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# Mahone Bay candidates' forum gives residents much to consider

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MAHONE BAY – Residents filled the Mahone Bay Centre on Feb. 4 for a candidates' forum that offered a wide-ranging look at how those running to fill one of two open seats on town council see the community's future.

The five candidates: Kevin Boon, Michelle Gryphon, Bill Lewis, Katherine McCarron, and Cathie Slaughenwhite-Nowe answered pre-submitted questions before turning to issues raised from the floor. Topics ranged from recreation and health care to growth, staffing and how council communicates with residents.

Attracting doctors to Mahone Bay was a key concern. Several candidates said the



ED HALVERSON PHOTO

A candidates' forum was held at the Mahone Bay Centre Feb. 4 with five running for two vacant spots. Candidates for Mahone Bay council are seated left to right: Cathie Slaughenwhite-Nowe, Kevin Boon, Bill Lewis, Katherine McCarron, and Michelle Gryphon. They are introduced by Michael Broley, Chair of Mahone Bay Tourism and Chamber of Commerce.

answer goes beyond financial incentives and comes down to livability. Gryphon spoke about making Mahone Bay the kind of place doctors and their families want to settle, with recreation and community life playing a big role. Boon echoed that idea, adding that partnerships with the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg and Bridgewater could strengthen recruitment efforts.

McCarron pointed out that Nova Scotia Health already has a physician recruiter and said a local developer has offered rent-free space in a proposed building for a medical practice. Slaughenwhite-Nowe suggested more direct incentives, such as lowering property taxes or helping doctors pay off student loans.

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# Government drastically cuts down payment amount for first-time homebuyers

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PROVINCE – A new provincial program aimed at lowering the down payment for first-time homebuyers is being welcomed on the South Shore as a practical step that could help more people finally break out of the rental market.

Earlier this month, the Nova Scotia government announced a pilot, First-time Homebuyers Program that reduces the minimum down payment from five per cent to

just two per cent of a home's purchase price. The program is being delivered through credit unions across the province and applies to homes priced up to \$500,000 outside Halifax Regional Municipality.

Kristopher Snarby, managing associate broker and owner at Exit Realty, says the change could make a real difference for buyers who are struggling with upfront costs.

"Anytime there are programs in place to make homeownership more affordable, I think it's a good thing," Snarby said. "When you buy a house, there are a lot of upfront

costs, and cutting the down payment amount by more than half is certainly a positive thing for a lot of people."

On the South Shore, where even entry-level homes are increasingly hard to find, that reduction adds up quickly. Snarby said a \$200,000 home, now considered rare in many areas, would require \$6,000 less upfront under the new program, with even greater savings at higher price points.

"When you factor in land transfer tax and other fees, you're saving six, eight, even \$10 thousand," he said. "That's a huge deal."

The new program differs from Nova Scotia's existing Down Payment Assistance Program, which provides a full five per cent

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Recreation planning sparked differing views. Slaughenwhite-Nowe suggested appointing a recreation director to better organize and promote programs. Gryphon proposed forming a recreation committee that would include residents and a councillor to provide oversight.

McCarron said volunteers already do much of the work and questioned whether a new staff position is needed, suggesting instead that the town better promote what's already happening. Lewis used the question to ask why Mahone Bay still lacks a broader economic development plan.

Candidates were generally cautious about the use of artificial intelligence. Lewis said he would not use AI for town social media, while Boon said it can help with tasks like grammar but shouldn't be used to create policy. Gryphon described AI as a tool that needs clear oversight.

Audience questions led to a thoughtful discussion about growth and change. Candidates agreed Mahone Bay needs to plan carefully, especially with infrastructure limits and growth in surrounding communities. Lewis warned that changes tied to the twinning of Highway 103 are coming whether the town prepares or not.

Other topics included the Edgewater project, staffing levels, affordable housing, and communication. Several candidates said residents want clearer answers and better follow-through, with ideas including regular budget updates and transcripts of council meetings.

Voting will take place online or by phone. Advance voting began Feb. 5 and continues until election day on Feb. 14 at 7 p.m.

## Community Events: February 11-18

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

**Badminton**, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School St. Weekly, 7-8:30 p.m.

**Bright & Lion Touch Rugby**, HB Studio Sports Centre, 543 Glen Allan Dr. Bridgewater. Weekly, 8-9 p.m.

**Caregiver Support Group**, Roseway Hospital, 1606 Lake Rd, Shelburne. 6:30-8 p.m.

**Fitness Classes**, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School St, Weekly, 9-10 a.m.

**Imagination Playground**, HB Studio Sports Centre, 543 Glen Allan Dr, Bridgewater. Weekly.

**Ladies Gathering**, Spill the Tea, 503 Main Street, Mahone Bay. Weekly.

**Lunenburg County Job Lab**, 215 Dominion St, Bridgewater. Weekly, 1-3 p.m.

**Michelin Walking Wednesdays**, HB Studio Sports Centre, 543 Glen Allan Dr, Bridgewater. Weekly.

**Rotary Club of Bridgewater & District Meeting**, LCLC, 135 North Park St, Bridgewater. 12-1 p.m.

**YMCA Youth Leader Program**, 40 Water St, Liverpool.

**Yoga Flow with Kim**, April Williams Salon & Spa, 709 Main St, Liverpool. Weekly drop-in.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**2026 Economic Outlook Lobster Crawl Event**, O'Reagan's South Shore Hyundai, 203 North St, Bridgewater.

**Bridgewater Toast Master Club**, NSCC Lunenburg Campus, 75 High St. Weekly.

**Crafternoon**, The Hungry Traveler, 10117 Highway 3, Lunenburg. Weekly.

**Dan's Jam**, Eli + Trix, 538 Main St, Mahone Bay. Weekly.

**Family Game Night**, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School St. Weekly.

**Free Lunchtime Skate**, Chester Rink 190 Pig Loop Road. Weekly in February.

**Latte Love Guided Painting**, Pleasantville Fire Hall, 1665 Highway 331.

**Mahjong Club**, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School St. Weekly.

**Queens County Job Lab**, 7-11 Henry Hensey Dr, Liverpool. Biweekly, 1-3 p.m.

**Travel the World Trivia**, Hungry Traveler, 10117 Highway 3, Lunenburg. Weekly.

**Trivia Night**, King Street Beer, 463 King St, Bridgewater. Weekly.

**Wheelchair Basketball**, Lunenburg Community Centre, 15 Green St, Lunenburg. Weekly.

**YMCA Free Drop-in Programs**, 40 Water St, Liverpool. Weekly.

**Young at Heart Seniors Drop In**, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School St. Weekly.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**Dance with the Country Jammers**, Flourish Centre, 90 Dominion St, Bridgewater.

**Free Friday Swims**, LCLC, 135 North Park St, Bridgewater. Weekly in February.

**Friday Night Live Music**, New Ross Legion, 64 Forties Rd.

**George Fletcher Memorial Tournament**, Queens Place Emera Centre, 50 Queens Place Dr, Liverpool. February 13-16.

**Joe H Henry with Jamie Junger**, Chester Playhouse, 22 Pleasant St, 3 p.m.

**Let's Show Love in Another Way-Music Program**, Thrive 55+, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Parish Centre, 115 Pleasant St, Bridgewater, 3 p.m. Benefit for Jazlyn Whynot.

**Love on Board: Charcuterie**, Oakhill Fire Hall, 2104 Highway 325, Whynots Settlement.

**Music Bingo with Heidi**, King Street Beer, 463 King St, Bridgewater. Weekly.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**Brazilian Night 2026: A Fundraising Party for Capella Regalis**, St. John's Church, Lunenburg.

**Bridgewater Frost Fair**, 123 Empire St, Bridgewater.

**Dayspring and District Firefighters Breakfast.**, Dayspring and District Fire Department.

**Free Family Swim**, LCLC, 135 North Park St, Bridgewater. 4:30-6:30 p.m.

**Glaze Window Making Demo**, Ross Farm Museum, 4568 Highway 12, New Ross. Until 4:30 p.m.

**Ice Cream Social**, Branch LaHave Hall, 1758, Lower Branch Rd, LaHave.

**Pitch Perfect Valentine's Day Dance**, Oakhill Firehall, Whynots Settlement.

**Seedy Saturday**, DesBrisay Museum. 130 Jubilee Rd, Bridgewater

**Valentine's Day Crafts**, Rosebank Cottage, 4568 Highway 12, New Ross. 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Valentine's Day Dinner**, Hearth Room Cafe, 4568 Highway 12, New Ross.

**Valentine's Dinner & Dance**, Hubbards Area Lions Club, 43 Lions Club Rd, Fox Point.

**Valentines Fundraiser Dance**, District 1 Community Centre, 30 Fire Hall Rd, Blandford.

**Yoga Flow with Kim**, April Williams Salon & Spa, 709 Main St, Liverpool. Weekly drop-in.

**Youth Curling Camp**, Barrington Curling Club, 40 Park Lane, Barrington.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**February Concert Series**, Milton Baptist Church, 292 Highway 8.

**Glaze Window Making Demo**, Ross Farm Museum, 4568 Highway 12, New Ross. Until 4:30 p.m.

**Parkinsons Demystified: A Journey of Awareness and Hope**, Ocean Swells Community Centre, 2726 Highway 329, Northwest Cove.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

**March Break Creative Kindergarten Camp**, South Shore Waldorf School.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

**Heart & Harmony: Wellness for Women**, Riverport Community Centre, 79 Lower LaHave Rd.

**Pancake Supper by Knight of Columbus**, St. Josephs Centre, 92 Queen Street, Bridgewater.

**Pancake Supper**, Chester United Baptist Church, 84 King St.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, Hubbards Area Lions Club, 43 Lions Club Rd, Fox Point.

## Social Column

Enjoy this "social media of yesteryear" excerpt from the *Bridgewater Bulletin*.

February 11, 1970

### Rhodes Corner

A number from this community attended the Heckman-Conrad wedding at the Central United Church and reception at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall, Lunenburg on Saturday, February 7th.

### Martin's Point

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hiltz, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Keddy attended the Canning District Lion's Club Charter Night on Saturday, January 17th., at Canning, N.S. Mr. Keddy has been a very active member for nineteen years and is a Past Master of the Seldon Coram Lion's Club at Seldon, Long Island.

### Hebville

Mr. Kerry Croft entertained at the home of his parents on Saturday night. About 40 boys and girls from New Germany, Lower Branch, Bridgewater and surrounding areas attended. A delicious lunch was served, consisting of sweets, sandwiches and home made ice-cream. Needless to say, the party was a great success and was enjoyed by all who attended.

### Middlewood

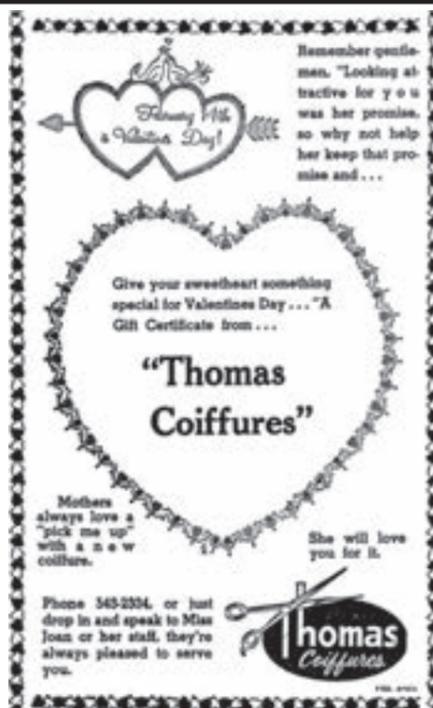
A street light has been erected between the homes of Mr. Gordon Sarty and Mr. Clifford Slauenwhite by the two families.

### Falkland Ridge

On January 28, forty exchange students and two teachers from Ecole Secondaire of Sainte Marie, Sayabec, Quebec came to this area. Thirty-four of the students had partners at the homes of New Germany Rural High School students, the remainder were hosted by the Hebville Consolidated High and Bridgewater High Schools. On Saturday, February 1, they returned to their homes after spending an enjoyable time.

## Those were the days

Take a trip down memory lane with this vintage ad from the *Bridgewater Bulletin*, February 11, 1970.



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# Dahl's dispatch

EVAN DAHL

Lunenburg County firefighters answered 31 calls for service and Queens County firefighters answered seven calls for service from Thursday, Jan. 29 to Wednesday, Feb. 4 – 10 of these calls were medicals.

**JANUARY 29**

At 9:12 a.m., Hubbards firefighters responded to a chimney fire in Simms Settlement.

At 10:48 a.m., Liverpool firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Liverpool.

At 1:26 p.m., New Germany firefighters responded to a vehicle fire in Parkdale.

At 8:36 p.m., Greenfield firefighters responded to a commercial fire alarm in Middlefield. North Queens also responded.

At 9:19 p.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a smell of propane in Bridgewater.

**JANUARY 30**

At 7:40 a.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a smell of smoke in Bridgewater.

At 9:38 a.m., Chester Basin firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Chester Basin.

At 10:57 a.m., Martins River firefighters responded to an electrical fire in Martins River. Western Shore also responded.

At 3:41 p.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Tanners Settlement.

**JANUARY 31**

At 3:30 a.m., North Queens firefighters responded to a shed on fire.

At 12:06 p.m., Northfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Cookville.

At 3:26 p.m., New Ross firefighters responded to a snowmobile accident in Mill Road.

**FEBRUARY 1**

At 8:21 a.m., Hemford firefighters responded to a chimney fire in Hemford.

**FEBRUARY 2**

At 5:37 p.m., Riverport firefighters responded to a furnace fire in Riverport.

**FEBRUARY 3**

At 3:22 p.m., Riverport firefighters responded to a residential fire alarm in Middle LaHave.

At 3:57 p.m., Blockhouse firefighters responded to a chimney fire in Blockhouse. Oakhill also responded.

At 5:00 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Sherwood. Southwest Hants and Windsor also responded.

At 6:40 p.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a fire alarm in Lunenburg.

At 10:25 p.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a commercial fire alarm in Garden Lots.

At 11:31 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a commercial fire alarm in Chester. Chester Basin, Western Shore, Hubbards and Lunenburg also responded.

**FEBRUARY 4**

At 1:00 a.m., Tri District firefighters responded to a flooded basement in Upper Chelsea.

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## Queens District RCMP seizes cocaine and firearms

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LIVERPOOL – Queens District RCMP has arrested a woman after executing a search warrant in Liverpool.

Police found illicit drugs along with firearms, unstamped tobacco and cash.

On Feb. 6, Queens District RCMP, with assistance from the Southwest Nova RCMP Street Crime Enforcement Unit and RCMP Police Dog Services, executed a search warrant at a residence on Keddy Ln. as part of an ongoing drug trafficking investigation.

At the residence, officers safely arrested a woman and seized a quantity of cocaine, psilocybin (mushrooms), prescription pills, unstamped tobacco, cash, and two unsecured firearms.

The woman, a 38-year-old from Liverpool, was released on conditions. She's scheduled to appear in Bridgewater Provincial Court on May 6 to face drug trafficking and firearms charges. She's also facing charges under the Excise Act.

The investigation is ongoing and is being led by Queens District RCMP.

## Bridgewater storm kit includes large-scale batteries

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BRIDGEWATER – Nova Scotia Power has switched on two large battery storage sites in Bridgewater and Waverley, marking a major step in how electricity is managed across the province. The batteries were energized in late 2025 and completed system testing shortly after, meaning they are now fully operational and already being used to support the power grid.

The new facilities are part of Nova Scotia Power's Grid-Scale Battery Project, the largest battery installation of its kind in Atlantic Canada. When the project is complete, it will include three battery sites in Bridgewater, Waverley and White Rock. Each site can deliver 50 megawatts of power for up to four hours – a total investment of about \$237 million.

In simple terms, these batteries store electricity when it's available and release it when demand is high. That makes them especially useful during cold snaps, storms, or other times when the system is under pressure. Nova Scotia Power says the Bridgewater and Waverley batteries have already been used during recent periods of high demand.

Company officials say battery storage is key to adding more renewable energy like wind and solar to the grid. Because renewable power depends on the weather, batteries help smooth out those ups and downs by delivering stored energy when it's needed most. The project is also intended to help the province reach its goal of getting 80 per cent of its electricity from renewable sources by 2030.

The project relies on a mix of public and private funding. A \$138.2 million loan from the Canada Infrastructure Bank helped make the batteries possible, including financing that covered 90 per cent of Indigenous equity participation.

That allowed Wskijinu'k Mtmo'ta'quow Agency Ltd., which represents all 13 Mi'kmaw communities in Nova Scotia, to become an ownership partner. Ottawa also contributed about \$117 million through federal clean energy programs, covering roughly one-third of the total cost.



In Bridgewater, the battery site is located near an existing substation off Upper Branch Road. Nova Scotia Power says the location was chosen because it already has the transmission lines and equipment needed to move electricity through the grid efficiently.

With two sites now online, attention is turning to the third battery facility in White Rock, which is expected to begin operating in August 2026. When finished, the full project is expected to improve reliability for customers while supporting the province's shift toward cleaner energy.

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TIDE TABLE				
<b>Wednesday, February 11</b>		<b>Sunday, February 15</b>		
high	4.78 ft	2:40 AM	low	2.17 ft
low	1.87 ft	9:48 AM	high	5.51 ft
high	4.3 ft	3:53 PM	low	1.21 ft
low	2.62 ft	9:50 PM	high	5.32 ft
<b>Thursday, February 12</b>		<b>Monday, February 16</b>		
high	4.79 ft	3:54 AM	low	1.94 ft
low	1.84 ft	10:45 AM	high	5.71 ft
high	4.43 ft	5:03 PM	low	0.98 ft
low	2.56 ft	10:50 PM	high	5.61 ft
<b>Friday, February 13</b>		<b>Tuesday, February 17</b>		
high	4.95 ft	5:01 AM	low	1.71 ft
low	1.67 ft	11:39 AM	high	5.84 ft
high	4.69 ft	5:57 PM	● NEW MOON	8:01 AM
low	2.4 ft	11:46 PM	low	0.82 ft
<b>Saturday, February 14</b>		high 5.87 ft 8:30 PM		
high	5.22 ft	5:54 AM	<b>Wednesday, February 18</b>	
low	1.48 ft	12:27 PM	low	1.54 ft
high	4.99 ft	6:40 PM	high	5.91 ft
			low	0.75 ft
			high	6.1 ft

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# LOCAL



## Keeping winter at bay, one free coat at a time

By ED HALVERSON

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BRIDGEWATER – What looks like a small pop-up shop inside the South Shore Centre is quietly making a big difference for families across Lunenburg and Queens counties, and it's doing it for next to nothing.

The Coats for Kids, Teens and Adults program, run by United Way of Lunenburg County, is a free store offering warm winter clothing to anyone who needs it. Since opening for the season in mid-October, the program has already given away about 2,400 coats, and winter isn't over yet.

"That's just this year," said Michael Graves, executive director of United Way of Lunenburg County. "Every year it's like that. This year it's a little bit more."

The program first launched in 2018 after Graves realized there was nothing similar in the region. With free space provided by the mall and help from local partners, the idea quickly took hold.

"It's a free store for warm winter wear for anybody who needs it," Graves said. "If we can save a family \$300 on winter clothing, that's money they can put toward food or something else their family needs."

While many people still donate gently used coats, a major partner is Value Village, which provides bags and bags of winter clothing at no cost. Other



community groups, including the Lions Club and Knights of Columbus, have also contributed.

A key part of the program is its partnership with Verge House, part of the South Shore Regional Centre for Education. Students use the space as a classroom, sorting donations, hanging coats, setting up displays and even washing or mending items when needed.

"We didn't want it to look like a thrift store," Graves said. "We wanted it to look nice, and I think it does, with the resources we have."

The store operates on an honesty system and is largely unsupervised, something Graves says reflects how most people behave.

"We work for the 90 per cent that are

honest," he said. "They just want to get along with their lives. They need stuff, and we'll help them get stuff."

The numbers speak for themselves. Graves estimates between 16,000 and 20,000 coats have been given away since the program began. This winter alone, that total could climb to 3,000 before spring arrives.

Even more striking is the cost.

"This whole project is [run on] less than \$50 a year," Graves said. "Everything included."

For Graves, that efficiency matters.

"That's respect for the donors," he said. "If you donate to United Way, that's good value for your donor dollars, and thousands of people staying warm is a pretty good return."

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## Province increases emergency funding

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PROVINCE – For people living paycheque-to-paycheque on the South Shore, one unexpected bill can be all it takes to push a household into crisis. That's where Nova Scotia's diversion funding program is meant to step in, offering short-term help to keep people housed before

things spiral into homelessness.

Lunenburg MLA Susan Corkum-Greek says her office works closely with the South Shore Open Doors Association (SSODA), often connecting people to help when they're facing a sudden financial hit.

"We know that people right now can be, everybody's pinched, but some people are really just one paycheque away from getting into a really, really

tough situation," Corkum-Greek said. "One of the best ways to address homelessness in our communities is to prevent it from happening in the first place."

The province recently announced an additional \$950,000 in diversion funding, on top of the \$1 million already budgeted for the program this year.

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down payment but comes with stricter eligibility rules and a lower purchase price cap. Snarby says the two programs complement each other.

“The new program is more flexible,” he explained. “It allows people to buy homes that are a little more expensive, and it opens the doors to more buyers with the higher income threshold. I don’t think one is better than the other, they work well together.”

Under the new rules, households earning up to \$200,000 can qualify, and the purchase price cap jumps from \$375,000 under the older program to \$500,000 in most of the province.

Snarby said many first-time buyers he works with are already priced out of lower ranges, particularly in communities like Lunenburg, Mahone Bay and Bridgewater.

“For people who want to live in the major centres on the South Shore, you’re not going to find much

for under \$350,000 unless you’re taking on a project,” he said.

While the program is only available through credit unions, and interest rates may be slightly higher, Snarby believes many buyers will still take advantage of it.

“It’s just another option,” he said. “And the more options people have, the better.”

He also sees potential ripple effects beyond homeownership.

“When people can qualify for homes, it frees up rental units,” Snarby said. “More inventory is never a bad thing, and it could help ease pressure on rent prices too.”

## What’s coming to streaming this week: February 11-17, 2026

CRAVE	DISNEY+
<p><b>February 11th</b> Extracted (season premiere)</p> <p><b>February 13th</b> C.B. Strike: The Ink Black Heart (finale)</p> <p><b>February 14</b> The Age of Adeline Annie (1982) Boneyard Clifford the Big Red Dog Jersey Shore (Seasons 3-6) Last Night in Soho Little Women (1994) Next Level Chef (Season 4) On the Come Up Pretty Women Sex Tape Shakespeare in Love Sharp Stick The Swan Princess Under the Boardwalk Yellowjackets (Season 3 premiere)</p> <p><b>February 16</b> The White Lotus (Season 3 premiere)</p> <p><b>February 17</b> Bam Bam: The Sister Nancy Story (premiere) Last Week Tonight with John Oliver (Season 12 premiere) Snapped (Season 35B)</p>	<p><b>February 11</b> FX’s The Beauty (new episode) Hey A.J.! (new episodes) Will Trent (Season 4, new episode)</p> <p><b>February 13</b> Cartoonified! with Phineas and Ferb (Shorts) (all episodes) Incas: The Rise and Fall (two-episode premiere) Stay</p> <p><b>February 14</b> Chibi Tiny Tales (Shorts) (Season 7, four-episode premiere) The Medalist (Season 2, new episode)</p> <p><b>February 16</b> Family Guy (Season 24, premiere episode) The Simpsons (Season 37, new episodes)</p> <p><b>February 17</b> RoboGobo (Season 2, ten-episode premiere) Tell Me Lies (Season 3, new episode) Tell Me Lies: Official Podcast (new episode)</p>

<p>Lead Children (Poland) Love is Blind: Season 10 State of Fear (Brazil)</p> <p><b>February 12</b> The Darjeeling Limited How To Get To Heaven From Belfast (U.K.) Million Follower Detective (Taiwan)</p> <p><b>February 13</b> A Father’s Miracle (Mexico) The Art of Sarah (South Korea) Bunny Instellar Magic Mike Magic Mike XXL Museum of Innocence (Turkey) Tyler Perry’s Joe’s College Road Trip</p> <p><b>February 15</b> Pitch Perfect Pitch Perfect 2</p> <p><b>February 17</b> Sonmore Chandelier Fly Star Search</p>	<p>PWHL: Minnesota vs Toronto</p> <p><b>February 13</b> My Fault: London Broken Rage Monster’s Ball The Next Three Days American Heart Bandslam Crash A Single Man Suite Francaise NHL Coast to Coast</p> <p><b>February 14</b> Bridget Jones: Mad About The Boy Headless Horseman Soltos no Carnaval: S5 Safe Miss You Already Supernova Ms. Koyin The Commoner Jane Eyre Metallica: Through The Never Jay And Silent Bob Strike Back Jersey Girl Outlander The Rover Marvin’s Room</p> <p><b>February 15</b> A Trip Elsewhere</p> <p><b>February 16</b> Compulsive Liar Hobby Hustle</p> <p><b>February 17</b> Strange Darlings</p>
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NETFLIX
<p><b>February 11</b> Kohhra: Season 2 (India)</p>

PRIME VIDEO
<p><b>February 11</b> 50,000 First Dates: A True Story Your Monster</p> <p><b>February 12</b> The Honest Realtor Pinkalicious &amp; Peterrific: Season 18</p>

# Date Night

## Stuffed Peppers

Serves two. Serve with a mixed salad.

**INGREDIENTS**

- 2 red bell peppers (one per person)
- ½ lb ground beef, chicken or turkey
- 1 small onion, diced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 cup cooked rice
- 1 can diced tomatoes (Italian seasoned tomatoes for more flavour)
- ½ teaspoon Italian Seasoning - adjust to preference
- ½ cup cheese - mozzarella, cheddar, or blend of your choice (more if desired)

**PREPARATION**

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees
2. Cut peppers in half lengthwise and remove the seeds. This creates a shape resembling a heart, instead of the traditional cutting the top off
3. Grease a baking dish. Arrange bell peppers and bake for eight to ten minutes
4. Sauté onion and garlic in olive oil in pan
5. Add meat and cook until browned
6. Drain excess grease
7. Add cooked rice, tomatoes and seasoning
8. Put a small amount of cheese in bottom of each of the pepper halves, then add the meat/rice filling
9. Bake for five minutes
10. Top with the rest of the cheese and bake until cheese is melted

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IN THE MATTER OF: The Companies Act, R.S.N.S., 1989, as amended;

- and -

IN THE MATTER OF: The Application of 3321742 Nova Scotia Limited for leave to Surrender its Certificate of Incorporation;

NOTICE is hereby given that 3321742 Nova Scotia Limited, a body corporate under the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia with registered office at 39 Treehouse Lane, Bridgewater, in the Province of Nova Scotia B4V 9H9 intends to apply to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the Province of Nova Scotia for leave to Surrender the Certificate of Incorporation of 3321742 Nova Scotia Limited and for its dissolution consequent thereon, pursuant to the provisions of Section 137 of the Companies Act being Chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, as amended.

DATED at Lunenburg, Nova Scotia this 4 day of February, 2026.

PIOTR LUCZAK  
Luczak & Associates  
PO Box 549, 28 King Street,  
Lunenburg, Nova Scotia B0J 2C0  
Solicitor for 3321742 Nova Scotia Limited

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## Chocolate Dipped Strawberries

**INGREDIENTS**

- ½ cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 3 tablespoons heavy cream
- 12 long stemmed strawberries

**PREPARATION**

1. Melt the chocolate and cream together in a bowl set over simmering water until just melted
2. Stir and remove from heat
3. Dip each strawberry in the chocolate and place on parchment paper.
4. Chill
5. May be served with whipped cream if desired

Have a recipe you'd like to share?  
Send it in!

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# Lumberjacks take two out of three last week

Just three games remain



KEVIN MCBAIN PHOTOS

By KEVIN MCBAIN  
with files from Dan Boyd

BRIDGEWATER – The South Shore Jr. B Lumberjacks had a busy, but successful week, winning two of three games and have just three games remaining.

Lumberjacks' coach, Joel Isenor, said that with three games in one week, you have to take it one game at a time.

"You don't try to look ahead," he said.

In the three games, they played the Sackville Blazers twice, in an away game Monday, Feb. 2 and back home, Feb. 7.

With their latest win, a 2-1 overtime decision Feb. 7 in favour of the Lumberjacks, put them at 21-6-0 for



Cohen Westlake was the overtime hero in a 2-1 win over the Sackville Blazers at home Saturday night.

42 points, four back of the first place Capstone Colts. The Colts have one game remaining and the Lumberjacks three.

The Lumberjacks will finish their regular season with a game in Brookfield Tuesday night (Feb. 10), in East Hants Friday night (Feb. 13) and against the Elks again on the family holiday afternoon Feb. 16.

In their latest home tilt, against the Sackville Blazers Feb. 7. The two teams went toe-to-toe for most of the game until Cohen Westlake put the game away with 2:05 left in the first overtime frame.

Dylan Probert put the Blazers up 1-0 after the first period and Kyle MacIntyre tied it up for the Lumberjacks in the second. The team played

a scoreless third period and only two minor penalties were called in the game.

Lumberjacks' goaltender Kegan Greencorn stopped 37 of 38 shots for the win, while Braeden Shaikh turned away 32 of 34 shots in the game.

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## SPORTS SHORTS

### NOMINATIONS OPEN

The 2026 nomination period for the Lunenburg County Sport Heritage Society is now open until April 15. You can nominate individuals/teams in four different categories: athletes, teams, builders and a new category, legacy. See more information at [www.lcpsportheritage.com](http://www.lcpsportheritage.com).

### NODDING COMMITS

Park View rugby player, Hannah Nodding of Lunenburg has commit-

ted to joining the Acadia Axewomen rugby squad in the fall.

### U18 AWARDS

Two members of the U18AAA South Shore Mustangs were recently given awards for the 2025-26 Nova Scotia U18 Major Hockey League for the regular season. Ewan MacDonald was awarded the John Hanna Trophy for the Most Sportsmanlike player and Michelle Lynch was awarded the Team Volunteer of the Year award.



## BOWLING

Pajo's Bowling Alley League Stats

**Lucky Strikes League, Jan. 23:** H.S.: Val Feener 114; H.T.: Victoria Marcott 319; H.S.: Troy Wentzell 139; H.T.: Doug Murphy 353; T.H.T.: I Don't Care 1624  
**Youth League, Jan. 24: Pee wee.** G.H.S.: Aurora M 82; B.H.S.: Hudson M 78; B.H.T.: Hudson M 193  
**Bantam.** G.H.S.: Abby P 67; B.H.S.: Dryden W 93; B.H.T.: Dryden W 234  
**Junior.** G.H.S.: Brooklyn M 86; G.H.T.: Tenley S 221; B.H.S.: Ethan M 100; B.H.T.: Ethan M 277  
**Mickey Mouse League, Jan. 25:** H.S.: Devan Naugler 119; H.T.: Devan Naugler 332;

H.S.: Terriann Carver 101; H.T.: Terriann Carver 275; T.H.T.: Old Bones 1479  
**Men's, Jan. 26:** H.S.: Glen Murphy 138; H.T.: Scott Doucette 380; T.H.S.: Bernie's Boys/Thrown Together 585; T.H.T.: Thrown Together 1711  
**Ladies, Jan. 27:** Stay tuned! Supporting Kim Veinotte with love from the leagues.  
**Canexcel, Jan. 28:** H.S.: Amie Haughn 116; H.T.: Kristal Patterson 311; H.S.: Chris Heim/Cory Carver 133; H.T.: Cory Carver 353  
**Money League, Jan. 29:** H.S.: Courtney Tremere 141; H.T.: Courtney Tremere 357; H.S.: Matt Tremere/Colton Whitman 117; H.T.: Matt Tremere 341; T.H.T.: X Marks the Spot 1469



### BIG WIN!

Park View Panther Calvin Van Nie, goes up for a shot, against a Shelburne player, in a Friday night tilt at the Park View Education Centre. The Panthers came up with a win, in what was their final regular home game, seniors' night, honouring four graduating players: Navarre Gallant, Aiden Buteau, Magnus Gow, Hazen Western and Van Nie. The team will now hit the road to take on Horton Friday night in their regional semifinal.

KEVIN MCBAIN PHOTO



### Public Hearing

#### Proposed Text Amendments to the Land Use By-law

Bridgewater Town Council is considering amendments to the Land Use By-law to allow for the rezoning of 40 Victoria Road from Downtown Residential (R4) to Medium Density Residential (R5).

A Public Hearing will be held by Council at **6:00PM on February 23, 2026, in Council Chambers at Town Hall (60 Pleasant St, Bridgewater)**, at which time oral presentations and written submissions concerning the proposed amendments will be considered. This is the final opportunity for public input.

A copy of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Community Development Department. For more information, please contact Evan Ferguson, Planner I, at 902-530-4081, or via email at: [evan.ferguson@bridgewater.ca](mailto:evan.ferguson@bridgewater.ca), or visit [www.bridgewater.ca/DA](http://www.bridgewater.ca/DA) to see all current applications.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Those pesky loose ends

**SUSANNE BECK**  
*Reality Check*

Do you suffer from loose ends? That is, nagging tasks and unfinished business that you can't seem to get off your plate?

Apparently, there are people who don't find this bothersome. Their outlook is that whatever needs to be handled will be handled at some point, so there's no sense fretting about it in the meantime. Sounds sensible, doesn't it?

Then there are the rest of us. We who would like to have the peace that comes from knowing that everything is handled. The tasks are done, decisions are made, the files are tidy, and the people in our lives are as we want them to be. Life is in order. What a state that would be, eh?

While both perspectives have pros and cons, what can you do if you find loose ends troubling?

Some months ago, I read a post by

Dr. Joel Wade called "How to Worry Effectively." He wrote that we tend to get what we can control and what we can't control mixed together in our minds. It's helpful to separate them. How? He suggested one of my favourite approaches: write them down.

It must have been a slow day (or I was looking for an excuse to avoid work) so I did just that. I made a list of loose ends that were irritating me at the time. Actually, I made two lists; the loose ends that I could do something about and the loose ends over which I had no control.

Time went by. That slip of paper got misplaced. Months later, it resurfaced. How do those loose ends look now?

There were surprises! I had, in fact, dealt with many of the loose ends on the "can control" side of the list. Not all of them mind you, but quite a few. Things had to be done, which meant I had to deal with them. So I did.

The second surprise involved the

"can't control" side. I realized that many of those items are also resolved now. How did that happen?

Those "can't control" loose ends had common threads: they either required time to pass or other people to act.

Well, time had passed, and simply because time had passed, things happened. Other people had, in fact, acted. Tasks over which I had no control had finished or at least progressed.

I also noticed that many of the "can't control" items started with, "I can't predict..." For example, I can't predict whether it will be an easy or difficult winter. I can't predict whether someone will follow through on a promise, whether the dog will get sick, the new boss will be reasonable, or the problem will be solved. While there may be small steps I can take to lessen potential bad results, these non-predictable loose ends are out of my control.

I still can't predict what will happen in the future. However, some of those

unpredictable loose ends are becoming clearer as time goes on.

Just because many items on my list were resolved doesn't mean that I now have no loose ends! No, no! If I were to write a similar list again today, it would be chock-full. But it would hold different loose ends, for this different time.

However, it's satisfying to see that many of last year's troubling loose ends did get resolved. It adds perspective and hope. We can make progress!

Dr. Wade suggests concentrating on the "can control" side of the list. Decide on small steps that we can take to make progress on them. If you'd like to read the Joel Wade post for yourself, let me know at [choice@focusonclarity.com](mailto:choice@focusonclarity.com) and I'll send you the link. Or contact me c/o South Shore Bulletin.

To your choices! ~ Susanne ~  
*Susanne Beck, RTC is Reality Therapy Certified by the William Glasser Institute*

## Your business isn't built on transactions. It's built on story.

**STEPHANIE MILLER VINCENT**  
*Business Moments*

A guest checks out of a boutique hotel. The room was clean, the bed was comfortable, the Wi-Fi worked. It was a perfectly fine transaction. They leave a four-star review and forget the name of the hotel by the time they get to the airport.

Another guest checks out of a similar hotel. As they're leaving, they buy a small jar of jam from the front desk, the same jam they enjoyed at breakfast each morning. The clerk doesn't just ring it up. She says, "Oh, you're taking home some of Maria's jam! She's been making it just down the road for 20 years. Her strawberry-rhubarb is legendary around here."

That guest leaves a five-star review. They tell their friends about the hotel with the amazing local jam. They've already planned their next trip back. They didn't just have a stay; they found a story.

We've been taught that business is about what's sold – a coffee, a room, a meal, a service. But what people remember isn't the sale. They remember the moment wrapped around it.

This is community woven hospitality where the local community is not just an ingredient, but the very fabric of the guest experience. It's warm, evocative, and speaks to the intricate connections between businesses, makers, and visitors. It's the conscious choice to build your business on moments, not just transactions. And those moments are relationships in disguise.

It's not about grand, expensive gestures. It's about small, almost invisible signals that tell your guests, "We belong

to something bigger than ourselves."

Think about it:

- A retail shop that carries jewelry made by someone who lives down the road. When a customer asks about it, the answer becomes a story instead of a SKU.

- A home décor store that sells framed photographs of the town, taken by a local photographer. A customer isn't just buying art; they're taking home a piece of belonging.

- A café that uses pottery mugs made by a local artisan. Suddenly, the coffee doesn't just taste good; it feels like it's part of the place.

- A law office that hangs the work of a local artist on their wall and sits at a desk crafted by a local artist.

- The uniform piece that is thoughtfully created by a seamstress whose care you can see in every stitch.

I can already hear the pushback: "I can't afford that." "Those mugs cost more." "That art isn't wholesale."

You're looking at it as an expense. That's the language of transactions. In the language of hospitality, this is an investment in your most powerful marketing tool: the story.

When a guest holds that mug, they're holding a conversation piece. When they see that photograph, they see your pride of place. You haven't just supported a local maker; you've told a story, given your guest a story to share. And they will share it.

They won't say, "I went to a café." They'll say, "I went to this amazing café where the mugs are made by a potter in town. You can even visit her studio!"

That's not décor. That's word-of-mouth. That's loyalty. That's a relationship.

So, how do you systematize this? You don't have to replace everything overnight. Start with some constant, gentle movement.

- Maybe it's not every mug. Maybe it's the mug for your signature drink.

- Maybe it's not a full gallery wall. Maybe it's one piece, with a small card that tells the artist's story.

- Maybe it's not your whole uniform. Maybe it's one locally-made element your staff wears with pride.

This isn't about scale, it's about signal. It signals that you see where you live, you value who makes things there, and you're inviting your customers to be part of that story.

Ask yourself this: Where could one small choice in our business become a story our customers will remember and retell?

Businesses built on transactions

survive. Businesses built on moments, on stories, on community... They thrive. They get remembered. They become legendary.

What story are you creating today?  
*Stephanie leads SMillerVision, a consultancy dedicated to putting people at the center of leadership and workplace culture. She partners with hospitality, tourism, retail, and service businesses throughout North America, drawing on three decades of service industry experience. Her work focuses on creating environments where employees choose to stay, places where daily moments become opportunities for connection, loyalty, and shared purpose. At the heart of her philosophy is a simple truth: businesses thrive not on transactions, but on the strength of their relationships.*

### EARLY DEADLINE



Due to the Heritage holiday, the South Shore Bulletin will be **CLOSED** on Monday, February 16.

The deadline for the February 18th edition is **Thursday, February 12th at 10:00 a.m.**

This includes classifieds, family album and display advertising.

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LIFESTYLES

# Discovery of a tufted duck

**JAMES HIRTLE**  
*Bird Notes*

I saw 34 species of birds on Jan. 30 which signifies a great day of birdwatching for me.

I birded LaHave, Riverport, Rose Bay, Kingsburg, back to Rose Bay, Feltzen South, First South, Corkum's Island, Mason's Beach, into Lunenburg, and then back to LaHave.

Eric Mills had a fox sparrow in Rose Bay, so that was my first goal. I did get to see it and a load of other bird species also. At First South there was a large group of 53 American robins and some cedar waxwings.

When I reached the Lunenburg waterfront I was pleased to get close-up photos of lesser and greater scaup as well as two gadwalls. They were in close to the boat launch at the wharf before you get to the Fisheries Museum.

I was just leaving when I saw what I thought was another scaup fly in and it landed perfect for taking a photograph. I was going to drive away, but could not resist the option to get some more close-up photos.

It is lucky that I did stop as the bird in question turned out to be a tufted duck. I took photos and put the word out on Discord, (which is the rare bird alert), so that others could enjoy this rare visitor.



JAMES HIRTLE PHOTO

A rare sighting - a tufted duck was caught on camera in Lunenburg Jan. 30.

The tufted duck nests south of the tundra from Iceland, the Faeroes, Scandinavian Peninsula, Soviet Russia, including Siberia east to Sakhalin, Japan, The Komandorskie Islands, south to Europe, Syria, and Mongolia. They winter in the British Isles and continental Europe south to the Mediterranean and Black seas, in Africa, south to Uganda, India, Burma, Vietnam and the Phillipines. In North America, in the winter, and in spring, casually along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

The tufted duck is 45 to 55 cm long with a wing-

spread of 75 to 87.5 cm. The male resembles a ring-necked duck with its black head, neck, breast and upperparts. There is a thin crest on the back of the head. The sides are pure white and there is a white wing stripe. The adult, all dark brown female, has a shorter crest than the male. The bill of both is slate blue with a narrow black bar near the tip. The iris of the eye is golden yellow.

The food of the tufted duck is roots, seeds and buds of aquatic plants. They also eat flies and duckweeds from the surface of the water. They will dive for mussels, snails and aquatic insects, frogs, tadpoles and small fish.

Overall, it has been an awesome week for birding. On Jan. 29 I watched the northern mockingbird at First Peninsula. There were 75 European starlings at the berry patch that the mockingbird frequents. I watched as the mockingbird tried to chase off all 75 of the interlopers. At one point the northern mockingbird flew to the roof of a small shed and I watched the mockingbird square off against a European starling, while another watched.

Ethan Sarty modified my photo by putting a box of popcorn in front of the starling that was watching. It made for a good laugh.

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# Senior dogs in cold weather:

*Keeping aging companions comfortable and safe*

**ASHLEY KIPPERS**  
*SHAID Tree Animal Shelter General Manager*

Winter can be tough on all pets, but for senior dogs, cold weather often brings extra challenges.

As temperatures drop and icy conditions become more common, older dogs may experience increased joint stiffness, mobility issues, and reduced tolerance for the cold. With a few thoughtful adjustments, however, families can help their aging companions stay comfortable, active, and safe throughout the winter months.

Just like people, senior dogs are more susceptible to aches and pains when the weather turns cold. Arthritis and joint stiffness may become more noticeable, making it harder for them to get up, walk on slippery surfaces, or tolerate long outdoor outings. Older dogs may also have thinner coats or reduced body fat, which makes it

harder to stay warm.

Pet owners can help by keeping walks shorter but more frequent, using sweaters or coats when appropriate, and ensuring dogs have warm, draft-free resting areas inside the home. Orthopedic beds can provide extra joint support, while non-slip rugs or mats help prevent falls on hardwood or tile floors. Gentle exercise remains important, as regular movement helps maintain muscle strength and flexibility—even during stormy weather.

**MOBILITY AND SAFETY TIPS**

- Use ramps or steps to help senior dogs access furniture or vehicles safely.
- Keep nails trimmed and paw fur neat to reduce slipping on icy surfaces.

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ASHLEY KIPPERS PHOTO

Sacha, a spry 16-year-old, is looking for a new home.



**HERITAGE DAY WASTE COLLECTION**

**Waste will not be collected Monday, February 16, 2026 in the Town of Bridgewater or the District of Lunenburg.**

Waste will be collected in both areas on Saturday, February 14 instead. South Shore Waste Solutions at 908 Mullock Road, Whycott's Settlement will be closed February 16. Questions? Visit [www.southshorewaste.ca](http://www.southshorewaste.ca) or call 902-543-2991.

Follow South Shore Waste Solutions' Facebook page for collection schedules and storm cancellations.





**MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF CHESTER**

**NOTICE REGARDING BY-LAW AMENDMENTS**

**Take Notice** that on Thursday, January 29, 2026, Chester Municipal Council conducted **Second/Final Reading** to amend the following By-Law:

By-Law 157 – Marketing Levy By-Law	• Amendment to make the by-law effective on January 1, 2027 rather than January 1, 2026.
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And Further Take Notice that the amendment to **By-Law 157 Marketing By-Law** will become effective as of the date of this publication.

Copies of the By-Laws may be reviewed between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Administration Office of the Municipality of the District of Chester, 151 King Street, Chester or on the Municipality's website at [www.chester.ca](http://www.chester.ca) or by contacting the undersigned at (902) 275-4109 or by email at [pmyra@chester.ca](mailto:pmyra@chester.ca).

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*Love always,  
Brian Baxter*

Certain comme le geai bleu  
est proche de sa douce moitié;  
Certain comme le chant  
amoureux de la mésange;  
Certain comme le « hoot »  
vient du hibou;  
Je t'aime,  
Heather.

J,  
you make loving easy, life brighter,  
and forever feel certain.  
I'm so grateful I get to marry you,  
my forever Valentine!

*Love, A*

To my dearest galentines,  
LB, JD, MA, BJ, and HA:  
Whether you're near or far,  
no matter what we're going  
through, you're my people,  
my role models, and I  
couldn't do it without you.

*Love you always. JB*

Andy —  
You are my calm,  
my laughter, and my  
favorite place to land.  
Loving you is the  
easiest, truest thing  
I do every day.

*Debbie*



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DAD**  
in town

BCW, from Katahdin to  
Yosemite, and all the roads  
along the way, I'm the happiest  
I've ever been waking up  
to you each day.

*Love always,  
JKB*



# PUZZLES & MORE

## The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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- ### ACROSS
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  - 9 Lacquer ingredient
  - 14 Teen's torment
  - 15 Ticks off
  - 16 Preface
  - 17 Gives a heads-up
  - 19 Kind of number
  - 20 Upper crust
  - 21 Timeless
  - 23 Burton or Gere
  - 25 Void's companion
  - 26 Medal-worthy
  - 28 Experience again
  - 32 "Grand" hotel in Vegas
  - 34 Rode the wind
  - 36 Novelist Bagnold
  - 37 Greek god of war
  - 39 No longer fresh
  - 40 Genesis setting
  - 41 Bluish-white metal
  - 42 Choir section
  - 44 "Surfin' \_\_\_" (1963 hit)
  - 45 Lure
  - 47 Cleansing remedies
  - 49 Clay-rich soil
  - 51 Warts and such
  - 54 Florida, mostly
  - 58 \_\_\_' to go (eager)
  - 59 Justice since 2006
  - 60 Renee's "Chicago" co-star
  - 62 Nashville NFLer
  - 63 It may be bright
  - 64 Miami's county
  - 65 Prophets
  - 66 Puts two and two together?
  - 67 Disparaging remark
- ### DOWN
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  - 2 Dangerous bacteria
  - 3 Fertilizer's purpose
  - 4 Fume
  - 5 By way of
  - 6 Light up
  - 7 Word on a penny
  - 8 German steel city
  - 9 Tiny wave
  - 10 Course taker
  - 11 Culinary directive
  - 12 "\_\_\_ la Douce" (1963 film)
  - 13 Playwright Coward
  - 18 Becomes frayed
  - 22 The 'who' in a whodunit
  - 24 Barnyard rousers
  - 27 Construction site sight
  - 29 \_\_\_ Revolution
  - 30 Goes head-to-head
  - 31 \_\_\_ St. Vincent Millay
  - 32 Pac-Man feature
  - 33 Pleased look
  - 35 Stretched out
  - 38 Curved sword
  - 43 Campfire treat
  - 46 Church doctrines
  - 48 Oscar and Tony
  - 50 Caribbean island: Saint \_\_\_
  - 52 Like Gandhi
  - 53 Nasty look
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## Sudoku

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| BOUQUET     | DEVOTION  | LOVE     | SOULMATE   |
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MOVIES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

EVENING

9:00 [SLICE] "Pride & Prejudice" (Drama,2005) Keira Knightley, Matthew Macfadyen. A convoluted courtship begins between a young woman and the handsome friend of a wealthy bachelor. (G)
10:00 [WTV] "Friends With Benefits" (Romance,2011) Justin Timberlake, Mila Kunis. Complications unfold when two friends add sex to their relationship. (14+)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

EVENING

9:00 [CH] "Forces of Nature" (Romance,1999) Sandra Bullock, Ben Affleck. A groom (Ben Affleck) hurries to his wedding, with a fellow traveler (Sandra Bullock). (G)
11:05 [SHOW] "The Italian Job" (Thriller,2003) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. Master thief Charlie Croker and his crew plan to steal back their gold. (14+)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

EVENING

8:00 [ATV] "Recipe for Romance" (Romance,2025) True O'Brien, Alex Mallari. Sparks fly between a woman and the owner of a bakery during a prank war to end all prank wars. (8+)
9:00 [ASN] "The Hunger Games" (Sci-Fi,2012) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. In a place once known as North America, youths fight to the death in a nationally televised contest. (14+)

[TBS] "The Wedding Singer" (Romance,1998) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore. A wedding singer is left at the altar. He meets Julia and helps plan her wedding. (G)
10:00 [SLICE] "Bridget Jones's Baby" (Romance,2016) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth. Befuddled mom-to-be Bridget Jones must figure out which man in her life is the father of her child. (14+)
10:50 [TBS] "Big Daddy" (Comedy,1999) Adam Sandler, Joey Lauren Adams. A goofy slacker gains custody of an impressionable five-year-old boy. (14+)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

EVENING

7:00 [ATV] "Barbie" (Comedy,2023) Margot Robbie, Ryan Gosling. Barbie and Ken leave the world of Barbie Land to discover the joys and perils of the real world. (G)
7:30 [SLICE] "Crazy, Stupid, Love." (Romance,2011) Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling. A suddenly single 40-something (Steve Carell) needs help finding his groove again. (G)

9:00 [CH] "Just Like Heaven" (Romance,2005) Reese Witherspoon, Mark Ruffalo. A depressed widower (Mark Ruffalo) falls for a ghostly doctor (Reese Witherspoon). (G)
10:00 [TBS] "Father of the Bride" (Comedy,1991) Steve Martin, Diane Keaton. A doting dad (Steve Martin) deals with his daughter's (Kimberly Williams) impending wedding. (G)
10:00 [SLICE] "Fifty Shades Darker" (Romance,2017) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan. Shadowy figures from Christian Grey's past threaten his rekindled romance with Anastasia Steele. (16+)

[SLICE] "The Proposal" (Romance,2009) Sandra Bullock, Ryan Reynolds. A woman pretends to be engaged to her assistant to avoid deportation to Canada. (G)
1:00 [WTV] "Walking the Dog" (Romance,2017) Jennifer Finnigan, Sam Page. When lawyers battle each other in court, they are brought together after their dogs fall in love. (G)
[SHOW] "Star Trek Into Darkness" (Sci-Fi,2013) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. An act of terrorism sends Kirk on a mission to capture a powerfully destructive force. (G)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

EVENING

6:00 [SHOW] "The Matrix Reloaded" (Sci-Fi,2003) Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne. Freedom fighters (Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, Carrie-Anne Moss) revolt against machines. (14+)
6:30 [SLICE] "Notting Hill" (Romance,1999) Julia Roberts, Hugh Grant. A shopkeeper (Hugh Grant) meets a movie star (Julia Roberts). (14+)
7:00 [TBS] "Black Adam" (Action,2022) Dwayne Johnson, Aldis Hodge. Black Adam's unique form of justice is challenged by modern-day heroes who form the Justice Society. (G)
7:30 [AV] "No Time to Die" (Action,2021) Daniel Craig, Rami Malek. Spy James Bond tracks a mysterious villain who's armed with a dangerous new technology. (G)

10:00 [USA] "Fifty Shades of Grey" (Romance,2015) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan. An inexperienced college student begins a daring affair with a controlling businessman. (16+)
[CTVSCI-FI] "Nope" (Horror,2022) Daniel Kaluuya, Keke Palmer. A man and his sister discover something sinister in the skies above their California horse ranch. (13+)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

EVENING

7:00 [SHOW] "Star Trek Into Darkness" (Sci-Fi,2013) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. An act of terrorism sends Kirk on a mission to capture a powerfully destructive force. (G)
8:00 [WTV] "It's Complicated" (Romance,2009) Meryl Streep, Steve Martin. A divorcee (Meryl Streep) is caught between her ex (Alec Baldwin) and an architect (Steve Martin). (14+)
10:00 [SHOW] "Star Trek Beyond" (Sci-Fi,2016) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. Stranded on a hostile planet, Kirk, Spock and the rest of the crew must battle a deadly alien race. (G)
10:30 [WTV] "The Intern" (Comedy Drama,2015) Robert De Niro, Anne Hathaway. A 70-year-old intern develops a special bond with his young boss. (G)
12:30 [SHOW] "World War Z" (Horror,2013) Brad Pitt, Mireille Enos. A former U.N. investigator is forced back into service to find the source of a zombie pandemic. (14+)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

EVENING

1:00 [WTV] "Crazy, Stupid, Love." (Romance,2011) Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling. A suddenly single 40-something (Steve Carell) needs help finding his groove again. (G)
[GLOBAL] "The Plot to Kill My Mother" (Thriller,2023) Romy Weltman, Milton Barnes. A woman leaves the Witness Protection Program to find her mother's killer before he strikes again. (14+)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

EVENING

9:00 [ASN] "Fallen Angels Murder Club: Friends to Die For" (Mystery,2022) Toni Braxton, Keith D. Robinson. An aspiring lawyer sets out to find a mysterious killer who mimics murders from books.
[WTV] "Twilight" (Romance,2008) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson. A high-school student is caught up in an unorthodox romance with a vampire. (G)
11:30 [WTV] "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" (Romance,2009) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson. Bella finds her loyalties tested when she is drawn into the world of werewolves. (G)

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### MEMORIALS

SAWLER, Raymond, who passed away February 14, 2026. If we could write a story, It would be the greatest ever told, Of a kind and loving husband, Dad, and Grampy, Who had a heart of gold. We love and miss you every day.

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And that in our hearts you will stay.  
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### OBITUARIES

#### Janet Marie Baker, RN

Age 61, died peacefully in hospice on Friday, January 23, 2026. Her passing came after a decade-long battle with cancer. Despite her illness, Janet never despaired and continued to live life gracefully and on her own terms - as she always did. She immersed herself in new hobbies, cultivated meaningful friendships, and continued to be a loving and supportive mother and wife.



Janet was born in Halifax to the late Lawrence Deveau and Joan Deveau; sister to Rick (Jennifer) Deveau.

She enrolled in nursing school and graduated as a registered nurse, finding meaning in providing compassionate care in busy emergency departments before taking on management of the operating rooms of South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. She retired in 2019 following recurrence of her cancer.

Janet met Kevin Baker in her early 20s, and they married soon after. They had two children, Chelsea (Ian) and Mitchell Baker.

Outside of work and family, Janet was curious, patient, and creative. These traits were reflected in her hobbies: she pieced together many cherished scrapbooks, tended a lush garden, and later in life found the art of rug hooking - through which she produced many heartfelt and intricate rugs and was introduced to a community of dear friends. Janet spent many days in the loving company of her slightly goofy, but undeniably sweet, chocolate lab, Charley.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date, with details to follow. Janet will be buried at Brookside Cemetery, Bridgewater in the spring.

Donations in her memory are welcome and will be directed to the South Shore Hospice Palliative Care Society.

Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, 35 York Street, Bridgewater, where online condolences and messages may be made by visiting www.sweenysfuneral-home.com.

### DEATHS

Breagh, Micheline (née Chênevert), passed away peacefully at Harbour View Haven Home for Special Care, Lunenburg, on January 28, 2026. Arrangements are entrusted to the Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home, 11213 Hwy 3, Lunenburg.

Corkum, Charlotte E, Chester, died January 28, 2026. Arrangements entrusted to Mahone Funeral Home.

Corkum, Roma Clara, 82, of Lunenburg announce with grief her passing on February 3, 2026 at Harbour View Haven Home for Special Care, Lunenburg. Arrangements are entrusted to the Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home, 11213 Hwy 3, Lunenburg.

Langille, James "Jimmy" Arthur, 80, Dayspring, died February 2, 2026. Arrangements entrusted to R.A. Corkum Funeral Home.

Rafuse, J. Albert, 85, Bridgewater, died February 3, 2026, South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Robar, Joyce M, 87, Bridgewater, died January 30, 2026, South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Robinson, Patricia "Pat" Ann, 80, Chester, died January 27, 2026 at Shoreham Village. Arrangements entrusted to R.A. Corkum Funeral Home.

Rose, Kenneth "Kenny" William, 83, of Riverport, died February 3, 2026, in Mahone Bay. Arrangements entrusted to Personal Care Cremations & Memorial Services.

Spidle, Jean Marie, 89, Clearland, died February 1, 2026 at The Sagewood Continuing Care Home, Lower Sackville. Arrangements entrusted to Mahone Funeral Home.

Weagle, Glenna Beryl, 82, Chester died February 1, 2026, Shoreham Village, Chester. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Whynott, Christine Ann, 71, Meisner Section, died February 1, 2026, South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, New Germany.



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## OBITUARIES

**Jacqueline Ann Flint**

Age 81, of Milton (formerly Hunts Point), Nova Scotia, passed away peacefully on February 1, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Bromsgrove, United Kingdom, Jackie was the beloved daughter of Jack and Lil Brough. From an early age, she showed the adventurous, pioneering spirit that would define her life.

In the late 1960s, Jackie lived in Montreal and Puerto Rico before immigrating to Canada permanently in 1975. A lifelong lover of travel, she continued to explore the world for many years. Well known on Nova Scotia's South Shore, Jackie was an accomplished businesswoman and respected real estate broker. Later in life, she spent nearly 30 years living in Florida before returning home to her cherished Queens County.

Jackie is survived by her children, Mark Flint and his wife Anne, and Claire Grudinskis (Flint) and her husband Ben; and by her four adored grandchildren, John William, Emily, Andrew, and Alex.

Her family will forever cherish the grit, grace, humor, and strength Jackie shared so generously throughout her life. She leaves behind a legacy of independence, resilience, and love.

A private celebration of life will be held by her family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jackie's memory to Parkinson Canada at [donate.parkinson.ca](http://donate.parkinson.ca)  
Online condolences: [www.chandlersfuneral.com](http://www.chandlersfuneral.com).


**Marguerite Ada  
Louise Voegelin**  
1930 - 2026

Marguerite Ada Louise Voegelin of Ingersoll, ON (formally of LaHave, N.S.) passed away peacefully with her daughter by her side on Feb. 3, 2026 at Woodingford Lodge in Ingersoll. Born in LaHave on April 29, 1930, Marguerite was the daughter of Allan and Roberta (Richard) Creaser. She was the devoted wife of the late Gordon Rhodes Himmelman (d.1986) and the late Belford E. Voegelin (d.2013). Dear mother of Donna Swatridge of Ingersoll, ON and grandmother of Luke (Chelsea) of Ingersoll and Laura of Halifax, N.S., and great grandmother of Austin. She will be fondly remembered by cousin David Richard (Anna) and the Voegelin family. Marguerite was a graduate of Mount Allison University in the Secretarial program and over the years had careers as a secretary, stay-at-home mom, owner/bookkeeper of her family's business, J.F. Creaser Co. Ltd., post mistress, and restaurant hostess at Dublin Bay House. She lived her life caring for her family and in service to her community. Marguerite had many talents. She created pressed flower greeting cards and gift wrapping that were works of art. She was a skilled baker - her birthday cakes and butterscotch pies were family favourites. She was an avid bridge player and enjoyed bowling and golf. She will best be remembered for her infectious giggle and sweet smile. She loved the beautiful LaHave River and will be coming home to be buried at Fort Point Cemetery in LaHave at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, the LaHave United Church, or charity of your choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to McBeath-Dynes Funeral Chapel of Glendinning Funeral Home Ltd. in Ingersoll, ON.


**Alice Cecelia Muriel  
Hyslop (nee Cross)**  
March 28, 1931 -  
January 17, 2026

Alice passed away on January 17 at SSRH after a brief illness. Until that time she proudly resided in her own home and on her own terms in Chester. Alice was predeceased by her parents Howard and Idella, her sisters Kathleen and Beatrice, husbands Vernon Neaves and Jack Hyslop, her son Skippy Cross, stepson Jon Hyslop, and nephew Howard Feener.

She is survived by her daughter, Debbie (Neaves) Deveau (Russell), sons Kevin D. Neaves and Dwight L. Neaves (Teri Cochrane), stepson David Hyslop (Betty Jean Dainard), stepdaughter Elizabeth (Hyslop) Cox (Hal), niece Katherine Hodgins and special great niece, Kim, numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Alice was fond of sharing memories of growing up with her mother and sisters on the farm in Blandford. After moving to Chester Alice worked from home as a piece work knitter and Tupperware dealer but was most proud of being a Foster Mother. Over the years she provided a temporary home to 38 children many of whom stayed in touch into their adult lives.

Alice enjoyed knitting, rug hooking, quilting, watching the birds at her feeders, and sending and collecting Christmas cards. Alice and Jack liked to travel; first across Canada by train, then road trips in the station wagon and camping in their vans. For several years they were regular campers in the Valley where they made lasting friendships. In her later years she enjoyed taking bus tours to destinations in the US.

Cremation has taken place. Interment at a later date.



## Province increases emergency funding

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The money is being distributed through 16 community-based partners across Nova Scotia, including SSODA on the South Shore.

Diversion funding is designed to provide one-time, direct financial support for housing-related emergencies, things like falling behind on rent, struggling to pay a power bill, or covering a damage deposit or first month's rent after a sudden change in circumstances. It's not meant to replace long-term income support or ongoing housing subsidies.

"This is very specific to those instances where folks are going along, they're working, they're making their bills, but suddenly find themselves in a difficult situation," Corkum-Greek explained. "When times are tight and prices of food, rent and power are up, an unexpected expense can suddenly destroy a monthly household budget. This is a real simple, direct support that we can offer."

According to the province, people who receive diversion funding are also connected to longer-term supports, including housing support caseworkers who can help stabilize their situation over time.

In addition to the nearly \$2 million now available for diversion funding, the Department of Opportunities and Social Development provided about \$5.4 million this year to community organizations to fund housing support worker positions across Nova Scotia.

Corkum-Greek encouraged anyone facing housing trouble to reach out, either directly to SSODA or to their local MLA.

"I will never, ever instruct people to hesitate to call our office," she said. "Sometimes what separates somebody being able to help from suddenly needing help is a pretty thin line. This particular program recognizes that those moments happen, and this is a real way that we can help."

## Senior dogs in cold weather

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- Wipe paws after walks to remove salt and ice buildup.
- Monitor for signs of increased stiffness, limping, or reluctance to move, and consult your veterinarian if concerns arise.

While winter may slow some dogs down, many seniors still enjoy life's simple pleasures – gentle walks, cozy naps, and quiet companionship.

At SHAID, one special senior is proving that age is truly just a number. Sacha, a surprisingly spry 16-year-old dog, is currently looking for a loving new home after her former owner passed away unexpectedly.

Despite her age, Sacha remains social and enjoys meeting people. She does well with other calm dogs and appreciates a peaceful environment where she can relax and feel secure. While she isn't used to spending much time in the car, she thrives with

routine and gentle care. Sacha would make a wonderful companion for someone looking to share quiet moments and provide a safe, warm place for a deserving senior to enjoy her golden years.

As we continue through the winter season, SHAID reminds the community that senior pets have just as much love to give – and often make some of the most rewarding companions.

Community support also helps ensure that animals like Sacha receive the care they need while waiting for their forever homes. SHAID's February Rafflebox 50/50 fundraiser runs from Feb. 2-23, with proceeds supporting shelter operations and animal care. Participating is an easy way to help local animals while also having the chance to win.

By paying a little extra attention to our senior pets during the colder months – and by supporting shelters caring for animals in need – we can help ensure that every dog stays safe, comfortable, and loved all winter long.

## Discovery of a tufted duck

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On Jan. 31 Ethan Sarty and I set off to Clam Point to try and see the varied thrush that had returned there. We observed 38 species for the day. We started the day with seeing a Muscovy duck sitting beside the main highway just before Birch Cove Brook. This likely was a domestic escapee, but in a very strange location.

We did get to see the varied thrush at the residence of Mike MacDonald at Clam Point and also a fox sparrow. Turkey vultures were everywhere and we saw around 30, while on Cape Sable Island, many of which were on the ground providing great photo opportunities. At Daniel's Head Beach we went looking for a black-headed gull found by Logan Moore. We were unsuccessful and only saw Bonaparte's gulls. The ring-billed gull is usually rare on Cape Sable Island. We saw 30 on the beach and 20 sanderlings.

Ethan saw two dunlin, but I missed them. There was also 35 American pipits, 20 snow buntings and a single horned lark. It was hard to count these birds and to get photographs as my hands stopped working. It was cold enough that the camera froze and would not shut down. It worked fine once we returned to the car and thereafter. It was also great to see three northern harriers and being able to compare both the male and female at one spot.

On Feb. 1 I saw 35 species. I birded LaHave,

Bridgewater, Lunenburg, Corkum's Island, East LaHave, Dublin Shore, Petite Riviere, Broad Cove, Green Bay and back to LaHave. I had the tufted duck and gadwall in Lunenburg. I then got a posting that Miguel Morales found an Eurasian wigeon in Broad Cove. I went and got to see that bird. I also had three gadwalls at Dublin Shore.

Connie Dagley of Petite Riviere has an American wigeon visiting at her feeders. She also has evening grosbeaks coming. On Feb. 1 Jason Dain spotted four Barrow's goldeneyes near the Blandford Fish Plant. On Feb. 3 Mike MacDonald found an eastern bluebird along Starr's Street in Lunenburg. Kevin Lantz photographed a Cooper's hawk perched on the wharf at ABCO. He also spotted 150 Bohemian waxwings.

On Jan. 29 Kathleen MacAulay reported a greater white-fronted goose at the Milton Dam. Sadly there are a growing number of dead geese at this location and geese showing neurological signs. It is suspected that these geese are showing symptoms and dying due to the HPAI, the bird virus.

Kathleen, who is a veterinarian, has reported this to DNR. A number of raptors are feeding on these dead birds, so it does not bode well for them. On Jan. 31 Telania Fitzgerald spotted a rough-legged hawk at Hartlen's Point. A yellow-throated warbler showed up at Jeddore on Feb. 2.

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[southshorebulletin.ca](http://southshorebulletin.ca)

## Lumberjacks take two out of three last week

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“I thought they exposed us tonight,” said Isenor. “But we bounced back in the second and I thought we took over and then the third period was kind of up for grabs. I am proud of our kids for their play in overtime to get the win.”

In Windsor, Jack Piper scored two giving them a 4-1 victory over the Oxen.

Also scoring were Brennan Coleman and Jackson Spraggon.

The game was a chippy affair with 85 minutes in penalties handed out including a five-minute major and a game misconduct given to the Lumberjack's Brandon Rideout for kneeing. South Shore outshot Windsor 39-34.

Jack Lowe was in net for the Lumberjacks and he stopped 33 of 34 shots in what Isenor felt that it was a playoff type game.

To start the week off, the Lumberjacks were in Sackville to take on the Blazers who scored three unanswered in the final frame to walk away with a 5-3 win on home ice.

The teams battled to a 2-2 tie after 40 minutes but the Lumberjacks who have not given up hope on first place in the Fox Division stumbled severely in the third allowing the Blazers three unanswered goals for a 5-2 Sackville win.

Westlake and Ethan MacVicar were the goalscorers for the Lumberjacks on this night.

Standings (after Feb. 9)

Fred Fox: 1. Colts – 22 wins, 5 losses, 1 overtime loss, 1 shootout loss for 46 points; 2. Lumberjacks – 21-6-0-0-42; 3. Penguins – 19-7-2-0-40; 4. Oxen – 12-13-2-1-27; 5. Blazers 9-15-1-1-20; 6. Elks – 3-22-1-0-7.

# Bridgewater's Frost Fair is back this Valentine's Day

CONTRIBUTED STORY

BRIDGEWATER – On Feb. 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., you are invited to come together at 123 Empire Street for the 2026 edition of the Frost Fair. Filled with family-friendly activities, including a lobster cookie s'more station, this free event welcomes everyone to warm up to winter, gather with friends and community members, and have fun.

Hosted in honour of the town's 127th birthday, this year's event includes an open house. The location is the former Bridgewater Memorial Arena, but is now home to the Bridgewater Farmers' Market and the South Shore Players Theatre.

“A lot of people in our community still call the space the BMA,” says Donna Hatt, the Town of Bridgewater's Economic Development Officer. “But the space has been undergoing a transformation over the past few years. It's being given new life as a community hub.”

For this year's Frost Fair, the town has partnered with the two tenants operating within the facility to create a fun day of activities and experiences.

The Bridgewater Farmers' Market will be hosting a special Valentine's themed market featuring local makers and creators. There will also be a 360 photobooth presented by Purple Cow.

The South Shore Players are inviting guests to

tour their new 100 seat performing arts space, and to enjoy a performance by the Lamplighters from 11 a.m. to noon on the stage.

Outside, visitors can play giant games and then warm up by the fire with lobster-shaped s'mores from Weagle's Bakery, and complimentary hot chocolate presented by Nova Scotia Power.

Visitors are also invited to help with renaming this facility, by stopping by the Town of Bridgewater's booth. No longer an arena, the building is in need of a new name that better reflects what the space is now. This will officially kick-off the community engagement program that will run until March 31.

Frost Fair is proudly presented by the Town of Bridgewater in partnership with the Bridgewater Farmers' Market, South Shore Players, Nova Scotia Power, Purple Cow, CKBW / Country 100.7 and is part of Nova Scotia Lobster Crawl.

Rounding out the weekend of festivities is free family swimming on Feb. 13 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre presented by the town, and Seedy Saturday that will be held Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the DesBrisay Museum. Everyone is invited to enjoy free Bridgewater Transit all weekend too thanks to a generous sponsorship by the Bridgewater Kinsmen Club.

For more information, visit [ExploreBridgewater.ca/Events](http://ExploreBridgewater.ca/Events).



### Are you connected with someone buried at Hillside Cemetery?

Hillside Cemetery is the final resting place of several members of the community, estimated to be more than 230, who died while living at the Lunenburg Municipal Hospital (County Home), which was located on the site of the current Municipal Activity Recreation Complex (MARC) at 33 Leary Fraser Road, Dayspring, NS.

The Municipality of the District of Lunenburg wants to know if any family members or relatives of those buried at Hillside Cemetery are interested in a way to honour their loved one by name. Your interest will help us decide whether to move ahead with this potential memorial project.

Please contact Sandra Challis  
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 by January 31st, 2027



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# Frost Fair

February 14<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 1pm \* 123 Empire Street

### Open House & Tours!

- South Shore Players' Studio Space
- Farmers' Market Space

### Live Music by the Lamplighters

### Giant Jenga & Games

### Bridgewater Farmers' Market

### Fire Pit, Hot Chocolate & Lobster Shaped S'mores!

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Have your say!

Your chance to suggest a name for the 123 Empire Street Building (the former arena)

### Plus More Fun All Weekend Long!

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 at the LCLC

**Seedy Saturday!**  
 February 14<sup>th</sup>,  
 10am to 4pm  
 at the DesBrisay Museum



### Free Weekend Transit

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