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Bridgewater mayor rejects allegation he overstepped at police commission meeting

By ED HALVERSON
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BRIDGEWATER - A Bridgewater resident says Mayor David Mitchell's comments at an October 2025 police commission meeting may have crossed a line and violated the municipal code of conduct. Mitchell, for his part, says the whole thing is based on a misunderstanding.

In a letter submitted to Town of Bridgewater staff and provided to the South Shore Bulletin, resident Ivan

Beck argued that Mitchell may have breached sections of Nova Scotia's municipal codes of conduct. Beck took issue with comments the mayor made during a discussion about expanding CCTV coverage in the downtown core, particularly around the block that includes the John Howard Society, an organization Mitchell has previously criticized.

According to Beck, the mayor appeared to be pushing for a sweeping expansion of surveillance, quoting Mitchell as saying, "If I had it my way, I would have a camera at

Dominion and Pleasant, Empire and Pleasant, Empire and King, Dominion and King... I would have that block surrounded with cameras."

Beck argued that such remarks could be seen as the mayor using his position to influence policing operations or advance a personal agenda. He also pointed to Mitchell's response when Chief Scott Feener explained the barriers to installing more cameras, such as tree cover or lack of suitable power poles. At that meeting, Mitchell said, "If we need to have public works install poles to make it work, then we will install poles to make it work."

To Beck, these statements seemed like direction, not discussion.

But Mitchell strongly disputes the claim.

In an interview, he said he was simply clarifying council's existing direction, not ordering the police department to do anything. "I'm actually not even sure what the issue is," he said. "Council made a clear motion at a public meeting directing the chief to gather some information and report back with options for cameras in the downtown."

Mitchell said the information Chief Feener brought to the police commission didn't reflect what council had asked for, so he felt it was his job, as both mayor and council representative on the commission, to restate

the intent. "It certainly was not direction," he said. "This person has taken a very simple 'if it were me, I would do this' statement and made the strange assumption that it now means 'you will do this,' when I obviously have no power to direct the chief."

He stressed that neither the mayor nor the police commission has authority to set operational priorities like surveillance placement or officer deployment. "We don't direct operations of police," he said. "There's no ability for me to have done that."

Mitchell also pushed back on the idea his comments were unsolicited. "That's pretty disingenuous," he said. "This was a motion from council. That's why it arrived at the police commission."

The motion Mitchell refers to comes from the August 11, 2025, Bridgewater Town Council meeting; details of which were included in the September 4, 2025, Police Commission meeting agenda.

Council formally asked the police commission to explore adding more cameras in the downtown core, noting increased activity in town parks and a desire for better investigative tools. The request includes the possibility of pre-budget approval if needed.

As for Beck, Mitchell says he hasn't heard from him directly, but he'd be open to talking. "I always am," he said.

NOTICE

To the Residents of the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Notice of Intent to Consider



On November 25, 2025, Municipal Council conducted First Reading of amendments to By-law 047 Potable Water Supply Upgrade Lending Program. If approved, the By-law will:

- establish a five-year repayment term for new agreements, including a hardship clause that allows approved applicants to receive a repayment term extension, effective January 1, 2026;
- remove the stacking provision with Clean Energy Financing and align with By-law 031 Clean Energy Financing so that only one municipal financing may be active on a property at any given time; and
- make housekeeping amendments, including accessibility updates and formatting.

Notice is given that Council will conduct Second Reading of the proposed amendments to By-law 047 at the Municipal Council meeting of December 9, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the Municipal Administration Building, 10 Allée Champlain Drive, Cookville, Nova Scotia.

A copy of the proposed amended By-law may be obtained by contacting the Municipal Clerk at 902 541-1323 or by email, april.whynot-lohnes@modl.ca.

April Whynot-Lohnes
Municipal Clerk

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Holiday Season to everyone
who helped make 2025
a huge success at the Daisy

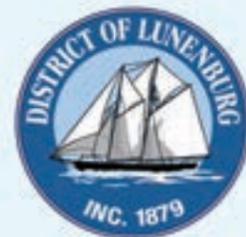
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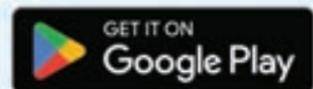
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Dahl's dispatch

EVAN DAHL

Lunenburg County firefighters answered 48 calls for service and Queens County firefighters answered 15 calls for service from Thursday, Nov. 20 to Wednesday, Nov. 26 – 19 of these calls were medicals.

NOVEMBER 20

At 7:34 a.m., Northfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Lower Northfield.

At 1:30 p.m., New Germany and Northfield firefighters responded to assist Springfield at a structure fire in Falkland Ridge. Nictaux and Lawrencetown also responded.

At 2:57 p.m., Liverpool firefighters responded to a possible electrical fire in Hunts Point.

At 4:30 p.m., Northfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Cookville. Bridgewater also responded.

At 5:57 p.m., Mahone Bay firefighters responded to a fire alarm in Mahone Bay.

At 5:59 p.m., New Ross firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in New Ross.

At 6:37 p.m., North Queens firefighters responded to a smoke condition. Greenfield also responded.

NOVEMBER 21

At 2:26 a.m., Tri District firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Chelsea.

At 3:51 a.m., Hubbards firefighters responded to a residential fire alarm in Fox Point.

At 8:03 a.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a reported couch on fire in Lunenburg.

At 8:05 a.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a couch on fire in Bridgewater.

At 11:30 a.m., LaHave firefighters responded to a chimney fire in West LaHave. Pleasantville and Conquerall Bank also responded.

At 1:33 p.m., Cornwall firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Lower New Cornwall. Walden also responded.

At 5:34 p.m., Cornwall firefighters responded to a brush fire in Newburne. Walden also responded.

At 6:14 p.m., Northfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Cookville.

At 6:57 p.m., Tri District firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Wileville. Hebbville and Bridgewater also responded.

NOVEMBER 22

At 4:15 a.m., New Germany firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide alarm in New Germany.

At 10:31 a.m., Chester firefighters responded to a residential fire alarm in East River.

At 11:45 a.m., Chester Basin firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Chester Grant.

At 3:51 p.m., North Queens firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident.

NOVEMBER 23

At 3:05 a.m., Northfield firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Cookville.

At 11:27 a.m., North Queens firefighters responded to a flooded basement.

At 3:34 p.m., New Germany firefighters responded to a vehicle fire in Cherryfield.

At 5:10 p.m., Hubbards firefighters responded to assist Black Point at an illegal burn in Queensland.

NOVEMBER 24

At 4:20 a.m., Chester firefighters responded to a residential fire alarm in Chester.

At 12:49 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Robinsons Corner.

At 3:35 p.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a commercial fire alarm in Bridgewater.

At 4:38 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a residential fire alarm in East River.

NOVEMBER 25

At 6:15 a.m., United Communities firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide alarm in Voglers Cove.

At 7:31 a.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a fire alarm in Bridgewater.

At 2:26 p.m., Hubbards firefighters responded to assist Black Point at a tractor trailer fire in Black Point. Upper Tantallon also responded.

At 4:19 p.m., Hubbards firefighters responded

to a motor vehicle accident in Simms Settlement. Chester Basin and Black Point also responded.

NOVEMBER 26

At 8:40 a.m., Port Medway firefighters responded to a public assist in Port Medway. Liverpool also responded.

You may reach Evan Dahl by e-mail at evandahl10@hotmail.com or via the Dahl Dispatch Facebook page.



Adapted from the Taste of Nova Scotia: tasteofnovascotia.com/recipes/lunenburg-fruit-cake/

INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb dried cranberries
- 1/2 lb raisins
- 4 oz dried blueberries
- 3/4 cup black rum
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced
- 9 eggs, separated
- 1 cup unsalted butter
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 cup whole milk
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups dark rye flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 1/4 tsp ground cloves, nutmeg, cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp cranberry liqueur

CRANBERRY GLAZE

- 1 cup castor sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/3 cup cranberry liqueur
- 1 tsp vanilla bean paste

DIRECTIONS

1. Soak cranberries, raisins, and blueberries with rum, lemon juice, and zest overnight.
2. Preheat oven to 300 degrees F (150 degrees C). Whisk egg whites to stiff peaks, place in refrigerator until needed.
3. Using electric stand mixer, cream butter and sugar on speed 4. Once incorporated, add egg yolks gradually. Turn to speed 1 and add milk. The mixture will look separated.
4. In a separate bowl, sift together both flours, baking powder, salt, cloves, nutmeg, and cinnamon.
5. Add soaked fruit to butter-sugar mixture. Then, alternating between dry ingredients and egg whites, fold in thirds into batter and fruit base. Mix until thick.
6. Dived batter equally between 2 greased 9-inch (23 cm) cast-iron pans, place in oven on middle rack. Bake at least 1 hour and 45 minutes. Cake is done when skewer place in cake comes out clean.
7. Meanwhile, place all ingredients for glaze in pot and bring to simmer over medium heat. Let cool. Remove cakes from oven, immediately brush with cranberry liqueur. Remove from pans, place on cooling rack.
8. Once completely cooled, brush with glaze and serve.

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

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Supreme Court of Nova Scotia	
Between:	
The Bank of Nova Scotia	
	Plaintiff
and	
Chanse Freeman Clarence Collicutt also known as Chanse Freeman Clarence Collicutt and Alisha Anne Claudette Heisler	
	Defendants
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION	
TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION pursuant to an Order for Foreclosure, Sale and Possession granted by the Court, unless before the time of sale the amount due to the Plaintiff on the Mortgage foreclosed, plus costs to be taxed, are paid:	
PROPERTY: All those lands and premises known as 100 Freeman Collicutt Road, Canaan, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia, PIO No.60144763 and PIO No. 60490315, as more particularly described in the Mortgage recorded at the Lunenburg County Land Registration Office as Document No. 85421064. The lands have been registered pursuant to the <i>Land Registration Act</i> .	
A copy of the description of the property, as contained in the Mortgage foreclosed, is on file at the Sheriff's office and may be inspected during business hours.	
DATE OF SALE:	December 9, 2025
TIME OF SALE:	12:00 p.m., local time
PLACE OF SALE:	Bridgewater Courthouse, 141 High Street, Bridgewater, NS B4V 1W2
TERMS:	10% deposit (payable by cash, certified cheque or solicitor's trust cheque made payable to "Taylor MacLellan Cochrane - In Trust") at the time of sale, remainder within 15 days upon delivery of deed.
DATED at Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, this 30th day of October, 2025.	
	Plamen Petkov, Auctioneer
Stephen Kingston MCINNES COOPER (Halifax) Solicitor for the Plaintiff	D8975

Social Column

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

December 3, 1924

Hemford

A number of our ladies of the missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Alden Mailman, during the past week and hooked a rug which will be presented to Miss Elizabeth Reid, a recently returned missionary from Chisamba. Miss Reid, who lectured here some weeks ago, displayed different articles of the African's handwork, and she will take this rug with her on her return to Africa at the end of her furlough.

Mahone Bay

On Tuesday evening, November 25, the members of the Rebekah Lodge held a social evening in their lodge room. The roll, having a membership of sixty, was called, amount collected from roll being eight dollars. A programme consisting of songs, choruses and humorous reading was given. Delicious hot coffee and cake were served. A very pleasant and entertaining evening was enjoyed by all.

West Dublin and Crescent Beach

The Methodist congregation of West Dublin held a tea-meeting in the Hall on Wednesday evening, Nov. 26th. A large crowd was in attendance and a nice sum of money was realized. Special mention must be made to the quietness of the affair and the young people who attended must be congratulated on the quiet manner and good nature with which they conducted themselves.



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LOCAL



Chester edges closer to a new fire station

By ED HALVERSON

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CHESTER – The Village of Chester’s long-discussed new fire station is finally moving forward in a meaningful way. Two major contracts have now been awarded, one for final design and another for project management, marking a big step toward replacing the aging fire hall that has served the community for more than six decades.

Halifax-based Acre Architects has been chosen to finalize the design of the new station, planned for the old Windjammer Motel site on Trunk 3. The firm is already familiar with the project; it created the concept design that the public saw last year. Now, it will take that early plan and shape it into the final, detailed version of what the new station will look like.

Acre is bringing in S2 Architects from British Columbia to help. Together, their teams have experience designing fire stations that are functional, long-lasting, and energy efficient. But they’re also being asked to make sure the building reflects Chester’s history and the strong identity of its fire service, something residents told the committee was important.

The design work also includes a technical piece: through engineering partner CBCL, the team will conduct a hydrogeological assessment to better understand groundwater conditions on the site. That will help planners make smart decisions about ensuring a reliable water supply for the station.

The committee has hired Grey Cardinal, a project management firm based in Dartmouth, to make sure the whole pro-



cess runs smoothly. The firm will keep an eye on timelines, technical requirements, and financial controls, and help ensure the new station meets the needs of both firefighters and the broader community. Both the design and project management contracts run until November 2026.

According to Village Clerk/Treasurer Heather McCallum, the project has a firm \$20-million budget cap which includes everything: the land, design work, engineering, project management, soft costs, tendering, and the build itself. While the early “Class D” conceptual estimate came in at \$11.7 million plus a large contingency, McCallum says it’s still too early to predict the final price tag.

“We don’t entirely know yet,” she said. “This Phase 2 work will give the Chester Fire Services committee those certainties. There will be public input on the final design.”

McCallum explained that the project will be funded through a mix of dona-

tions and long-term financing. Borrowing will mean an increase to the fire tax rate to cover debt payments, and those details will be built into future annual budgets. Both the Municipality of Chester and the Village of Chester must approve those budgets. She added that the committee will look for grants, though “options appear limited at this time.”

A new station has been a long time coming. The current building, constructed in 1960 after the previous station burned the year before, no longer meets modern needs. Today’s fire trucks don’t fit properly without expensive modifications, and a full deficiencies report shows a wide range of issues.

The Chester Volunteer Fire Department, founded in 1936, now includes 45 volunteer firefighters who respond to calls in the community.

If everything stays on track, the new fire station could be completed within the next three years.

BRIDGEWATER SENIOR CITIZENS CARD GROUP RESULTS

The Bridgewater Senior Citizens Group met on November 26 for a game of Auction 45’s.

Winners were: Ladies’ high, Melda Croft, 1095; Men’s high, John MacDougall, 1005; Runners up, Phyllis Meisner, 1065 and Marie Rafuse, 1020. Winner of the 50/50 draw was Dean Avery. Winners of 30 X 60 bids were Grace McCarthy, John MacDougall (twice) and Melda Croft.

Card parties will be held on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 in the Masonic Hall on Dominion Street. New members always welcome.

GOLDEN YOUTH CARD CLUB CARD PARTY RESULTS

The Golden Youth Card Club met on November 27th for a game of Auction 45’s.

The winners were: Ladies high, Mary March 910; Ladies second, Marie Rafuse 815; Men’s high, Neil Emeneau 950; Men’s second, Spencer Bagley 905; Low Score, Gloria Cox 535; Lucky Tally, Norma Joudrey; Travel Prize, Dean Avery; 50/50 Winners: Ethel Andrews and Ken Edwards. Card parties are held every Thursday afternoon at 1:30pm at the Pleasantville Fire Hall. New members (age 55+) are welcome to attend. Light lunch provided.

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Town council votes to deny rezoning request

By KEVIN MCBAIN

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LUNENBURG – Town council voted to deny the request of a rezoning of property on Brook and Falkland Streets, where a planned residential development by Solterre Inc. had targeted. The development would be located on what is now the parking lot for Solterre’s business.

In the latest town council meeting Nov. 25, council voted 7-0 in favour of not granting the request, which would allow a much larger building – without the need of a commercial presence.

Jennifer Corson, the principal owner of Solterre, was asking two things – a change from Commercial Mixed Use to General Commercial for both subject lots; and a change from Old Town/New Town 1 to Marine for zoning.

Corson had sought these amendments to facili-

tate residential building that would include ground floor dwelling units.

The latest plan put forward included a stepped three-and-six storey building with 48-52 residential units, including 16 affordable units.

Council’s decision does not prevent development on these properties. A few councillors suggested that if the development was on a smaller scale they could support it as long as the proposal meets the requirements of the existing LUB.

“The biggest concern, I guess, is the fact that we just went through a whole MPS and LUB re-vamp in 2021. There was a lot of community engagement at the time, we’ve been told that repeatedly and even during that process, nowhere in that area does it show an area for high density,” said Town of Lunenburg Mayor Jamie Myra.

“Then in the future zoning map which takes in 10, 20, 30 years of what you want that area to look like,

even in that zoning map that the previous council and citizens agreed to was that it would agree to a marine industrial, general commercial, recreational and parkland. Nowhere was residential mentioned. Within general commercial you can do residential, but the intent of that is that you have general commercial on the main floor and you can have units above it.”

“It was voted down because she clearly asked for two changes to the zoning requirements and we felt at this time, after all the hard work and effort they did over the years putting the CCP together that not even back then, did anyone say we should zone that... if they wanted residential there, it would have been somewhere in the future map.”

He points out that currently, along Montague Street, there are a number of buildings with offices or commercial space on the bottom floor with residential up above.

He also said that through public meetings and his councillors, it was heard with no question that that size of development would not fit with what it is in the area currently.

Corson, after having a few days to process the decision, said in a statement to the South Shore Bulletin, that she was extremely disappointed in the decision.

“We are very disappointed by council’s decision at first regarding our new housing project. We are perplexed by the process and the barriers, being 20 months long to date. We were hopeful that each councillor took advantage of the two-week postponement to become acquainted with, and really on, their staff report,” said Corson.

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What’s coming to streaming this week December 3-9, 2025

DISNEY+	December 3 Are You Sure?! (S2, Two-Episode Premiere) Digimon Adventure Disney Twisted-Wonderland: The Animation (New Episode) Europe from Above (S2 & S3) The Manipulated (New Episodes) Mickey Mouse Clubhouse+ (S1, New Episode) Riding Britain’s Railways RoboGobo Rudolph’s Bakery (S4-6) Wandance (New Episode)
	December 4 The Kardashians (S7, New Episode) The Secret Lives of Mormon Wives (S3, Reunion Special)
	December 5 Abbott Elementary (S5, New Episode) Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw I AM BOXER (New Episode) Virus Hunters
	December 6 Phineas and Ferb Recap: Percy Jackson
	December 7 One-Punch Man (S3, New Episode)
	December 8 Bob’s Burgers (S16, New Episode) The Simpsons (S37, New Episode) Star Wars: Young Jedi Adventures (S3) Tracker (S3, New Episode)
	December 9 All’s Fair (New Episodes)

NETFLIX	December 3 My Secret Santa Smile 2 Stranded with my Mother-in-law: Season 3 (Brazil) With Love, Meghan: Holiday Celebration
	December 4 The Abandons The Believers: Season 2 (Thailand) Catch Me If You Can Fugue State 1986 (Colombia) I Wish You Had Told Me (Philippines) Lali: Time to Step Up (Argentina)
	December 5 Daddy’s Home Daddy’s Home 2 Gladiator Jay Kelly (U.K.) Love and Wine (South Africa)
	December 6 The Making of Jay Kelly (U.K.) The New Yorker at 100 The Night My Dad Saved Christmas (Spain) The Price of Confession (South Korea) Owning Manhattan: Season 2
	December 7 School of Rock Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax
	December 8 Elmo and Mark Rober’s Merry Giftmas Lisa Frankenstein
	December 9 Badly in Love (Japan) Blood Coast: Season 2 (France) Masaka Kids, A Rhythm Within Trolls Trolls World Tour



**Municipality of the District of Lunenburg
Planning Advisory Committee**

Public Meeting Notice:
Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Municipality’s Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) is scheduled for Thursday, December 11, 2025, starting at 7:00 p.m. at 10 Allee Champlain Drive, Cookville, Nova Scotia. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the following matters:

- (1) Cluster Development/Development Agreement at 475 Upper Branch Road, Wileville (PID 60303724 and PID 60303781)
- (2) Any other planning matters

All PAC meetings are open to the public, and the public are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning & Development Services at 902-541-1340.

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Lunenburg, N.S.

TIDE TABLE

<p>Wednesday, December 3</p> <p>high 6.33 ft 6:00 AM low 0.46 ft 12:52 PM high 5.45 ft 6:40 PM</p> <p>Thursday, December 4</p> <p>low 1.12 ft 12:54 AM high 6.46 ft 6:50 AM low 0.16 ft 1:44 PM Full Moon 7:14 PM high 5.64 ft 7:35 PM</p> <p>Friday, December 5</p> <p>low 1.12 ft 1:50 AM high 6.53 ft 7:42 AM low 0.03 ft 2:36 PM high 5.71 ft 8:29 PM</p> <p>Saturday, December 6</p> <p>low 1.21 ft 2:45 AM high 6.46 ft 8:34 AM low 0.03 ft 3:29 PM high 5.74 ft 9:23 PM</p>	<p>Sunday, December 7</p> <p>low 1.41 ft 3:42 AM high 6.33 ft 9:26 AM low 0.2 ft 4:24 PM high 5.71 ft 10:16 PM</p> <p>Monday, December 8</p> <p>low 1.61 ft 4:43 AM high 6.1 ft 10:18 AM low 0.39 ft 5:22 PM high 5.61 ft 11:09 PM</p> <p>Tuesday, December 9</p> <p>low 1.8 ft 5:50 AM high 5.81 ft 11:10 AM low 0.66 ft 6:21 PM</p> <p>Wednesday, December 10</p> <p>high 5.48 ft 12:01 AM low 1.9 ft 6:56 AM high 5.45 ft 12:03 PM low 0.95 ft 7:18 PM</p>
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SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

Between: **THE TORONTO-DOMINION BANK** PLAINTIFF
and
VICTOR M. WAREHAM DEFENDANT

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND UNDER EXECUTION

TO BE SOLD at public auction by the Sheriff for the County of Queens pursuant to the Execution Order obtained by the Plaintiff against the Defendants on July 24th, 2024 and the Judgment recorded at the Land Registration Office for the County of Queens on January 18, 2017 as Document No. 110209625 and Document No. 119792621, and pursuant to the Sale of Land Under Execution Act, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 409 unless before the time of sale the amount due to the Plaintiff on the Judgment and its costs is paid to it or its solicitor.

ALL THE ESTATE, right, title, interest, claim and property including any equitable and/or beneficial rights of the Defendant, **Victor M. Wareham**, at the time of the entering of the Plaintiff’s Judgment, or at any time since, and of any person claiming or entitled by, from or under the Defendant of, in and to the following property known as 4274 Medway River Road, Greenfield, known as PID No. 70229752, Queens County, Nova Scotia:

PROPERTY:
Location: Bangs Falls Designation of Parcel on Plan: Lot #2 Title of Plan: FINAL PLAN OF SUB-DIVISION SHOWING LANDS OF CYNTHIA DAWN GALLANT AND CLEVELAND D. FISHER & MARILYN FISHER LOT #2, Area 7.4 Acres, to be subdivided from lands of Cynthia Dawn Gallant & Cleveland D. Fisher, leaving a Remaining Area of 118 Acres, more or less. Registration County: Queens Registration Reference of Plan: 3771

The parcel originates with an approved plan of Subdivision that has been filed under the Registry Act or registered under the Land Registration Act at the Land Registration Office for the registration district of Queens as plan or document number 3771

A copy of the description of the aforementioned property is on file at the office of the Sheriff for the County of Queens and may be inspected during business hours.

DATE OF SALE: December 8, 2025
TIME OF SALE: 10:00 am, local time
PLACE OF SALE: 141 High Street, Bridgewater, Nova Scotia

TERMS: 10% deposit (payable by cash, certified cheque or solicitor’s trust cheque) at the time of sale, remainder within 15 days upon delivery of deed.

Signed October 30, 2025

Derek Atwood
Sheriff in and for the County of Queens
Province of Nova Scotia

Raul Rodriguez
MCINNES COOPER
Purdy’s Wharf Tower II
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Solicitors for the Plaintiff

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Community Events: Dec 3-9, 2025

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

Imagination Playground at HB Studios Sports Centre from 9:30 to 11:30 AM.

Yoga Flow with Kim at April Williams Salon & Spa, 709 Main St., Liverpool from 10 to 11 AM.

Mindful Process Painting at Second Story Women's Centre, 18 Dufferin St., Lunenburg from 1 to 3 PM.

Winter Moon Night Market at Bridgewater Farmers' Market, 123 Empire St., Bridgewater from 5 to 9 PM.

Bright & Lion Touch Rugby at HB Studios Sports Centre from 8 to 9 PM.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Recreation and Social Program for Mature Adults at HB Studios Sports Centre, 543 Glen Allan Dr., Bridgewater from 10 AM to 12 PM.

South Shore Players Holiday Production – Snow White at Studio Theatre, 123 Empire St., Bridgewater at 2 and 7 PM.

Free Drop-in Programs at Liverpool YMCA Youth Centre, 40 Water St., Liverpool from 2:30 to 5 PM.

Bridgewater Toast Master Club at NSCC Lunenburg Campus, 75 High St., Bridgewater from 6 to 7 PM.

Trivia with Michelle at King Street Beer, 463 King St., Bridgewater from 7 to 9 PM.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

Clickety Clack Knitters & Crafters at DesBrisay Museum, Jubilee Rd., Bridgewater from 1 to 3 PM.

South Shore Players Holiday Production – Snow White at Studio Theatre, 123 Empire St., Bridgewater at 2 and 7 PM.

New Germany Farmers' Market at 5325 NS Trunk 10 from 2 to 6 PM.

Music Bingo at King Street Beer Company, 463 King St., Bridgewater from 6 to 8 PM.

The Feels Like Christmas Tour 2025 featuring John Mullane and Amy Grant at The Astor Theatre, 219 Main St., Liverpool at 7:30 PM

A Holly Jolly Jill Barber Christmas at Chester Playhouse, 22 Pleasant St., Chester from 7:30 to 9 PM.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

The Grinch Takeover at South Shore Centre, 421 Lahave St., Bridgewater. All day event.

Yoga Flow with Kim at April Williams Salon & Spa, 709 Main St., Liverpool from 10 to 11 AM.

2025 Privateer Farmers & Artisans Holiday Market at Best Western Plus, Liverpool from 10 AM to 3 PM.

Craft Saturdays at Mahone Bay Museum, Mahone Bay from 12 to 4 PM.

South Shore Players Holiday Production – Snow White at Studio Theatre, 123 Empire St., Bridgewater at 2 and 7 PM.

Milton Community Christmas at Milton Memorial Hall, 168 Tupper St., Milton from 4 to 6 PM.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Celtic Sunday Session at Eli+Trix, 538 Main St., Mahone Bay from 2 to 4 PM.

South Shore Players Holiday Production – Snow White at Studio Theatre, 123 Empire St., Bridgewater at 2 and 7 PM.

South Shore Corale presents JOY!: A Celebration of the Season in Song at Bridgewater United Church, 87 Hillcrest St., Bridgewater 2 to 3:30 PM.

94th Anniversary Kiwanis Community Christmas Concert at The Astor Theatre, 219 Main St., Liverpool at 7 PM.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

Imagination Playground at HB Studios Sports Centre from 9:30 to 11:30 AM.

Regular Meeting of Town Council at Town Hall – Town of Bridgewater, Pleasant St., Bridgewater from 6 to 8 PM.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

YMCA Youth Leader Program at 40 Water St., Liverpool at 2:30 PM.

Game Night at Michelin Social & Athletic Club, Logan Rd., Bridgewater from 4 to 9 PM.

Town council votes to deny rezoning request

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“At first reading, very few questions were asked regarding the extensive work by town planners and external consultants that supported our application. Several of the points raised were based on an interpretation of a Future Land Use Map with ‘potential’ changes in policy, not actual, current bylaws.”

She questioned if the denial of this project was based on the actual amendment requests, or their thoughts on how they might change their own bylaws and policies to control future housing growth.

She added that her requested amendments are modest and two-fold – for a building set-back adjustment and permission for a ground-floor residential use, both prioritizing new, affordable housing units over more commercial space.

Corson also addressed the fact of opposing views from residents. She indicated in her statement that many came from a small number of households with owners that are adequately housed and some were based on an early version of their proposal which was based on greater density. This was the company’s second proposal, their first was a six-storey building with up to 65 units.

Through Solterre’s own online survey, Corson said more than 167 respondents were clear in their support for more housing for all age demographics.

“The views of a vocal few, seem to outweigh the broader community needs,” she suggested. “What is clear is that Lunenburg faces a serious housing shortage, and this decision does not move the town closer to meeting its housing goal of new housing starts (which is supported with over \$800K of federal Housing Accelerator Funds). More concerning is council’s stated intention to amend the planning documents which will further restrict where housing can be built and make future development even more difficult.”

Corson said their goal, as trained professionals, remains to provide more affordable, long-term homes for

those who want to live and work in Lunenburg. She said that they are considering their options for next steps.

“In the meantime, we encourage residents to read the full staff report and become engaged in the discussion about Lunenburg’s housing needs,” she said.

Myra also noted that some of the feedback he received was about the fact there wasn’t a lot of parking planned for.

Under the current Commercial Mixed Use zoning, residential units are permitted above the ground floor, and a building may contain multiple residential units as long as the ground floor facing the front lot line contained commercial space.

The Old Town/New Town 1 form zone allows buildings up to 10.5 metres in height, generally resulting in a two-to three storey building that follows traditional massing, setback and streetwall requirements consistent with the surrounding development.

“People may want to say know that we’re anti-development. It’s not. Like I said at the council meeting we have to be careful what we do on the waterfront. If we lose our authenticity and lose our working waterfront, we will really lose what we are,” said Myra.

“The working waterfront, the design and look of the town is really what attracts people to the community – the UNESCO designation – that’s what we want to make sure that we are protecting.”

He said he hopes that the developer will return with a scaled-down version of the development or one that fits within the current zoning requirements.

Myra said that he appreciates the amount of work by his councilors, staff and the general public, and for all of the thought that went into the process through council and public participation meetings.

“Hopefully we can move forward and work together to see something go there that’s a benefit to both the developer and the community for years to come,” said Myra.



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Local athlete enjoying life at soccer academy

By KEVIN MCBAIN

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UPPER LAHAVE – William Nowe, the 17-year-old son of Shauna and Darren, loves sports, which may actually be an understatement.

Growing up, he played many sports including tennis, volleyball and badminton, and competed in cross-country races, and had his name etched in track and field lore at the school level.

But, throughout it all, soccer was his first love and now, he is a member of the Valencia CF Canadian Academy in Montreal, founded in 2020.

He was invited to play for the academy, which mimics the Valencia club in Spain, for his Grade 10 and 11 years. Valencia is one of the largest and most successful football clubs in the world.

All coaches and staff are from the Spanish club.

Nowe grew up in Upper LaHave and attended Bluenose Academy in Lunenburg, before moving up to high school at Park View for his Grade 10 year – 2024-2025.

He played soccer since he was about four years of age for West Nova in Lunenburg as a Timbit and recalls the fun of getting a popsicle after each game and medals at the end of each season.

At around seven years of age, he joined the South Shore United soccer program and played with the club, through all the levels until this year. He also played with the Bluenose Academy team and Park View. He also coached and mentored young soccer players for a couple of seasons at HB Studios.

Some of his highlights from those years include scoring the winning goal from a distance with under a minute left in a game in his first year of U15, as a Grade 7 player in the 2021-2022 season.

The next year, he scored nine goals and had six assists over the winter season.

As a player for the Bluenose Academy team, he scored 16 goals and chipped in eight assists in just 12 games.

Last season in indoor soccer, as a Grade 9 player and rookie at the U18AA level, he scored seven goals and chipped in six assists during the indoor season.

As previously mentioned, he competed in many sports and found success. He said doing that had a “positive impact” for him as they all work on aspects that you used in soccer such as fitness, resilience and teamwork.

To get to this point in his young career, he said that he appreciates all of the coaches and trainers that have got him this far. He mentioned Nick Landry at Adrenaline Athletics and Atlantic Sports Performance that is run by Vince Lucente. Two local guys that had a profound impact on his speed, strength and stamina.

He also did a fair amount of training in Halifax with a group called Final 3rd Soccer, a group that runs programs and clinics throughout the country.

This past June, Nowe decided to attend a



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Upper LaHave’s William Nowe has been enjoying the soccer life while training and competing with the Valencia CF Canadian Academy in Montreal.

showcase called First Touch Football Summer combine in Halifax.

“It was a fun experience,” he said.

The event was held over three days. The first day was spent on fitness testing that included the yoyo test which tested stamina and endurance; then tests for speed, agility and vertical jumps.

Nowe fared well, placing first in the yoyo test and actually tying for the best historical record for the Halifax combine. He also won first in the agility tests amongst all of the athletes attending.

The next two days were spent playing two games each day in front of coaches and scouts. His coach was an NCAA coach from New York.

Nowe said he was pretty happy with how he did at the combine overall.

A month after the combine was over, he opened his e-mail account and there was an e-mail from the Valencia CF Academy, inviting him to come and join.

“When I first got the e-mail, opening it up after a late practice, around 11, I didn’t think it was real. I looked at it again and ran downstairs to my parents and read it out,” said Nowe.

The e-mail indicated that they had seen him at the combine and watched some of his posted

highlight reels and they were impressed.

After several e-mails and a Facetime session, he was booked in, and it was made official.

On Aug. 27, the family woke up at 5 a.m. and arrived in Montreal at 10 p.m. After an overnight stay, they attended the campus and William got settled in. The first day was fitness testing, using the same tests that he went through in Halifax. He again, earned a first-place finish in the yoyo test.

Since testing day, it has been all about practice, games and let’s not forget school.

Some of the players attend schools in the area, including a private boarding school that is attached to the academy. For Nowe’s part, he is taking school through the Nova Scotia Independent Online Learning (NSIOL) program.

The dome that they practice in is just minutes from the academy’s dorm-style facility that used to be an events centre.

Nowe said they practice four times a week for an hour-and-a-half; do strength and conditioning four times a week for about an hour and 15 minutes and they also have nutritional workshops, film sessions and pre-university workshops that they attend.

Although he enjoyed playing the other sports, it’s nice to be focused on and be immersed in the soccer culture at the academy.

“It’s a very nice change. In high school, I was playing soccer but also doing other sports as well. Here, that’s not really a thing. It’s all about soccer and there is no travelling to practice at all,” he said.

“We’re all super focused and disciplined and when you are surrounded by people with similar interests – it’s about iron sharpens iron – it’s a nice change,” he said.

His mother, Shauna, said that he has adjusted well and has not been homesick whatsoever.

“He is happy there and doing what he loves to do,” she said.

Along with practises and preparations, they also play in exhibition games. Recently they played in a Toronto tournament and in the new year, the top players will be chosen to play in other games, including trips overseas to places such as Spain and Sweden.

Nowe was chosen to play on the first team – there are two teams at his level.

“It’s a very high level and we are considered one of the top 20 teams in Canada and I seem to be fitting in quite well,” he said.

Shauna said that William is a good example, along with a few others, of what can happen when you work hard, even if you are from a small community.

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From Hamburg to Vancouver to Pleasantville

How a Germany cyclist found her way to the South Shore

By KEVIN MCBAIN

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PLEASANTVILLE – Teacher Frauke Haarmann, 55 of Hamburg, Germany recently travelled from Vancouver to Pleasantville, Nova Scotia.

After just short of 90 days of touring Canada by hiking, biking and train, she made her final stop at the home of Charity and Bill Sampson in Pleasantville.

“I am on a sabbatical now, my second one. The first time I was on one (2018), I travelled to Canada and enjoyed it very much, so I thought I would come back,” she said in a recent interview.

She teaches English as a second language and physical education.

Why on a bike?

“My means of getting around the countryside for the last 35 years or so was by using my bike. I have been touring since 1987,” she said, adding that she has visited and biked through many European countries. Although Canada is a lot bigger than most, this wasn’t a stretch to her.

Before her first trip to Canada, she was cycling around Wales and while doing that she had met a lady that had moved from Wales to Vancouver and was back visiting her. Haarmann asked to borrow a map so she could walk to the highest peak in Wales, “which is not very high,” she noted.

Haarmann said that she would return it to her when she came to Canada for a visit.

“I had planned to come to Canada. It seemed like a nice country with lots of wildlife and landscapes,” she noted. “But that’s why my first and second trip started in Vancouver.

“I met her again this second time and we did some hiking up north of Vancouver Island and it was just incredible. This country is so big compared to anything we experience in Europe.”

Haarmann had arrived in Canada on July 29, and she spend a few days



CHARITY SAMPSON PHOTO

German cyclist Frauke Haarmann recently toured Canada via bike and train and ended up at the home of Charity Sampson and Mike Roach in Pleasantville.

in Vancouver before heading to Vancouver Island. She took the ferry to Horseshoe Bay and cycled up the sea to sky highway.

“It was so beautiful. I was sending e-mails home with photos during the trip. Everything was packed away except for my camera so I could have easy access to it. I got about 4,500 photos during my 5,000 kilometre bike ride.

“This gave me the opportunity to show my experiences.”

Near Aug. 20 she biked to Squamish then to Whistler through the Duffy Pass which she said is tricky for cyclists because of the steep inclines and declines.

While riding through the pass she encountered a lot of what she thought was fog, but it was actually smoke from a wildfire.

She travelled to the Icefields Parkway and did another hike on Mt. Robson, then through Kananaskis then to Calgary. She rode the train to Edmonton then on to Toronto.

She admitted to cheating a little bit, having rode the train.

“My friends kept telling me that I was crazy for cycling Canada, considering it’s the second largest country in the world – I did leave out the Prairies.”

She then ended up biking to Pleasantville where she met up with Charity Sampson and Mike Roach, who said a good friend of hers from Toronto had called ahead to see if she was willing to take in a cyclist for a few days.

“I jumped at the opportunity to meet someone who is devoting her life to activity and experiencing other countries,” said Sampson. “It’s been an amazing experience to hear about her travels and the things that she does. She’s quite a powerhouse and very inspirational.”

Sampson had taken her on a couple

tours of the area, before she took her to the airport to fly back to Germany on Oct. 25.

Haarmann said that the kindness of the people, such as Sampson, was one of the reasons she came back to Canada.

“I humbly appreciate all of the kindness that I have experienced. Every time I stopped or spent some time somewhere, someone would come up to me and their usual chat-up line is ‘I like your bike’. I used to work in a bike shop, so I know my bikes and it’s great.”

Haarmann adds that her bike was custom-made, and she was able to outfit it with everything she needed and if something goes wrong, she knows how to repair it, which is very helpful.

Some of her highlights, along with meeting great people and staying in many fantastic places, was hiking the Landslide Lake and walking through the ancient forests.

The sea to sky highway was also a highlight - “I literally had tears in my eyes because of the beauty of the landscape and the vastness.”

She also remembers cycling near Squamish, B.C. and seeing a bear in the yard of a home. She went past, but circled back, took out her camera and took a series of photos of the bear trying to get into garbage cans - “something different.”

One regret is not being able to make it to Newfoundland, something she had planned to do originally, but due to the ferry schedule and getting early into fall, she was unable to make it work.

Another thing she will take back with her is, “Enjoy the moment that you live in, rather than the plans of yesterday or in the future, which is what you have normally in everyday life. Here, I could just enjoy riding my bike and often I forgot what day it was.”

She does hope to return to Canada with a trip to Newfoundland as an excuse. As for a time-line – maybe when she retires in another 12 years or so.



TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING

Proposed Development Agreement

Bridgewater Town Council is considering a development agreement to enable an office use at 126 Queen Street.



The Public Participation Meeting will be held at: **6:00PM on December 10, 2025, in the Committee Room at Town Hall (60 Pleasant St, Bridgewater).**

For more information, contact Planner, Connor MacQuarrie at 902-521-2582, or via email at: connor.macquarrie@bridgewater.ca or visit www.bridgewater.ca/DA to see all current applications.

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Public Hearing

Proposed Map Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law

Bridgewater Town Council is considering amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to allow for the rezoning of 1233 King Street from Single Unit Residential (R1) to Medium Density Residential (R5).

A Public Hearing will be held by Council at **6:00PM on December 8, 2025, 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 Sana Karami, Planner I, at 902-541-4384, or via email at: sana.karami@bridgewater.ca, or visit www.bridgewater.ca/DA to see all current applications.

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Business excellence rewarded at second annual awards' night

By KEVIN MCBAIN

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SOUTH SHORE – A whole lot of hardware was handed out recently at the second annual Lunenburg Queens Business Collective Business Excellence Awards Night Nov. 20 at the Best Western in Bridgewater.

A total of 175 businesses were nominated across nine categories.

“By all accounts it was a real success,” said Rae-Anne Bonneville, chair of the Lunenburg Queens Business Collective, who said the event was sold out.

The following is a list of award winners:

Rising Star of the Year award – Lincoln Street Yoga and Wellness;

Outstanding Service – Moose Mortgages;

Hidden Gem – The Hungry Traveller Cafe;

Innovator – Martin’s Point Mercantile on Duke;

Tourism Business – The Quarterdeck Resort;

Export Achievement – AtlanTick Repellant Products;

Business Leader/Entrepreneur – Buck’s Building Materials;

Queens County Business Legacy/Lifetime Achievement – Hell Bay Brewing Company;

Lunenburg County Business Legacy – South Shore Ready Mix.



BRIAN LIMOYO PHOTO

Shown here are the winners of the Lunenburg Queens Business Collective awards handed out at a special ceremony Nov. 20. From left to right are: Kent Nickerson, South Shore Ready Mix - Lunenburg County Legacy Award; Lisa Learning, AtlanTick Repellant Products - Export Achievement Award; Ryan Buck, Buck’s Building Materials - Business Leader Award; Jill Forrest, The Quarterdeck - Tourism Award; Natasha Kent, Hungry Traveller Café - Hidden Gem Award; Emara Churchill, Lincoln Street Yoga & Wellness - Rising Star Award; and Melanie Perron & Mark Baillie, Hell Bay Brewing Co - Queens County Legacy Award and Mustapha Maynard, Moose Mortgages - Outstanding Service award. (Missing from photo - Martin’s Point Mercantile on Duke - Innovation Award)

This is the second year for the awards night and second year for the collective formed at the end of 2023.

“Our purpose was to unite the chambers, boards of trade and South Shore Tourism to have a voice together,” said Bonneville, who was the president of the Bridgewater Cham-

ber of Commerce at the time.

The awards event had been happening for many years prior to this, but with the death of a prominent organizer, the awards’ night was left in flux and the collective decided to take up the mantle.

The event, at the same time, was

moved from the spring to November.

FIRST-TIME WINNER

Natasha Kent opened the Hungry Traveller Café in early 2024 in Martins Brook and recently moved to Lunenburg at 15 King Street.

Last year they were nominated for the Hidden Gem award but didn’t make the final list.

“I feel very honoured to win this award. We’ve only been in business for a short time, but it speaks to the impact we’ve had on the community so far and how well we’ve been received in our community,” said Kent.

Kent said she isn’t exactly sure what stood out for the judges from the many others.

“There were three very different types of businesses that were nominated in our category, and the others do what they do very well,” said Kent.

The café serves halal, vegetarian and vegan food and she said the response has been incredible.

“We were outside of the town for the last year and a half, but developed a loyal, local following and we were able to stay open all winter,” she said. “I think our customers feel welcome and we have gotten to know our local customers well. That is our bread and butter.”

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LIFESTYLES

Keeping pets safe over the holidays

ASHLEY KIPPERS

SHAID Tree Animal Shelter General Manager

With the holidays fast approaching, households across the community are preparing for visitors, decorations, special foods, and festive cheer. But the holiday season also brings hidden hazards for our furry family members. SHAID Tree Animal Shelter is reminding pet owners to take a few simple precautions to help keep cats and dogs safe during this busy time of year

HOLIDAY HAZARDS

Christmas Trees and Decorations

Tinsel, ribbon, and ornaments can be irresistible but dangerous if swallowed. Keep breakable ornaments higher on the tree, skip tinsel entirely, and use secure hooks or ties.

Seasonal Plants

Poinsettias, mistletoe, lilies, and holly can be harmful or toxic to pets. Opt for pet-safe alternatives or place plants well out of reach.



ASHLEY KIPPERS PHOTOS

Mary Wilson and Linny are hoping to find a home they can call their own before the Christmas holidays.

Festive Foods

Chocolate, cooked bones, alcohol, onions, and many holiday treats can cause serious illness in pets. Remind guests not to slip any human food under the table.

Candles and Cords

Pets can knock over candles or

chew on wires. Use flameless candles and keep electrical cords covered or tucked away.

Door Traffic and Visitors

With guests coming and going, many pets become stressed or may even slip out the door. Create a quiet room where nervous animals can retreat and relax.

A little planning goes a long way in keeping the holidays merry, and safe, for everyone.

understands that trust takes time.

Mary Wilson, is a five-and-a-half-month-old black-and-white beauty, Mary Wilson began life as a feral kitten and has worked hard to build confidence. She is gentle, calm, and observant. Each day, she's growing braver at the shelter and would thrive in a peaceful home with someone who can offer patience and reassurance.

Linny, is a six-month-old lovely tuxedo girl who prefers to watch the world from a safe, quiet spot. She isn't quick to approach new people, but give her time and she will show her soft, loyal heart. Linny and Mary don't need to be adopted together, but they both share the same hope: a calm, loving home for the holidays.

They may not be the first cats to greet you — but for the right adopters, they will be among the most rewarding.

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LIFESTYLES

When leaders don't know they've crossed a line

STEPHANIE MILLER VINCENT
Business Moments

There are moments in leadership that should stop us cold, moments that show us with absolute clarity what happens when communication and emotional intelligence are missing from the people we've put in charge.

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He was a customer. Not an employee. Simply a human being who deserved safety.

He reported it. He followed the process. And so far? Silence. No acknowledgment. No follow-up. No accountability.

What comes next instead of accountability is often something more dangerous: the excuses. "They meant well." "They're just warm." "They didn't realize." These aren't explanations – they're warning signs of a culture in crisis.

If this were isolated, we could call it one manager's mistake. But it's not.

Another person sent a professional e-mail to HR about a concern. To this day, that e-mail has never been acknowledged. But the manager had an emotional reaction. He brought it into a team meeting where the employee wasn't present and described her as "having a chip on her shoulder" to other managers and staff.

That has a name: triangling. And it's one of the most culture-corrosive leadership behaviours in organizations today.

Triangling happens when someone reacts emotionally, speaks about a person instead of to them, gathers allies, escalates a story, and excludes the person most impacted. It's gossip with a leadership badge on. It's conflict avoidance packaged as communication. And it erodes trust faster than almost anything else.

Triangling is what leaders do when they don't know how to regulate themselves – when they've been promoted for technical skill but

never taught people skill.

Here's what it looks like when leaders get it right:

A manager receives triggering feedback. Instead of venting to the team, they pause, process their emotional reaction privately with a trusted peer, then go directly to the person who raised the concern with curiosity: "Help me understand what happened from your perspective."

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Does this call for a confrontation?

SUSANNE BECK
Reality Check

What does a satisfying life look like for you? For many people, an important measure of a satisfying life is that it includes being on good terms with people. Exactly who and how many people will vary from person to person.

Some folks believe that it's important to be on good terms with everyone they meet, while others are happy with a few close friends or family members. In fact, some of us need

only one close person to be satisfied.

Whether it's a big crowd or a tiny circle, staying on good terms with the people who matter to you can be easier said than done. Conflicts may not be inevitable, but the opportunity for conflicts does arise. No matter how close we are, different people have different opinions, beliefs and priorities. We won't see eye-to-eye all the time.

Those differences can bring us new insights and different perspectives, even joy! But they can also bring distress. If that's the case, should we say

something? Or should we let it go, hoping the differences will blow over? How do we decide?

Sarita Maybin, in her book entitled, *Say What You Mean In a Nice Way*, offers three useful questions for that decision-making process. She asks, "Is the situation having a negative effect?" "Is the situation beginning to affect your attitude?" and finally, "What are the consequences of NOT confronting?"

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To our Valued
Customers and
**Mahone Bay
Community
Members**

BMO Bank of Montreal would like to announce our intention to close our **Mahone Bay Branch** located at **562 Main St, Mahone Bay, NS B0J 2E0** on **Friday, June 19, 2026**. On this date customers of the **Mahone Bay Branch** will have their accounts moved to the **Glen Allan and Aberdeen Branch** located at **18 Glen Allan Dr, Bridgewater, NS B4V 3N2**.

We value your business and we're here to help make this transition as smooth as possible. If you have any questions, please call us at 902-624-6503 or come speak to one of our team members at the Mahone Bay Branch.

We **invite you to join us at our branch for an informal meeting** or **book an appointment** to learn more about this move and what it means to you and learn how we'll help you through the transition.



Informal Meeting Details

Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: 562 Main St, Mahone Bay, NS B0J 2E0

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LIFESTYLES

All about the Townsend's Warbler

JAMES HIRTLE
Bird Notes

Well, this week I planned to write on the red-bellied woodpecker as one continued at the residence of Barbara McLean in Lunenburg and I had one show up at my place in LaHave.

On Nov. 21, I discovered a long-billed dowitcher at Crescent Beach, which became a possible bird to write about. Wilma Clancy then contacted me to say that she had found a pine warbler at Sperry Beach in Petite Riviere.

I looked at the photo and thought that it was a pine warbler. I then went to look for the bird and it turned out that it was a prairie warbler. I put the word out for others to possibly come to see it.

I then decided that hey I'll write on the prairie warbler. The next day I went to check to see if the prairie warbler was continuing. Marc Devris and Carry Ann Thomas were there and said that they had a brief glimpse of it.

When trying to get the prairie warbler out, another warbler popped up and it was a Townsend's warbler. So, I put the word out on this bird of which many did get to see it that day Nov. 22 and others got to see it the next day. We did get excellent views of the prairie warbler and a northern parula arrived on the scene on Nov. 22 as well.

Only the prairie warbler and the northern parula remained at Petite Riviere. My final determination was to write on the Townsend's warbler. This was a second one for that general area in two years and I had never seen one before Nov. 22.

The Townsend's warbler nests from Alaska and the Yukon south along the coast and islands to the northwest of Washington and then to Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming. They winter from California to Nicaragua.

The Townsend's warbler is 11.25 to 12.5 cm long. The male in breeding plumage has streaked olive green underparts streaked with black and a yellow striped head with a black cheek patch. They have a black throat, and a yellow breast streaked on the sides with black. There is white in the outer tail feathers. The female and immature have a throat



JAMES HIRTLE PHOTO

The Townsend's Warbler caught on camera Nov. 22 at Sperry Beach in Petite Riviere.

mostly yellow, and both have black and yellow facial markings.

The feeding habits of the Townsend's warbler are to eat great numbers of weevils, bugs, leaf hoppers, scale insects, caterpillars and some spiders. At feeding stations in the winter they will eat cheese, marshmallows and a peanut butter mixture.

On Nov. 24, Barbara McLean and I had excellent viewing of a northern mockingbird at First Peninsula. It was fun to watch the mockingbird defend his berry patch.

He would chase any birds off the minute that they arrived. I saw him put the run to northern cardinals, European starlings, a song sparrow and blue jays. He wanted those berries all to himself.

Lise Bell reported that there are still black-bellied plovers and dunlins at Crescent Beach and that a gadwall still continues at Fort Point in La-

Have. On Nov. 24 Kelly Sue O'Connor found an orange-crowned warbler at Crescent Beach. Craig Cook located one at Bayport Nov. 25. Since the last column I had a palm warbler in Dublin Shore along the Bell Cove Road and one along the road into Cherry Hill Beach.

As of Nov. 18, a western cattle egret was reported by Mark Cranford as continuing at the Spruce Brewery in Nyanza. Emma Barss located a dickcissel at the Nova Scotia Hospital in Dartmouth Nov. 20.

Alix d'Entremont spotted two lesser yellowlegs at Chebogue Point. Mark Dennis found a yellow-breasted chat, two white-eyed vireos, a pine warbler and two orange-crowned warblers at Long Point Road in Newellton on Cape Sable Island.

Kelly-Sue O'Connor discovered six purple sandpipers at Belliveau's Cove Road. Rick Brown said that a Vesper sparrow continued at Chebogue Point Road. Emerson Fiske watched a yellow-breasted chat and a Nashville warbler at the Harvest Moon Trail.

On Nov. 21 Ronnie d'Entremont located a Lincoln's sparrow at Bunker's Island in Yarmouth. Kelly-Sue O'Connor saw a short-eared owl at Belliveau's Cove Road. A red-bellied woodpecker showed up at the house of Ronnie d'Entremont in West Pubnico.

Logan Moore heard a great horned owl calling near the entrance to the road to Daniel's Head on Cape Sable Island. On Nov. 22 Krystyn Scrbic found a vesper sparrow at Bissett's Lake. The next day, a brant continued at Hartlen's Point and Lori Buhlman discovered a ruddy duck at Bissett's Lake.

Tony Millard discovered a blue-headed vireo at Caie Lane in Cape Forchu and he had an American redstart near Bay View Road. Two tree swallows were spotted at Daniel's Head by Logan Moore. Logan LaLonde sighted a Eurasian wigeon at the Windsor Sewage Lagoons.

On Nov. 24 Rick Brown sighted an eastern phoebe at the Chebogue Point Road in Yarmouth. Paul Gould spotted two great egrets at Chebogue Point. Jake Chute confirmed that a red-shouldered hawk had returned to Brickton. Jake also discovered a palm warbler and a pine warbler in Wolfville.

On Nov. 25 a yellow-headed blackbird was reported as still present and at the Harvey's in Dartmouth. Diane LeBlanc had common redpolls at Duncan's Cove. Angela MacDonald had lots in Guysborough County. Jake Walker had pine grosbeaks at Cherry Lane. He also watched a clay-coloured sparrow, a lark sparrow and a Nashville warbler along the Harvest Moon Trail.

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THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 4. Grid showing TV channels (6:30-11:30) and programs like Global, CTV News, News, and various entertainment shows.

FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 5. Grid showing TV channels (6:30-11:30) and programs like Global, CTV News, News, and various entertainment shows.

WEEKDAY DAYTIME DECEMBER 3 TO DECEMBER 9. Large grid showing TV channels (7:30-6:00) and programs like Global News Morning, Morning, Various, Odd Squad, etc.

SATURDAY DAYTIME DECEMBER 6. Table with 24 columns (7:30-6:00) and 56 rows of program listings.

SUNDAY DAYTIME DECEMBER 7. Table with 24 columns (7:30-6:00) and 56 rows of program listings.

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SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 7. Table with 12 columns (6:30-11:30) and 56 rows of program listings.

MOVIES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

EVENING

7:00 [WTV] "The Santa Stakeout" (Romance,2021) Tamara Mowry-Housley, Paul Campbell. Two police detectives pose as newlyweds to solve recent holiday party heists. (G)
8:00 [CBC] "Mr. Dressup: The Magic of Make-Believe" (Documentary,2023) A detailed look about at famed, iconic television show from Canada that impacted generations.
9:00 [WTV] "The Snow Must Go On" (Romance,2025) Heather Hemmens, Stephanie Sy. A former Broadway star agrees to direct his niece's school Christmas musical to impress a producer.
11:00 [WTV] "A Grand Ole Opry Christmas" (Drama,2025) Nikki DeLoach, Sharon Lawrence. A magical twist of fate sends a woman back in time to discover love and hope.
12:05 [SHOW] "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit" (Action,2014) Chris Pine, Kevin Costner. CIA recruit Jack Ryan is caught in a dangerous web of intrigue and espionage. (13+)
1:00 [WTV] "North by North Pole: A Dial S Mystery" (Mystery,2024) Abby Ross, Joe Scarpellino. When a town's Christmas festival is threatened, Dalton and Zoey must team up to find the culprit. (PG)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

EVENING

7:00 [WTV] "The Snow Must Go On" (Romance,2025) Heather Hemmens, Stephanie Sy. A former Broadway star agrees to direct his niece's school Christmas musical to impress a producer.
8:00 [CBC] "The Santa Clause" (Children,1994) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. An adman takes over for the bearded, big-bellied fellow after a rooftop mishap on Christmas Eve. (G)
9:00 [CH] "The Road to Christmas" (Comedy,2006) Jennifer Grey, Clark Gregg. A woman (Jennifer Grey) hitchhikes to reach her wedding on Christmas Eve. (8+)
[WTV] "An Alpine Holiday" (Romance,2025) Ashley Williams, Laci Mailey. Two vastly different sisters follow their late grandparent's steps and experience the Alps.
10:00 [USA] "The Interpreter" (Thriller,2005) Nicole Kidman, Sean Penn. A U.N. translator (Nicole Kidman) overhears an assassination plot. (G)
11:00 [WTV] "Christmas at the Catnip Café" (Romance,2025) Erin Cahill, Paul Campbell. Sparks fly between a marketing executive and a veterinarian as they help stray cats find homes.

12:05 [SHOW] "Getaway" (Action,2013) Ethan Hawke, Selena Gomez. A former race-car driver and his young passenger embark on a high-speed mission to save his wife. (G)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

EVENING

7:00 [WTV] "An Alpine Holiday" (Romance,2025) Ashley Williams, Laci Mailey. Two vastly different sisters follow their late grandparent's steps and experience the Alps.
8:00 [CBC] "The Wizard of Oz" (Family,1939) Judy Garland, Frank Morgan. A tornado whisks a Kansas farm girl (Judy Garland) to a magic land. (G)
9:00 [ASN] "Star Wars: Episode V - The Empire Strikes Back" (Sci-Fi,1980) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford. Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill), Han Solo (Harrison Ford) and Princess Leia face Darth Vader's wrath. (G)
[TBS] "I Wanna Dance With Somebody" (Drama,2022) Naomi Ackie, Stanley Tucci. Whitney Houston rises to fame in the 1980s to become one of the greatest singers of her generation. (G)
10:00 [SHOW] "XXX" (Action,2002) Vin Diesel, Asia Argento. A government agent recruits an athlete to stop an anarchist from using chemical weapons. (14+)
[APTN] "Source Code" (Thriller,2011) Jake Gyllenhaal, Michelle Monaghan. A pilot (Jake Gyllenhaal) awakes in the body of a commuter who died in a train explosion. (G)
11:00 [WTV] "Santa Tell Me" (Romance,2024) Erin Krakow, Daniel Lissing. A design show host finds a letter from Santa promising to meet her true love by Christmas Eve. (G)
12:00 [TBS] "The Preacher's Wife" (Fantasy,1996) Denzel Washington, Whitney Houston. An angel saves a New York Baptist preacher and his wife from spiritual doubt and marital woe. (G)
12:30 [SHOW] "XXX: State of the Union" (Action,2005) Ice Cube, Willem Dafoe. Agent XXX (Ice Cube) must thwart a plot to depose the president. (13+)
1:00 [WTV] "The Tree That Saved Christmas" (Children,2014) Lacey Chabert, Corey Sevier. A woman travels to her Vermont hometown to save her family's Christmas tree farm from foreclosure. (G)
[VIS] "Hello, My Name Is Doris" (Comedy Drama,2015) Sally Field, Max Greenfield. A smitten woman concocts schemes to get the attention of a younger co-worker in her office. (14+)
[APTN] "Source Code" (Thriller,2011) Jake Gyllenhaal, Michelle Monaghan. A pilot (Jake Gyllenhaal) awakes in the body of a commuter who died in a train explosion. (G)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

EVENING

6:00 [STAR] "E!F" (Children,2003) Will Ferrell, James Caan. A man (Will Ferrell) leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family. (G)
6:15 [CTVSCI-FI] "Blue Beetle" (Action,2023) Xolo Maridueña, Bruna Marquezine. An ancient relic of alien biotechnology bestows a young man with a powerful suit of armor. (G)
6:30 [SLICE] "Failure to Launch" (Romance,2006) Matthew McConaughey, Sarah Jessica Parker. The parents of a young man who still lives at home hire a beautiful woman to entice him to leave. (G)
7:00 [ATV] "Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom" (Action,2023) Jason Momoa, Patrick Wilson. Aquaman forges an unlikely alliance with his brother, Orm, to save the world from Black Manta. (G)
[WTV] "Scouting for Christmas" (Romance,2024) Tamara Mowry-Housley, Carlo Marks. A single mom partners with her daughters' favorite baker for the Holiday Ball.
7:30 [SHOW] "The Italian Job" (Thriller,2003) Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron. Master thief Charlie Croker and his crew plan to steal back their gold. (14+)
8:00 [APTN] "Yintah" (Documentary,2024) Freda Huson, Molly Wickham. The Wet'suwet'en leaders fight to protect their lands from fossil fuel companies.
9:00 [SLICE] "Instant Family" (Comedy Drama,2018) Mark Wahlberg, Rose Byrne. A couple learn the joys and frustrations of parenthood when they decide to adopt three siblings. (G)
[CH] "Season's Greetings" (Romance,2016) Laura Bell Bundy, Casey Manderson. A powerful chemistry develops when the new CEO of a greeting card company meets a card writer.
[WTV] "She's Making a List" (Drama,2025) Lacey Chabert, Andrew Walker. A woman falls for a widower while evaluating if his child should be on Santa's naughty or nice list.
[TBS] "Sweet Home Alabama" (Romance,2002) Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas. Separated from her husband, an engaged New York fashion designer confronts him about a divorce. (G)
[CTVSCI-FI] "The Flash" (Action,2023) Ezra Miller, Sasha Calle. The Flash encounters General Zod and a very different Batman when he travels back in time.

10:00 [SHOW] "Double Jeopardy" (Thriller,1999) Tommy Lee Jones, Ashley Judd. Jailed for her husband's murder, a woman (Ashley Judd) learns he (Bruce Greenwood) lives. (14+)
[STAR] "Christmas at the Amish Bakery" (Romance,2023) Alexandra Harris, Sean Koetting. A New York book editor works with a handsome outsider to save her family's Amish bakery.
[APTN] "Changing Lanes" (Thriller,2002) Ben Affleck, Samuel L. Jackson. Two men find themselves in an ongoing feud after a car accident. (14+)
11:15 [TBS] "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)
11:30 [SLICE] "The F Word" (Romance,2013) Daniel Radcliffe, Zoe Kazan. A med-school dropout tries to hide his attraction to a bubbly artist who already has a boyfriend. (14+)
12:00 [WTV] "Believe in Christmas" (Romance,2024) Meghan Ory, John Reardon. With no other plans for Christmas, best friends Bea and Emilia travel to Christmasland. (G)
[CTVSCI-FI] "Wonder Woman 1984" (Action,2020) Gal Gadot, Chris Pine. Wonder Woman battles the Cheetah, a villainess who possesses superhuman strength and agility. (G)
12:30 [ATV] "Die Hard" (Action,1988) Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman. A New York policeman (Bruce Willis) outwits foreign thugs in an L.A. high-rise. (13+)
[SHOW] "Atomic Blonde" (Action,2017) Charlize Theron, James McAvoy. A spy travels to Berlin to retrieve a priceless dossier and take down a ruthless espionage ring. (13+)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

EVENING

6:00 [SLICE] "Evan Almighty" (Children,2007) Steve Carell, Morgan Freeman. God (Morgan Freeman) commands a newly elected congressman (Steve Carell) to build an ark. (G)
6:30 [SHOW] "Hanna" (Action,2011) Saoirse Ronan, Eric Bana. A teenage assassin (Saoirse Ronan) must elude the agents of a ruthless operative. (13+)
[CTVSCI-FI] "The Batman" (Action,2022) Robert Pattinson, Zoë Kravitz. Batman ventures into Gotham City's underworld when a killer leaves behind a trail of cryptic clues. (13+)
7:00 [WTV] "She's Making a List" (Drama,2025) Lacey Chabert, Andrew Walker. A woman falls for a widower while evaluating if his child should be on Santa's naughty or nice list.

[STAR] "Joy to the World" (Drama,2025) Guy Sprung, Josh Reich. A lifestyle guru's fictional family is suddenly expected to appear on a live Christmas Eve special.
8:00 [SLICE] "Liar Liar" (Comedy,1997) Jim Carrey, Maura Tierney. A boy's wish comes true that his neglectful father cannot tell a lie for 24 hours. (G)
9:00 [ASN] "The Santa Clause" (Children,1994) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. An adman takes over for the bearded, big-bellied fellow after a rooftop mishap on Christmas Eve. (G)
[CH] "The Christmas Clause" (Drama,2008) Lea Thompson, Andrew Airlie. A stressed-out lawyer (Lea Thompson) wishes for a new life to come to fruition. (G)
[WTV] "Single on the 25th" (Romance,2025) Lyndsy Fonseca, Daniel Lissing. A woman makes a special connection with a neighbor who shows her how to keep the holidays festive.
[SHOW] "Lucy" (Action,2014) Scarlett Johansson, Morgan Freeman. A drug mule's illicit cargo is absorbed into her system, giving her incredible powers. (14+)
[STAR] "Rock N' Roll Christmas" (Comedy,2019) Beverly Mitchell, Catherine Mary Stewart. An estranged mother/daughter country music duo reunites after 10 years apart.
10:00 [SLICE] "Bruce Almighty" (Comedy,2003) Jim Carrey, Morgan Freeman. A whiny news reporter is given the chance to step into God's shoes. (G)
[CTVSCI-FI] "The Suicide Squad" (Action,2021) Margot Robbie, Idris Elba. Armed supervillains trek through a dangerous island jungle on a search-and-destroy mission. (14+)
[ABC] "The Santa Clause" (Children,1994) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. An adman takes over for the bearded, big-bellied fellow after a rooftop mishap on Christmas Eve. (G)
[APTN] "Paycheck" (Sci-Fi,2003) Ben Affleck, Aaron Eckhart. A technical wizard (Ben Affleck) learns that his memory has been erased. (G)
11:00 [WTV] "The Christmas Chocolatier" (Drama,2024) Brittany Bristow, Catherine Disher. Chocolatier falls for a developer at a Quebec market, he plans to destroy her workplace.
[STAR] "The Christmas Clues" (Romance,2025) Kathryn Davis, Jonathan Stoddard. Piper and Dawson are invited home for the holidays to compete for their late mentor's estate.
12:30 [SLICE] "Evan Almighty" (Children,2007) Steve Carell, Morgan Freeman. God (Morgan Freeman) commands a newly elected congressman (Steve Carell) to build an ark. (G)

[SHOW] "Catch Me if You Can" (Comedy Drama,2002) Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hanks. An FBI agent pursues a con man who changes identities and commits forgeries. (G)
12:40 [CTVSCI-FI] "The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen" (Fantasy,2003) Sean Connery, Shane West. Literary figures (Sean Connery, Shane West, Stuart Townsend) unite to stop a mad bomber. (G)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

EVENING

7:00 [WTV] "Single on the 25th" (Romance,2025) Lyndsy Fonseca, Daniel Lissing. A woman makes a special connection with a neighbor who shows her how to keep the holidays festive.
8:00 [CBC] "The Santa Clause 2" (Children,2002) Tim Allen, Elizabeth Mitchell. Santa (Tim Allen) must get married by Christmas Eve in order to save the holiday and keep his job. (G)
11:00 [WTV] "Gingerbread Miracle" (Romance,2021) Merritt Patterson, Jon Ecker. A man tries to sell a bakery that's famous for magical gingerbread cookies that grant wishes. (G)
12:05 [SHOW] "The Da Vinci Code" (Mystery,2006) Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou. A murder and clues in paintings lead to the discovery of a closely guarded religious mystery. (14+)
1:00 [WTV] "A Dance in the Snow" (Drama,2024) Erica Cerra, Mark Ghanimé. Melanie wants to create an inclusive holiday dance for her daughter Jenny. (G)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

EVENING

7:00 [WTV] "Christmas at Castle Hart" (Romance,2021) Lacey Chabert, Stuart Townsend. Mistaken for an event planner, a woman hosts an epic Christmas party at an Irish nobleman's castle. (G)
8:00 [CBC] "The Polar Express" (Animated,2004) Voices of Tom Hanks, Michael Jeter. The conductor of a train to the North Pole guides a boy who questions the existence of Santa Claus. (G)
11:00 [WTV] "A Christmas Cookbook" (Romance,2025) Ashley Newbrough, Franco Lo Presti. Sparks fly between a woman and the founder of the X-Mas Club, a festive group of food lovers.
11:05 [SHOW] "Jack Reacher: Never Go Back" (Action,2016) Tom Cruise, Cobie Smulders. Investigator Jack Reacher goes on the lam to uncover the truth behind a major government conspiracy. (13+)
1:00 [WTV] "The Finnish Line" (Drama,2024) Nichole Bloom, Kim Matula. Anya, inspired by her father's legacy, competes in Finland's Joulurauha race. (G)

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You shall not murder
You shall not commit adultery
You shall not steal
You shall not give false testimony
You shall not covet

MEETINGS

Hebville Village Commission
Regular Meeting, December 10, 2025
Hebville Fire Hall
7p.m. to 9 p.m.

DANCES

New Year's Eve dance!
Conquerall Mills Community Hall. Buffet meal starting at 8 p.m. Dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music by Rockin' Sounds. Tickets: call Emily at 902-543-2154.

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Happy birthday to the sweetest girl I ever seen. I hope you have a great day. Love, Mom. XXOO

COMMUNITY

The South Shore's best Flea Market is being held on Saturday, December 13th from 9am to Noon at the Lunenburg Community Centre, 15 Green Street, Lunenburg. Admission is \$2. Tables are \$10 each. To book a table call 902-521-8140. Proceeds to support the Rotary Club of Lunenburg community projects.

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Christmas Market. Saturday, December 6; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lunenburg Fire Hall, 25 Medway Street. LDFD Ladies Auxiliary will be selling frozen apple crisps ready for the oven.

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Christmas Festival Turkey Dinner with Local Vendors - Saturday & Sunday, December 6 & 7 - Forties Community Centre, 1787 Forties Road, New Ross. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. & 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Turkey Dinner, dessert, tea / coffee. Adults: \$17, Under 12: \$7.50, Under 5: \$3.50. Eat in or Take-Out. Fully accessible facility. For more info call 902-689-2147. Proudly part of the New Ross Christmas Festival.

BREAKFASTS

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In loving memory of Bertha McNeil December 4th is 8 years since I'd lost you. My heart is full of memories of our life together. The deer are here all the time. You have other animals visiting. Be at peace my love. Look forward to being with you.
Love Wally

In loving memory of our best friends Lucy Hebb, Aug 15, 1958 - Dec 6, 2017, and Christine Sarty, July 6, 1960 - Aug 23, 2023
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And can never be given away
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To others a part of the past.
But to us who loved and lost you
Your memory will always last.
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When we were all together
But secret tears and loving thoughts
Will be with us forever.
Your beauty is missed in every way
"Forever in our hearts"
With love Sylvain & Rae

OBITUARIES

Barbara Pauline Falkenham
88, formerly of Maplewood, passed away at Saint Vincent's Nursing Home, Halifax, November 20, 2025. She is survived by Charlene (Arthur) Gale, Ab; two sons, Carson (Cheryl) and Clark (Dale) of NS; seven grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren.
She was predeceased by husband Gilbert; son, Carter; two grandsons, Nigel Falkenham, and Michael Gale.
Full obituary at www.eastcoastmemorial.ca



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DEATHS

Bonnell, Eric, 81, died November 13, 2025, at South Shore Regional Hospital. Arrangements entrusted to R.A. Corkum Funeral Home.

Dahl, Dorothy Eileen, Wileville, died November 19, 2025, in the QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax Infirmity Site, Halifax. Arrangements entrusted to Mahone Funeral Home Limited.

Lauzier, Florence Albina, 80, Lunenburg, died November 24, 2025, at Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, Lunenburg. Arrangements entrusted to Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home.

Snyder, Hazel Lillian, 96, Oakhill, died November 16, 2025, in Shoreham Village Chester. Arrangements entrusted to R.A. Corkum Funeral Home.

Tompkin, Wayne Charles, 83, New Elm, died November 25, 2025 at South Shore Regional Hospital in Bridgewater. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Weld, Robert 'Bob' J.R., 88, Mader's Cove, died November 21, 2025, at Parkland At The Gardens, Halifax. Arrangements entrusted to Mahone Funeral Home Limited.

White, Susan Carolyn, 80, Blue Rocks, died November 21, 2025, in hospital. Arrangements entrusted to Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home.

Woodsworth, Ronald Royce, 77, Middlewood, died November 19, 2025, at Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, Lunenburg. Arrangements entrusted to R.A. Corkum Funeral Home.

OBITUARIES

Myrna Mae Bruhm

Age 85, of Bridgewater, Lunenburg Co., passed away on Thursday, November 13, 2025, at Hillside Pines with family by her side.

Born in Bridgewater on May 3, 1940, she was the daughter of the late Everette and Mary (Veinot) Zwicker. She is survived by her children, Doreen McCarthy (Vaughn Robar), Donna (Greg) Knox, Dale Bruhm (Cathy Viau), and Donald Bruhm; siblings, Betty (Mervin) Meisner, Faye Frank, Paulette Conrad, Carolyn (Robert) Wentzell, Garnett (Judy) Zwicker, and Don Zwicker; grandchildren, Ryan (Breanne), Laura (Ryleigh), Carly (Ryan), Jenna, Grace (Ben); great-grandchildren, Oaklyn, Maverick, Landon, Madison, Mason; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her loving husband of 54 years, Percy; brothers, Earlen and Keith; and daughter-in-law, Johanne Bruhm.

Myrna will be remembered for her radiant smile, warm heart, and love of community. Affectionately known as "Miss Myrna," she spent many years as a beloved playground supervisor at West Northfield Elementary and served as long-time treasurer of the West Northfield Twirlettes. A talented home baker, she filled her home with the comforting aromas of fresh bread, donuts, and cookies. She enjoyed knitting, quiet evenings with her TV programs, and simple outings with Percy and Donnie (especially chatting with the locals at the Plaza). Family gatherings were her greatest joy, and she cherished every moment with her children and grandchildren. Known for her love of purple, she brought colour and kindness wherever she went.

The family would like to thank Hillside Pines for their exceptional care of their mother.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at Sweeny's Funeral Home, 35 York Street, Bridgewater, Rev. Willis Ott officiating. Reception following. Donations in her memory may be made to Hillside Pines Home for Special Care or a charity of choice.

Online messages and condolences may be made by visiting www.sweenysfuneralhome.com.



OBITUARIES

John Archie Keddy

The family of John Archie Keddy of Martins River is deeply saddened to announce his passing at 76 years on November 7, 2025, in the ICU at Victoria General Hospital, Halifax. Fifty-six days following a CT scan that revealed lymphoma; 23 days after hematology confirmed the extremely aggressive and rare type that was ravaging his body, John fell victim to this dreadful form of cancer. John is survived by his loving wife Roxanne of 51 years; his sisters Judy Bonnell (Wray Strong), Linda Keddy, both of Martins River; Susan Brown (Garth and sons Matt and Christian) of Halifax; brother Dan (Dorothy Lohnes) of Bridgewater, and niece Stephanie Bonnell (Mark) of Shelburne. He shall be missed by countless friends, and in particular, lifelong buddy Dan Boehner, Ottawa.

John devoted 28 years of his life to serve with the RCMP. Of significant note was John's Drugs Team's seizure of 42 kilos of heroin in 1997 at Toronto International Airport, the largest ever then in Canada. John became an Advanced Driving Instructor for the Force, and upon retirement, continued his love of driving as a charter bus driver with First Student for 12 years. John joined the RCMP Veterans Association and performed duties on various committees and served as President for two separate terms with the Golden Horseshoe Division.

John learned to hunt with his father, Archie. In addition to deer, and wild fowl, they enjoyed rabbit hunting. He recounted returning home on a wintry day to enjoy his Mother's (Della) homemade beans and bread. His parents instilled the values of integrity, honesty, fairness, trustworthiness, empathy, and love; qualities and principles which he emanated throughout his life. Indeed, a friend used to say that if you searched for the meaning of either the word private (secretive) or honest, you would find a picture of John as the definition. Smiling came easily to his handsome face except in the vicinity of a camera. He hated having his picture taken.

Before joining the RCMP, John attended St. Mary's U, worked construction on a Halifax skyscraper, and sold insurance for Prudential Life. When Martins River Fire Dept. was established, John became one of the early volunteers; a cause he continued to deeply promote. John was an Ordinary Member of the Royal Canadian Legion for 47 years and had transferred to the Mahone Bay Branch. John's favourite beverage was Molson ale until a Celiac diagnosis halted that practice and led him to discover Merlot.

John owned a road baby, a 1967 Plymouth GTX 440 which was fully restored. He seldom missed Moparfest and was a member of the Old Chrysler Corp Auto Club. After relocating from ON, John joined the Coastal Cruisers. His favourite water baby was a 30' Sea Ray flybridge. Long weekends and summer holidays were spent aboard Meri-Timer II, travelling Lake Erie. Boating here allowed him to fish for yellow perch for which he developed an endless appetite. The rougher the waters; the higher the waves; the more John liked it. He proved to be an extremely capable captain at the wheel. For more than 45 years, John bestowed his love upon his Golden Retriever fur babies: Molson, Brooke, Heather and Bridgette. Only Grandma and Grandpa Ross were ever entrusted to temporarily care for any of these priceless companions.

John was always the first to hold out his hand to introduce himself to new neighbours and to offer help. He was outgoing, friendly, and a source of security to the neighbourhood. He followed Archie's rule of measuring three times and cutting once whenever endeavouring carpentry. John loved classic movies like The Godfather, and those with thrilling car scenes such as Bullitt, and any Western. British comedies could cause him to burst into such hearty laughter, he would end-up rolling on the floor at the humour. His preference in reading included auto/biographies (Iacocca), and political journalism. He favoured Oscar's piano, Satchmo's raspy voice and trumpet jazz, and soft rock. He found relaxation in the quiet streams where he would fish for speckled trout. He was actively involved in the Canadian political scene and was an avid supporter of more military spending. In Roxanne and John's early years together, their shift work allowed quick and brief car trips east to his NS home. John longed for a return to Martins River where he had enjoyed life until 22. This dream became a reality in 2022.

John was one of the very best of the best, and we thank him for being the exceptional man he was: the type of gentleman one could only ever hope to meet, let alone call a colleague, neighbour, friend, family member, or spouse. Fortunate are we who are able to do so. Unforgettable you John, unforgettable you.

In keeping with John's wishes there will be no public memorial service. Arrangements entrusted to Personal Care Cremations & Memorial Services.

Donations to the Martins River Fire Department would be appreciated by the family.

**Lillian Berniece Baggett**

Beloved Lillian Berniece Baggett (special Aunt to many) passed away peacefully on November 9 at South Shore Regional Hospital surrounded by those she loved and who loved her.

She was born August 24, 1946, daughter to John and Ada (Baker) Baggett. She was predeceased by her parents. She is survived by her sister Jessie (Alfred) Hache, niece Nancy (Dale) Skinner, nephew John Hache, great niece Nicole (Ben Ernst) Skinner, great nephews Marcus (Gina) Skinner, Hunter and Austin Hache.

Lillian was also involved over a 40-year period with the Canadian Cadet Movement as an officer and civilian instructor with 2688 Kinsmen Army Cadet Corps and 62 Niobe Sea Cadet Corps. She progressed to the rank of Captain (Army) and Lieutenant (Navy), having served as Commanding Officer of 2688 Kinsmen RCACC for many years. She was presented with the Canadian Decoration with 2nd clasp, the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medallion during her service with the Canadian Forces. She will be remembered as a wonderful person who impacted hundreds of young people's lives in the community.

She had a varied career which included a copywriter at CKBW, stenographer for doctors and lawyers, and she also worked for Service Canada for many years. Lillian's true passion over much of her lifetime has been in working with Cadets and the Legion which she continued up until her last hospitalization.

She had her private pilot's licence, she rock climbed, she belly danced, she travelled both by herself and with friends and family with one her favorite trips being to Hawaii.

She was an avid cook and baker, always the first to lend a hand putting others before herself which was evident in the many causes that she spent uncounted hours volunteering for of which there are too many to mention individually.

She was a person of resilient quiet strength with a kind soul, soft tone, listening ear and an amazing generous heart. She was a well-respected individual both professionally and personally and was an incredible and supportive friend, confidant and mentor to many through the years.

The family would like to thank the staff at South Shore Regional Hospital ER for their care for Lillian and the family during her last days; also, thanks to the VON for their care for the last four years. Special thanks to Tina Rafuse for your support through cadets for many years and also during Lillian's last days.

**Mildred "Mid" Rae Saunders**

Age 95, of Hebbville, NS. It is with great sadness that the family of Mildred "Mid" Rae Saunders, announce her passing on November 22, 2025, in Lunenburg, N.S. She was born February 22, 1930, to parents Dorothy (nee Law) and Raymond Titus, in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Mom took great pride in her home and gardens enjoying her beloved home on Fancy Lake for almost 50 years. She also loved spending time playing cards (Bridge was her favorite), golfing, or just visiting with friends and family with a nice glass of wine. She volunteered at numerous community organizations throughout the years as well.

Mom attended Acadia University in 1948 where she met the love of her life, William "Bill" Saunders. Together in the late 1960's, they bought Saunders Motors Co. Ltd., in Bridgewater. The dealership continues to be run by her family, and it thrives to this day.

Besides her parents, Mom was predeceased by her husband Bill; and five siblings, Arthur (Weet), Gregory (Myra), Olga (Howard), Eleanor, and Jeanie (Eddie).

She is survived by her sons, Peter (Joyce), Jim (Rhonda), and Steven (Nadine); as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Health Services Foundation of the South Shore, or a charity of your choice.

As per mom's wishes there will be no funeral service. A Visitation was held on Saturday November 29, 2025, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, at Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater, followed by a private family Committal Service at Brookside Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to C.F. Sweeny's Funeral Home, Bridgewater, where online condolences and donations may be made by visiting www.sweenysfuneralhome.com.



OBITUARIES

Carolyn Susan White

80, of Blue Rocks, Lunenburg County, passed away peacefully with family by her side on November 21st, 2025, in hospital.

Born in Lunenburg on August 9th, 1945, she was predeceased by her parents Evelyn (Keddy) and Wilfred Hannams, as well as her brother, Kenneth Hannams.

Carolyn was employed for many years with Harbour View Haven and Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, where she took great pride in her work and loved speaking with both staff and patients. In her earlier years, you would often find her going to dances, fishing, and boating with her husband. Most of all, she cherished spending time with her family.

Carolyn is survived by her loving husband, Borden White; her sister, Ann (Thomas) Grandy; her two daughters, Andrea (Derrick) Langille and Amanda (Bryce) Levert; her granddaughters, Caitlin (Alex) England and Ellie Levert; and her great-grandchildren, Emily and Declan England.

While we are deeply saddened by her passing, we choose to remember the warmth she shared, the strength she carried, and the way she made every moment a little brighter. Her spirit lives on in all of us who were lucky enough to know her. We will miss her dearly, but we are grateful for the memories, the laughter, and the love she leaves behind.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home, 11213 Hwy 3, Lunenburg. A service to celebrate Carolyn's life was held Monday, December 1st at 2:00 pm, Father Alvin Westgate officiated.

Memorial donations in Carolyn's memory can be made to the South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater or the VON Lunenburg County.

**Karen Louise Mercer**

It is with great sadness and much love that the family of Karen Mercer announce her passing on November 26, 2025, at the age of 78 years, at South Shore Regional Hospital.

Karen took great pride in being a Lunenburger. Over the years she was active, along with her mother, in the Alexandra Rebekah Lodge and Women's Institute. She was the secretary for St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church for many years and she enjoyed her time volunteering with the Girl Guides of Canada, alongside her great friend Bea Saulnier. Karen also enjoyed many years with her T.O.P.S. friends.

Above all, Karen cherished time with her family and was never happier than when she could be with her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed the Mercer family gatherings and many visits to BC, as well trips to Cuba with her cousin Carolyn and to Jamaica with her Bond family.

Karen is lovingly remembered by her children Jennifer (Brad) Fort St. John, BC and Jason (Gail) West Northfield and grandchildren Sydney (Jonah) and Kelsey (Jakob).

She was predeceased by her loving husband, Rhodes and we know that their reunion will be a joyous one, filled with laughter, dancing and music. Karen was also predeceased by her parents Loretta and Mark Berringer, and special companion Lewis Bond.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Dana L. Sweeny Funeral Home, 11213 Hwy 3, Lunenburg. A family interment will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to SHAID Tree Animal Shelter or the Lunenburg Academy Foundation.

The family wishes to thank the staff at South Shore Regional Hospital, Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, and Harbourview Haven for their care of our mother. A special thank you to mom's wonderful friends and caregivers for their time, love, many puzzles and card games - Rose, Gretchen, Kyria, and Debbie, as well as the "Golden Girls" - thank you for everything.

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When leaders don't know they've crossed a line

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An HR professional receives a complaint, acknowledges receipt within 24 hours, outlines the process, investigates without gossip, addresses the behaviour not the personality, and follows up after resolution.

OBITUARIES

Janette Marie Church

The family of Janette Marie Church, 79, of Centre, announce her passing on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at the Q.E. II Health Sciences Centre in Halifax, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born in Halifax, Janette was the daughter of the late Joseph (Henri) and Marjorie (Nelson) Grondin. She attended Lunenburg Academy and Centre Consolidated School before beginning a family of her own.

Janette was a passionate, determined woman who gave her very best to everything she did. As a young girl, she cared for her brothers, an experience that shaped her deeply and prepared her for motherhood. While raising three children, she completed her GED as well as a medical terminology course—setting a lasting example for her children that with effort, anything is possible. She was also a guider in Brownies, Guides and Scouts. Janette was President of Lunenburg Bowling League. She was very involved in her church community as a Sunday school teacher and superintendent, a dedicated member of the Board of Managers as well as a member of the Session.

Throughout her working life, Janette formed many lifelong friendships. She was employed at the Kinley Drug Store, Zwicker's Variety, Oxner's IGA, Stedman's Store, Fisheries Museum Canteen, Capt'n Angus Restaurant, Dr.'s Patterson, Morse & Kelly office (now Pelham Medical), and the Look and Sea Boat Tours ticket booth. She was also an Avon representative and was proud to have earned several Mrs. Albee sales awards.

Janette loved being surrounded by family and friends and embraced every opportunity to spend time with them. Over the years, she enjoyed bingo, card parties, knitting, crocheting, travelling, celebrating special occasions, camping at Mush-a-Mush, local dances and valley dances, couples skating with Ralphie, curling, thrift stores, yard sales, casinos, and any kind of shopping—especially at Princess Auto, Bargain Harley's, and Costco. Among her most memorable travels were trips to Germany and surrounding countries, an Alaskan cruise, the Rocky Mountains, Disney World, England, and many adventures throughout the United States.

It was her hope that those she loved would remember her as someone who was caring and fun to be with. Janette's family, friends and even casual acquaintances will deeply miss her enormous hugs which made them all the more memorable coming from such a tiny woman.

Janette is survived by her loving husband of sixty-four years, Ralph; daughter Vicki (Doug) Church Reinhard, Mount Dora, Florida; son Trevor (Cate MacPhee), Mader's Cove; son-in-law Ronnie Lohnes, Pine Grove; grandchildren Cory (Megan) Yee, Logan Church (Jade Poirier), Kristin (Tyler) Dagley, Erica Allen, Nicole (Chris) Floyd; and great-grandchildren Darius, Dreyden, Daxton, Cohen, and Keegan.

She was predeceased by her parents; stepfather, Benjamin Abbott; daughter, Shelley Lohnes; brothers, Clarence, and Robert Grondin; and stepbrother, Michel Grondin.

A Memorial Service for Janette will be held on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lunenburg, with a reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #23 Lunenburg. Interment will take place at a later date.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Personal Care Creations & Memorial Services.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society, or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.



Eric Ralph Stringer

April 13, 1950 -
November 2, 2025

Eric Ralph Stringer, 75 passed away suddenly on November 2, 2025.

Born in Caplin Cove (Trinity Bay), Newfoundland, to parents Eric and Muriel (Drodge), he carried his Newfoundland roots proudly throughout his life. Ever the adventurer, he met his wife while working in Nunavut and spent many years working in the mining industry in Alberta and British Columbia before settling in Nova Scotia in 1983 where he worked in road construction.

Known for his quick wit, Eric was always ready with a joke, a smile and to offer a helping hand. A lifelong hockey fan; he played, coached and refereed and in later years enjoyed walking the local trails and gardening.

Survived by wife Judy, daughter Katrina, son Paul (Michelle) and grand-daughter Brooke, brother Randy (Jennifer) Stringer, sister Alice (Eldon) Vey, sister-in-law Blanche Stringer and numerous nieces and nephews who knew him fondly as Uncle Ralph.

He is predeceased by brothers Armine Stringer, Earl and John Haffen.

"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

A private memorial will be held at a later date. Donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, Heart and Stroke Foundation, an animal rescue, or charity of choice.



These aren't extraordinary responses. They're professional ones. They're what people deserve.

WHAT TO DO MONDAY MORNING

This week:

- If you've talked about someone instead of to them, go back and have the direct conversation;
- If you received a concern and haven't responded, send an acknowledgment today;
- If you reacted emotionally to feedback, own it: "I realize I responded defensively. Can we start over?"

This month:

- Ask your team: "Do you feel safe bringing concerns to me?" Then listen without defending;
- Review your last five difficult conversations – did you address people directly or gather opinions first?;

This quarter:

- Create a simple protocol: acknowledge within 24 hours, update within five days, resolve within 30;
- Train your leadership team on emotional regu-

lation before you train them on anything else;

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Communication shouldn't harm people. Leadership shouldn't intimidate them. Boundaries shouldn't be optional.

The leaders who will thrive aren't the ones who avoid difficult conversations –they're the ones who know how to have them without harm, without tri-angling, without silence.

Stephanie Miller Vincent is launching *The Communication Reset*, a masterclass for leaders who want to speak, respond, and lead without causing harm. For more information, email stephanie@smillervision.com

Does this call for a confrontation?

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Let's consider the situation of relatives Casey and Cathy. While not close family members, they have maintained a "good-terms" relationship throughout their lives. Now that Casey has retired, she has been seeing a lot more of Cathy, primarily because of Cathy's need for help. There are packages to pick up, errands to run; appointments to keep.

Initially, Casey was happy to help. She felt grateful that she had the time and resources to assist Cathy, and she knows that Cathy doesn't want to be a bother – she tells her that all the time.

However, Casey has begun to perceive the requests have become more like demands. Her genuine wish to be a good person, to help, is growing dimmer. She doesn't want to bend the truth by telling Cathy that she's not available, but she's not sure she wants a "good-terms" relationship anymore.

Let's answer Maybin's questions from Casey's perspective. "Is the situation having a negative effect?" Yes, to a degree. Casey has lost, or perceives that she has lost, the retirement freedom that she anticipated. The possibility of lengthy trips or even extended solitude goes out the window when Cathy says, "I'll need you..."

How about, "Is the situation beginning to affect your attitude?" This is a key question for Casey. If she is resenting Cathy, trying to avoid her, and making uncomfortable excuses, Casey sees that she is "not herself." And, she doesn't like the person she's becoming. That's important, isn't it?

Finally, "What are the consequences of NOT confronting?" This question leads to many more, such as, will the situation get better on its own? Or worse? Will Casey allow her irritation to grow into full-blown resentment? Will this destroy the relationship?

In Choice Theory, Dr. Glasser lists habits that we often use in relationships. He refers to some as caring habits and others as deadly habits. Thus, I'll add one more question about a potential confrontation: Can Casey find a way to confront Cathy using only caring habits, and avoid the deadly habits?

I think she can, and we'll take a look at that next time. What do you think? Let me know at choice@focusonclarity.com or by mail c/o South Shore Bulletin.

To your choices! ~ Susanne ~

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THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHESTER

VILLAGE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Village Planning Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Agenda items include:

a) Consideration of a staff report and draft amendments to the Village of Chester Land Use By-law to review and revise Old Stone Bridge Setbacks.

b) Any other planning matters

Meetings are held at 151 King Street, Chester in Municipal Council Chambers.

Committee meetings are open to the public and you are welcome to attend. Please call 902-275-2599 or email: planning@chester.ca if you have any questions.

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Business excellence rewarded at second annual awards' night

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Kent grew up in Cole Harbor and worked in restaurants in her teens and into her 20s. She moved into the business, banking and corporate world and had been in living in New Brunswick with her husband, Ali because of his work.

During COVID-19, they decided to return to Nova Scotia and to keep the small-town feel, move to Lunenburg about four years ago.

During this time, Kent decided that she wanted to work for herself and run a café, a dream of hers, after attending culinary and business school.

She opened the café and did very well and was doing everything from cooking and cleaning, to ordering and front-of-house. However, with the move to Lunenburg, she has ex-

panded the workforce and now can focus more on the managerial side of things.

THE PROCESS

The process for the awards begins in July-August when the call goes out for nominations and anyone can participate in Lunenburg and Queens counties.

The nominees will then be informed and asked if they wish to accept the nomination and they are asked a few questions about their business.

A panel of judges, separate from the organization, then choose the top three in each category, then the eventual winners.

NAME CHANGE

At the awards' ceremony, Bonneville announced that the Lunenburg Queens Business Collective would be

changing their name to the South Shore Economic Alliance (SSEA).

The main reason?

"People are excited about the business collective, but we wanted to expand, so we changed the name so we could have a broader reach to the whole South Shore," said Bonneville.

Along with all the businesses in Lunenburg and Queens they hope to encompass some more area, possibly expanding into the Shelburne area and to Hubbards.

"Our mandate now is to do a few more events, not just the awards event and we want to get some private money behind us to keep this going and bring bigger, more educational and informative events to the area. That's a gap...no one is doing that," said Bonneville, adding that SSEA will

soon be coming out with new branding and a new webpage.

She noted that the awards will stay under the Lunenburg Queens Business Collective umbrella, adding that if that expanded, they would have to find a larger venue.

Bonneville said the next event for the SSEA is happening Jan. 22 when Don Mills and David Campbell will be coming to the Best Western in Cookville to talk about their new book, *Toward Prosperity: The Transformation of Atlantic Canada's Economy* in an armchair conversation style chat.

"Mills was just appointed as the chair of the Atlantic Economic Council that is privately led and endorsed by Minister Sean Fraser, so this is great timing," said Bonneville.



BOWLING

Pajo's Bowling Alley League Stats

Lucky Strikes League, Nov. 14: H.S.: Courtney Tremere 126; H.T.: Courtney Tremere 347; H.S.: George Dorey 129; H.T.: Charlie McCann 356; T.H.T.: We Still Suck 1613

Mickey Mouse League, Nov. 16: H.S.: Corey Lohnes 119; H.T.: Corey Lohnes 323; H.S.: Tatum Lohnes 119; H.T.: Tatum Lohnes 306; T.H.T.: Minions 1470

Men's, Nov. 17: H.S.: Colton Whitman 153; H.T.: Matt Tremere 391; H.T.S.: Thrown Together 604; H.T.T.: Thrown Together 1711

Ladies, Nov. 18: H.S.: Ariana Feener-Berringer/Jenni Birtles 109; H.T.: Ariana Feener-

Berringer 306; T.H.T.: Flintstones 1807; 300's: Crystal Myra 305

Canexel, Nov. 19: H.S.: Nadine Welner 123; H.T.: Nadine Welner 290; H.S.: Shaun Mulock 135; H.T.: Cory Carver/Bailey Mulock 348

Money League, Nov. 20: H.S.: Carol Weisner 114; H.T.: Carol Weisner 323; H.S.: Matt Tremere/Shawn D'Eon 131; H.T.: Matt Tremere 366; T.H.T.: Pinguins 1487

Youth League, Nov. 22: Peewee. G.S.: Aurora C 76; G.T.: Aurora C 203

Junior. G.S.: Soraya W 94; G.T.: Soraya W/Tenley S 220; B.S.: Owen W 89; B.T.: Owen W 239

Bantam. B.S.: Avery F 80; B.T.: Avery F 219

Introducing South Shore Waste Solutions

We're excited to share that the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Center has a new name: South Shore Waste Solutions.

This new name better reflects all the services we provide today. Recycling is still an important part of our work, but we now do much more to support modern, sustainable waste management across our region.

Our updated name shows our commitment to protecting Nova Scotia's environment and turning waste into useful resources for our communities.

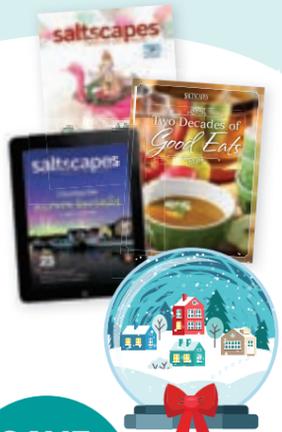
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COASTAL REGULATIONS - PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS

Public Engagement Sessions: Coastal Regulations for Municipality of Chester

What: Municipal Staff are hosting a series of three Public Engagement Sessions regarding potential regulations for structures at or near the coast.

When: Three sessions are scheduled in November and December. The content presented at each session will be the same. Anyone is welcome to attend one or more of the sessions:

- **November 13, 2025:** Western Shore—Western Shore Legion (6582 Highway 3, Western Shore)
- **November 24, 2025:** Village of Chester—Tuck Hall (54 Regent Street, Chester)
- **December 10, 2025:** Hubbards — Hubbards Area Lions Club (43 Lions Club Rd, Fox Point)

Each Session will run from 6:00pm – 8:00pm as an Open House (drop-in) format.

What is it: Staff will be available to provide information on coastal threats (sea level rise, erosion, flooding) and discuss potential regulations that could reduce/eliminate risks with development at or near the coast. Staff are seeking input and comments from the public on their concerns and thoughts, whether coastal regulations are needed for the Municipality and what level of regulation is appropriate.

After these meetings, staff will discuss the results/comments with the Municipal Planning Advisory Committee, Village Planning Advisory Committee and Council. Staff then expect further directions from Council. This could result in a second round of public meetings, or if Council feels there is consensus on the desired regulations, may ask staff to draft regulations and begin the formal adoption process (ending with a Public Hearing).

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