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# Townsend, Bondaz lead Gilford boys to Division II title

# Catherine Stow wins freestyle, classical championships



JOSHUA SPAULDING Mitchell Townsend skis for Gilford in the Division II champion-

Nordic championships

Aiden Bondaz powers into the finish area during last week's



Carter Forest scored for Gilford in both events at the Division II championships.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

PINKHAM NOTCH Gilford Nordic boys' The division was domination did not

ships last Thursday at Great Glen.

different, the format was different, but the

# Travel policy exempts fully vaccinated from quarantine

mnews@salmonpress.news The Gilford School District will require any students or staff members who travel outside of New England to quarantine, with exceptions for those who

are fully vaccinated. The Gilford School

Board adjusted its travel policy during the March 1 meeting based on recent guidance from the NH Department of Health and Human Services. Superintendent Kirk Beitler announced the changes on the Gilford Middle

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Catherine Stow won both the classical and freestyle Division II



Vanessa Genakos skis to the finish line during last week's championships at Great Glen.

# Gilford boys win defensive battle with Bears

# Win over Belmont sends Golden Eagles to semifinals



Gilford's Sam Cheek and Winnisquam's Leighton Morrison leap for a rebound in playoff action last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING Sports Editor

GILFORD — Most fans watching the Gilford-Winnisquam Divi-

sion III boys' basketball playoff battle on Wednesday, March 3, probably expected an offensive showdown for the ages.

After all, the Golden Eagles and Bears were two of the top teams in the division.

However, good teams also play defense and that's what the fans in attendance or watching at home got, as the two teams combined for 47 points over the course of the 32 minutes, with Gilford hitting free throws

down the stretch for the

28-19 win. "They're good, it just became a slugfest," said Gilford coach Rick Acquilano. "Both teams just dug in on the defensive end.

"I'm proud of the guys, proud of the effort," Acquilano continued. "And we're thankful to win to-

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change.

The duo of Aiden Bondaz and Mitchell Townsend finished in the top three in both legs of the Division II championship to lead the Golden Eagles to the title on Thursday, March 4, at Great Glen Trails in Pinkham Notch.

This year's race was a different format, thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic that forced teams to separate a little more.

Each school's racers were on the course at the same time, with each school separated by about 15 minutes. The race started with the classical loop and the racers came into the start/finish area at the end of that run, changed skis and went out on the freestyle loop. This skiathlon format basically had the athletes completing two races back-toback.

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# GHS brings "Footloose" to the stage

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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Gilford High School theater students will "cut loose" this weekend with a performance of the popular musical "Footloose."

"Footloose" dance into the Gilford High School Auditorium March 12-13 featuring full choreography with accommodations for social distanc-

In "Footloose," teenager Ren McCormack finds



Gilford High School theater students are getting ready for their production of "Footloose' this weekend.

himself moving from Chicago to the small town of Bomont, where dancing

is illegal thanks to the influence of Rev. Shaw

Tyler Brown plays Ren and says he's a bit SEE FOOTLOOSE PAGE A7

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# Notes from the Gilford Public Library

Classes & **Special Events** March 11 - March 18 \*Sign up required Thursday, March 11

Mother Goose On the Loose (Virtual), 10:30-11

Flamenco Kids, 3:30

a weekly flamenco lesson for kids. Local flamenco dancer Gladys Clausen will get the kids moving and learning about this fun dance!

> Friday, March 12 Preschool Storytime,

# **GILFORD POLICE LOG**

The Gilford Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of March 1-7.

Andrew P. McDonald, age 41. of Warren was arrested on March 1 for Driving After Revocation or Suspension.

Shandel Boerner, age 41. of Gilford was arrested on March 1 for Disobeying an Officer and multiple counts of Reckless Operation.

Jaki Lynn Choquette, age 18, of Gilford was arrested on March 1 for Misuse of the 911 Sys-

2."Dark Sky" by C.J. Box

tem, providing False Information to E-911, and Breach of Bail.

Rena E. Schunemann, age 60, of Gilford was arrested on March 2 in connection with multiple bench warrants.

Elizabeth A. Maglio, age 34, of Gilford was arrested on March 2 in connection with multiple bench warrants.

Carl D. Webber, age 58, of Londonderry was arrested on March 4 for Unauthorized Use of a Firearm or Firecracker.

Flamenco Fridays, 1 p.m.

Learn how to Flamenco dance in the comfort of your own home with professional flamenco dancer Gladys Clausen! A fun event to learn or just sit back while listening to sweet guitar sounds and watch spectacular flamenco performance. Join us each week for lessons and put it all together on the last week.

Gilford Library Games, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Join Hayden for interactive live games! Check out our Teen Discord Server for more inforgilfordlibrary.org for an invite.

Monday, March 15 NO EVENTS

Tuesday, March 16 Geri Fit, 9:45-10:45 a.m. Bilingual Storytime, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 17 St. Patrick's Day Take and Make Craft

Celebrate with a craft sure to be loved for months to come. Pick up available on March 17 for ages two to 10 while supplies last.

Phone-In Check out an

Expert, 10 a.m.-noon

After School Teen Club, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Hangout with friends, play games, and make stuff. This club is whatever you want it to be! fifth-12th grade.

Thursday, March 18 Mother Goose On the Loose (Virtual), 10:30-11

Snowshoe Hike, 1-2:30

Join Molly in the final days of winter for one last snowshoe hike of the season! We'll take a snowshoe hike through Ramblin Vewe Farm to soak up those last few snowy

sights. Meet at the Boyd Hill Entrance for Ramblin Vewe Farm.

\*Sign up required/byo snowshoes if possible

\*limited snowshoes available to reserve courtesy of the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department

\*Pending adequate trail conditions\*

Flamenco Kids, 3:30

Tune in on FB live for a weekly flamenco lesson for kids. Local flamenco dancer Gladys Clausen will get the kids moving and learning about this fun dance!

# GPL offering more in-person programming

BY ERIN PLUMMER mnews@salmonnress news

The Gilford Public Library is relaxing some of its pandemic-related restrictions and offering some programs in the building.

The library nounced in the latest issue of "The Hub" town newsletter that the trustees voted to increase capacity and make the building more available to the public. Building capacity was doubling and small groups of 10 people and under could use the meeting rooms.

Passport applications and notary services are also available again by appointment only.

The library is also offering some in-person programs with pre-registration recommended.

"We do ask with those programs that you register in advance so we do



Gladys Clausen and Roberto are offering online flamenco lessons on the Gilford Public Library's Facebook page. The flamenco classes for kids and adults are some of the library's virtual programs.

not run into an excessive head count issue," read the newsletter.

People over 55 can get a workout right at the library with GeriFit every Thursday at 9:45 a.m. The class is limited to 10 people and is available to library card holders only. Registration is required and participants are also asked to bring a two-tothree-pound dumbbell and water during the workout.

The After-School Teen Club is coming back ev-

ery Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Teens in grades 5-12 can "Hangout with friends, play games, and make stuff."

Preschool Storytime is back at the library. Kids ages two and a half through five-years-old and their adult guests can Join Miss Jill every Friday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. for storytelling. The program is limited to 10 people to adhere to CDC guidelines, sign-up is required.

The library will host one more Snowshoe Hike of the winter on Thursday, March 18. Join Molly at the hike around Ramblin' Vewe Farm from 1-2:30 p.m., starting at the Boyd Hill entrance. Sign up is required and participants are asked to bring their own snowshoes. A limited number of snowshoes can be reserved

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Main St., Plymouth, NH 536-2625.

Gilford Public Library

Top Ten Requests

1."The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah

4. "Before She Disappeared" by Lisa Gardner

3."The Russian" by James Patterson

5. "The Last Traverse" by Ty Gagne

8. "Faithless in Death" by J.D. Robb

9."Daylight" by David Baldacci

6. "Serpentine" by Jonathan Kellerman

7."Where You'll Find Me" by Ty Gagne





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# Bulldogs rally past Lakers in playoff opener



Ryan Bousquet (left) of Laconia-Winnisquam-Inter-Lakes tries to control the puck as Belmont-Gilford's Brady Logan looks to knock it away in playoff action last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING Sports Editor

LACONIA —

The two teams that call the Merrill Fay Arena home took to the arena's ice on Wednesday, March 3, for the opening round of the Division III tournament.

While the Laconia-Winnisquam-Inter-Lakes Lakers, playing without two of their top players, got off to a hot start, it was the Belmont-Gilford Bulldogs who finished strong, rallying from a 3-1 first period deficit to pull off a 4-3 win to advance to the quarterfinal round.

"They (LWI) came to play and we didn't match it," said B-G coach Jason Parent. "They had a big first period and it took us a while to get in the flow of things."

"That was a great game, I am very proud of them," said LWI coach Paul Wheaton. "There is no quit in these guys, they deserve better."

The Lakers came out on fire and after an early Carter Smith shot went wide of the net, the Lakers were able to get on the board less than two and a half minutes into the game. Zack Spicuzza snapped a shot from the circle past Bulldog keeper Colin McGreevy for the 1-0 lead.

The Bulldogs came charging back with a number of chances, with Jackson Collins making a nice centering pass, Zoltan Stefan sending a shot on net that Laker keeper

Evan Rollins stopped and Zack Gilbert sent a shot over the top of the net. The Lakers came back with a chance from Andrew Spicuzza that Mc-Greevy stopped.

The Lakers doubled their lead with 9:12 to go in the first period, as Connor Blake scored his first career goal on an assist from Austin Keenan for the 2-0 lead. The Lakers kept pressuring, with Ryan Bousquet and Andrew Spicuzza sending shots on net that Mc-Greevy stopped. Geena Cookinham had a shot for the Bulldogs that went wide.

Belmont-Gilford got on the board with 7:38 to go in the period, as Owen Guerin sent a nice pass across the crease where Cookinham was waiting with a wide open net in front of her and she buried the puck to cut the lead to 2-1. The teams exchanged chances, with Guerin and Andrew Spicuzza putting shots on net, along with Andrew Rowley and Eric Ellingson for B-G, but Rollins and McGreevy held tight.

The Lakers upped the lead to 3-1 with 3:20 to go in the period, as Zack Spicuzza got in all alone and buried the shot with an assist from Rollins. Nate Holmes just missed connecting with Zack Spicuzza on a chance and Andrew Spicuzza made a nice defensive play on a rush into the zone by Guerin.

However, with 36 sec-

onds left on the clock in the first, the Bulldogs cut the lead to 3-2, as Collins sent a shot on net that McGreevy stopped but Brady Logan put the rebound in the net and the period came to a close with the Lakers up 3-2.

The Bulldogs then pulled even 1:09 into the second period, as Guerin got in alone on an assist from Gilbert and made it

Smith made a nice centering pass that missed sticks in front while Dylan Flannery and Brendan Folan had chances for the Bulldogs that Rollins stopped. The Lakers went on the power play with 9:29 to go but the Bulldogs did the job on the penalty kill, as Bradley McIntire and Guerin did a nice job killing off the penalty. Rowley made a nice defensive stop on Andrew Spicuzza, who also had a power play chance, but the penalty was killed off.

Belmont-Gilford continued to pressure after the penalty, with Folan, Rowley, Guerin and Stefan all getting chances that Rollins denied. Austin Keenan came back with a chance for the Lakers but McGreevy made the stop.

With a tick less than two minutes to go in the second period, Guerin was able to propel the Bulldogs into the lead, with assists going to Stefan and Cookinham for the 4-3 lead. The Lakers had some late chances,



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Owen Guerin prepares to fire off a shot in playoff action last week in Laconia.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Austin Keenan skates with the puck in action against Belmont-Gilford last week.

with Zack Spicuzza and Andrew Spicuzza getting good chances, but Mc-Greevy held tight and the period ended with Belmont-Gilford up by one.

The Bulldogs got a power play to start the final period and Gilbert had a couple of good chances, but the Lakers did a nice job killing off the penalty, with Smith, Zach Cafarella and Bousquet all getting good clears to kill off the pen-

Logan had a shot go wide for the Bulldogs while Keenan, Bousquet and Blake all getting chances in close, with McGreevy hanging tough. Gilbert also sent a shot high at the other end. The Lakers went on the power play with 7:08 to go and Cafarella had a shot denied and Gilbert sent a shot over the top of the net. Guerin did a nice job killing off the penalty and the Bulldogs got back to full strength.

The Lakers got another power play chance with 4:08 to go and had chances, with some Adam Ribeiro sending a shot wide. Stefan and Folan both had shorthanded bids while Bousquet came back with a great chance, with McGreevy making a sprawling save to preserve the win for the Bulldogs.

"I think we ultimately tired them out," said Parent. "Rotating four lines, with four defense, we have a little depth.

"You've got to have people who can eat up time, they play the body and slow the game down," the Bulldog coach said of his bench depth.

He also praised the work of McGreevy, particularly in the final minutes.

"That's what he does," Parent added.

"This was the first playoff game we've had and the boys held themselves up well," Wheaton said. "I'm very proud of these guys.

"They're a tight knit group, it's hard to lose," the Laker coach continued. "And I feel for my seniors."

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# Gilford Parks and Recreation News

BY HERB GREENE

Gilford Parks and Recreation

Senior Strides Weekly Walking returns on March 17

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department's weekly drop-in walking program for senior adults on Wednesday mornings from 9-10 a.m. at the Gilford Youth Cen-

ter returns beginning March 17. Participants can track their progress or just walk for fun. All participants should bring and wear a mask throughout the program. Participants are also encouraged to bring their own water bottle, as water will not be provided. There will be plenty of chairs available, spaced

6 feet apart, for participants to take a break as needed. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant will be available. There is no fee for this program and participants can register their first day.

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# Here comes the sun, and we say it's all right

After a long (but, we think, mild) winter, warmer, longer days are finally here. As the official first day of spring nears on March 20, we're noticing people have more of a pep in their step. A refreshing sight given the year 2020 delivered.

While each season has its own perks, there is something about spring that seems to surprise us each year. We re-acquaint ourselves with our yards as they slowly reveal themselves as the snowbanks melt away. Muddy grass has never been a kinder sight.

Over the past few weeks, the common chatter has been about baseball, springtime fitness goals, gardening, hiking, you know the usual. This week we reminisced about old April Fool's Day pranks in the office. Tacks on seats, the soda bottle filled with water sitting on top of a door waiting to be opened in order to drench an unsuspecting individual, saran wrapped cars, fake lottery winnings, fake wedding proposals and lost wedding rings, to name a few. Stunts to make Larry, Moe and Curly proud.

With spring comes "spring fever." In modern times this is a semi-positive term, however back in colonial times, 'spring fever' referred to the poor quality of health everyone was in, after sustaining a winter without fresh vegetables and proper diet. Today's "spring fever" will have children restless, new romances transpire and people attacking their homes with dust

cloths and Windex.

Experts say the changes that a person goes through during the springtime are due to hormonal changes in the body. During the winter months, the body secretes a large amount of melatonin, (the sleep hormone). The presence of more sunlight in spring sends the body a message to stop producing as much melatonin. This causes folks to be more awake. Add this to the uptick in your serotonin levels due to the sunlight and you will not only be awake but enthusiastic.

Interesting to note is that during the springtime the body becomes more susceptible to illnesses. Way back when, scurvy outbreaks always occurred during this time of year as did rubella and measles. Doctors note that in spring, gout, a condition that affects joints, peaks in individuals. Because there are more allergens in the air, you will see more cases of rosacea and other skin irritations on the rise.

We encourage everyone to spend as much time outdoors this spring, including the days leading up to its official start. Get back to basics, back to nature, keep things simple and pick up an old hobby you have abandoned but have been meaning to reconnect with, life is meant to be

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### A trailer full of hope

The Laconia-Gilford Lions Club partnered with the Social Justice Committee of the local Unitarian-Universalist Society on a service project collecting food donations for Community Action Program (CAP) of Laconia's food pantry. "Many folks responded, giving a large amount and variety of items, which filled a 5 by 8 foot trailer provided for the event," explained Lions Club President Matt Soza. "This is part of an ongoing series of projects targeting food insecurity in our area, our 'Step Up to the Plate' campaign. We want to thank our friends at the little white UU church as well as all those who donated. Together, we not only stepped up to the plate, but hit a home run." The UU church is located at 172 Pleasant St. in Laconia. Contact the UU at 524-6488 or uusl@myfairpoint.net. Contact the Lions at 998-5549. Pictured, left to right: Lions Club President Matt Soza, UU member Roger Andrews, Lions Club members Bill & Lori Chandler.

## NORTH COUNTRY NOTEBOOK

Thinking about loons, already, and the ice is still pretty thick



**By John Harrigan COLUMNIST** 

Back in the early '90s, I was on the Northern Forest Lands Council, charged with envisioning the future of 26 million acres across northern New England and upstate New York. We were expected to make recommendations and then disappear, which we did.

One of my meager suggestions addressed uniform trucking regulations. For years, I'd been hearing complaints from friends in the trucking business about having to deal with four differ-



This is a scene that the Loon Preservation Committee hopes will play out all over New Hampshire in a few (it says here) short months. Meanwhile, we're still measuring the ice in feet. ent sets of weight regulabills are in committee and log trucks."

tions. Wonder of wonders, there it was back there 30 years ago, in our final report: "Recommendation 32, to establish consistent truck weight regulations. State transportation agencies should coordinate with one another to establish consistent truck weight regulations across the region."

Back to the here and now. The New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association sends members a legislative watch-list, which keeps us informed on where and floor-votes, and offers advice on proposals. The TOA gave a thumbs-up on this one:

"House Bill 279---This bill increases the weight allowance for tandem axbinations where there are more than four axles hauling forest products) to 40,000 pounds for forest products being hauled from log landings. This will make New Hampshire consistent with our neighboring states and will address a perennial problem with weight distribution in chip vans

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Last month's loss of Jefferson's original builtfor-purpose town hall (ca. 1872) was a hard blow for les (on truck/trailer com- a town that could be forgiven for being warier of fires than most. This is the town, after all, that went through the infamous arsons of 1988 and '89, in which more than 20 local or nearby fires were set or unusual.

> I had to choose my words carefully in that first line, because so SEE **NOTEBOOK** PAGE A6

### STRATEGIES FOR LIVING

# At the crossroads of American history

BY LARRY SCOTT

The Equality Act, recently passed by the House of Representatives, is now in the hands of the U.S. Senate. Many of us hope it will be stopped there by legislators who take seriously the awesome responsibility they have been given in determining America's future.

Conservative legislators have promised the act will be amended to accommodate the religious beliefs of Catholics. Muslims, and the Evangelical community, but that gives little comfort to those of us who remember what happened in 1973. When Roe v. Wade became law voices of caution were ignored and less than forty years later, pushing the statute to its limit, the State of New York determined the life of an unwanted child can be taken on the very day of its birth. It may be lawful, but infanticide by any other name is still infanticide.

how to respond to the Equality Act. Countless organizations and writers have outlined the dangers and changes that will come to America if the Act becomes law. The House of Representatives, however, passed it 236 to 173, when 58 percent of our legislators capitulated to political expedience.

This is serious business, America. We are at the crossroads of history. This is a red-letter moment in our country. We are allowing our legislators to make a decision that will have a profound impact on all segments of our society. Business, medicine, the church, education, and sports will be forced to make changes that violate principles of conscience, limit parental rights, challenge established practices, permit government intrusion, and violate fundamental principles that

have made America great It is with reason that

It is difficult to know some of America's most revered institutions are justifiably worried. Such organizations as the Women's Liberation Front, Focus on the Family, the Alliance Defending Freedom, Concerned Women for America, and the Heritage Foundation, have all come out against the bill. Adoption and foster care agencies, women's shelters, Christian businesses, church schools, and medical professionals, have banded together to oppose this legislation. And that is to say nothing of those from whom we have yet to hear: the prison system, the police, and the courts.

> So... where do we go from here? We have been told you cannot legislate morality, and that is true, but it works both ways. And the fact the Christian community opposes this legislation does not brand us as the pariah of this generation. We want what is best for America, and that includes all Americans. This, howev

er, is not it!

It is likely the Act will not get through the Senate, but progressives and liberal extremists will continue to advocate for change in America's social landscape. You have heard this from me before, and you will hear it again, but this is what happens when you get away from an objective standard of right and wrong. When your definition of truth is determined by popular consent, when you ignore the guidelines God has given us in His Word, sooner or later there will be hell to pay.

Take note, America. There is only one way out of the morass into which we find ourselves, and it is God's way! Ignore Him, and you cannot win, but take Him into your confidence, and you cannot lose! It is high time, America. We need to get back to God.

For more thoughts like these, follow me at indefenseoftruth.net.

# Bulldogs come up short in quarterfinal tilt

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

CONWAY — The Division III hockey quarterfinal battle at the Ham Arena in Conway on Saturday was a battle worthy of playoff hockey, as the Kennett Eagles rallied from an early deficit to knock off the Belmont-Gilford Bulldogs by a 4-2 score, advancing Kennett to the Division III semifinals.

The game saw the visitors jump out to a 1-0 lead after one quarter before Kennett scored three goals in the second quarter to take the lead and never look back. The Eagles were coming off a bye in the first round, which meant 10 days off, while the Bulldogs beat their Laconia rinkmates, Laconia-Winnisquam-Inter-Lakes earlier in the week.

"I think we would've rather had that other game," said Kennett coach Mike Lane. "We were a little rusty in that first period.

"But we got our legs going in the second," he

continued. "It's different for your lungs in practice and what you can do in games."

"It's frustrating, up 1-0, and then we let in a soft goal from the corner," said B-G coach Jason Parent. "We're such a young team, something like that happens and it takes the wind out of our sails."

Robbie Murphy had a couple of early shots on B-G keeper Colin Mc-Greevy, but the Bulldog keeper made the saves. Sam Seavey also sent a shot over the top of the net for the Eagles. Zoltan Stefan had a centering pass for the Bulldogs that missed the mark in front and Owen Guerin had a shot wide of the net.

Colby Olivier made a nice defensive play on Adam Ribeiro while Brady Logan had a shot stopped by Kennett keeper Bryson Wrobleski. Zack Gilbert and Andrew Rowley continued the attack for the Bulldogs and Guerin sent a nice shot through the crease but could not convert.

Wade Volo had a cou-



Kennett's Colby Olivier skates in to try and knock the puck away from Belmont-Gilford's Geena Cookinham.

Belmont-Gilford also got a power play chance in the last three minutes of the frame, but the Eagles held tight, with Volo, Noah Keefe and Olivier making good clears while Keefe also had a shorthanded bid denied by McGreevy. The Eagles successfully killed off the power play but the Bulldogs took the 1-0 lead to the end of the first period.

Colby Hall and Cormier just missed connecting on a centering pass but it didn't take long for the Eagles to get on the board. Cormier fired a shot from the goal line beside the net and it banked of Mcchance for the Bulldogs, as did Guerin, but they also couldn't connect.

Belmont-Gilford went on the power play with 4:43 to go in the period and just 12 seconds later, Volo made a great individual effort, shaking off a defender and getting in alone and sliding the puck past McGreevy from his knees for the shorthanded tally and the 2-1 lead.

B-G came back with power play chances from Brendan Folan, Stefan and Gilbert, but Wrobleski held tight. Seavey also did a nice job killing off the penalty and with



Sam Seavey of Kennett skates into the zone as Brenan Folan of Belmont-Gilford looks to keep him away from the zone.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Zoltan Stefan skates into the zone during playoff action on Saturday in Conway.

2:33 to go, Kennett got a four-minute power play

Just 30 seconds into the power play, Olivier was able to give the Eagles the 3-1 lead on a shot from the circle to Mc-Greevy's right. Volo and Murphy got the assists. Kennett remained on the power play for another two minutes and Cormier, Murphy, Volo and Olivier all had chances while Gilbrert and Bradley McIntire helped kill off the penalty, bringing the period to an end with

chance.

Kennett up 3-1. Belmont-Gilford had some early chances in the third period, with Hall blocking a shot by Stefan. At the other end, Volo and Seavey had bids and Brady Shaw sent a shot over the net and also had a good defensive play on Guerin. Logan Moulton, Ribeiro and Logan continued the attack for the Bulldogs but Wrobleski held his ground.

With 8:16 to go in the game, Volo scored his second goal of the game on assists from Seavey and Keefe for the 4-1 lead.

The Bulldogs got a power play with 7:20 to go and Guerin got a number of chances early in the man-advantage but couldn't get anything past Wrobleski. Kennett took another power play with 6:21 to go, giving the Bulldogs 1:01 of fiveon-three hockey and Stefan, Jackson Collins and Folan all got in close but couldn't convert and one of the penalties was killed

However, just seconds later, the Bulldogs did convert on the power play, with Wrobleski making a save on a bid by Gilbert, but Guerin

was there to put home the rebound to cut the lead to

Kennett got a late power play chance and Murphy, Seavey and Volo had chances, while Guerin had a shorthanded bid, but the 4-2 score stood up, with Kennett getting the victory. "We talked between

the first and second, we had to put more pucks on net and get some ugly ones," said Lane. "Obviously we got lucky with that first one, we had some good energy in the second period.

"They're a gritty team, they battle hard and made it difficult for us all night," Lane continued. "On to the semis, we'll take it.

"I'm thrilled, I'm happy for them, just to get to experience this," he add-

"We're a young team, we'll be better next year.' Parent said. "We have a bunch of good freshmen coming up who can contribute and we have some kids who didn't play, hopefully come back.

"We got an unlucky draw," the Bulldog coach continued. "We had to play against the best player in the division (Volo) three times, other teams didn't have to play him at

Kennett moved on to the Division III semifinals, which took place after deadline Wednesday in Concord. The finals take place on Saturday, March 13, also at the Everett Arena in Concord at 7:30 p.m.

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# Gilford girls fall short against Newfound

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

Sports Editor

BRISTOL — The play-in round of the Division III girls' basketball tournament saw the Gilford girls' hoop team make the trip to Bristol to take on the Bears of Newfound on Tuesday, March 2.

The host Bears scored nine of the first 10 points and never looked back, taking a 62-32 win to advance on in the postsea-

"Looking at the scoring, all eight players scored, which is what we're trying to do," said Newfound coach Kammi Williams. "It hasn't been that in every game, but they picked a good night for it to happen."

"They shot the ball lights out," said Gilford coach Rick Forge, referring to the Bears. "They live and die by the three and tonight they lived by it."

Bailey Fairbank the scoring started with the first of her five three-pointers on the night and after a free throw from Paulina Huckins, Allison Carr got Gilford's first point with a foul shot. Malina Bohlmann hit a hoop and then Fairbank drilled another three-pointer for the 9-1 lead for Newfound.

Jaiden McKenna drilled a three-pointer for the Golden Eagles but Bohlmann and Huckins hit back-toback baskets and McKenzie Bohlmann hit a free throw to stretch the lead to 14-4 for the Bears.

Carr came back with a pair of free throws for Gilford before Malina Bohlmann finished off her own steal with a bucket. Maegan Shute hit a hoop for the visitors and Gilford was within 16-8 after the first eight minutes.

Malina Bohlmann started the second quarter with a hoop but Ryan Guyer answered with a three-pointer for Gilford. Tiffany Doan came back with a long ball at the other end and then Malina Bohlmann drained a pair of baskets



Newfound's Tiffany Doan leaps for a rebound while sandwiched between Gilford's Maegan Shute and Lindsev Sanderson.



JOSHUA SPAULDING Allison Carr soars toward the basket in tournament action last week.

to push the lead to 25-11.

Shute hit a pair of free throws for Gilford but MollyLu McKellar hit for two at the other end of the court. Shute got the final basket of the half for the Golden Eagles and the score was 27-15 for the Bears at the break.

Newfound held the Golden Eagles to just three points in the third quarter and put the game out of reach. Huckins started the scoring with a hoop and then Fairbank and Doan hit back-to-back three-pointers for the 35-

pair of baskets and Fairbank hit for yet another three-pointer. Carr finished off a steal for Gilford's first basket of the third quarter but Fairbank answered at the other end with a three-pointer. Alysen Pichette got

Huckins drained a

a free throw for Gilford but Malina Bohlmann finished off the third quarter by putting back a rebound for the 47-18 lead heading to the fourth quarter.

Shute started the final frame with a hoop but McKellar, Huckins and Mackenzie Bolhmann continued the attack with baskets and McKellar drained two from the free throw line. Carr hit a three-pointer for Gilford and then converted three free throws in two trips to the line to make it 55-26.

Tea Rodney drained three-pointer for Gilford but Rylee Barresponded three-pointer Newfound. Carr swered with her own three-pointer but McKellar and Matti Douville finished out the scoring with baskets to give Newfound the 62-32 win.

"We felt good going into tonight's game," "We Williams. knew we weren't where we were last time (the two teams played) as a SEE **GIRL HOOPS** PAGE A7

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to meeting your daily and monthly expenses. So, it's obviously important that you maintain sufficient earned income. But what happens if you encounter a serious illness or injury that keeps you from work for an extended period? Depending on the length of time you're not working, you could feel a real financial pinch, so you may want to consider some type of disability insurance. Your employer may offer a short-term policy as an employee benefit, but it might not be sufficient, so you may need to look at private

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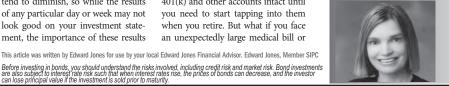
Goal: Having confidence in your strategy

tions, according to a new survey from Edward Jones. One way to help gain this confidence is by working with a financial advisor.

quickly from difficult financial situa-

In fact, 36 percent of those surveyed began working with a financial advisor in 2020 for help navigating the pas year. The importance of receiving good advice became apparent during the COVID-19 pandemic, which brought about a variety of financial worries such as job loss, retirement consider ations, caregiving for elderly parents or providing financial support to adult

You will face some challenges on your journey toward achieving your finan cial objectives. But by being resilient you can stay on the right road.



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# URI students named to Dean's List

KINGSTON. R.I. — The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the Fall 2020 Dean's List. The students represent nearly all of Rhode Island's cities and towns, all six New England states, New York and New Jersey, and many other states and countries. The following students were named to Dean's List:

James Buckley of Gilford

Anne Dionne of Laco-

Johanna Morris of Gilford

Kaitlyn VanBennekum of Gilford

To be included on the

Dean's List, full-time

students must have completed 12 or more credits for letter grades during a semester and achieved at least a 3.30 quality point average. Part-time students qualify with the accumulation of 12 or more credits for letter grades earning at least a 3.30 quality point average.

As a public Land Grant University in a highly competitive region in the United States, URI carefully monitors and manages its tuition and fee rates to remain one of the most affordable universities in the Northeast for both in-state and out-of-state students. An estimated 90% of undergraduate students receive

annual financial aid and institutional support

The University's total fall 2020 enrollment of 17,649 students comprises 15,393 full- and part-time undergraduate students, including 748 pharmacy six-year professional practice, and 2,256 fulland part-time graduate students. About 52% of the total student body is from Rhode Island and 48% are from out of state or foreign countries. The student body includes students from 48 U.S. states and territories, and 67 nations.

The University of Rhode Island's pioneering research in ocean, environmental and health sciences extends the University's influence well beyond its coastal borders, while its interdisciplinary courses provide students with uniquel opportunities and experiences,

Over the last ten years, the University has completed more than \$710 million in capital projects, including new construction, and renovation and rehabilitation of existing buildings across its four campuses. The University's campus locations, include the main campus, located on 1,248 acres in rural Kingston,

the Graduate School of Oceanography, located on 165 acres on Narragansett Bay, the W. Alton Jones Campus in West Greenwich, a 1,200-acre nature preserve, the Alan Shawn Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies and the Rhode Island Nursing Education Center, both in the capital city of Providence, R.I.

# Public Works building, Glendale committees addressed in town administrator's report

BY ERIN PLUMMER

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A committee to examine the public works building, removing selectmen's representation from the Glendale Committee, parking restrictions by the sledding hill, and Comcast's ongoing wiring work were some of the topics discussed during the recent selectmen's meeting.

Town administrator Scott Dunn reported on a number of goings on in town government during the Feb. 24 selectmen's meeting.

Next meeting, board will also discuss

creating a Public Works **Building Needs Commit**tee. Dunn said he would have a resolution to form the committee, which would be a citizen's committee examining the needs of the public works building.

Town officials are also talking about the possibility of taking selectmen's representatives off the Glendale Committee and making it a purely citizen run committee with town officials serving as advisors. Dunn said he put together a plan to do this and have been sharing it with the Glendale Committee. Dunn said he heard mixed feedback on this, including the sentiment that if something isn't broken it shouldn't be changed.

"I'm very uncomfortable with having town officials serve on a committee I think should be served by citizens," Dunn

He said he will come back to the board with more on this later.

The town has posted no parking signs along one side of Route 11A by the sledding hill. Dunn said with people using the hill the road has been congested with cars. The parking signs were

some, for the leave-the-

placed on one side of the road, while the other side is open for parking.

"With vacation week and good snow these signs will be out." Dunn said.

Board Chair Chan Eddy also said he heard that Comcast is still in the process of installing wiring in Gilford. The company is in the process of putting in the infrastructure to offer service to Gilford residents. Eddy said he heard at his workplace, where Comcast is a customer, that Comcast is currently installing wiring in Gilford and Belmont.

# Gilmanton's Noah Bolduc named to St. Lawrence University's Dean's List

CANTON, N.Y. — Noah Bolduc from Gilmanton has been selected for inclusion on St. Lawrence University's Dean's List for academic achievement during the Fall 2020 semester.

Bolduc is a member of the Class of 2024. Bolduc attended New Hampton School.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

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through the Parks and Recreation Department. The hike will go on depending on trail condi-

The library is still offering a number of virtual and at-home activities.

Local Flamenco danc-Gladys Clausen is offering virtual lessons every week through the library's Facebook page. Kids can learn flamenco dancing on Thursdays with Flamenco Kids at 3:30 p.m. Adults can learn lessons every Friday for Flamenco Fridays at 1

Kids can do a take-

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home St. Patrick's Day craft on Wednesday, March 17. Supplies for the St. Patrick's Day Make & Take Craft are available at the library for ages two to 10 while supplies last.

Make a soda fountain at home with Miss Jill on March 24 with Science @ Home. No sign up is required and the event will be love on the library's Facebook page from 3:30-

These are just a few of the library's programs. For a full listing of activities and events visit gilfordlibrary.org.

### **NOTEBOOK**

many of northern New England's towns held their first town meetings in a school, church, or someone's house. In many cases, the town didn't have a town hall until well after it was incorporated. And in many cases, towns were not incorporated until long after being settled.

But wait---what about that word "settled," and by whom? Many of the state's meadowlands had already been farmed, for millennia, by people who had no concept of carving land up for individual ownership.

In Jefferson's case, Paleo-Indian artifacts 7,000 years old have been found in nearby archaeological digs. More recently, offshoot tribes of the Abenaki used what later were known as the Upper Cohasse Intervales as seasonal planting grounds.

The town was incorporated in 1796, but it's anyone's guess on how many hunters, trappers, speculators, surveyors, and yes, settlers were there before.

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This from the Loon Preservation Committee: "The first week of Feb-

ruary brought with it the first loon rescue and release of 2021. During the

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February 2nd Nor'easter, a juvenile loon crash landed and became stranded at McDaniels Marsh in the Sunapee region. Thankfully, a team of concerned onlookers, including Ann and John Donnery and Cynthia Bruss, were able to relay the loon to Maria Colby at Wings of the Dawn Wildlife Rehabilitation.

"After an exam at Weare Animal Hospital and a consultation with veterinarians who are experts on loons, it was decided that the best course of action was to release the loon back into the wild as soon as possible. The loon was banded by LPC Senior Biologist, John Cooley, and released directly onto the ocean at Odiorne Point."

The LPC relies on biologists and volunteers to employ a wide range of management strategies, ranging from building floating nesting sites to roping off or flagging sensitive habitat and nesting areas.

In 2020, the LPC said, almost one-third of the chicks hatched in the state came from its rafts. "and 59% of the chicks hatched came from nests that were protected by signs and/or rope lines."

Boaters, like any other sector of the outdoor community, have a certain learning-curve. It has

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loons-alone message to get through. Diplomatic frequenters of the aquatic scene tell me that behavior is improving. A few weeks ago, I wrote about the heartache felt by communi-

ties with the loss of customary visiting hours and funerals. I called it the kind of "societal glue" often overlooked by mainstream media. the kind vital to a certain way of life, and death.

That last is an aspect I did not convey very well, but which the original correspondent later did much better than I could have:

"cheeky" as the new kid

"He decides to make

Colby Smith plays

a difference and unban

Rev. Shaw Moore. Smith

said Rev. Shaw used to be

a caring person, though

after a family tragedy he

starts blaming a lot of

things in town that young

people enjoy and uses his

influence to get new laws

ent than what I usually

play, but it's fun to show

that kind of varying emo-

ister's rebellious daugh-

ter, is played by Kathryn

daughter when she's with

him, but she's really re-

bellious and she wants to

get away from that life,"

Rev. Moore's wife Vi

Moore, who she says tries

Jacqueline Nash plays

Ariel Moore, the min-

"She's the reverend's

tion," Smith said.

Osburn.

Osburn said.

"It's definitely differ-

put in place.

dancing," Brown said.

**FOOTLOOSE** 

illegal.

"When people grieve together at calling hours, a funeral, and all the other events surrounding a death, (it) is a special type of binding that only happens in that situation and can't simply be deferred. Human emotions do not stagnate and wait for a more opportune time to be displayed."

It bears noting that funeral directors have adapted to meet people's needs, abide by the laws, and adjust to the times. Even so, social bonds are strained.

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to keep up an image while watching as her husband changed greatly after the tragedy. Rehearsals have been going on for about

a month. While some

recent Gilford shows haven't had any choreography, "Footloose" is going forward with full choreography with some changes to allow for social distancing.

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"How do we do a scene that's a hugging scene without any hugging," Nash said of the considerations, later adding, "For the most part we have been doing very, very well with that."

All the choreography is done by students since they can't have anyone from the outside in the school.

All the performers are also wearing masks.

"With the last show we did, we got a lot more used to the masks," Nash said.

Osburn said she doesn't really notice the masks anymore.

Brown said the process has been a little stressful, but fun overall.

"Footloose" will take the stage Friday, March 12, and Saturday, March 13, both at 7 p.m. Tickets are only available online https://www.onthestage.com/show/gilfordhigh-school/getting-toknow-footloose-37292.

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team.

"Balanced scoring, that's what we had tonight, we shot the ball well," the Bear coach continued. "And we played good defense too."

Williams praised the work of her team both on the court and off as the girls continue to work hard.

"This team, when I say something, they listen, they take it to heart," the Newfound mentor said. "They pay attention, they care, they want to win. And they're a nice group of kids to boot."

"We beat COVID, but we lost to the injury bug," said Forge, point-

ing out that the Golden Eagles have played a good chunk of the season without Maura Hughes and Vanessa Flanders, two of their top options. "We're shorthanded. You lose two starters like that, it's tough because we're not a deep

"But that's not an excuse," the Gilford coach continued. "We still have to show up and play. It gave the freshmen an opportunity to play."

Fairbank finished with 15 points, all from beyond the arc, to lead all scorers, while Malina Bohlmann added 14 and Huckins put in 11 points. Carr led the way



for the Golden Eagles

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with 14 points.

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### Newfound 62

Fairbank 5-0-15, Mal. Bohlmann 7-0-14, Doan 2-0-6, Mac. Bohlmann 1-1-3, Huckins 5-1-11, McKellar 3-2-8, Douville 1-0-2, Barney 1-0-3, Totals 25-4-

### Gilford 32

Guyer 1-0-3, McKenna 1-0-3, Carr 3-6-14, Pichette 0-1-1, Shute 3-2-8, Rodney 1-0-3, Totals 9-9-32

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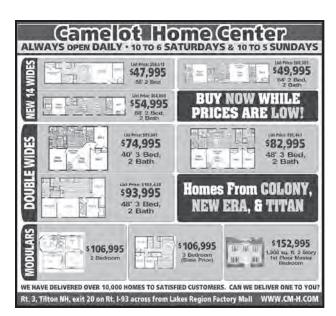


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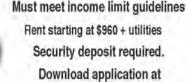
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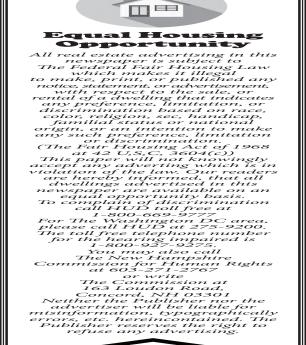
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The policy was updated based on Update #33 from DHHS on vaccine allocations and quarantine guidance.

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this rule and ways quarantine can end earlier.

Staff and students can end their quarantine the moment they receive a negative PCR test result on the sixth or seventh day or quarantine.

Those who have been fully vaccinated and have waited 14 days before traveling will not to quarantine.

Those who are also fully vaccinated also don't need to quarantine after being exposed to someone who tests positive for COVID-19.

who have had a positive PCR test in the past 90 days are also exempted from the rule.

Students and staff

Regardless of vaccine or previous infection status, the update from NH DHHS still recommends that people not take part in non-essential travel given that the vaccines do not offer 100 percent protection, immunity durability is unknown, and different variants are still being investigated. The state still recommended to continue wearing masks, socially

distance, and engage in proper hand hygiene.

"It remains possible that people who are fully vaccinated or previously infected could still acquire asymptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection. or attenuated (milder) COVID-19," read Update #33. "Therefore, even people who are fully vaccinated or previously

infected need to continue to practice physical distancing, avoid social groups and gatherings, and wear face masks at all times when in public places and facilities. Healthcare providers should continue to follow all recommended infection control and personal protective equipment (PPE) guidance."

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(2 positions available)

Past playing and/or coaching experience preferred. Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to Cayman Belyea, Athletic Director, at cbelyea@sau80.org, or mail to Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, NH 03220. Successful completion, with satisfactory results, of a post-offer, pre-employment physical and criminal background check, including fingerprinting, is required.





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In the opening classical race, Townsend took the win with a time of 9:43.

Bondaz was right behind, finishing in a time of 9:46 for second place and Carter Forest skied to 16th place in a time of 11:11.

Henry Stow finished in a time of 11:23 for 17th place to close out the scoring.

Alden Townsend finished in 26th place overall with a time of 11:58, Scott Kulcsar was 38th overall in a time of 12:44 and Gilford also had two skiers competing for Skimeister points only, with Patrick Gandini in 10th place in 10:48 and Haukur Karlsson in 34th in 12:17.

Gilford finished second behind Lebanon in the classical race by just 6.5 points but made that up in the freestyle portion.

Bondaz skied to the overall win with a time of 12:01.

Mitchell Townsend finished in a time of 12:14 for third place overall and Stow was sixth overall with a time of 12:44.

Forest rounded out the scoring with a time of 13:18 for 14th place.

Alden Townsend was 18th in 13:40 and Kulcsar was 30th in 14:18, while Gandini was fourth overall in 12:37 and Karlsson was 35th overall in 14:37 in the Skimeister point

Overall, Gilford finished with 753 points, which put them ahead of Lebanon by eight points to claim the

Division II championship. Kearsarge was third, Fall Mountain was fourth and Hopkinton rounded out the top five.

The Gilford girls finished in fourth place overall, led by championship performances from Catherine Stow.

Stow won the classical race with a time of 10:51.

Vanessa Genakos was right behind, finishing in second place in a time of 11:37 and Bethany Tanner finished in 23rd place with a time of 14:56.

Madeline Burlock rounded out the scoring with a time of 16:05 for 33rd place. Tessa Tanner was

51st overall in a time of 18:49 to round out the field of Golden Ea-

Stow took home the win in the freestyle race as well, finishing in a time of 13:02.

Genakos finished in ninth place overall with a time of 14:42 and Burlock was 40th in a time of 18:51. Bethany Tanner fin-

ished in 42nd place in a time of 19:04 to finish the scoring for Gilford.

Tessa Tanner placed 48th overall with a time of 21:10.

Lebanon took the girls' team championship, with Hopkinton and Plymouth rounding out the top three ahead of Gilford.

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### **HOOPS**

night."

"The kids played their hearts out, to hold a team like that to 28 means we worked our tails off," said Winnisquam coach Kevin Dame. "We didn't face teams with their length and size to prepare us for what we saw."

Gilford got the first four points of the game with Curtis Nelson and Malik Reese getting hoops before Jacob Seavey got Winnisquam on the board with a three-pointer. Alex Cheek responded with a hoop for the Golden Eagles to push the lead to 6-3.

Phil Nichols drilled a three-pointer to tie the game at six but Nelson finished off the first quarter with a hoop, giving Gilford an 8-6 lead after one quarter of play.

Sam Cheek got the second quarter started with a hoop for Gilford and Nelson finished the scoring with a hoop and a three-point play. The Golden Eagles held the Bears scoreless in the period and took the 15-6 lead to the halftime break.

The third quarter was another low-scoring affair, with Gilford scoring just one point in the frame while Winnisquam put in eight points.

Reese hit a free throw to start the quarter but Nichols responded with two free throws at the other end for the Bears.

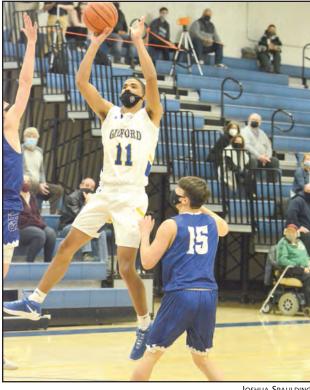
Garret Mango and Anthony Robbins hit consecutive three-pointers for the visitors to cut the lead to 16-14 heading to the final quarter of play.

Nelson started the fourth quarter with a hoop and Jalen Reese hit two free throws and a floater in the lane to put Gilford up by a 22-14 score



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Curtis Nelson works hard for two points in action against Winnisquam last week.



JOSHUA SPAULDING

Isaiah Reese fires off a shot during his team's playoff game with Winnisquam.

before Mango finished off his own steal to make it 22-16.

Jalen Reese and Malike Reese then each hit two free throws to stretch the lead to 26-16 before Robbins answered with a basket for the Bears with 31 seconds to go. Riley Marsh hit a pair of free throws down the stretch. sandwiched around one from Nichols at the other end, closing out the 28-19 win for Gilford.

"This will be one people will remember for a long time," Acquilano said. "I felt like it would be a slugfest because both teams play good defense.

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"Defense travels well," the Gilford coach added.

"They're a very good squad, they are the defending champs for a reason," Dame said. "I told the guys to be very proud and they should be.

"I'm really going to miss these guys, I love this group of seniors," the Bear coach said. "They're special, the way they come to work every day. I'm going to miss every single one of them."

Nelson led all scorers with 11 points while Nichols led the Bears with six points on the night.

The Bears opened the tournament with a 53-33 win over Newfound to advance to the preliminary round. Gilford continued by knocking off Belmont in a hard-fought battle on Saturday night to move on to the semifinals. That game took place after deadline Wednesday in Laconia while the championship game is set for Saturday, March 13, also in Laconia.

### GHS 8-7-1-12-28 WRHS 6-0-8-5-19

### Gilford 28

Nelson 5-1-11, Cheek 1-0-2, Marsh 0-2-2, S. Cheek 1-0-2, M. Reese 2-3-5, J. Reese 1-4-6, Totals 10-10-28

### Winnisquam 19

Nichols 1-3-6, Seavey 1-0-3, Robbins 2-0-5, Mango 2-0-5, Totals 6-3-19

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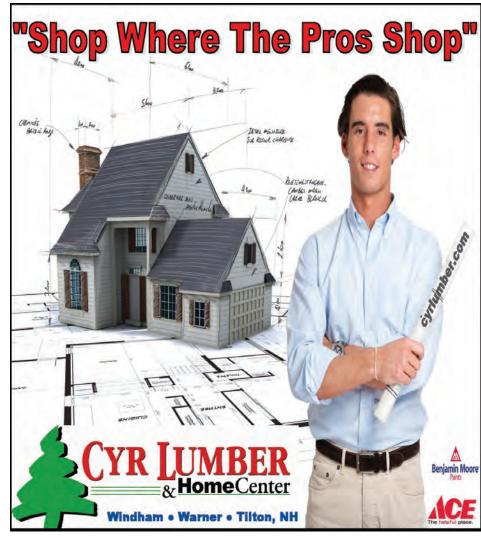
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