

Prospect boys come up short in battle with Bears

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

ALTON — The Newfound and Prospect Mountain boys met up in the opening game of the season back in December.

To say things have been interesting since then, might be an understatement.

Both teams had to go into COVID protocols soon after they met up in the opening game and had to sit out for an extended period of time, including missing a few

regular season games and helping to lead to the cancellation of the Lakes Region Holiday Hoop Tournament.

In that opening game, the Bears cruised to a win over the Timber Wolves, but in the rematch, Prospect made things quite interesting until Bear star Malaki Ingram took over in the fourth quarter, turning a two-point lead into a 59-44 win on Wednesday, Jan. 5.

“They came out to play defense in that sec-



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NEWFOUND’S Malaki Ingram rises toward the basket as Prospect’s Ethan Howe attempts to get a hand in his face in action last week.



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PROSPECT’S Nathan Archambault (22) and Wyatt Bassett both leap for a rebound in action last week against Newfound.

Winter Carnival returns Feb. 20

ALTON — Please come join the Alton community on and off the ice for some outdoor winter fun during the 2022 Winter Carnival Feb. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Alton Bay! This is a free admission event and is sponsored by the Alton Business Association! Local businesses sponsor events and provide raffle and prize items!! Be sure to stop at the ABA booth to purchase sleigh ride and raffle tickets.

We’re still accepting sponsorships, ads in our official program booklet, raffle donations and food/vendor applications until Jan. 31.

- Featured events**
- Chowder-Fest (local restaurants will be on the ice for you to sample + vote on the best chowdah!)
 - Ice Sculpture Walking Tour & Day of Demo, Sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank
 - Crazy Hat Contest- Most creative wins a prize!
 - "Yoga on the Ice" - Sponsored by Root to Crown Yoga and Wellness
 - Bob House Decorating Contest
 - Horse Sleigh Rides - Nothing like a dash across the ice to embrace the season. (A charge does apply for this event.)
 - Seaplane Rides - Curious what the aerial view of The Bay is like in the winter? Take a ride and see for yourself! (A charge does apply for this event.) This service is offered by Epic Seaplane Adventures, contact them to book and reserve a ride.
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 - Outdoor beer garden at Shibley’s at the Pier lower deck!
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 - "Buck A Puck", Sponsored by the Alton Rotary
 - Caricature Artist, Sponsored by Alton Excavation
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 - Music, Scavenger Hunt, Ice Skating
 - S’mores Roasting, Sponsored by Mt. Major Snowmobile Club!
 - Snowmobile Demo and tent, Sponsored by Irwin Marine of Alton Bay
 - Events are still be added, so stay tuned!
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Stay tuned to our website or Facebook event page for updated event information + the Winter Carnival schedule. Questions, email us at info@altonbusinessassociation.com or visit our website, www.altonbusinessassociation.com. We hope to see you on the ICE for this fun outdoor WINTER community-building event!

ond half, but we have to do that for the full game,” said Newfound coach Jesse Mitchell. “We aren’t used to winning and they were getting a little over confident and were coming in a little soft.

“Give Prospect Mountain credit, they came to play and we weren’t ready for that,” Mitchell added.

“We were affected by COVID, like everyone, so we’re still in the pro-

cess of learning each other and figuring each other out,” said Prospect coach Kiernan Gordon. “But, we’re getting good leadership at the senior level and we have a good group.”

Newfound got on the board first on a Ryan Berg hoop and Ethan Howe answered at the other end with a pair of free throws. Landon Sargent and George Belville

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Celebrate New Durham’s 260th anniversary in 2022



NEW DURHAM — A volunteer group of citizens is excited to share that plans have begun for celebrating a special anniversary for New Durham. We extend an open invitation to join us in celebrating the 260th Anniversary of the incorporation for the Town of New Durham. Special events and activities will take place throughout the year, hosted by numerous organizations and committees from the community.

The Anniversary Celebration will begin with the Annual Win-

ter Carnival, scheduled for March 5, hosted by the Recreation Department.

April events will be a presentation, by Town Historian Catherine Orlowicz, titled "Early New Durham History", hosted by the New Durham Historical Society on Thursday April 14. The Recreation Department will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt, and a town wide egg hunt, dates to be announced.

May and November are open at this time. Please let us know if you would like to host an event or activity, or

if you have any suggestions for an event or activity.

June will see a "Bike Safety Day" and bike parade from the Smith Ball fields to the New Durham Fire Station and back. Come decorate your bike and join the parade. Parents are invited to bring your bikes as well, dates to be announced.

July will have fireworks on the Fourth. The Annual Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Site Celebration, with a pig roast will be hosted by the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee on Saturday, July 16.

August will see the Annual Celebrate New Durham Day, date to be announced. A presentation titled "New Durham Veterans of the Civil War" will be given by Town Historian Catherine Orlowicz, hosted by the New Durham Historical Society on Thursday, Aug. 11.

September, Labor Day weekend fireworks are planned.

Oct. 1 and 2, the Annual Civil War Encampment, hosted by the New Durham Historical Society will be held at 16 Ridge Road.

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Hockey Knight boys start 2022 with trio of victories



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SHAW SWINERTON fires a shot on net during his team’s game with Alvirne-Milford on Sunday.

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WOLFEBORO — After winning the final game of the Peter Hall Christmas Tournament, the Kingswood hockey boys have continued their winning ways into the new year, winning three games in a row to start 2022. The Knights finished the week with a makeup game against

Alvirne-Milford on Sunday at Pop Whalen Arena, beating the Admirals for the second time in as many days, this time by a 4-0 score. The week started with a win over Winnacunnet. “Over the last week, the attitude has changed on the team, they’re much more positive,” said Kingswood coach Mike Potenza. “I believe that they’re starting to

come together.” Things didn’t start great for the Knights, as they took a penalty just 33 seconds into the game and keeper Gage Lamontagne was able to make a couple of saves in the net. Will Danais and Grayson Gilpatrick had good shorthanded bids and the Knights were able to kill off the penalty. The Knights got a power play with 10:02 to go and Cody Emerson, Danais, Cam Kean and Shaw Swinerton all had chances that were denied by the Alvirne-Milford keeper before the penalty was killed off. Cam DeVito struck a shot off the post and Garrison Hendrickson sent a shot wide of the net.

Danais and Emerson teamed up on a bid in close, but the Admiral keeper made the save and with 5:27 to go in the first period, Danais was able to send a shot to the top corner of the net for the 1-0 lead. Kingswood went on the power play with 4:42 to go and Emerson and Danais had shots stopped and Swinerton sent another shot off

the post as the penalty was killed off. However, with 2:10 to go, the Knights went on the power play again and Danais sent a shot wide while Swinerton had a shot that was tipped high. With just 36 seconds to go, the Knights doubled the lead, as Danais sent a shot on net and Kean was in front of the net to poke home the rebound for the 2-0 lead. Danais and Gilpatrick both picked up assists and Kingswood had the 2-0 lead as the first period came to a close. Swinerton and Hendrickson had early chances in the second period but they were turned away and the Admirals had a couple of shots that missed the mark. Evan Harrington made a good run in the zone but was turned away and Lamontagne made a couple of solid saves for the Knights. Kingswood went on the power play with 10:38 to go and Swinerton, Danais, Kean and Emerson all had chances, but they were turned away by the visiting keeper as the penalty was killed off.

Hendrickson made a good defensive play and Lamontagne made saves for the Knights as well. Kean had a bid denied, as did Austin Emerson, while Danais sent a shot wide of the net and Lamontagne made another save, finishing out the period with the Knights still up by the 2-0 score. Kingswood took a penalty just more than a minute into the third period, but the Knights didn’t let that get to them, as Emerson broke in on net shorthanded with two minutes gone in the period to give the Knights the 3-0 lead. Lamontagne continued to do his job in the net and the Knights took another penalty with 8:26 to go. The Admirals sent a couple of shots wide of the net and Lamontagne made another save in the Knight net. With 7:30 to go, the Knights picked up their second shorthanded goal of the game, as Danais made a nice move on the defense and buried a shot for the 4-0 lead. The Knights took

another penalty and Kingswood had to endure a five-on-three penalty for 42 seconds and thanks to Lamontagne’s strong work and good clears from Kean and Danais helped kill off the two penalties. Swinerton tried to connect with Myles Mayhew in close and Hendrickson had a nice defensive play as the Knights sealed the 4-0 win. “That first goal in the third period was huge,” Potenza stated. “If they would’ve gotten one there it could’ve changed the outlook. It would’ve given them the opportunity to feel like they were back in it. “Two games in a row, two solid periods and one off period and still come away with wins,” Potenza continued. “There’s something to be said if we can put 45 minutes together.” Kingswood is back in action on Saturday, Jan. 15, at Merrimack at 4 p.m.

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ALTON PARKS & RECREATION CONNECTION

Free Weight Training and Yoga Zoom Classes
The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is offering free Zoom exercise classes for local residents. Classes are held live through Zoom, computer and internet access is required. Participants must register in advance to receive the class session link. Classes are ongoing. Weight Training-Adults of All Ages-Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Weight bearing exercises to build strong bones and muscles.

Yoga for Fitness-Adults of All Ages-Fridays from 1-2 p.m. Yoga postures designed to strengthen, tone and increase balance and flexibility. Contact 603-875-0109 or parksrec@alton.nh.gov to sign up.

Ice Skating Rink at Mill Pond
Work has started on preparing the ice skating area at Mill Pond, across from the Fire Department on Route 140. Rink conditions are weather dependent so please check the ice rink sign to make sure the rink is open for public skating. A big thank you to Pat O’Brien and the Alton Fire Department for their assistance in getting the rink set up for 2022.

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Filing for School Board positions begins Jan. 19

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REGION — Registered voters of at least 18 years of age may file a declaration of candidacy for open seats on the Governor Wentworth Regional School Board. Two cur-

rent board members’ terms are expiring this March: Jim Pittman, who represents the town of Effingham; and Dana Streeter, who represents the town of Ossipee. Those two open seats are for three year terms. Candidates for

those positions must be residents of the town they desire to represent. One at large term, previously held by the late Krista Abear, is also open. It, too, is a three year term. Residents may apply from any town within the

district. Filing begins on Jan. 19 and ends on Jan. 28. For information on school board member responsibilities, contact the district office by email: sau49@sau49.org or phone: (603) 569-1658.

HIGH SCHOOL SLATE

Friday, Jan. 14
KENNETT
Alpine Skiing at Cranmore; 9:30
Girls’ Hoops at Timberlane; 6:30
KINGSWOOD
Alpine Skiing at Cranmore; 9:30
Boys’ Hoops vs. Plymouth; 6:30
Girls’ Hoops at Plymouth 6
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Alpine Skiing at Gunstock; 10
Boys’ Hoops at Berlin; 6:30
Girls’ Hoops vs. Berlin; 5

Saturday, Jan. 15
KENNETT
Boys’ Hoops vs. Sanborn; 2:30
Hockey vs. Lebanon-Stevens; 6
KINGSWOOD

Hockey at Merrimack; 4
Girls’ Hockey at Bishop Brady-Trinity; 4:20

Tuesday, Jan. 18
KENNETT
Boys’ Hoops at John Stark; 6
Girls’ Hoops vs. John Stark; 5:30
Unified Hoops at Laconia; 3
KINGSWOOD
Boys’ Hoops vs. Manchester West; 6
PROSPECT MOUNTAIN
Boys’ Hoops vs. Berlin; 6
Girls’ Hoops at Berlin; 5:30
Unified Hoops at Portsmouth; 4

Wednesday, Jan. 19
KENNETT
Hockey vs. Berlin-Gorham; 6:30
Nordic Skiing at Plymouth 3
KINGSWOOD
Girls’ Hockey vs. Berlin-Gorham; 7
Girls’ Hoops vs. Timberlane; 6
Nordic Skiing at Plymouth; 3

Thursday, Jan. 20
KENNETT
Boys’ Hoops vs. Berlin; 5:30
Girls’ Hoops at Berlin; 6:30

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Knight hoop boys survive late Kennett rally

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WOLFEBORO — The Kennett boys' hoop team ran its way through the Mike Lee Holiday Basketball Bash in Farmington over the holiday break while the Kingswood boys were sitting in COVID protocols unable to practice or compete.

So, when the teams met up in the first week of the new year, there was bound to be some ups and downs on both sides of the ball.

Kingswood had a great second quarter to open up a 12-point lead at halftime and had a 10-point lead at the half, but the Eagles battled back in the final frame, cutting the lead to just two with just more than two minutes to go in the game.

However, Kingswood hit the necessary free throws down the stretch and came out with the 55-46 win over their Carroll County rivals from Kennett.

"Every win is a nice win, but we tried to make it interesting for everybody," said Kingswood coach Joe Faragher. "Basketball is a game of runs and they upped their pressure."

"And handling pressure is something we have to work on," the Knight coach added.

"That was a good basketball game," said Kennett coach Jack Loynd. "In the first half I thought we played hard, but we were going to the boards without boxing out and they got a lot of second chance points."

"We struggled and they're good, credit to Kingswood, they have some good players," the Eagle coach added.

Kingswood got hoops from Ethan Arnold and Cam Orzechowski to open with a 4-0 lead. A Grady Livingston three-pointer pulled Kennett within one, but Arnold answered with another hoop. Ben Daugherty drained a bucket for the Eagles and a Livingston three-pointer gave Kennett its first lead at 8-6.

Arnold responded by draining consecutive three-pointers to put the Knights back in front by four. Spencer Ballou sank a three-pointer for Kennett and a Daugherty put back put the Eagles back in front by one. However, a Brady Clarke hoop closed out



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KENNETT'S BEN DAUGHERTY and Kingswood's Tyler Sprince leap for a rebound in action Friday night.

the first quarter and Kingswood had a 14-13 lead after one quarter.

A Matt Jacobs hoop pushed Kingswood's lead to three to start the second but an Alex Clark three-pointer tied the game at 16. Jacobs responded by drilling a three-pointer to start a Kingswood run. Will Crane hit a hoop, Arnold drained a bucket and Orzechowski hit another hoop.

An Arnold three-pointer closed out the Kingswood run, giving them a 28-16 lead before a Spencer Ogren hoop got the Eagles back on the board. Orzechowski drained a three-pointer for the Knights before a Nick Houghton-LaClair free throw for Kennett closed out the first half, with the Knights holding the 31-19 lead.

A Tyler Sprince three-pointer started the third quarter for Kingswood but Houghton-LaClair drained a hoop at the other end. Sprince put back a rebound and also hit a free throw to give Kingswood the 37-21 lead before Isaiah Mojica tipped home two points for the Eagles.

Free throws from Daven Bailey, Mojica and Livingston (three) cut the lead to just nine and an Evan Koroski bucket made it a seven-point game. However, Orzechowski hit another three-pointer to close out the third quarter and Kingswood had the 40-30 lead heading to the fourth quarter.

Houghton-LaClair drained a three-pointer to start the fourth quarter but Jacobs answered at the other end with a three for the Knights. After Daugherty put back a rebound, Crane hit two free throws at the other end. Arnold sunk a three-pointer for Kingswood, but Clark hit three from the free throw line to keep the Eagles in it.

Livingston then finished off a Koroski steal and then Clark and Houghton-LaClair each finished off their own steals to cut the lead to 48-44. Livingston then finished off his own steal and the Eagles were within two with 2:15 to go.

However, the rest of the points belonged to the Knights, as they got three free throws from Jacobs and two each from Arnold and Carter Morrissey to finish out the 55-46 win.

"We made enough plays to get out with a win against a gritty and tough group in Kennett," said Faragher. "We knew they were going to come in ready."

"This was our third game in four days after 19 days off," Faragher added. "We were nine for 12 for free throws in the fourth and made some big threes."

"We tried to take Ethan (Arnold) out of the game, but they had other guys who hit their shots," Loynd said. "And they made their free throws down the stretch and that was a big factor."



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MATT JACOBS looks for open space during action against Kennett on Friday.

"If we had a few more minutes, I think they were tired, but I think we were rocking and rolling," Loynd continued. "I'm certainly pleased with the effort, but we got beat

by a good team."

Arnold led the way with 20 points, Jacobs added 11 and Orzechowski finished with 11 points. Livingston led the way for the Eagles with 13 points.

Kingswood is at Plymouth on Friday, Jan. 14, at 6:30 p.m., will be hosting Manchester West on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6 p.m., will host Plymouth on Thursday, Jan. 20, at 6 p.m.

Kennett is scheduled to host Sanborn on Saturday, Jan. 15, at 2:30 p.m., will be at John Stark on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6 p.m. and will host Berlin on Thursday, Jan. 20, at 5:30 p.m.

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KHS 13-6-11-16-46**

Kingswood 55
Orzechowski 4-0-10, Arnold 7-2-20, Jacobs 3-3-11, Sprince 2-1-6, Clarke 1-0-2, Crane 1-2-4, Morrissey 0-2-2, Totals 18-10-55

Kennett 46
Ballou 1-0-3, Houghton-LaClair 3-1-8, Livingston 4-3-13, Koroski 1-0-2, Ogren 1-0-2, Clark 2-3-8, Mojica 1-1-3, Daugherty 2-0-4, Bailey 0-1-1, Totals 15-9-46

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THE READING ROOM AT GILMAN LIBRARY

ALTON — As you are settling back into your routines after the flurry of holiday activities, don't forget to visit the Gilman Library on 100 Main St. We have new books, magazines, and games. There are new contests and raffles, and even new staff members. We are adding to our "Library of Things" collection to include housewares. Come in and see what we have for you!

NEW BOOKS

Our three new books featured this week can be found in the children's wing. Though the holiday is over, Peter Collington's "On Christmas Eve" is still sure to delight the two to six-year-old age group, in the story of a little girl who worries that Santa cannot visit her in her house without a chimney. Four to seven-year-olds will

enjoy "Verdi." by Janell Cannon. Verdi likes his yellow skin and sporty stripes and does not want to grow up to be big and green like all the other snakes. This colorful picture book "teaches young readers the importance of loving the skin you are in." The third title "Can you find it, too?" by Judith Cressy, features twenty paintings by renowned artists from all over the world. This search-and-discover book is geared to five to nine-year-olds. It teaches the readers to be art detectives as

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Baby, it's cold outside

Newsflash: it's cold. Our little neck of the woods here has finally hit frigid sub-zero temperatures. Folks may be running low on fuel, or even running empty, causing frozen pipes to burst. Fuel companies are scheduled two weeks out in some cases, and several customers are feeling stressed due to the financial burden this cold weather brings. Our only advice is to hold on tight and think about how toasty things will be when temperatures soar into the teens and low 20s again.

The winter solstice on Dec. 21 has passed, and the days are getting longer... and, we hope, sunnier. One perk to this post-New Year's time is that, well, the holidays are over. The hustle and bustle starts in late November and doesn't calm down until the week following New Year's. Is it overrated? Maybe. We hope you are all able to relax in the days ahead.

When weather hits sub-zero, it's hard to remember why we live here. We live in New England because winter, for the most part, is fun and manageable. We love our snow sports, the smell of wood stoves cranking and the beauty of the snow-capped mountains.

Some of you may think of our ancestors who had to cut chords of wood by hand all year long just to prepare for the harsh New England winters. Houses way back when had no insulation or the walls were stuffed with straw and mud. Common houses were much smaller, therefore easier to keep heated with one wood stove. The fireplace was the focal point of a colonial home and was the place where family members would talk and work on small projects during the evening. The average size of a house according to today's standards is about 2,600 square feet. A home of that size hundreds of years ago was often occupied by the wealthy, who were able to afford to put a wood stove in each room of the house. Children often slept in lofts where the heat would rise and often shared a bed with siblings, using body heat to keep warm.

In days of old, people used thick curtains and down comforters to keep the heat in. Before bedtime, many would use a bed warmer, which was a brass pan with a long handle that was filled with hot rocks. Foot warmers were popular as well. These fancy contraptions were made of a wood framed tin box also with heated rocks that would be placed by the feet under the comforter. This heating method was used for trips in the horse and buggy as well. Church goers would bring their own boxes of heat and blankets to keep warm during a Sunday service.

Important to note is the fact that over the years humans have increasingly adapted to warmer weather as a result of modern technology. Our ancestors were able to withstand much colder temperatures and remain more comfortable in colder temperatures than we do today. All of that aside, we are pretty lucky to have the conveniences we do during these cold blasts.

Since winter is not nearly over, here are a few tips with regard to winter survival. Avoid frost bite and frost nip at all costs. When the water molecules in your skin cells freeze, they die. Once this happens, they can cause damage to your muscular and nervous systems. Exposed skin can develop frostbite within 30 minutes with winds of 10 mph and a temperature of -5 degrees. If you are outside and find your hands freezing, the warmest place for them to go is under your armpits, the warmest part of your body.

Another culprit is hypothermia. When your body hits 95 degrees you're entering the danger zone. When your organs start to drop in temperature they begin to shut down. If you notice yourself shivering or lacking coordination, it's time to get warm fast. Other more severe symptoms include low energy, difficulty speaking, a weak pulse and the cessation of the shivers. It's important to stay well nourished during any time spent outside, as your body needs that energy to stay warm. Always have a Snickers bar or something similar handy just in case. Staying hydrated is a must as you need water to keep your nervous system running properly. One rule of thumb is to never eat snow while trying to survive in frigid temperatures. Your body will be forced to warm it from the inside which wastes energy and can cause hypoglycemia. Try to keep your heart rate up as cold temperatures cause your heart rate to decrease. A higher heart rate will generate heat within your body however be sure not to do so much that you start to sweat, cold and sweat are never a good combination.

We hope none of you ever find yourselves in a situation where you need to implement any of the information above, however knowledge is power. Stay warm, summertime is just about six months away, where we will of course crank the air conditioning and complain about the heat and humidity.



COURTESY

Tons of toys

Veteran James "Jimmy" Covalucci spent countless hours during COVID building almost 300 toys for children. He took the day to distribute them to students in grades K-4 at Barnstead Elementary School with the help of eighth graders Katie Caldwell, Owen Joubert, Owen Brazel and Jeremy Salisbury.

Letters to the Editor

Democracies cannot be Communist or socialist states

To the Editor:

Democracies cannot be socialist or Communist states because socialism and Communism demand citizens be subservient and therefore loyal to the state, and the state has to get rid of democratic voting because such voting allows citizens to be in control of which politicians are elected to office and their relevant policies legislated and implemented which, when citizens demand individual freedoms including ownership of property, production and profits from trades or sales, upset socialist/communist Central Planning by elites who tend to corrupt their way into political influence and power and control of property, production and profits.

Socialism did not work well for citizens of Venezuela, and Communism has not worked well for citizens of the Soviet Union, Cuba and Communist China.

Any kind of socialism including 'democratic socialism' is socialism requiring citizen subservience to the state ('the community') and obedience to the elites in re: Central Planning, etc.

Communism (community ownership of property, production and profits from trades or sales) was tried in the American colonies, and it failed because individuals had no incentives to work hard or smart, and as a result, capitalism (private ownership of property, production and profits from trades and sales) was implemented and gave individuals incentives to work hard and smart and profit from trades and sales and requiring democracy wherein individual citizens controlled which politicians got elected and empowered to legislate and implement laws and policies.

<https://www.hoover.org/research/how-private-property-saved-pilgrims>

Governor Bradford wrote about how government ownership (communism!) of property, production and profits (none!) failed in Plymouth Colony and but individual ownership of property, production and profits (capitalism!) succeeded (profits and individual wealth!) and became the economic model for Americans' success and wealth and eventually required a democratic republic to ensure politicians could be controlled by citizens by reason of citizen voting rights.

Governor Bradford's Journal:

https://pilgrimhall.org/pdf/Bradford_Journal_Intro_Of_Plymouth_Plantation.pdf

Governor Bradford's Journal describes how the initial unsuccessful economy created under communism (govt ownership of 'commonwealth'/no incentives to work harder or smarter) was replaced by capitalism (individual ownership of private wealth/incentives to work harder and smarter) and the resulting successful economy.

The difference between the American conservative capitalistic democracy (democratic republic) and all socialist/communist totalitarianism requires American patriots to regard American socialists and Communists and too many Democrats to be American traitors, and therefore political enemies out of a justified political fear these traitors will corrupt the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights (which do not grants rights, but instead prevent American Federal, State, County, and City/Town governments from infringing on those rights if not outright denying citizens those rights).

Regards,

*Bob Kroepel
New Durham*

Agree to disagree

To the Editor:

I must respond to my friend, or I should say my polite correspondence Bruce, and I must point out that whether a ballot is unsolicited or not, the ballot, once sent in and before being counted, must be verified by the hard-working election people of both parties by whatever the state requires for proof it is valid. Fraud did not happen; there were one or two cases where a man had his dead mother vote for the loser #45, a defeated candidate twice impeached for crimes. Which Fox News continues to ignore. I also noted your entire "Dear John" letter where talking points from Fox News. I must say, you watch a lot of misleading untruthful propaganda, which is your right and I never meant to imply you don't love this country, I know a lot of supporters of #45 love this country and believe they are fighting for its salvation. The problem I have with that is #45 wants you to be more loyal to him then the law, the constitution, hence "no one is above the law." All of his action tell you this, how many times was there a shakeup in his administration, how many Secretaries of State, Defense, Veterans affairs, etc., etc., and when asked why because they were not willing to do #45 corrupt bidding. Rex Tillerson called #45 a moron, who did not like to read briefs or reports, all fact reported on the internet.

Bruce, I did like the comment about hospitals serving and refusing various causes a person would need the services of such an institution for, and would pro-

vide in the normal world. Cancer tied with tobacco is big business, Diabetes tied to manufactured and processed foods is big business. My point here is cancer and diabetes are money makers for hospitals and the country. Covid is a really big cost/money drain to the country. So, the sooner we get rid of it, the better. Mandates! What are you talking about? If you went to school in America, you had mandated vaccines before they let you get to class. I feel bad for those who really can't take the shot. But those who are doing it to hurt Biden are only hurting themselves and the rest of us. Typical #45 move; only care about themselves, and may even hurt the ones they love. So I close with, I do not respond to every query you put forth, Bruce, because we may never find common ground. I know the Democrats are not any of the words you have used to describe them, and the Republicans are probably not some of the words I have used. We can, I hope 'Agree to disagree.' I have come to the conclusion that if #45 wants to run again, and wins, so be it; America will get what it asked for, and regret it along with the rest of the world for a very long time. For proof of this look at all the Chaos #45 left for #46 to clean up and #46 is getting it done but it's not being reported on Fox News. Jesus does not want you to be comfortable in your sin. Murdering those you hate was not the Lord's message; some of you may need to be born again, again.

Respectfully,

*John Q. Henderson
Barnstead*

Run for New Durham Select board

To the Editor:

New Durham has two Selectman positions open for the March election. If you have the time and you care about the residents and employees, please register your name for Selectman at the Town Hall between Jan. 19 and 28.

One of the openings is because Selectman Chase resigned in May 2021. Selectmen Swenson and Veisel picked her replacement out of three candidates

on July 8. In my opinion, they picked Ron Uyeno because Selectman Veisel stated that he was her neighbor and friend and helped her around her house. Selectman Swenson picked him, in my opinion, because he had run for two Selectman races and lost both, and he was controllable.

The other two candidates were extremely qualified and one of them, Marc DeCoff, had been a

LETTERS FROM EDWIN

Cuckoo

I just finished fixing a pair of work gloves. My ad says that I fix things. Maybe I'm just living up to my advertisements. You could say that I should have just thrown them away. And you're probably right. They were actually free to start with. A new hardware store came into the area. To get me in to check out the place, they offered a free pair of work gloves to enticed me. The name of the the store is printed on the cuff. Needless to say, the stitching let go inside the thumbs in no time.

They had been hanging out in one of my jackets pockets, and I've been using them lately. So I decided to sew them back up because the remainder

of the gloves seems to be OK. That remains to be seen. I will certainly soon find out.

It's not that I really need the gloves, I have plenty. Like every coat I have has a pair of gloves in it's pocket, plus they're laying around in the cellar and in every vehicle. I like having gloves handy when you need them.

Maybe it's my memories of watching my grandmother darning socks while sitting on the couch watching Perry Mason, her favorite TV show. I watched everybody around me doing things and filed all my impressions somewhere deep inside my brain. My father fixed everything around the house. My godfather tied flies. My moth-

er grew house plants. Everyone had other things to do than their normal everyday occupations.

I have kept up those traditions. The amount of projects I have around here hidden in boxes and such, I hesitate to think about. Will I ever get to them all? They all get prioritized. I hope I can still see well enough to accomplish some of them, like rebuilding the old cuckoo clock. First, I need to get some parts, which hasn't happened for decades. I thought the kids might like it. At this point it would be better targeted toward grand kids, if that ever happens.

I remember growing up. The little cuckoo would come out of its door every half hour and call to the house the time of day. Day or night. I mickey mouse fixed it a couple of times before deciding

that I really just ought to pick up the proper parts. That was way before the internet came into existence. Now I'm sure that I'd have a much easier time finding the parts I'm looking for.

My aunt, was a seamstress, a wonder at a sewing machine. That was her work work. When sitting around the house she would knit and crochet. She knitted me a nice afghan that I used extensively during the fevers I had last month. When she passed away, I got her old cuckoo clock, which was almost exactly the same as my parents one, and wouldn't you know, the exact same parts were failed on hers. It must have been a common reason why people brought their clocks to the clock smith.

People used to fix things. Things used

to be able to be fixed! No more. All of us supposed environmentalists excel at producing tons of waste every year. We just drop it in a trash bag and never consider it again. It's gone. It's someone else's problem. Just dump it where ever you want. Someone will pick it up. We're a bunch of selfish morons if you ask me. We may complain about "those capitalists" but we've all just been suckered into their game. They tell us that we need something and we jump. Throwing away a little piece of our beautiful world with every new purchase.

Most everyone from my early life used their time wisely. Their hands were usually busy doing something productive. That was destroyed by television. Television totally absorbs everyone's production capa-

bility. Just like all the little game gadgets. Total immersion. It's no longer possible to multitask.

I know that those were different times. Now that China's oppressed workers can manufacture so much for so little, that it isn't worth it to knit a pair of socks while watching your favorite show. Or is it? I mean you could. Couldn't you? I never learned to knit, but I could learn. I taught myself to sew by watching how all the ladies did it. I got real good at patching my jeans. I'm slowly getting the hang of using a machine.

Utilizing some free time, I dug out my old sewing kit and now I have another good pair of work gloves.

E.Twaste
Correspondence welcome at edwintwaste@gmail.com

Letters to the Editor Continued

Anthes
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Selectman, member of the Budget Committee and a volunteer in the Parks and Recreation Department of Alton. He now is a resident of New Durham and owns a successful business here. He is also a member of the New Durham Budget Committee and volunteers at the Fire Department. In my opinion as a former Selectman, he would have been the best choice.

Selectman Uyeno just goes along with the other two Selectmen. He is unprepared; for example, during the Jan. 3 meeting, a crucial vote on a long overdue pay increase for firefighters and emergency medical technicians (EMT's) was proposed. He did not review the information that was provided to him by the Fire Chief and Town Administrator. Because he was unprepared for this vote, he did not vote in favor of supporting these employees who look after our lives and homes. If this Selectman chooses to run for election in March, he should not get your vote.

If Selectman Swenson decides to run again for a fourth term, here are the reasons why he should not receive your vote. Back in 2014, his first year as Chair of the Board of Selectmen, he chose not to re-appoint Fire Chief Peter Varney, and he replaced him with another Fire Chief from a town more than one hour away from New Durham. Because this Fire Chief could not get to calls in a timely manner and other performance issues, this was a disaster for the residents of New Durham.

I ran for Select Board and won, and I immediately brought back Fire Chief Peter Varney. Several of Chief Varney's credentials are that he has been a firefighter for over 40 years, he has been an outstanding Chief for thirteen years, he is highly respected by his firefighters and EMT's and respected by others throughout

the state. He has a master's degree in electrical engineering, and he has a vast knowledge of building codes. Because of his background, he was able to step up as the Building Inspector and again as an Interim Building Inspector on several occasions. He received praise from homeowners and contractors. For seven years until just recently, Chair Swenson has blocked and delayed pay raises for the Fire Department. For the past nine months, he has refused to re-appoint Peter Varney as Fire Chief.

Because Selectman Swenson thinks he is the smartest guy in the room, he does not like to be around truly smart people. In my experience as a Selectman, I witnessed him criticizing the findings of consultants to the point that they would not work for the town again. For the past five years under Chair Swenson's tenure, we have lost 90 percent of our employees. The Town Hall has lost each position at least one time and we are now on our third Town Clerk this past year. At one time, the Highway Department lost all its employees except for the Road Agent and the Supervisor. There has been a revolving door in the Police Department except for the Chief and the Sargent. The Fire Department has lost staff due to the lack of pay increases because of Chair Swenson's delaying tactics.

Chair Swenson has not been financially prudent, for example, voting to spend \$120,000 to buy a scale for the Transfer Station that is twice as much as other towns have spent. This is something that the town voted against in 2011, Warrant Article 9. For the first time in many years, town taxes are going up.

For these reasons if he runs again, don't vote for him. It has been nine years; it is time for him to move on.

*Gregory Anthes
New Durham*

STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

Living without God

BY LARRY SCOTT

Can man live without God? Absolutely... and man has done so throughout human history and, some would say, very effectively. For some, it was because they weren't even aware there was a God; others rejected Him by choice. Let's face it: rejecting God appears to have its benefits. We all want to be free, to do as we please; it is a characteristic, human trait.

To those who have researched this issue, French Philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche is a well-known figure. Before his death in 1900, he led an all-out attack challenging the existence of God. One of the most influential and forceful atheists of all time, Nietzsche not

only dismissed God's existence but also rejected many of the traditional values held by the Christian community.

God is dead, he proclaimed, and since God does not exist, this life is all there is. To him, as he wrote in "Anti-christ," Christianity "is the greatest of all conceivable corruptions. I call it the one immortal blemish on mankind" (p. 220). It is, unfortunately, a point of view with which many would agree.

The kicker here, however, is that so many of those fundamental principles necessary to a balanced, responsible, and happy life have a tie-in to the existence of God and the values He has built into each one of

us. Without God, not only must we discover who we are and why, but we must also determine our purpose for living, the ethical standards that will guide us through life, and the hope that justice will eventually be served on the Hitler's of our society. If man is the measure of all there is, who do we follow: Hugh Hefner, Joseph Stalin, or Mother Teresa?

If you were to postulate a life without God and an objective standard of morality, I would grant you the possibility of enjoying what is known as the good life. You are satisfied, self-confident, happy, and prosperous in your chosen field of service. You "did it my way!" and you're proud

of the fact. If God is dead, so be it.

But that brings up another thorny issue. If there is no God, this is as good as it gets; and if this is as good as it gets, this is the only heaven you are ever going to know. There is no tomorrow. "Eat, drink and be happy... for tomorrow we die!" For me, that just doesn't cut it!

But the Apostle Paul suggested a solution. "If only in this life we have hope in Christ," he wrote, "we are to be pitied more than all men. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead." Jesus' resurrection changes everything.

You want to talk about it? Hit me up at rllarryscott@gmail.com.

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The Meetinghouses' Annual Haunted House is planned, hosted by the Recreation Department and Meetinghouse Restoration Committee, with date to be announced.

Finally, Dec. 9 and 10, the Meetinghouse Park Lighted Trail are planned.

As the calendar dates for events are confirmed, a listing will

be posted in various places within the community and through social and written media. Volunteers will be reaching out to local businesses, organizations and committees inviting them to participate in the celebration. Please contact Recreation Director Celeste Chasse at ndrec@new-durhamnh.us or call 603-859-2091, ext. 2010 to sign up to host an event

or activity, or for more information. Please join the volunteers at their

next planning event, Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

NOTICE

New Durham Supervisors of the checklist will meet Jan 18th 2022
7PM to 7:30PM New Durham Town Hall
Registrations and voter updates before Town elections March 8, 2022

Supervisors are also looking for an additional Supervisor to fill a vacancy.
Contact Town Clerk or a Supervisor

PUBLIC NOTICE

ALTON SCHOOL DISTRICT DELIBERATIVE SESSION

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022
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THE REAL REPORT

RECENT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Town	Address	Type	Price	Seller	Buyer
Alton	25 Clay Point Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$1,185,400	Dean S. and Cathy M. Sedler	Kimberly Johnson and Norman G. Nelson
Alton	122 Dewitt Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$4,500,000	D.A. Macisaac 1995	Karl T. Cheng
Alton	43 Lot Line Rd.	Res.-Mtl. Bldg.	\$395,000	Lot Line Road RT and Antonio Mariano	Shawn E. Cullen and Robyn S. Warren
Alton	41 Miramichie Hill Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$150,000	Marilyn V. Slade Trust	K.G. Fairman Fiscal Trust
Alton	Route 11	N/A	\$385,000	David D. Birdsey 1995 RET and Margaret G. Birdsey	Saco Alton 2 LLC
Alton	6 Viewland Ct.	Residential-Other	\$370,000	Bertram P. Beaulieu	Viewland Campground LLC
Alton	N/A (Lot 20a)	N/A	\$722,000	Jubilee 2000 Trust and James N. Locke	KCM Legacy Halfmoon Trust and Crystal L. Marston
Barnstead	33 N. Shore Dr.	Single-Family Residence	\$240,000	Derek W. and Amanda Joyce	Adam J. and Kathleen Ward
New Durham	40 Main St.	Single-Family Residence	\$381,000	Montgomery 2018 Fiscal Trust and Robert G. Montgomery	Michael E. and Lisa A. Bussey
New Durham	324 Merrymeeting Rd.	Single-Family Residence	\$270,000	324 Merrymeeting Rd. RT and Mark J. Ranieri	Mario A. Ranieri

ABOUT THE REAL REPORT

Here are recent real estate transactions in Alton and the surrounding areas. These sales summaries are informational only, not a legal record. Names shown are usually the first listed in the deed. Sales might involve additional parties or locations. Prices are usually based on tax stamps and might be inaccurate for public agency sales. Refer to actual public documents before forming opinions or relying on this information. Additional publicly recorded information on these sales, prior sales and data from Department of Revenue Administration forms is available at www.real-data.com or 669-3822. Copyright 2011. Real Data Corp. In the column “Type”: land=land only; L/B= land and building; MH= mobile home; and COND=condominium.

Oscar Foss Memorial Library to receive NH State Library ARPA grant funding

BARNSTEAD — Oscar Foss Memorial Library is pleased to announce that it has been awarded \$11,366 in funding through the Institute for Museum and Library Services’ “Grants to States” program. The grant program is part of the American Rescue Act Plan of 2021 and is being facilitated by the

New Hampshire State Library.

Oscar Foss Memorial Library will use this grant award to add a Glowforge, kiln, and archival art printer to their collection. They will also offer several new programs utilizing the equipment, and a Developing a Creative Business from Home workshop

series. We will be partnering with local artisans, the National Art Honor Society at Prospect Mountain High School, Barnstead Parks and Recreation and Josiah Carpenter Library in Pittsfield.

Library Director Danielle Hinton said, “This grant will provide us with wonderful opportunities to strengthen partnerships with local organizations. It will give our town access to new technology and will provide creative and entrepreneurial skills that can be used to develop home based businesses. We’re excited about all the new

things we’ll be able to offer to our community in 2022.”

“New Hampshire’s strong relationship with its public libraries was made even more evident during the past two years, when librarians and their staffs were able to adjust services nimbly in order to continue to meet the needs of their communities,” said N.H. State Librarian Michael York. “The innovative programs funded by these grants will continue to strengthen not only public library services, but also the communities in which the libraries reside.”

“As pillars of our communities, libraries and museums bring people together by providing important programs, services and collections. These institutions are trusted spaces where people can learn, explore and grow,” said IMLS Director Crosby Kemper. “IMLS is proud to support their initiatives through our grants as they educate and enhance their communities.”

Oscar Foss Memorial Library’s goal is to have the program up and running by early March.

Part of the N.H. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, the N.H. State Library promotes excellence in libraries and library services to all New Hampshire residents, by assisting libraries and the people of New Hampshire with rapid access to library and informational resources through the develop-

ment and coordination of a statewide library/information system; by meeting the informational needs of New Hampshire’s state, county and municipal governments and its libraries; and by serving as a resource for New Hampshire. For more information, visit nh.gov/nhsl.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation’s libraries and museums. We advance, support, and empower America’s museums, libraries, and related organizations through grantmaking, research, and policy development. Our vision is a nation where museums and libraries work together to transform the lives of individuals and communities. To learn more, visit www.imls.gov and follow IMLS on Facebook and Twitter.

BARNSTEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT FILING NOTICE

The filing period for the Barnstead School District Officers will be held from

Wednesday, January 19
at 8 am through
Friday, January 28, 2022
no later than 5:00 pm

at the Barnstead Town Hall

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Pastors Daniel and Sherrie Williams, 473-8014.
For more information, please visit abundantharvestnh.org or e-mail ahfc@faith.com.

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Sundays throughout the summer 10am & 7pm; Tues-Thurs 9am; 875-6161.

BEFREE COMMUNITY CHURCH, ALTON

Alton 9:30 a.m. Sun. Meeting at Prospect Mountain High School. Pastor Ben Ruhl, www.befreechurch.net.

CENTER BARNSTEAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Worship Service 10:00am
Bible Study 11:15am
Rte 126 next to Town Hall
Call or Text (603) 269-8831
centerbarnsteaduc.org
Pastor Brian Gower.

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF PRAISE C.C.O.P PRAISE GATHERING

Gathering Saturday evenings at 6-7 p.m.
The Gilmanton Community Church
497 Proville Road, Gilmanton, NH
ccoppraisegathering@gmail.com

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Prayer Meeting 9:00 am
Rev. Dr. Samuel J. Hall, 875-5561.
Day service 8:30am Alton Bay Gazette, Alton , NH
10 am Worship Service
20 Church Street, Alton
Our services are live streamed on YouTube
Sundays at 10 am
www.ccoallton.com

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Sunday School and Worship Services
Rev. Rebecca Werner Maccini
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PETS OF THE WEEK




Tate

Tate is a highly intelligent Australian cattle dog (also known as the blue heeler). Like most cattle dogs, Tate is a dog that needs a job, and will need lifelong training and activities to keep him happy and healthy. Tate is hearing impaired, but that doesn't stop him from learning new tricks! Tate responds to hand signals for sit, down, stop, speak, stay, and paw, and is working on more! He is both toy and food motivated. Tate will need lots of mental and physical stimulation to keep him happy- he will need much more than walks or a game of fetch! Tate can be selective with which people he trusts, and can be reactive towards new people. We have started working with Tate to help him make positive choices and build trust. He is making progress and is looking for an adopter who wants to continue this work. He loves to train, play fetch, play tug of war, and once he builds trust with you, loves to cuddle. Tate is looking for a home without kids (he can play a bit rough), no cats (too fun to chase!), and he may do ok with the right dog friend but can be picky



Cuke Roll

If this picture doesn't tell you how adorable I am then I don't know what will. Me and my adorable face came to NH Humane from living as a stray, so there is not much in the way of background. I am FIV+, meaning I would need to be the only pet in the household or living with other FIV+ cats.



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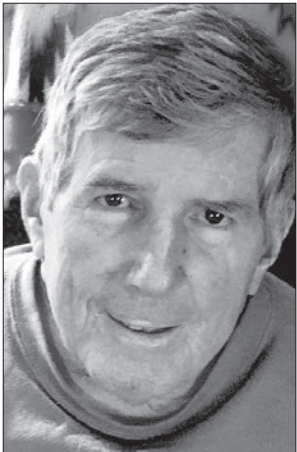


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North Country Notebook



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Because of the Fish and Game Commission’s obstructionist behavior on several recent issues (this means Commission members, not Department staff), I’m moved to try some public nudging. John Litvaitis sent this recent letter to the editor of the Concord Monitor. He is a UNH wildlife grad and researcher whose insight on all sorts of outdoor issues is often sought.

“Stop unethical use of wildlife”

“I am writing in support of HB 1308, an act to prohibit capture, possession, and propagation of hares and rabbits for hunting dog training and field trials. I have worked as a wildlife biologist for several natural resource agencies and was a professor of wildlife ecology at UNH for 31 years and fully support managed hunting of hares. I have fond memories of participating in such hunts.

“Decades ago, beagle clubs imported scores of live hares from Atlantic Canada to stock private club lands. That practice no longer occurs. Instead, beagle clubs rely on the trap-and-transfer of wild hares to club lands to train their hounds. Such actions are clearly an unethical treatment of wild hares. Putting aside nonsensical “slippery slope” arguments (e.g., This is the first step in ending hare hunting), the notion that use of captive wild hares to train hounds is a long-standing tradition is a weak defense. Bear hunters and game bird hunters train their dogs in the wild, hare hunters obviously could do the same.

“Permits to capture specific animals are granted to university researchers and others to address questions that may improve survival of individual species. Permits to beagle clubs only address recreational interests of a small group of NH residents. There is no public benefit. So, why should beagle clubs be given special access? NH Fish and Game Department correctly opposes bringing wild animals into captivity for personal engagement. It should oppose the use of captive hares to train hounds. — John Litvaitis, Madbury”

To which I’ll add “Come on, Commission friends—how out of step with the times can you be?”

(Full disclosure Dept.: I’m a co-founder of the NH Wildlife Coalition, which supports HB 1308. —JDH)

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JoAnne Murphy of Effingham (east of the Conways) completed a 20-plus-year goal on New Year’s Day by completing her 100th hike to

Was it raining fish, or did falling fish reign?
And what about those drunken pachyderms?



Weldon Bosworth of Gilford took this springtime photo of the Franconia Range while schussing the upper slopes of Cannon Mountain. With one of the more highly visible and popular hikes in the Whites, the periodic knife-edge ridge can lure unprepared hikers into the kind of trouble that can kill.

the fire tower on 1907-foot Green Mountain. JoAnne, who lives nearby, is an avid hiker and has summited all 48 of the state’s 4,000-footers. She said she was looking for a training hike in the summer of 2001 and fell in love with the hike to the fire tower.

Joining her for her 100th trip were hiking columnist Allen Crabtree, Gail Tibbets, and N.H. Forest Ranger Tom Trask, who was able to help top off her trip with a visit to the watchman’s cab atop the tower. As for what’s next, JoAnne says she’s looking forward to hiking to the fire tower on Magalloway Mountain in Pittsburg, but says that after 100 trips up Green Mountain, she’s all done counting hikes.

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Quit the Whining Dept.:

For all those bemoaning the long winter (so what if “winter” is seven months), it’s worth noting that the Winter Solstice was only last month, and here we are already gaining sunlight, like oh, a little over two minutes per day.

We’ll see a dramatic difference between here and the end of February, when the climbing sun will begin turning south-facing snowbanks to slush (great for snowballs), and snow fleas will begin appearing by the tens of thousands in people’s snowshoe tracks.

Snow fleas are harmless, and are members of the springtail family, which explains all that hopping about, although I’ve never been able to figure out what eats them. Spiders, perhaps. But something does, for sure, because as with events in our lives, nothing happens in Mother Nature without a reason.

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Finally, I saved a newspaper clipping of one of those stories that editors snaffle onto with glee, the same kind of people who like writing headlines containing the word “pachyderms.” By the way, there is additional information on the pachyderm story, if anyone wants to ask me—please.



Taking a break on her 100th trip up to the fire tower atop Effingham’s Green Mountain was JoAnne Murphy (right), who was joined by Gail Tibbets (left) and hiking columnist Allen Crabtree.

This story, however, involves it raining fish. This is not really a new story, as it can rain a lot of strange stuff be-

sides water, which in a fairly dry cosmos seems strange enough.

On Wednesday, Dec. 29, in Texarkana, east-

ern Texas, it rained fish. The Texarkana Gazette quoted a tire dealer as saying that fish four or five inches long “were

bouncing off the concrete.” Nobody bothered to note the duration of fish reigning, or whether they were getting scale wages. For live samples, museums were offering a fin.

Leave it to National Geographic to put a dry, scientific face on all this. Small creatures are caught in waterspouts or severe updrafts, it said. “Reported rains of bats, fish, snakes, birds, frogs, and jellies stretch back for centuries.” Since a “jellie” might be a pair of cheapo-depot shoes or a gumdrop, we tried to look it up, but Data Search kept going to Hoof and Mouth Disease.

There were a lot of fish-fall exchanges on Facebook and the like, many using “like” in place of “I said” and “she said,” as in “I was like, Holy Cow!” Nobody really said “Holy Cow,” by the way. Likewise, there were no quotes containing the words “ye gods” (and little fishes). The story in the Charlotte Observer did not note whether the fry fell in (no, wait, that’s the Chicken Little story) during the morning or afternoon, nor did the paper say whether anyone tried to catch fish on their way by (the fish, not the people). This left the observer wondering whether a gaff might have worked (not the mistake kind).

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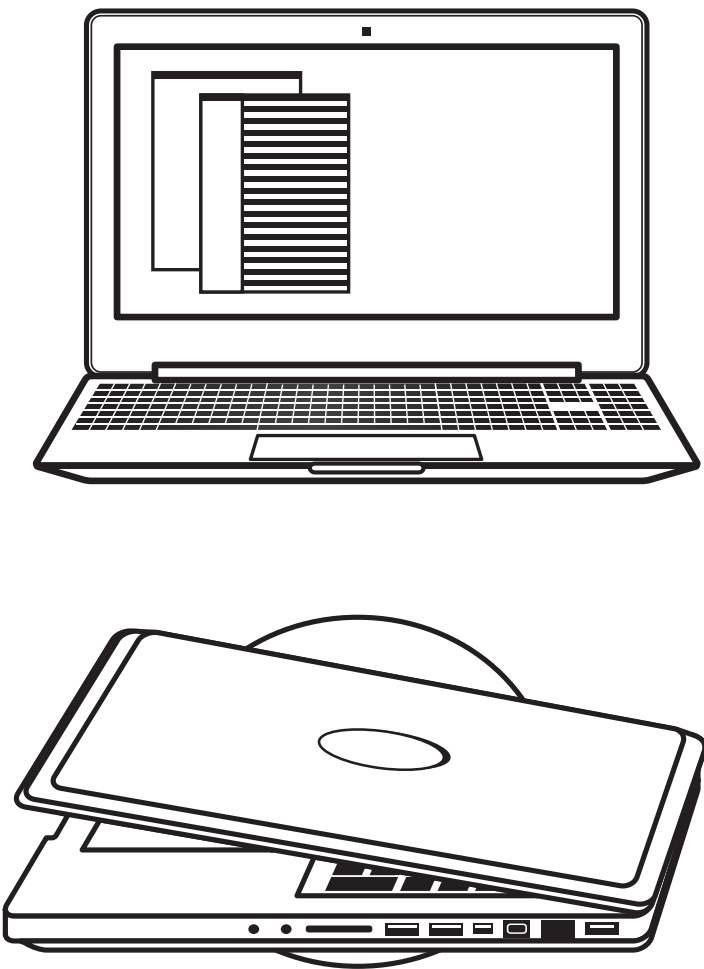
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ANSWER:

Timber Wolves hit the slopes of Gunstock for opening meet

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

GILFORD — The Prospect Mountain alpine ski team made the short trip to Gunstock on Friday, Jan. 7, to open the new season. The Timber Wolves came home in the middle of the pack in a race that included two runs of giant slalom in the morning and one in the afternoon. The Timber Wolves were joined by Plymouth, Gilford, La-

conia, Newfound, Belmont, Lebanon and Inter-Lakes. In the morning runs, the Timber Wolf boys were led by Asa Guldbrandsen, who finished in 15th place with a time of 1:18.06. Matt Bonner finished in a time of 1:31.27 for 24th place and Joseph Howlett placed 27th overall with a time of 1:37.88 as Prospect finished sixth. The Timber Wolves moved up to fourth in the

afternoon run, again led by Guldbrandsen, who finished in 13th place in 38.47 seconds. Dalton Lawrence was 19th in 43.67 seconds and Howlett finished in 22nd place with a time of 45.89 seconds. Bonner finished out the scoring with a time of 49.25 seconds and Brett McKeown rounded out the field of Timber Wolves with a time of 1:05.47 for 26th place. For the Prospect girls

in the morning race, Grace Simensen finished in 12th place in a time of 1:16.96 to help the Timber Wolves to fifth place. Reese Burke finished in a time of 1:17.13 for 13th place and Amber Fernald was 20th overall in 1:31.58. The Timber Wolves were again fifth in the afternoon run, led by Simensen's 14th place finish in a time of 39.06 seconds. Burke finished in 15th

place in 39.74 seconds and Fernald was 27th with a time of 52.92 seconds. Prospect is slated to be back at Gunstock on

Friday, Jan. 14. Sports Editor Joshua Spaulding can be reached at 279-4516, ext. 155 or josh@salmonpress.news.

Local students named to President's List at Plymouth State University

PLYMOUTH — A total of 870 students have been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Fall 2021 semester. To be named to the President's List, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or better for the Fall 2021 semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester.

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ical advances, healthier living, and cultural enrichment with a special commitment of service to the North Country and Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

Brittany Neff named to Dean's List at Plymouth State University

PLYMOUTH — Brittany Neff of Alton Bay has been named to the Plymouth State University Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must achieve a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.69 during the Fall semester and must have attempted at least 12 credit hours during the semester. Neff is a Chemistry ma-

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BASKETBALL

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hit consecutive baskets for the Bears before Deuce Smith hit for the Timber Wolves.

Ingram and Belville each hit hoops for the Bears for a 10-4 lead before Nathan Leavitt drained a three-pointer for the Timber Wolves to cut the lead to 10-7

after one quarter of play.

Ethan Capsalis hit the first hoop of the second quarter for Prospect to cut the lead to one before Berg hit two free throws and Demetri Raymond hit a hoop, opening Newfound's lead to 14-9. Leavitt hit a free throw to get Prospect back on the board before Ingram drained consecutive baskets to open the lead up to seven.

Prospect got a free throw from Ian Sandhage and a hoop from Gage Sargent to close the gap to five before Belville drained a three-pointer to close out the first half, giving Newfound the 21-13 lead at the break.

Leavitt got the scoring started for Prospect with a hoop before Landon Sargent drained a three-pointer at the other end for the Bears. Capsalis hit two free throws and Nathan Archambault sunk a three-pointer, cutting the Newfound lead to

24-20.

Berg came back with a free throw and Ingram sunk a three-pointer to stretch the lead back to eight. Archambault sunk a basket but Belville finished off an Ingram steal with a three-point play for the 31-22 lead.

Smith drained a three-pointer and then went end-to-end for another bucket, cutting the lead to 31-27 but Berg answered with a hoop for the Bears. Howe put back a rebound for the Timber Wolves, but Ingram came back with a hoop. Archambault rounded out the scoring for the quarter with a hoop and Newfound's lead was 35-31 at the end of the third quarter.

Free throws from Archambault and Howe to start the fourth quarter cut the lead to just two, but from there, it was all Newfound.

Ingram connected on back-to-back hoops and then Belville hit two in a row to stretch the

lead to 43-33. Capsalis drained a pair of free throws to get Prospect back on the board, but Berg drained a bucket and Ingram hit two hoops in a row and then drained a pair of free throws, pushing Newfound out to a 51-35 lead.

Belville finished of a steal from Bodhi Smith before Sandhage converted a hoop for the Timber Wolves. Landon Sargent hit two free throws and Ingram converted a three-point play as Newfound stretched the lead to 58-37.

Prospect got a free throw from Capsalis and a three-pointer from Leavitt before another Ingram free throw. Leavitt got the final points of the game with a three-pointer and the final was 59-44 for the Bears.

"We got good work from George, Mal and Berg in the second half and we calmed down a little," Mitchell said, noting the team was

without second-leading scorer Zack Stevens. "We had to find someone to come in and fill those shoes.

"The last four years, we would've fallen apart, we would've freaked out mentally (at the start of the fourth quarter)," Mitchell continued. "And it would've been a two-point game with two minutes left and we would've ended up losing."

"The effort of the players, I'm incredibly proud," Gordon said, noting Prospect lost by 46 in the opening game. "From game one to now, I'm really thrilled with the progress.

"There's always a learning curve in any league and I'm seeing more zone (defense) than I've ever seen," he continued. "The effort is there and I'm excited about this group."

Ingram finished with 25 points, including 14 in the fourth quarter, while Belville finished with 16

points. Leavitt led the Timber Wolves with 12 points.

Newfound is back at it on Friday, Jan. 14, at home against Newport at 6 p.m. and will be at White Mountains on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6:30 p.m.

Prospect will be on the road on Friday, Jan. 14, at Berlin at 6:30 p.m. and will be hosting the Mountaineers on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6 p.m.

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Newfound 59

Sargent 2-2-7, Ingram 11-4-25, Belville 7-1-16, Raymond 1-0-2, Berg 3-3-9, Totals 24-10-59

Prospect Mountain 44

Capsalis 1-5-7, Smith 3-0-7, Leavitt 4-1-12, Sandhage 1-1-3, Archambault 3-1-8, Howe 1-3-5, Sargent 1-0-2, Totals 14-11-44

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

SIERRA ROSE carves through the giant slalom course at Cranmore last Friday.



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QUINLAN DICKEY led the Kingswood alpine boys in both races at Cranmore last week.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

MARINA ROY races for Kingswood during the first race of the season last week at Cranmore.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

NORTH CONWAY — The Kingswood alpine team finally got the season started, as the Knights headed to North Conway's Cranmore Mountain Resort on Friday, Jan. 7.

The Kingswood girls and boys both finished in third place in a meet that featured host Kennett and Hanover racing two runs of giant slalom in the morning and two runs in the afternoon.

In the morning race for the girls, Marina Roy paced the Knights with a 10th place finish in a time of 1:06.4

Sierra Rose skied to

20th place with a time of 1:08.79 and Abby Fournier was Kingswood's third finisher in 23rd place in 1:10.84.

Lauren MacPhee finished in 28th place in a time of 1:14.19 to round out Kingswood's scoring.

Hadley Larson finished in 30th in 1:15.85, Isabella Pickle was 31st in 1:18.25, Natalie Marcoulier was 32nd in 1:18.68, Abbie Heald was 34th in 1:20.02 and Carrigain Williams finished in 37th place in 1:28.47.

In the afternoon race, Rose was Kingswood's top finisher, placing 18th in 1:07.45.

Roy finished in a time of 1:07.79 for 20th place

and Fournier finished in a time of 1:11.56 for 24th place.

MacPhee rounded out the scoring again, this time finishing in 1:12.52 for 26th place.

Pickle was 31st in 1:16.54, Larson finished in 32nd place in 1:16.8, Heald was 33rd in 1:18.13, Williams finished in 36th place in 1:21.12, Marcoulier was 37th in 1:21.72 and Brityn Roark finished in a time of 1:32.4 for 40th

LOU ARINELLO navigates the giant slalom course last week in North Conway.

place.

Quinlan Dickey led the way for the Knight boys in the morning race with a time of 1:02.78 for ninth place overall.

Lou Arinello finished in 20th place in a time of 1:07.83 and Cam Yates was raced to 21st place in a time of 1:09.19.

Robbie Hotchkiss finished in a time of 1:10.48 for 22nd place to finish out the scoring.

Camden Colson was

25th in a time of 1:14.53, Blake Sandlin was 26th in a time of 1:14.57 and Owen Kelly finished in a time of 1:26.68 for 30th place.

Dickey led the way in the afternoon race as well, finishing with a time of 1:01.82 for sixth place overall.

Yates was 15th overall in a time of 1:04.5 and Arinello finished in a time of 1:07.39 for 21st place overall.

Hotchkiss again rounded out Kingswood's scorers with a time of 1:09.78 for 23rd place.

Sandlin was 25th in a time of 1:11.77, Colson was 26th in 1:12.95 and Kelly finished in a time of 1:23.31 for 28th place.

Kingswood is slated to be back at Cranmore on Friday, Jan. 14.

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New Durham Parks and Recreation Director Celeste Chasse (left) and New Durham Public Library Director Caitlin Frost have announced the award of \$39,000 in American Rescue Act Plan of 2021 funding through the Institute for Museum and Library Services' "Grants to States" program for musical and exercise equipment, a Little Free Library, and a Pop Up Library at the Town playground, and exercise equipment and a Storywalk along the walking trail at the Elmer Smith ball fields. Here, they point out where they envision some of the equipment will be installed. Although in for some "hard work," both department heads say they are looking forward to the end result. The New Hampshire State Library is facilitating the grant.

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