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Close connections keep Beaulieus in Greenwood

**Officer Cadet
Laura Lascelle**

A passion for serving one's country runs in the Beaulieu family.

Sergeant Jim Beaulieu, celebrating his 60th birthday in July, has recently requested a retirement extension to continue as Readiness Training Flight's chief first aid instructor at 14 Wing Greenwood.

This would be alongside his son, 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Aviator Nicholas Beaulieu, and daughter, 14 Mission Support Squadron Corporal Kelsey Beaulieu. All follow in the footsteps of proud servicemen through Jim, whose grandfather served in Korea during the Second World War, and his father, who retired after a 33-year military career.

Jim enrolled as a field artilleryman in 1981: his father, then a field recruiter posted to Petawawa's Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, drove the 17-year-old to Ottawa to apply. Five years later, Jim posted as an air defence artilleryman to Chatham, where he met his wife, supply technician Carol Ann. She'd joined the forces the year prior through the Youth Training Employment Program out of Sydney, after she happened upon the Mayflower Mall's recruitment centre.

"Mom was the first one in her family to join the military since her great uncle, Burn, was in World War Two," says Kelsey. Carol Ann served 25 years, including a tour in the former Yugoslavia in 1994, before retiring in 2010.

After Kelsey and Nicholas were born, the senior Beaulieus decided a change of pace was in order.

"I was gone all the time, like, a lot; because I was at the artillery school and I was a young sergeant - only 24, so then I became an engine tech and I came here to Greenwood," says Jim. The family posted to 14 Wing June 6, 1990, where they have been stationed ever since.

Growing up on the wing wasn't always easy for the kids, whose parents knew "everybody."

"We couldn't do anything, because Mom and Dad always found out," says Kelsey, who loved joining her mother at work.

"She didn't just stay in clothing stores; she went to all the different spots where a supply tech is needed. I remember going over to 405 Squadron when I was a kid, being like, 'Ah, cool, look at that!' and then my Mom saying, 'Do not climb on that... Don't touch it!'"

Though Jim never thought his daughter would don a uniform, Kelsey surprised both her parents and herself when she joined as a traffic technician on her mother's birthday in 2021.

"When I was a kid, I swore up and down: nope, nope, nope, not happening," Kelsey says. "I like it a lot. It

was on the list of careers that I qualified for, and everybody I talked to said traffic techs are the happiest people and they absolutely love their job, so I was like, 'let's go for it!' and I have to agree!"

Kelsey since been deployed on a number of short taskings, as well as a nine-month tasking to Comox in support of OP Salus. Although she loved the British Columbia wildlife, Kelsey is happy to have a position back home.

"I grew up on the base: why not work here, right? I love it. I love every part of it."

While Jim knew his son planned to join the military, Nicholas surprised his father by joining the army in 2010.

"What is the first thing I told

him when he joined the military? 'Go blue or stay home,' and, what does he do? Joins combat engineers!" says a proud father.

Nicholas spent four years in Gagetown before releasing and didn't think he would enroll again until a friend approached him to discuss a new opportunity.

"He told me about this new trade they were starting up, air operations support technician, and I said, 'Sure, I'll go do it!'"

Nicholas loves the variety of the new career: operating rigid inflatable boats, servicing the Hercules aircraft, assisting in search and rescue training, participating in the Wing Auxiliary Security Force.

"It's quite fun to be a part of a brand-new trade, too, because we're kind of making it as we go."

Another perk: Nicholas and Kelsey see each other whenever they need to reconfigure the aircraft. Really, the three family members often cross paths during their workday.

"I taught Kelsey weapons two

weeks ago," says Jim.

And, just like when they were young, the Beaulieu "children" can't go anywhere without someone asking, "Beaulieu, eh? You Jim's kid?"

At least now, the Beaulieu "kids" can understand all the military lingo and acronyms.

"It's like a whole new chat has opened up," says Kelsey "When we were kids, Mom and Dad would have their friends over and they'd be talking about this, talking about that, and it's like a foreign language, you know? And then, all of a sudden, it's like, 'Oh my gosh, I know exactly what they're saying!'"

Though Jim initially retired in 2009 to work in intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance with the Heron drone in Afghanistan, he was delighted to come back home to Greenwood when a Reserve instructor position opened in 2017. After nine tours, Jim says

he doesn't travel for work anymore because he wants to stay close to his family.

"I'm supposed to be kind of like,

retired, but I'm busier now than I ever was," says Jim. He'd be in his 43rd year of service if he had not taken a civilian "break" to serve in Afghanistan, but he's proud of the experience he's had, and is happy to see his children find the opportunities the Canadian Armed Forces have to offer.

"It was tough, especially when I went airborne: it's not for the faint of heart, that's for sure. But I've had a great career; wouldn't change a darn thing, not a thing."

Next year, Jim is hoping to take Nicholas on a military accredited parachuting course in Florida so he can share his love of jumping with his son.

"I don't even like being up in a cherry picker!" says Kelsey, continuing to say "nope, nope, nope, not happening" to skydiving - before admitting that she might end up giving it a try.... →



Son-father-daughter Aviator Nicholas Beaulieu, left; Sergeant Jim Beaulieu, centre; and Corporal Kelsey Beaulieu regularly run into each other at 14 Wing Greenwood, with deep family connections to the wing's day-to-day work. Officer Cadet L. Lascelle

14 OSS leadership keeps 'possum awesomeness'

**Officer Cadet
Laura Lascelle**

The cheerful banter that animated 14 Operations Support Squadron (OSS)'s ceremonial change of command June 6 attested to the close-knittedness of the posse of "Awesome Possums" who came together under the leadership of outgoing commanding officer Lieutenant-Colonel Lara Jennings.

"I believe that we have achieved the biggest steps in our squadron's history towards identifying and unifying as a squadron," Jennings said, making her farewell comments. In the past two years, 14 OSS established a mascot: a "wicked" possum, designed by squadron artist Captain Stephanie Juliusson; as well as a squadron fund, Awesome Possum awards, coins and, "best of all," said Jennings, "we have esprit de corps and pride, which we saw come out in full force during this year's Winter Carnival events."

Jennings is confident 14 OSS' reputation was a deciding factor in incoming commanding officer Lieutenant-Colonel Garrett Milne's decision to change careers from aerospace engineering officer



Outgoing 14 Operations Support Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Lara Jennings presented squadron members with a gift, an original Awesome Possum portrait to display in perpetuity, recognizing 14 OSS' adoption of a mascot during her command term.

to air operations officer in 2023 and move to 14 OSS as the deputy commanding officer.

"He was due for a promotion to lieutenant-colonel and he thought to himself, 'I think I could do more in the AOO trade.' I think he also thought, 'I'd really like to get into OSS somehow; how can I do that?' That's how badly he wanted to be at our squadron - talk about dedication!"

While Jennings has "no doubt Lieutenant-Colonel Milne will continue to support the people of our squadron while also improving how we operate," she will miss



June 6, 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Jeff Davis, seated centre, was the reviewing officer for the 14 Operations Support Squadron change of command ceremony, as outgoing Lieutenant-Colonel Lara Jennings, seated left, turned command of the unit over to Lieutenant-Colonel Garrett Milne, seated right. 14 OSS Chief Warrant Officer MacLellan, standing left, and Wing Chief Warrant Officer Jonathan Proulx were witnesses to the Annapolis Mess event.

the family she built here in Greenwood.

"I'm really, really sad to be leaving the Valley. I've spent, I think, 14 of the last 18 years here. This has become my home."

Luckily, Jennings was accompanied by her daughter, Brooke, during her final address, who, excited mommy would no longer have a work phone at night, kept the atmosphere light by periodically reminding her mother the family was "leaving soon."

"My daughter has given me balance and perspective that I think has allowed me to be a better, more understanding CO," said an obviously proud parent.

Milne also thanked his spouse and four children for their unrelenting patience and understanding before addressing the squadron.

"I'm very excited for the upcoming changes that we are going to see at 14 Wing and within 14 OSS. I'm looking forward to the challenges

that will come with the new airframes and the necessary adaptations to our wing, infrastructure and the way we do operations. We will tackle these changes together."

While reviewing officer 14 Wing Commander Colonel Jeff Davis said having a DCO move into the commanding officer position is unique, he commented, "I see many advantages to having the experience of how the squadron currently functions." To Milne, Davis said, "I am aware

of the experience you bring to the ops support squadron and believe this, along with your leadership, will pay dividends to the members of the squadron - and to the members of 14 Wing in its entirety."

Before the conclusion of the change of command ceremony, Milne performed his first act as commanding officer of 14 OSS, awarding Jennings the designation of Honorary Awesome Possum of the quarter. →



Lieutenant-Colonel Garrett Milne is no stranger to the work of 14 Operations Support Squadron, mobbing from the deputy commanding officer role to commanding officer in a June 6 change of command ceremony.

14 MSS marks command team change

**Officer Cadet
Laura Lascelle**

Command team partners Lieutenant-Colonel Sonya Scanlon-Simms and Chief Warrant Officer Trevor Porteous shared the floor of 14 Wing Greenwood's Annapolis Mess one final time for a joint change of command and change of appointment, respectively, ceremony.

"We had a system," explained Porteous during his address: "whoever remembered their glasses had to read the scrolls or the honours and awards citations."

June 7, Porteous put on his glasses to thank the outgoing commanding officer of 14 Mission Support Squadron for the partnership they shared.

"It has been my honour and pleasure to be your command team partner. Every issue that came our way, we faced together," said Porteous. "Thank you for showing me that kind of respect, and that kind of trust. You made it easy to be your squadron chief."

Scanlon-Simms, who agreed she "could not have hand-picked a better command team partner" considered it a privilege to have served alongside the chief for the past two years, expressed her confidence in the successes her team partner will achieve in the next chapter of his career: Porteous' change of appointment was followed by his commissioning to the

rank of captain. "Trevor has shown that true leadership transcends rank. It's about vision, integrity and relentless pursuit of excellence. As a captain, Trevor will bring these qualities to new heights, inspiring those who follow."

While Porteous' journey now takes him to 14 Operations Support Squadron, Chief Warrant Officer Jean Plamondon has moved out of Greenwood's Airfield Operations Zone, where he held the position of 404 (Long Range Patrol & Training) Squadron CWO, to become 14 MSS's new chief.

"I'm honored to have been chosen for this position, and looking forward to transitioning from the operations side to the support side," said Plamondon, joking Porteous was "leaving, as the CO said, very large shoes to fill - and I will do my best to try and fill that room with my tiny feet."

Plamondon expressed his intent to work with incoming 14 MSS commanding officer Lieutenant-Colonel Shawn McGeown.

"I look forward to leading the unit with you, getting to know you, and ensuring that our people are well taken care of."

After the change of appointment concluded, it was Scanlon-Simms' turn to address the 14 MSS team.

"Leading this group of diverse individuals has been a journey of immense pride and deep learning."



14 Mission Support Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Sonya Scanlon-Simms, seated left, turned responsibility for the unit to incoming Lieutenant-Colonel Shawn McGeown, seated right, under the presiding eye of 14 Wing Commander Colonel Jeff Davis, seated centre, during a June 7 change of command ceremony. Wing Chief Warrant Officer Jonathan Proulx, standing left, and 14 MSS Chief Warrant Officer Jean Plamondon witnessed the exchange.

Corporal C. Hildey, 14 Wing Imaging

From providing bottled water to picking up VIPs in a snow plow, the outgoing 14 MSS CO had their share of challenges over the past two years, but Scanlon-Simms thanked the tireless efforts and unwavering dedication of her squadron: "you've made me look good every day, and I realize that's a task that can be challenging at times."

Scanlon-Simms presented McGeown with a special gift for the squadron: a time cap-

sule containing various items from the squadron's various flights, to be opened in 25 years.

McGeown is excited to start the next phase of his career in the Annapolis Valley, a place he has never been before. He extended "deepest appreciation to Lieutenant-Colonel Scanlon-Simms for her outstanding leadership and significant accomplishments achieved over the last two years."

Reviewing officer 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Jeff Davis thanked the outgoing 14 MSS command team for dedicated work during

low in your footsteps."

To his new squadron members, McGeown said, "I'm immensely proud to join your ranks. Each one of you plays a critical role in the success of our mission, and I am confident that, together, we will continue to uphold the highest standard."

Reviewing officer 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Jeff Davis thanked the outgoing 14 MSS command team for dedicated work during

the last two years.

"Lieutenant-Colonel Scanlon-Simms and Chief Warrant Officer Porteous have pushed the yard sticks forward within the squadron."

Davis also expressed his confidence in the new team's experience to continue to push 14 MSS, and the wing as a whole, to new heights. To McGeown, he said, "you bring a fresh new take on the operation, and your varied background experience will enable you to evolve the squadron even further."

Davis encouraged Plamondon to use the experience from his previous position to become the "connective tissue" between the "operations side" and "support side," and "bring the wing together, so we no longer have those differences."

"We are all one big unit, and the mission does not succeed without both sides operating hand in hand."

Davis added 14 Wing's motto as his final words, which he believes the 14 MSS team will exemplify: "Operate as One." →



Newly-minted Captain Trevor Porteous, centre, gets the correct uniform pieces June 7, as he left his role as chief warrant officer for 14 Mission Support Squadron to move to 14 Operations Support Squadron.



14 Mission Support Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Sonya Scanlon-Simms, left, presents the 14 MSS swagger stick to incoming Chief Warrant Officer Chief Warrant Officer Jean Plamondon in the June 7 change of appointment.

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East Coast cultural exchange includes highlight wing visit

Officer Cadet Laura Lascelle

"C'est super cool" was the phrase of the day May 23, during 14 Wing Greenwood's visit from École Rose des

Vents' *Expériences Canada's* exchange student group. The reciprocal exchange program partners youth ages 12 to 17 from different schools and provides them with an opportunity to learn

about Canada's diverse histories and cultures, while creating new friendships. May 21 to 28, École Rose des Vents' students had the pleasure of hosting their own "twins" from Quebec City and, during



Officer Cadet L. Lascelle



their stay, shared a variety of culturally significant locations across Nova Scotia. No visit to the Valley would be complete without a tour of the largest air force base on the East Coast.

In the morning, excited teenagers climbed the many floors up to the air traffic



control tower's observation deck, stopping along the way to learn about the ATCT's training and simulations capabilities. Students had a tour of 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron, where they learned about all the different equipment required for a search and rescue mission. The group also had the opportunity to walk through static displays of both the CH149 Cormorant helicopter and the

CC130 Hercules plane, before gathering outside the hangar for a parachuting demonstration. The students were also put to work: one student, assisted by SAR technician Warrant Officer Fernando Bianco, radioed the aircraft to notify the crew the drop zone party was in position; after the demo, a team of volunteers joined the SAR-Techs to help bundle the parachutes. The group finished its tour at 14 Air Maintenance Squadron, where students learned about aircraft maintenance and Greenwood's CP140 Aurora community. The wing's mission to provide a memorable experience for the visiting youth was a success, as one teen commented the 14 Wing tour was her favorite stop during the week-long visit. →

Pride month, summer season opportunity to celebrate all people

Sara White, Managing editor

"Welcome to pride month," 14 Wing Greenwood Colonel Jeff Davis said June 3, as the wing raised the pride progress flag at the main gate and launched a "busy month – and a busy summer ahead, of activities being coordinated or that you're participating in."

The wing's Defence Team Pride Advisory Organization hosted the kick-off flag-raising, with DTPAO members and wider wing representation gathered. Corporal Sky Fisher thanked everyone for attending, and welcomed them to another "more exciting" day for the LGBTQIA+ community. The DTPAO recently acknowledged May 17, the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia.

"This time of year is so special for so many reasons, and so joyful to the very core," Fisher said, taking a cue from the just passed Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival weekend.

"As we prepare to celebrate in the upcoming months, we start by raising the flag to commemorate and remember



Corporal Alex Anderson, left, military co-chair of the 14 Wing Greenwood Defence Team Pride Advisory organization; and Major Michelle Backhouse, the wing's Royal Canadian Air Force professional conduct and culture officer/ culture evolution coordinator, raised the pride progress flag over Greenwood June 3, kicking-off a month highlighting the value and pride of all people.

S. White

the vitality it took to accomplish our right to visibility. The strength and resilience of the LGBTQIA+ community

has opened locked doors and mindsets. It planted roots and built a safe place for everyone. It eliminated a desire to hide,

and inspired a generation of authenticity."

Fisher provided a brief background, to the 1969 celebration of pride on the streets of Manhattan, when a group of people took a stand against police brutality against the homosexual community at the city's Stonewall Inn, "and chose to be visible no matter the cost."

Fisher said every milestone since is a celebration, and is an opportunity to remind everyone "every time we raise this flag and show up for each other, we lift our community a little bit higher."

"Every gathering like this is just as important as the last, and every time we choose visibility and allyship, we remove a little less space for hate by creating our own love. Every positive impact we can make makes a difference, and every person deserves to live authentically and to be celebrated for everything that makes them who they are. Just by having pride in ourselves, and supporting those around us, we are contributing to the pursuit of equality."

To put action into her re-

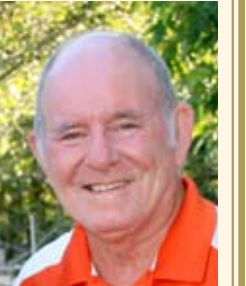
marks, Fisher encouraged everyone to "feel the pride in the every apple blossom." →

~ Obituary ~

RONALDSON, David (COB), Greenwood, NS

May 29, 2024

It is with heavy hearts we announce the sudden passing of David May 29, 2024, after a short battle with cancer. Born in London, England, in September 1953, David and his parents immigrated to Canada in 1957. After spending most of his childhood growing up in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, David joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1971 as an AVS Tech. After a successful and lengthy stay in the regular and reserve forces, David retired with combined service of 42 years in 2013. An avid golfer and curler, David was well-known for his competitive spirit and success on both the course and ice. David was a passionate advocate for the development of junior curling in the Greenwood area and thoroughly enjoyed surfing the waves when at the beach. He is survived by his wife, Julie Morley, his mother Margaret, Bedford, NS; brothers Ian (Nancy), Bedford, NS; and Scott (Wendy) Nipigon, ON. David will be missed by all who knew him, but especially by his many friends at the Paragon Golf & Country Club and the Greenwood Curling Club, where he served as president for many years. He will also be missed by the many who benefited from his thrift shopping skills at every Frenchy's store between Halifax and Mavillette. As per his wishes, cremation has already taken place and no memorial service is being planned at this time.



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Water calls keep SAR crews busy

June 6, around 5 p.m., the Halifax Joint Rescue Coordination Centre tasked a 14 Wing Greenwood-based search and rescue response from 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron to assist with a medevac. Rescue 908 left for the marine vessel approximately 120 nautical miles southeast of Louisbourg, Nova Scotia. Hercules Rescue 334 was airborne at 5:35 p.m. to provide top cover. Following the medevac, R334 returned to Greenwood at 8:56 p.m. R908 landed in Greenwood for medical transfer, returning the Greenwood at 11:44 p.m.

June 9, Hercules R344 was tasked to conduct a search for overdue maritime vessel near Nain, Newfoundland and Labrador. JRCC also tasked Cormorant R901 to search the area. R344 was airborne at 1:49 a.m., and was able to locate the vessel: all was well, except for some onboard equipment issues. R344 was released and returned to Greenwood at 7:32 a.m.

June 10, Cormorant R908 was airborne just after 8 a.m. to assist a vessel taking on water near Clark's Harbour, Nova

Scotia. R908 was released while airborne, returning to 14 Wing Greenwood around 9 a.m.

June 14, Hercules Rescue 334 was tasked just before midnight to search for two overdue individuals who failed to return from their cabin 30 nautical miles from Nain. The Hercules returned to Greenwood June 15 at 5:50 a.m.

June 19, Cormorant R908 and Hercules R334 were tasked

to assist a kayaker adrift and unable to keep up with current near Baie Trinite, Quebec. R908 was airborne at 5:49 p.m., followed by R334 at 6:27 p.m. Both aircraft searched the area, and R908 found the kayak near shore, confirmed it was the right kayak and the person was not in distress. The Hercules returned to Greenwood at 9:39 p.m., followed by the Cormorant at 11:36 p.m. →

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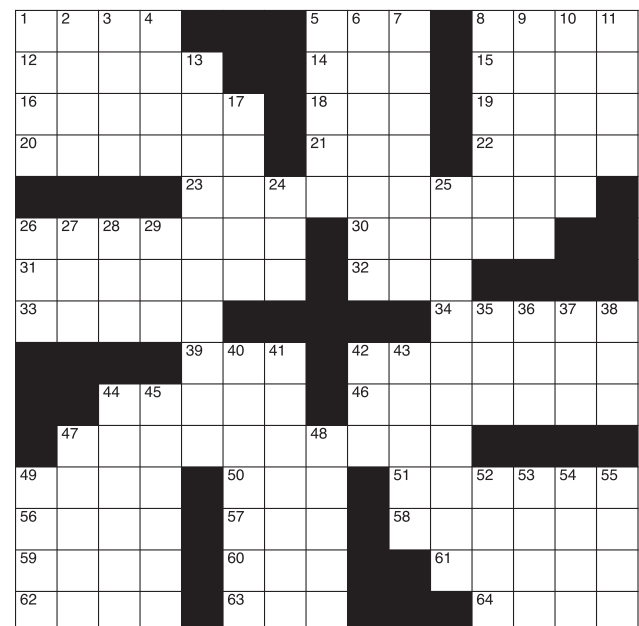
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The Greenwood Health Auxiliary, which operates the Opportunity

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- ACROSS**
- Volunteer school groups
 - Cash machine
 - Title of various Muslim rulers
 - Indian hand clash cymbals
 - Scarf
 - Easily manageable
 - Cry
 - Financial term
 - Reactive structure in organic chemistry (abbr.)
 - Clean out a riverbed
 - Seaport (abbr.)
 - English seascape painter
 - Bring back again
 - Subtracted from
 - Related on the mother's side
 - Mooches
 - Commotion
 - Boer War general
 - Silklike nylon fabric
 - CNN's founder
 - Sarcastic in a bitter way
 - Minute reproductive unit
 - Nourishment
 - Large predatory
- DOWN**
- Post-traumatic stress disorder
 - Goat-like mammal
 - Swiss river
 - Siltiered
 - Humiliate
 - Tumbled
 - Popular alcoholic drink
 - Small round hole in a fertilizer cloth
 - Fertilizer
 - State of affairs that seems deliberately contrary
 - Count on
 - One who discriminates against
 - New Hampshire city
 - One who cares for teeth
 - Sent off
 - Mutual savings bank
 - Initial public offering
 - Denial
 - Northeastern institution of higher learning (abbr.)
 - A doctrine
 - Consumed
 - Trent Raznor's band
 - Perform in a movie
 - Schoolhouse implements
 - Mathematical term
 - Man who behaves dishonorably
 - Expression of regret
 - Martens
 - Approval
 - Pleasantly warm
 - The Eurasian hoopoe
 - NBAer Bradley
 - Engineering organization
 - Horsely
 - Type of sandwich
 - A day in the middle of the month

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spare, please call Kay Amos at 902-765-3809. Thank you.
Kings County Trails Society – AGM
June 24, 7 p.m., the Kings County Trails Society will hold its annual general meeting at the South Berwick Community Hall, 4518 Highway 1, South Berwick. Included on the agenda are the president's report, the financial report, the election of officers and info on the group's Harvest Moon Trail section, from Cambridge to Kingston. The public is welcome to attend, refreshments will be served. Info: KCTS president John Weir, johnweir777@gmail.com.
National Association of Federal Retirees Western NS Branch - 60th anniversary celebration
June 25 is the deadline to buy a ticket to attend the July 5 National Association of Federal Retirees Western NS Branch - 60th anniversary celebration. Event: July 5, noon for dinner at 12:30 p.m., at the Seashore Restaurant and Blue Rock Lounge, 8467 Hwy 1, Meteghan. Roast beef or turkey

horoscopes

June 23 to June 29
ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
It will be difficult to ignore an urge to snoop in someone else's business, Aries. If that person wanted to confide in you, he or she would have already, so it's best to stay out of things.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, aspire to grow more comfortable with the important people in your life, as you are going to be seeing them more often. Perhaps start planning outings you all can enjoy.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21
Gemini, put in as much effort as you can muster this week so that you can stay on top of all your chores. This will free up time later in the week for some R&R.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, you deserve to enjoy yourself at a function without any guilt. However, a nagging worry about your workplace will not leave your mind. Try to ignore it.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, rest is just what the doctor would advise for you this week, particularly if you have been under the weather. Curl up on the couch and binge on some television shows.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Keep your eye on the ball, Virgo; otherwise, you may lose track of things that need to get done. If it helps, use a notetaking app or set reminders so you can check things off the list.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, this could be a rather lucrative week for you if you act quickly. When someone gives you a tip on how to earn a few extra bucks, it is something you have to get done right away.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
This is the perfect week to pamper yourself, Scorpio. Everyone may have a different idea of what that involves, but it could be a picnic for one or an afternoon getting a massage.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, you can take it easy for a few days and slow down in your daily activities. You're quite ahead of the game and can use the down time for something fun.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, you may not realize it, but right now you are part of something big that involves a number of people working together toward a common goal. You'll just need to figure out your part.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, it is your turn to prove to others that you have what it takes to take on more responsibility. It may be a while before a few more jobs come your way.
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Fibre arts group
June 26 (Wednesdays); 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., 7Arts in Greenwood hosts a craft & chat group. Are you a female-identifying fibre craft artist (knitting, crochet, cross stitch, embroidery, felting or rug hooking) over the age of 25? Bring your own materials or purchase a kit. Suggested donation \$5.
Farmers market – strawberry week
June 27, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., its Strawberry Week at the Kingston Farmers Market! Join us on the grounds of the Aurora Inn, Kingston, for a strawberry hulling contest, children's craft, strawberry scavenger hunt, live music, awesome food choices and more! Come on out, meet new friends, meet your local farmers and food producers.
VP International meeting
June 27, 3:30 p.m. for 4 p.m., Greenwood's VP International will hold its monthly meeting at the VPI Centre, Pathfinder Drive – the last meeting before summer break. Come out and enjoy fellowship and pizza.
Friday night BBQ
June 28, and summer Fridays, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the Berwick Legion hosts casual summer BBQs, including hamburgers, cheese burgers, sausages and

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Teen art lounge
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Caregiver support group
July 4, 2:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the Kingston Library hosts the NS Caregivers Support Group. Do you give unpaid care to a parent, spouse, child, friend, or relative due to frailty, advanced age, chronic illness, mental illness, or disability? You are not alone! The group meets the first Thursday of each month. For info and to register: Jennine Wilson, 1-877-488-7390 (toll-free).
Yard sale
July 6, 8 a.m. to noon, Holy Trinity Anglican Church will hold a yard sale, 45 Main Street, Middleton.
Games day
July 6, noon to 2 p.m., come be "board" at the Kingston Library! Bring your favourite board games or tabletop RPG, or drop in and play one of ours. Invite your friends or make new ones. This event is for all ages. No registration required.

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Partnership matches military youth with coding empowerment



Natasha's Wood Foundation proudly announces a successful collaboration with Google Canada and Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services (CFMWS) to provide a transformative coding program for teens from military communities. This initiative marks a significant milestone in the foundation's mission to empower youth through education and technology. In the fall of 2023, Natasha's Wood Foundation facilitated an introduction between Google Canada and CFMWS to offer a coding program aimed at equipping teens from military families with essential skills for the digital age. This collaboration underscores the foundation's role as a community enabler, connecting key players to achieve common objectives and empower the next generation. Following

the remarkable success of the coding program, Natasha's Wood Foundation is pleased to announce continued funding, made possible through the generosity of its patrons Landing Zones, PLC Construction, and PAL Aerospace. This funding will ensure the continuation of the coding program, enabling more youth from military families to access valuable STEM education opportunities and eliminating financial barriers that families may face. "We are so grateful this program will have sustained

funding, thanks to the mobilization of partners who believe in supporting the military community. To date, 83 teens have registered for the program and countless others will now also have the opportunity. It's one more program to help teens who may be struggling with some of the challenges of relocation or dealing with a parent's frequent absence," says Ian Poulter, CEO, CFMWS. Natasha's Wood Foundation remains dedicated to its mission of supporting the wellness and resilience of children and youth in military families. To learn more, visit natashaswood-foundation.org. →

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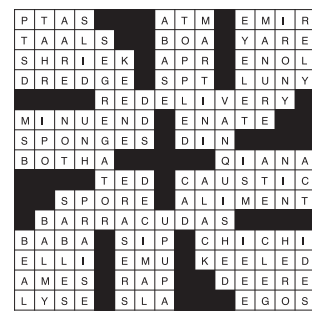
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686 Passchendaele RCACC review, change of command marks annual accomplishments

Captain James Skafté,
Outgoing
commanding officer,
686 Passchendaele
Royal Canadian Army
Cadet Corps

June 1, Cadets at 686 Passchendaele Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps gathered for their 41st annual Cadet review, held at the Bridgetown & District Memorial Arena. This would also be a special day for incoming commanding officer, Captain Caleigh Conway, who became the ninth CO in corps history, as she assumed command from Captain James Skafté.

Reviewing officer and presiding officer was Lieutenant-Colonel Mark Norris, the commanding officer of 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron, 14 Wing Greenwood. Special guests included MLA Annapolis Carman Kerr, Royal Canadian Legion Bridgetown Branch #33 President Stuart Lenthall-Ascott, former commanding officers Captain (retired) Warren Bohaker and Captain (retired) Bill Henderson, Cadet parents and family members.

Upon the arrival of Norris, the general salute was called by Cadet Warrant Officer Eric Skafté. Norris, with his reviewing party, did the inspection of the Cadet corps and flag party. After the inspection, WO Skafté was granted permission to conduct the march past.

Then awards presentations took place. WO Skafté received the West Nova Scotia Leadership award as the top leader in the corps. 100% attendance awards were handed out to three Cadets: Master Corporal Nevada Gavel, Corporal James



Formed up and ready for their unit's June 1 annual Cadet review parade are members of 686 Passchendaele Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps – rear left is Lance Corporal Elyse Vail; in front, from left, are newly-promoted Lance Corporal Kalli Leavitt, Corporal Carly Durling, Master Corporal Jeff Comeau and Master Corporal Gavin Linders.

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Inglis and Lance Corporal Kalli Leavitt. Master Corporal Gavin Linders received the Royal Canadian Legion Medal of Excellence for his community service and volunteering. Sergeant Camryn King was a recipient of the prestigious Lord Strathcona Medal in recognition of her high level of physical fitness and outstanding performance as a Cadet.

Norris addressed the parade, passing along his own experiences as an army Cadet which inspired him to join the RCAF. He gave words of wisdom on how to get the most from being in the Cadet program and how proud he was of the Cadets on parade.

The change of command took place next, as Captain Skafté, ending a five-and-a-half year term as commanding officer, turned over the corps to Conway. Master Corporal Hannah Van Tassel smartly handed the

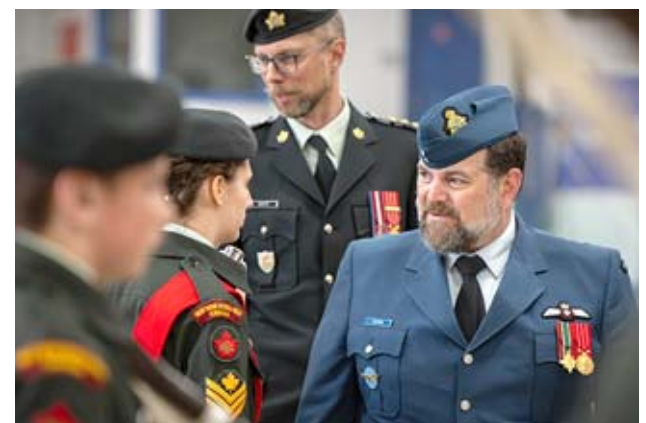
corps flag to Captain Skafté, who saluted and then turned it over to Conway, signifying the change of command. Captain Skafté expressed his thanks to all members of the corps staff, volunteers, supporters, parents and Cadets for their commitment and success of the program.

Throughout the corps' training year, 686 Passchendaele RCACC had many exciting and fun activities. Along with training on Tuesday evenings, Cadets enjoy many weekend activities! Some favourites are canoeing at Jubilee Park and Lake Pleasant. In September, Cadets were on parade at the Grand Pre national historic site with the West Nova Scotia Regiment, when the unit received its new King's Colour and Regimental Colour. The last time the WNSR received its colours was in 1959. The corps participated in Remem-

brance Day ceremonies at the Bridgetown Legion, followed by a visit and service with Mountain Lee Lodge residents.

Throughout the year, there is a strong focus on expeditions, field training exercises and navigation training, as Cadets ventured into the great outdoors many times in 2023/2024. Many joint corps training exercises in the Annapolis Valley took place, which gave everyone the opportunity to meet new friends. The Cadet Christmas party and holiday break set the calendar for winter activity, which included preparing a team for the Zone Marksmanship in Camp Aldershot, where all five team members competed in their first competition.

On March break, eight Cadets toured the Maritime Naval Training Centre, the Naval Museum of Halifax, HMCS Fredericton



From left, 686 Passchendaele Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps Corporal Inglis and Sergeant King prepare for the parade inspection by Commanding Officer Captain James Skafté and reviewing officer 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Mark Norris.

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686 Passchendaele Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps marked its change of command June 1, as outgoing Captain James Skafté, left, turned responsibilities over to Captain Caleigh Conway, right; under the presiding eye of 413 (Transport and Rescue) Squadron Lieutenant-Colonel Mark Norris.

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and Canada's oldest warship, HMCS Sackville, which served in the Second World War. The Army Skills Weekend at 14 Wing Greenwood in March was well attended, and many new friendships were formed with Cadets from Annapolis Royal, Aldershot, Bridgewater, Weymouth and Yarmouth. A fun evening trip to tour the Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Department and the CO's trip to 14 Wing also took place.

A number of Cadets will attend Cadet Training Centre courses this summer, including Argonaut CTC in New Bruns-

wick, Blackdown CTC in Ontario and Vernon CTC in British Columbia.

Youth ages 12 to 18 who want to make new friends and have an adventure are welcome to join 686 Passchendaele RCACC. With over 25 Cadets in the corps regularly attending, the unit meets at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street, Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. There is no cost to join, and we welcome you to drop by to meet us. Please call 902-665-4672 or find us on Facebook by looking up "Army Cadets Bridgetown." →