in person, at Scotiabank Centre."

As part of an overall strategy

to engage with youth and families, the Tattoo will offer free tickets to kids 18 and under with the purchase of an adult or senior ticket. According to Long, "the Tattoo strives to position itself as the premier family entertainment event of the year, and our free tickets for kids offer makes the show more accessible than ever for young families."

The Tattoo's motto, "We stir the heart and call you home," will provide inspiration for the 2022 show's creative theme, focusing on safely coming to-

gether once again to celebrate, commemorate and honour our culture and history.

Tickets are available exclusively through the Ticket Atlantic Box Office online, and more information may be found on the Tattoo's website. Those purchasing tickets for the 2022 Tattoo during the first week of sales (November 19 to 26) will receive a free ticket to the Tattoo's "Spirit of Nova Scotia" virtual show, which will be released for online streaming ahead of the holiday season. →

Dear Santa...

Have a holiday wish for Santa, or the community?

The Aurora Newspaper will include letters to Santa in the December 20 issue, the last before the big day, and we invite you to join us.

- Hand deliver your letter, a photo and a sample of your signature to The Aurora (61 School Road, Morfee Annex, Greenwood) OR
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All letters must be received by 4 p.m. December 14.

Letters should be a maximum 50 words and include full name, age and home community. A parent's name and phone number should be included for youth.



Greenwood Dolphins Nova Tech swimmers were at their first season meet in Wolfville November 7, with nine swimmers participating in 35 events. Pictured are, in the back row, from left, coach Amanda Bond, Braden Robertson, Jacob Roscoe and Evelyne Roscoe; across the front are Brooklyn Fahie, Ethan Travis, Riley Bond, Nathan Bond, Sofia Paquet, Genny Goldie and coach Luke Larson. Submitted



Nine age group swimmers with the Greenwood Dolphins competed October 24 at the Dalhousie University pool. Through 41 events, the swimmers achieved 38 personal bests. Pictured are, in the back row, from left, Elliott Surek, Ashlynn Clarke, Ezri Button; in the middle row are Owen Bond, Ella Latta, Colbie LeBlanc and Abby Bond; across the front are Aiden Stoddart, coach Amanda Bond and Madeline MacSween. Submitted

Greenwood Dolphins swim to early season success

The Greenwood Dolphins Swim Club has begun the competitive phase of its season on a positive note.

Age group swimmers had their first meet October 24 at the Dalhousie University pool. It was a sprint meet - a fun way to kick off the season. The team had nine swimmers compete in a total of 41 events. Overall, the swimmers achieved 38 personal best times, very impressive consid-

ering this was the first swim meet at this level for most of the group.

"To see so many personal best times in a group of relatively new swimmers at this level is a huge accomplishment," head coach Amanda Bond said.

Two swimmers also broke club records during the meet. Ashlynn Clarke received the club record in the 15-17 women's 100IM, with a new time of

1:20.65. Owen Bond earned the club record in the 13-14 men's 100IM, with a new time of 1:15.26.

"The swimmers have all worked so hard these last few weeks," said Bond. "To see them do so well, and have fun participating, is very rewarding."

The club's Nova Tech level swimmers also had their first meet of the season at the Acadia pool in Wolfville November

7. The club had nine swimmers at this level compete.

For several of the swimmers in this group, it was their first ever meet; for others, it was their first meet in over 20 months. The nine swimmers participated in 35 events - and 35 new personal bests were achieved. Additionally, there were no disqualifications given to Greenwood swimmers.

"I am extremely proud of this group of swimmers. 100

per cent personal best times and no disqualifications is incredible," said Bond.

Several swimmers also leveled up at this meet. Riley Bond, Sofia Paquet and Braden Robertson earned Nova Tech bronze medals and will advance to Level 1. Jacob Roscoe, Evelyne Roscoe, Brooklyn Fahie and Genny Goldie earned silver medals and will now swim in Nova Tech Level 2. Ethan Travis

earned his gold medal and will advance to the age group level.

Age group swimmers are next in the pool November 20 and 21 at Acadia in Wolfville. The Nova Tech swimmers will compete in their home pool December 7. The club's Novice swimmers will be participating in in-house time trials throughout the season. Once they achieve their Nova Tech times, they will compete in swim meets. →

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Les Services de bien-être et moral des Forces canadiennes réalisent un nouveau sondage sur les besoins de la communauté, cette fois dans une nouvelle optique. Au lieu de réévaluer les besoins collectifs et les lacunes des programmes, le sondage se penchera sur de microdétails, par exemple en demandant aux répondants quel est le

meilleur moment pour offrir des programmes, ou encore comment et quand prioriser les dépenses.

Que les familles aient besoin d'inscrire les enfants à des cours de natation, d'améliorer leur condition physique, de se faire des amis dans une nouvelle communauté ou d'organiser leurs finances, nos services sont

là pour les aider. Pour que nos programmes et services combient leurs besoins, il faut que les militaires, les vétérans et leurs familles les connaissent et qu'ils soient accessibles au moment et à l'endroit voulu.

Au 10 décembre, exprimez votre opinion en répondant au sondage sur les besoins de la communauté : <https://cfmws.checkbox.ca/CNA-2021>. Votre participation à ce sondage vous permet d'exprimer votre opinion sur vos préférences, les manques et les améliorations potentielles relativement aux SBMFC pour la communauté militaire.

Pour en savoir plus, visitez le site www.connexionFAC.ca/ebc. →

Share your opinions, help improve CFMWS services

Canadian Forces Morale & Welfare Services is launching a Community Needs Assessment survey, this time with a different focus. Instead of re-assessing collective needs and program deficiencies, the 2021 CNA will look at community needs from a micro-level perspective, such as when is the best time to offer programming and how and when to prioritize spending.

Whether families need to sign the kids up for swimming lessons, improve their

fitness, make friends in a new community, or organize their finances, our services are there to support them. To ensure our programs and services are meeting their requirements, we want to make certain that military members, veterans and their families are aware of our services and that our services align with when, where and how they need them.

To December 10, we invite you and your colleagues to share your opinions in our

CNA survey at <https://cfmws.checkbox.ca/CNA-2021>. Participating in this survey is an opportunity to express opinions on preference, gaps

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NOTICE: Many community events may change details as gatherings are affected by public health guidance around COVID-19. Please check ahead with the organizers, as submission dates and Aurora press deadlines are in advance of distribution.

Proof of vaccination ID support

Anyone requiring assistance accessing/ printing their proof of COVID-19 vaccination paperwork or wallet cards – the Kingston Lions will help. Contact the club at 902-765-2128, Monday/Wednesday/ Thursday between 9 a.m. and noon.

Kinsmen & Kinette Christmas Miracle applications

Applications are now being accepted for Kinsmen & Kinette Christmas Miracle support. Visit the Kim Room at the Kentville Rec Centre, 354 Main Street, Kentville (side entrance, downstairs) November 30 and December 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; December 4, 9 a.m. to noon; or December 7, noon to

3 p.m. The Kinsmen and Kinettes will provide Christmas gifts for Kings County children age one year to 13 years. Applicants must bring proof of age for each child (birth certificate or health card). Masks must be worn inside the Rec Centre.

Greenwood Military Aviation Museum Society AGM

November 30, 8 p.m., the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum Society will host its annual general meeting in the museum conference room, or virtually by Zoom (TBD). All paid-up society members are invited to attend the AGM; any current member, as of November 5, may vote and may be nominated for membership to the board of directors. Such nominations must be sent/ emailed to the AGM chairman, Ian Patrick, c/o the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum, PO Box 786, Greenwood, NS, B0P 1N0; or ijpatrick@eastlink.ca no later than November 15.

Luncheon

November 30, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Fireflies host a take-out/delivery luncheon at the Middleton fire hall. Pre-orders only by calling Bonnie at 902-825-3062 by No-

ember 25. Masks are required for pick-up. Cash only, please. Menu: turkey burgers with all the fixings (\$12) or corn chowder & roll (\$10). Both meals include apple crisp for dessert. Sorry - no dining in.

Festival of Trees

December 4, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., a Festival of Trees ticket auction will be held at the Greenwood Mall, hosted by 14 Wing Greenwood's Combined Charities and partnering with two dozen-plus base squadrons and community businesses and organizations. Tickets 10 for \$5, draws at 3 p.m. (you do not have to be present to win). Trees each include \$200 to \$400-plus in prizes and certificates. Plus: hourly draws from a prize tree from noon to 3 p.m. For info: FB @14WingCombinedCharities. All proceeds are shared by Combined Charities among 60 Valley and regional charities, including schools, food banks, animal welfare, youth sports, health support programs and more. Public health guidance for indoor retail spaces in effect.

#LocallyWeMakeADifference **Ticket auction & craft fair** December 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Aylesford and District Lions

host a Christmas ticket auction and craft fair at the hall, 2160 Hwy 1, Auburn. Homemade crafts, Christmas gifts, 50/50 and more. Picture ID, proof of vaccination and mask wearing required.

December 6 vigil

December 6, 3 p.m., a vigil, Joining Together to Stand Against Gender-based Violence: A Time to Listen – Support – Heal; with music, poetry and candle lighting will be held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 45 Main Street, Middleton.

National Association of Federal Retirees Western NS Branch Christmas dinner

December 8, 11:30 a.m., the National Association of Federal Retirees Western NS Branch hosts its Christmas dinner and meeting at the Deep Brook Waldec Lions Hall, 948 Hwy 1, Deep Brook. Turkey dinner and all the trimmings at a cost of \$12.50 for members and \$16 for invited guests. Music by John Montgomerie. If you wish to attend, please email NAFR75@gmail.com or call Carolyn/ Bill at 902-765-8590 no later than November 30. Proof of both COVID-19 vaccinations is required.

Christmas hamper program

December 9 is the deadline to apply for the Friendly Neighbours Christmas hamper Program. Ap-

plications are available at Sobeyes Greenwood, Needs in Aylesford, Pharmasave in Kingston, Bert's in Auburn. All applications must be completed and returned to the store where picked up no later than December 9. Applications will not be accepted after that date. **Christmas hamper program for military families** December 10 is the deadline to apply for a Christmas hamper through the Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre/ 14 Wing padres. In conjunction with Friendly Neighbours, hampers will provide a full turkey dinner and breakfast for the family. Families may apply by contacting Shauna Manning, 902-765-1494 local 1811, or the padres, 902-765-1494 local 5883, to fill out a confidential application form.

14 Wing Band holiday concert

December 12, 7 p.m.: it's the most wonderful time of the year! The 14 Wing Band is pleased to return to a live holiday concert at the Annapolis Mess. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. This year's concert will feature the Annapolis Big Band, with some jazzy repertoire! Admission is free and open to the public, with donations to the Upper Room Food Bank in Kingston graciously accepted. Proof of vaccination will be required to attend.



Doyle Barkman, left, and Neil Barkman of Terrawatt Electric install the components of the electric charging stations for the Greenwood Golf Club's transition to an all-electric golf cart fleet for the spring of 2022. S. White

Charge it up Getting set for spring with golf cart upgrade project

Sara White, Managing editor

If a day on the greens isn't a win in itself, upgrades at the Greenwood Golf Club in preparation for spring 2022 are going to add to the experience – and “green” the facility.

A 36-cart electric charging station is being installed now, across the lane from the clubhouse. The two rows of posts include 13 double-charging hook-ups for carts, and the electrical capacity, once complete, means it can charge a full fleet as folks head in from a tournament.

The project came about as the concessionaires of the Greenwood Golf Club, a 14 Wing Greenwood-owned

course, made plans earlier this year to replace the mix of 20 base-owned – and aging – gas and electric carts into the next year and a new concession agreement. Next season's all-electric fleet was a good reason for the base's Personnel Support Program, which operates morale and welfare programs and services for the military community, to supervise a matching upgrade to the golf course's charging service.

“Maintaining or upgrading infrastructure is our responsibility, and we're seeing our concessionaire interested in reinvesting back into his company because it's gone well,” says deputy manager PSP Philippa Arbitr. “It means, too, we'll be a

lot more environmentally friendly on the course itself with electric carts, it'll be quieter and we can reduce the amount of gas fuel we have to have stored on site.”

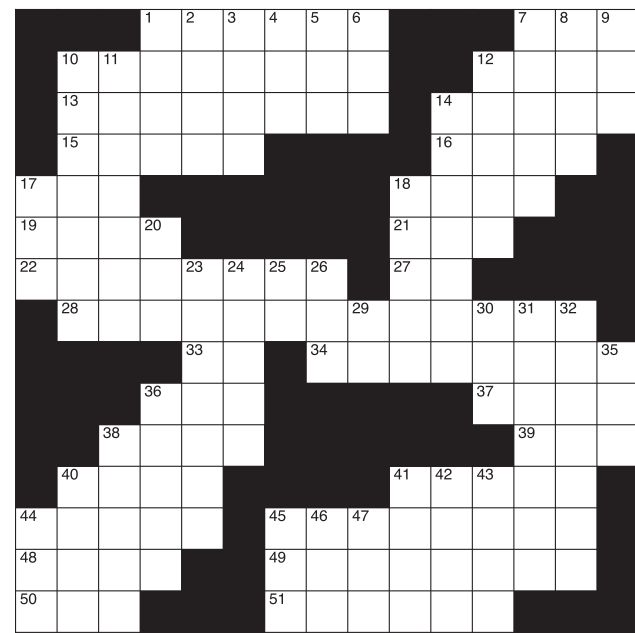
Arbitr says two of the older base-owned electric carts will head out to PSP's campground at Lake Pleasant, in Springfield, where they will come in handy for site work. The remainder will be sold in a draw or auction event in early spring. Some of that revenue will apply to the \$26,000 cost of the charging station installation.

Berwick's Terrawatt Electric won the design/ build bid earlier this year, with company owner Doyle Barkman pleased to be approved in his first custom work project, and in his first busi-

ness dealings in the military procurement environment. He brought in expertise from Eastern Manufacturing and Design to help with the design and fabrication of the system and its metal post structures, and he's been working on site with his apprentice electrician brother, Neil, and 14 Wing property inspectors as needed. While the project was hoped to be complete by August, extenuating supply issues – the required transformer now won't arrive until March 2022 – have added to the timeline. Barkman completed all his work by October 22, and turned the site over to the base for the final transformer installation, in time for next season's golf cart charging needs. ➔

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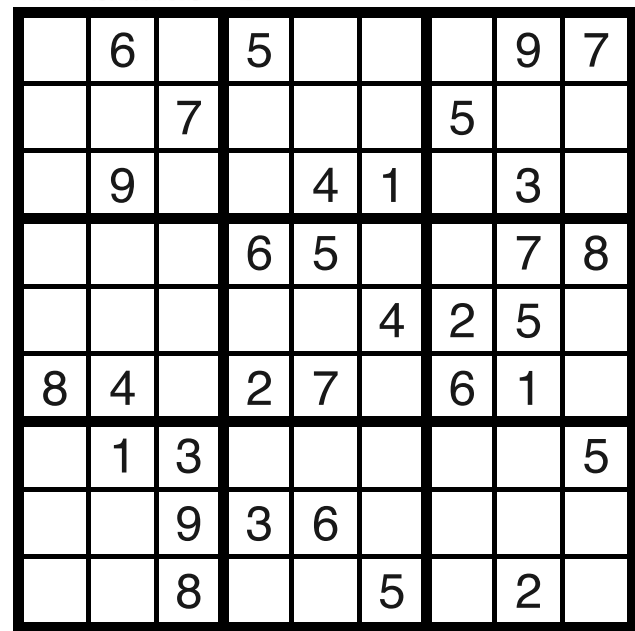
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- ACROSS**
1. Topsides
7. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
10. A Sultan's court
12. Maine city
13. Largest living land animal
14. Appetizer
15. Encounters
16. Leader
17. The source of bacon
18. Nuclear near reach weapon (abbr.)
19. Celery (Spanish)
21. Pie ___ mode
22. Eye disease
27. Hello (slang)
28. Those in their 80s
33. Law enforcement agency (abbr.)
34. Business organizations
36. Mimic
37. For indicating speed of rotation (abbr.)
38. Feeling
39. Visual way to interact with computers (abbr.)
40. 'Let it Snow!' songwriter
41. Essential oil used as perfume
44. Norwegian composer
45. Coast
48. ___ lang syne, good old days
49. Gland behind the stomach
50. Tooth caregiver
51. King of Camelot
- DOWN**
1. N. American indigenous people
2. Fascinated by (abbr.)
3. Root of out
4. Patti Hearst's captors
5. Atomic #50
6. Habitual drunkard
7. Arabic for 'peace'
8. Tricky
9. One's physique (slang)
10. Not quite there
11. Wistfully mournful
12. Popular dance
14. Cut of meat
17. A way to stand
18. 'Gunga Din' screenwriter
20. 10th month of the year (abbr.)
23. A way of jumping
24. Utah town
25. Off
26. Actress de Armas
29. Silver
30. Play a role
31. ___ Falls
32. Attaches to
35. Japanese title
36. Expressed pleasure
38. Buckets
40. Dirt
41. Hypnotists' group (abbr.)
42. Restaurant drive-___
43. Digs up
44. He voices 'Olaf'
45. Relaxing place
46. Body part
47. Pesky house critter
48. SPA
46. EAR
47. ANT

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Level: Beginner

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TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 It's one thing to stand by your views, Taurus. It's another to stubbornly refuse to listen to others when they make good points. Be open-minded this week.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21 You may be juggling too much at one time, Gemini. If you're finding it difficult to manage your time, reach out to a friend or colleague for help. They're ready and willing.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, lately you have been a person of few words, and others may be wondering what is going on. Confide in someone close to you if the need arises.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 Leo, if you are up for an adventure, look to those around you for inspiration. Maybe you'll overhear a coworker talking about a dream getaway.

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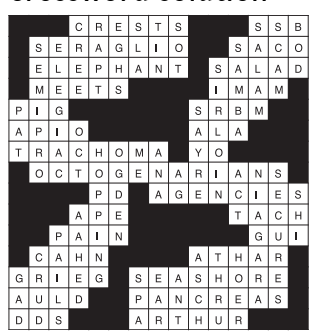
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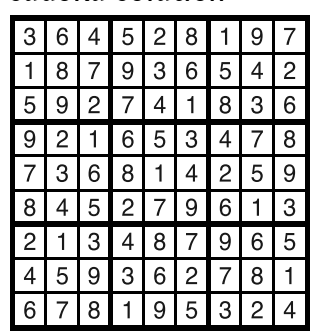
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November 20 remembrance

14 Wing Greenwood recognized November 20 as the international Transgender Day of Remembrance, raising the transgender flag at the main gate for the day. From left are Wing Chief Warrant Officer Jonathan Proulx, Captain Michelle Backhouse, Aviator Skye Fisher, Lieutenant-Colonel Joshua Christianson, Aviator Alex Anderson, Warrant Officer Linda Legault, Corporal Carlos Arnoni, Corporal Brandon Pitre and Wayne Kelley. Master Corporal J. Chabot, 14 Wing Imaging

Wildcats proud to continue 'Stockings Were Hung' initiative

The Valley Wildcats hockey organization is built around a supportive, family concept; a principle not only shared between team members on the ice but emphasized in the work they put into community initiatives.

that everyone here at the Valley Wildcats takes immense pride in," says an organization statement. "This annual initiative has tangibly helped so many people over the holiday season in our area. As 'wins' go over the course of a season, this one may be of the most meaning."

Wildcats are once again partnering with this year's ninth annual Stockings Were Hung campaign in the Annapolis Valley. The project fills stockings for families at Christmastime. Collection boxes may be found at locations around the Valley. The Wildcats "family," both players and staff, get directly involved in organization and distribution efforts.

Any item that fits in a stocking may be donated: toys to socks to mittens to gift cards. Card games, earbuds, books, candy and treats; or personal care items, such as toothpaste, shampoo, hairbrushes and nail polish; are also suggested.

"Supporting our Annapolis Valley community is something

If you would like to donate to The Stockings Were Hung campaign, drop off a gift at all Wildcats' games in Berwick to mid-December. ➔

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