

Ethel McConaghy receives Gordon Preston Community Service Award

BARNSTEAD — Gordon Preston devoted his life to serving the community for the benefit of all. When Gordon arrived in Barnstead more than 37 years ago, he immediately immersed himself into volunteering within the Barnstead community. He continued to generously serve this town for the rest of his life. Gordon also reached out to others and encouraged them to become involved to better our community. When he wasn't serving in his official capacity here in town, you would often find Gordon helping others throughout this area. Gordon's generous service to the Town of Barnstead will live on in the Town's history. He was a true gentleman who was looking



Kathy Preston (left) presents Ethel McConaghy (right) with the Gordon Preston Outstanding Community Service Award, named in honor of Kathy's husband, a longtime servant to the town of Barnstead.

out for the best interest of our community. In the Spirit of Gordon's unwavering service to the Town of Barnstead, the Gordon Preston Outstanding Community Service Award is presented to a person who embodies the same type of dedication to our town. This award recognizes the unsung hero or heroine that continually gives of their precious time to benefit our community as a whole. It is a small way to say thank you for all you do. This year's well deserving recipient is Ethel McConaghy. Ethel was a leader in starting up the Barnstead Helpers program, which reaches out to other

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Prospect Mountain volleyball sweeps past Winnisquam



PROSPECT'S Sophia Bean tries to block a hit by Kayla Briere of Winnisquam.

BY BOB MARTIN
Contributing Writer
ALTON – The Prospect Mountain Timber Wolves took on the Winnisquam volleyball team in the preliminary round of the Division 2 state tournament last week, and while the Bears were able to stay in the match, Prospect Mountain walked away with a 3-0 win. The Bears were coming off a three-set victory over Laconia in the first round and the Timber Wolves were the top seed in the tournament region with a record of 7-3. While the Bears were only 5-6 in the regular season, Winnisquam has been known to win in big situations as the team was a perennial powerhouse squad in Division 3 for about a decade. Both teams battled hard throughout the match,

but the Timber Wolves were able to hold on for the victory to take on another perennial contender in Gilford. The first set was very even to start with the teams tied up 5-5 before the Timber Wolves went on a four-point run to go up 9-5. Prospect Mountain was able to keep the Bears at bay the rest of the way through and despite a late surge by Winnisquam, was able to come away with a 25-21 win. The second set was back and forth between both teams, and it could have been anyone's game to win. The Bears and Timber Wolves were tied at 18-18 and 20-20, but down the line Prospect Mountain was able to put things away thanks to strong play by senior Julia Leavitt, who was commanding with her

spike kills all night. The Timber Wolves came away with a 25-21 second set victory. Winnisquam stumbled out of the gate in the third set, dropping the first five points and giving Prospect Mountain a key advantage. Winnisquam managed to turn things around and tighten up the match late, with the Bears down by only one point at 19-18, but Prospect Mountain cruised the rest of the way to take a 25-19 victory and take the victory. Prospect Mountain was led by Leavitt, who has continued her strong play with a game high 17 kills to go with four aces. Setter Allie Stockman had 31 assists on the night and eight digs. Prospect Mountain coach Scott Hutchins was happy with the way the team played, and said

he is confident in the team to be able to make a major push toward a championship this season. He knows that the path goes through Gilford, which is a team that has constantly been in the mix for the state title, but Hutchins hopes the momentum can push the team forward. "Julia had a fantastic game and Allie is so steady," said Hutchins. "Another who kept us in the game was Lindsey McCullough, who made some nice digs and plays. They were spot on tonight. They made some plays in critical points." Hutchins said the team is ready for Gilford and hopes the team can build off what it learned from its loss earlier in the season.

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Alton Community Services gearing up for holiday season

ALTON — The holiday season is fast approaching, and Alton Community Services is gearing up for another successful holiday season. First is Operation Blessings; this is ACS' Thanksgiving dinner. Should you be in need, or know someone in need of a full Thanksgiving dinner (whole turkey, trimmings, vegetables, and dessert), please be sure to sign up; cutoff date is Nov. 18, pickup is Sunday, Nov. 21 between 10 a.m. and noon at Alton Community Services, 11C Village Circle (next to Subways). The Thanksgiving Dinner is for Alton residents. You can either sign up at the food pantry Wednesday evenings between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. or Saturday mornings between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. You can also send an email to Altoncs32@gmail.com, and please include number of family members. Should you have any questions, please contact Amy McDonald at 998-7729. Any person or organization who would like to donate to Operation Blessings, Mrs. Santa and/or ACS itself, Alton Community Services is very much appreciative to the Alton community for its continued support. Donations can be dropped off at the ACS location, and any financial donations can be mailed to Alton Community Services, PO Box 43, Alton, NH 03809. ACS is also gearing up for Mrs. Santa. Sign up sheets can be picked up at the food pantry on Wednesday evenings between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. or Saturday mornings between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. or email altoncs32@gmail.com. Last day to sign up is Nov. 18, and Mrs. Santa pick up date is Dec. 12 at Profile Bank between 9:30 and 11 a.m. Should you have any questions, please contact Jen Collins at 556-1572 or Amy Best at albest9252@gmail.com. Mrs. Santa is happy to bring joy to Alton residents who may need assistance this holiday season. Any person or organization who would like to support Mrs. Santa either with a financial donation, items for children or helping out may contact Chris Racine at 833-3482 or email altoncs32@gmail.com. Financial donations can be mailed to Alton Community Services, P.O. Box 43, Alton, NH 03809. 2020 has been a difficult year for us all, especially for some of our residents here in Alton. The need for assistance has increased this year, and Alton Community Services thanks everyone in the community for the tremendous support. Due to the caring and generosity of our Alton residents and organizations, ACS is able to provide multiple services to those in need within our community. A heartfelt thank you to all who are able to push it forward.

Alton Parks and Recreation Connection

Morse Preserve- Pine Mountain

It's a great time to get outside and explore hiking trails in Alton. The changing weather and cooler air make nature hiking an invigorating experience along with great exercise, and a chance to see new things. Wearing bright colors like blaze orange is recommended while being in the woods. The Morse Preserve, also known as Pine Mountain, is a great place to check out with scenic views of Lake Winnepesaukee and local Mountain Ranges. The Morse Preserve a good alternative to hiking Alton's most popular trail system, Mt. Major.

The Morse Preserve is located on Avery Hill Road, off of Alton Mountain Road, and is managed by the Society for

the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. There is parking at the Mike Burke parking lot or along the road, and a great reward during the hike of a panoramic view of the Big Lake. To get to Pine Mountain-Morse Preserve take Route 11 into Alton Bay, turn on to Rand Hill Road. After three quarters of a mile on Rand Hill Road, take a left onto Alton Mountain Road. After approximately two miles, take a left onto Avery Hill Road. The trail head is located about 500 feet on the left after passing the Mike Burk Trail System.

A network of trails is available, including a 1.7 mile marked loop trail that travels through fields and forests to reach the mountain top with a view of the Belknap Range and Lake Winnepesaukee.

This is a short but rewarding hike for anyone who is interested in getting outside for fresh air but not committing to a full day in the woods. This is a four season trail system and a peaceful place to experience nature.

More information on the Morse Preserve and other local recreation areas can be found on the Town of Alton's Web site: www.alton.nh.gov:Government-Parks and Recreation or Conservation Commission- click on blue button- Hiking Trails. Another resource for local trail information is forestsociety.org. Paper local trail maps are available at the Alton Parks and Recreation Office Kiosk, located at 328 Main St., Alton.

"Light Up Alton" Event
Holiday House Deco-

rating Contest & Business Decorating Contest

Let's get the holidays started! Alton Parks and Recreation and the Alton Business Association have joined together in an effort to make Alton the brightest holiday season yet! Join in our cooperative effort to bring magic, memories, and holiday spirit to the Alton Community.

For Residents: The Alton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Holiday House Decorating Contest. The residents of Alton are invited to participate by decorating their home for the holidays. The contest is open to homes within the Alton and Alton Bay zip codes (03809 & 03810).

For an Entry Form and Contest Rules go to

www.alton.nh.gov or contact Alton Parks and Recreation at 875-0109 or parksrec@alton.nh.gov.

FOR BUSINESSES/Nonprofits: The ABA is sponsoring the Business Decorating Contest. If you have a storefront business or office building, then rally a team to help string lights and let your festive flare be seen by all (or go Clark Griswold style)!

If you don't have a business front and would like to donate and/or decorate lights to a Town or park area on downtown Main St. please email us to coordinate setup, info@altonbusinessassociation.com

Judging will take place Dec. 9-10. Prizes will be awarded to category winners for both Residents and Business-

es! Winners will be announced on Dec. 11.

Categories for prizes are: People's Choice (Facebook Vote); Most Holiday Spirit; Creative Use of Lights; and Best Main Street Location.

For an Entry Form and Contest Rules for the Resident Contest please go to www.alton.nh.gov or contact Alton Parks and Recreation at 875-0109 or parksrec@alton.nh.gov.

For Business Entries, email your pictures to the ABA or post on the ABA/Alton Parks & Recreation Facebook Event Page, be sure to include your business name!

Happy decorating Alton and thank you for joining us in bringing this bright and festive cheer to our community!

What's new at Gunstock this year

UPGRADES TO TUBING HILL, OPEN ON CHRISTMAS DAY, NEW STAFF

GILFORD — Chairlifts will start spinning at 8 a.m. on weekends and the resort will open on Christmas Day for the first time in its history this year. These are just a few of

the exciting things to come this ski season at Gunstock Mountain Resort.

Construction has started on the Tubing Hill expansion, which will add more lanes and a new Sunkid conveyor

belt or moving carpet, so guests will enjoy a leisurely and more comfortable ride to the top of the hill. A new tubing-specific grooming machine has been added to Gunstock's grooming fleet, which

will provide a flawless tubing surface. Guests will also notice an enhanced sense of arrival at the Welcome Center, with a covered porch to keep them out of the elements as they arrive.

To improve the overall guest experience, the ski and snowboard rental area has been moved to a snow level building, allowing easier access to lifts. The resort has also added a new set of exterior stairs to make the trip to the new rental space easier and safer. Additionally, Gunstock added touchless payment technology at all points of sale and added stored value to their RFID season passes and daily tickets. This will allow guests to load money onto those products to spend in retail and restaurants while minimizing contact with others.

To help guests better understand the new operating param-

eters, Gunstock will now broadcast a radio program each morning. The program will run on a loop during operating hours to assist guests and communicate vital information. On Gunstock Radio guests will learn about booting up in their car, buying tickets online, how to purchase food resort-wide, and other tips and tricks to make the skiing and riding experience fun and memorable.

Gunstock has added several new faces to the Senior Management Team going into the 2020-21 winter season, providing the county-owned resort with a more dynamic and diversely skilled group at the helm.

"We've had a lot of changes on the management team this summer and can't wait for you to meet them," said Tom Day, GM and President of Gunstock.

In the past, the direction of both Sales and Marketing fell into one role. This year, the role was split to dedicate resources equally to both efforts. Jim Mamos is the Director of Sales, who will drive growth through corporate partnerships and sponsorships. He will explore new and exciting sales and event initiatives for groups and outreach for year-round operations, which has limitless possibilities. Jim has spent his career in enterprise sales, most recently as the Senior Enterprise Sales Director for CloudSense. His extensive knowledge of CRM platforms and capabilities will help Gunstock forge ahead on its strategic sales initiatives.

Kristen Lodge will be directing marketing efforts and brings a wealth of knowledge in the digital marketing space, as well as a contagious enthusiasm and love for creativity in marketing. As the Marketing Director, she will increase brand recognition in the marketplace and continue to build strong relationships with the community. Her immediate goals

are to increase season pass sales, day ticket sales, and snowsport reservations through thoughtful and targeted campaigns.

In September, Day hired Peter Weber as the Director of Snowsports. Weber's first priority is to help increase the visibility of the Snowsports School and revamp the Intro to Ski & Ride program with an emphasis in adult instruction, in addition to their great children's program. Weber has spent his entire career in the ski industry, with more than 20 years logged as Ski School Director at resorts in New Hampshire and Pennsylvania.

"Webbie has a vast knowledge of the Snowsports industry. I have great faith in his ability to attract and hire great personnel to come to Gunstock," said Day. "As a PSIA Examiner, his passion for Snowsports is unparalleled."

"I'm really pumped that these team members will bring a new sense of energy to the great team already in place," he said. "They will help us be even stronger in a competitive marketplace as we enter a new era in the ski industry and attack the challenges that COVID brings with an enthusiastic and positive attitude."

About Gunstock Mountain Resort

Gunstock is a four-season mountain resort that offers authentic eastern mountain skiing and riding with 227 skiable acres and 48 trails. In summer our campground is your basecamp for activities in our Adventure Park that include ziplining, e-bike tours, Segway tours and more. Located in the heart of New Hampshire's Lakes Region with breathtaking views of Lake Winnepesaukee at the summit of Gunstock Mountain, Gunstock Mountain Resort is the perfect getaway for families, couples and outdoor adventurers. We are New Hampshire's Family Friendly Resort.

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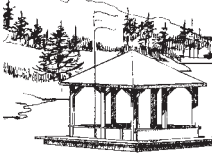
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Rotary Club delivers masks to frontline workers

As part of Rotary International's 'Rotary Million Mask Challenge Tour' to distribute one million masks across New England to health care providers, emergency responders and frontline workers, Alton Rotary Club delivered 2,000 masks to Community Health Services which coordinates inter-organizational community and public health efforts throughout Belknap County. The masks were delivered for the club by Rotarian Hunter Taylor (L) and received by Carissa Elphick, who said: "The masks will be used and distributed by various community organizations in their network including CAP which includes providing senior care, Meals on Wheels, Partnership for Public Health and Health First Family Care Center."

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Putting an end to the summer season



ALTON — After a summer none of us will ever forget, we've got to thank the Alton Garden Club for keeping the Village and the Bay lovely.

No matter the social distancing and other restrictions, our ladies still stepped up and planted and cared for the gardens and barrels, all summer long, to beautify our community. It seemed like nothing had happened when you drove by, walked by or just sat in your car and watched life happening.

Our meetings didn't happen but our commitment to gardening and friendships continued.

Some of the ladies sent pictures of their gardens so we had a virtual meeting throughout the season. Our gratitude and thanks to our President, Peggy McKinney for all her work putting the virtual tours together.

Thanks also to our ladies who took the time to take the pictures and pass them on to our members.

On Oct. 29, a cold and raw day, a group of our faithful members gathered and helped winterized the gardens at the Bay. Joan Blackwood is seen wrapping the Hydrangea bushes with burlap for protection over the coming winter. She even stenciled the fabric for an added touch of cheer. These are just some of the "Essential Workers" who have helped us spiritually to get through these dark days. We'd also like to thank all the other "Essential workers, shop keepers, employees, town employees, first responders and others" for going to work each day to make life possible for us. Thank you! Thank you!

On a sad note, the Alton Garden Club would like to send our thoughts and prayers to the family of Les Turner of New Durham. Mr. Turner passed away in October after a long illness. For those of you who garden, you may know that he was the owner of Merrymeeting Daylillies, just off of Route 11. He often spoke at our meetings and contributed most of the lovely day lilies you see in the Alton gardens. He was always ready and willing to help in any way he could. He answered our many questions and gave the best advice on his much loved plants. He will be missed by many of us but will be remembered each time we look at the precious flowers that will continue to bloom for years to come. Thank you, Les.

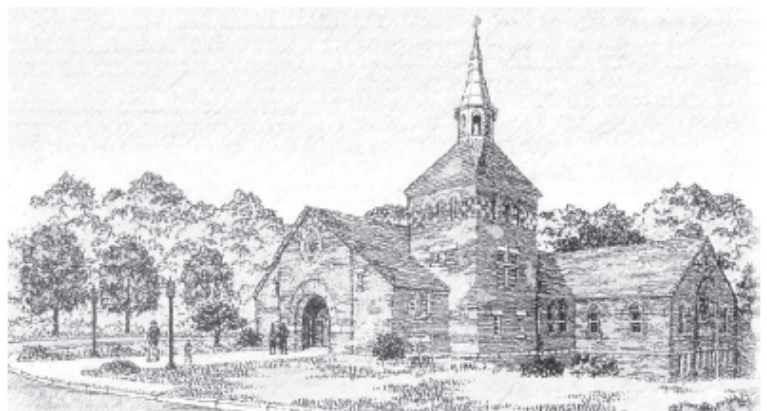
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Saturday: Confession at church at 3:00. Mass at church at 4:00.

Sunday: Mass at church at 8:30 and 10:30, online at 10:30 at stkdrexel.org, on the radio at 10:30 at WASR AM 1420/FM 97.1.

Monday: "Discovery Group" discussion at 7:00. Call for details.

Tuesday: Women's "Abiding Together" discussion group and "Lectio Divina" prayer and discussion. Call for details.

Wednesday: Night Prayers any time after 7:00 at stkdrexel.org.

Thursday: Rosary at 6:30, Prayer Group at 7:00 at stkdrexel.org.

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“There are many kinds of strength”

On Nov. 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy was en route to give a speech in Dallas, Texas. He was assassinated before reaching his destination. Already written, was a speech he was to deliver at the event.

Here we are 57 years later, reading his words that call for unity and peace. We have taken portions of out due to space, however our hope is that this decades old speech will translate into 2020.

The speech reads as follows:

“This Nation’s strength and security are not easily or cheaply obtained, nor are they quickly and simply explained. There are many kinds of strength and no one kind will suffice.

“Ignorance and misinformation can handicap the progress of a city or a company, but they can, if allowed to prevail in foreign policy, handicap this country’s security. In a world of complex and continuing problems, in a world full of frustrations and irritations, America’s leadership must be guided by the lights of learning and reason — or else those who confuse rhetoric with reality and the plausible with the possible will gain the popular ascendancy with their seemingly swift and simple solutions to every world problem.

“There will always be dissident voices heard in the land, expressing opposition without alternative, finding fault but never favor, perceiving gloom on every side and seeking influence without responsibility. Those voices are inevitable. But today other voices are heard in the land — voices preaching doctrines wholly unrelated to reality, wholly unsuited to the sixties, doctrines which apparently assume that words will suffice without weapons, that vituperation is as good as victory and that peace is a sign of weakness.

“We cannot expect that everyone, to use the phrase of a decade ago, will ‘talk sense to the American people.’ But we can hope that fewer people will listen to nonsense. And the notion that this Nation is headed for defeat through deficit, or that strength is but a matter of slogans, is nothing but just plain nonsense.

“Above all, words alone are not enough. The United States is a peaceful nation. And where our strength and determination are clear, our words need merely to convey conviction, not belligerence. If we are strong, our strength will speak for itself. If we are weak, words will be of no help.

“I have spoken of strength largely in terms of the deterrence and resistance of aggression and attack. But in today’s world, freedom can be lost without a shot being fired, by ballots as well as bullets. The success of our leadership is dependent upon respect for our mission in the world as well as our missiles — on a clearer recognition of the virtues of freedom as well as the evils of tyranny.

“Finally, it should be clear by now that a nation can be no stronger abroad than she is at home. Only an America which practices what it preaches about equal rights and social justice will be respected by those whose choice affects our future. Only an America which has fully educated its citizens is fully capable of tackling the complex problems and perceiving the hidden dangers of the world in which we live. And only an America which is growing and prospering economically can sustain the worldwide defenses of freedom, while demonstrating to all concerned the opportunities of our system and society.

“My friends and fellow citizens: I cite these facts and figures to make it clear that America today is stronger than ever before. Our adversaries have not abandoned their ambitions, our dangers have not diminished, our vigilance cannot be relaxed. But now we have the military, the scientific, and the economic strength to do whatever must be done for preservation and promotion of freedom.

“The strength will never be used in pursuit of aggressive ambitions — it will always be used in pursuit of peace. It will never be used to promote provocations — it will always be used to promote the peaceful settlement of disputes.

“We, in this country, in this generation, are — by destiny rather than by choice — the watchmen on the walls of world freedom. We ask, therefore, that we may be worthy of our power and responsibility, that we may exercise our strength with wisdom and restraint, and that we may achieve in our time and for all time the ancient vision of ‘peace on earth, good will toward men.’ That must always be our goal, and the righteousness of our cause must always underlie our strength. For as was written long ago: ‘except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen waketh but in vain.’”



STUART LEIDERMAN — COURTESY

Pumpkin poser

Question: Which of these round objects is not a pumpkin? What is it?

Letters to the Editor

Let us move forward

To the Editor:

No matter how the contentious election turns out, let us hope and pray and do our best to follow the inspiring words of the amazing

Bishop Desmond Tutu, who knew only too well what pain and suffering result from actions of inhumanity.

In his own words, “Let us be united. Let us

be filled with hope. Let us be those who respect one another.”

May we all realize the blessings in our lives and build with each other an America that

remains, “one Nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all.”

Peace,

SHARON NORBY
ALTON

The new Conservation, Restoration and Preservation Society for a sustainable future

To the Editor:

This new conservation ideal is based upon the restoration and preservation of our natural environment and the challenge for building a sustainable future for this nation’s legacy as before it’s colonization conquest.

In honor to the Native peoples and our spirituality, this restoration is the preservation of nature and environmental future. Pending humanity reminds us of the People as a citizenry of equality that is founded on a moral edu-

cation regarding Truth and Rights of Mankind, the freedoms that lead to the mending of the breach of our nation’s past deeds against the human beings that have been disenfranchised. Personhood can only be a sustaining right, through actualization reached by the restoration of every man and woman educated in the light of goodness. This is goodwill toward mankind, the will bringing strength to all those who are present today and born tomorrow. People’s morals and values acted

upon in this timeline, at the present need to be re-evaluated and the wealth to be shared equitably in fairness, where there is no wasteland left behind in the wake of the reaping of natural resources. The worship of materiality and the demands of a sensational reality of intoxication causing unending pollution is a darkness blinding shroud leading toward destruction. Unselfish Love and Goodness can be a contagious reality that will lead and guide all peoples to the reparation of health, peace and

harmony restoring all Nations for the greater good. When overcoming our present illusions of reality is to be born every day in Truth, start now. Ask yourself, are we ready yet for Local Self-Governance and the self-determination working forward toward the greater good? All this starts in the home and community with the deepest respect for All beings. In Oneness.

DOUGLAS DARRELL
CENTER BARNSTEAD

Halloween events a scary success

To the Editor:

Despite the challenges of the Covid-era, the town of New Durham came together, as it has so many times in the past, to give hundreds of community members two evenings of entertainment and scary fun.

What is more remarkable is that the Wizard of Oz and Haunted Trail Halloween celebration took place on

the grounds that first made the scattering of homesteads and mills an official town – the 1772 Meetinghouse.

Children in the 21st century got popcorn and candy inside the same walls that went up before the Revolutionary War. Volunteers set up decorations on the property where everyday citizens once practiced loading muskets.

What an honor it

is that this town still has its most historic building. What a responsibility we have to ensure that future generations may use it.

We’ve shown for years now how different groups in New Durham can work together toward a common goal for everyone’s benefit. The Parks and Recreation Department, the Police and Fire Departments, the New Durham Pub-

lic Library, the Friends of the Library, Town officials, our Committee members, and a host of donors and stalwart volunteers worked for weeks and pulled off another fantastic Halloween event.

Thanks and kudos to all involved!

THE 1772
MEETINGHOUSE
RESTORATION
COMMITTEE

ALTON POLICE LOG

ALTON — Alton Police Department responded to 216 calls for service during the week of Oct. 18-24, including five arrests.

-1 Female Subject was arrested for Willful Concealment, Possession of Controlled/Narcotic Drugs & Arrest on a Warrant.

-1 Male Subject was arrested on a Warrant.

There were 3 Motor Vehicle Summons Arrests.

There were 12 Suspicious Person/Activity Reports on Abednego Road, Wolfeboro Highway, Route 11D, East Side Drive, Homestead Place, Hamwoods Road, (2) Main Street, (2) Suncook Valley Road, Mt. Major Highway & Chickadee Lane.

There were 2 Break Ins/Thefts on Swan Lake Trail & YMCA Road.

There were 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents.

Police made 32 Motor Vehicle Stops and handled 5 Motor Vehicle Complaints-Incidents.

There were 163 other calls for services that consisted of the following: 1 Town Ordinance, 4 Assist Fire Department, 3 Fraudulent Actions, 2 Stolen Properties, 6 Assist Other Agencies, 3 Pistol Permit Applications, 2 Animal Complaints, 4 Juvenile Incidents, 1 Domestic Complaint, 6 General Assistance, 4 Miscellaneous, 1 Wanted Person/Fugitive, 4 Alarm Activations, 3 Lost/Found Properties, 3 Highway/Roadway Hazard Reports, 5 General Information, 1 Vehicle ID Check, 2 Harassments, 1 Sex Offender Registration, 1 Destruction of Property, 1 Civil Matter, 2 Wellness Checks, 2 Criminal Mischief, 3 Community Programs, 1 Disabled Motor Vehicle, 80 Directed Patrols, 3 Medical Assists, 10 Property Checks, 3 Paperwork Services & 1 Unwanted Person.

What would we do if carcajou was part of the scene today?



By JOHN HARRIGAN
COLUMNIST

Every now and then, wolverines appear at the table. Well, not actually, just in conversation. Someone says, “So what about wolverines?” and we’re off.

The thing is, nobody seems sure just who or what else was living here when there might have been wolverines around. The first Europeans were lousy at differentiating among species, and tended to call all things large and threatening “wildcats.”

Well, all right, the French were better at noticing differences, or at least listening to the local Abenaki. “What is it that you call that outrageous animal over there?” a nobleman might have asked, holding hanky to nose. “That...creature.”

“Carcajou,” came the reply, perhaps with disgust. The French, being French, searched for just

the right word, “glutón.” It almost sounds what it means, “glutton.” The wolverine is known for eating all it can, and spraying the rest.

Scientists say the most recent glaciers ground their way south around 15,000 years ago, and then melted back north. It was perhaps a two-thousand-year process. So much of Earth’s water was locked up in ice that sea levels dropped, exposing a land bridge between Asia and North America.

All sorts of northern and glacial-fringe species were cavorting around the landscape during the advance and retreat of the glaciers, including wolves and caribou. We most certainly had the wolf and the caribou here. It’s not a wild stretch to imagine the wolverine too.

The problem with oral tradition of the Abenaki who lived (and still live) where the sun rises, the People of the Dawn Land, is that oral tradition is often not specific to a region. This is no surprise, with such a far-reaching nation and dialect as the Abenaki.

Then there are the Jesuits, who were sending missionaries south into

the headwaters of our rivers before we even knew what was north of our settlements. If they had missions in the upper reaches and even main stems of other northern New England rivers, why not the Connecticut too? Robert Rogers was said to have built Fort Wentworth on the ruins of an old mission. Is there anything solid to that?

So we don’t even know what was lost. There may have been a strong oral tradition. There may have been a mission. There may have been mention of carcajou in the Jesuit Relations, which would give it a where and when. If so, it all had to survive what happened to archeological evidence and to the first people after first contact---dislocation, fragmentation, disease, clash of cultures and religions, blending of tribes, harsh climate and acidic soils.

If carcajou was really here, on the fringe of the ice and beyond, part of our wildlife mix for centuries, history has so far hidden the truth.

Absent a strong oral tradition, the proof would be a claw, a tooth, a bit of paw or fur, accompanying reliably



COURTESY

Did wolverines once prowl New Hampshire’s landscape? Only slowly revealed evidence from the past (bones, claws, teeth, or oral history) will tell. (Courtesy Canadian Wildlife)

dated material. In the Northeast, that usually means charcoal found undisturbed, in reliably dated strata. What are the odds?

Well, wait a minute--I told myself the same thing about Lewis and Clark. But whenever I finished the latest book incorporating the latest finds of journals or fire-pits or post-holes or bones, some other new discovery would surface and become the news of the day--an old diary found in an attic trunk, a bit of bone beside a fire kindled long ago.

If you’re looking for flights of fancy on wolverines, don’t look to Helenette Silver, who wrote

and compiled the landmark book “History of New Hampshire Game and Furbearers” (1957). This book is long out of print, by the way. If you bump into one, scarf it up.

Now, of course, I wish I’d asked Helenette Silver about wolverines. But the arrival of coyotes and the ongoing mystery of the Ghost Cat (mountain lion, cougar, catamount, puma) were the camp and kitchen table talk of the times.

Helenette’s no-nonsense mention of the wolverine would suffice today. She pored over dozens upon dozens of individual town and regional histories during

her research, and talked with farmers, loggers, game wardens, and trappers.

“The panther, Felix concolor, is a beast of many names...sometimes known locally as ‘Indian Devil’ or ‘carcajou,’ she wrote, adding that “under such appellations it is confused with the wolverine, which may have never existed in the state.”

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LETTERS FROM EDWIN

Patience

I spent my formative years in a small house on a short street in a forgotten village across the river and the tracks from a formidable industrial city in middle New England. My grandparents bought the house and land for \$1,200 at the turn of the nineteenth century.

Back then people had to entertain themselves because they didn’t have all this manufactured stuff that comes to us non-stop through airwaves, cables and entertainment shops. My mother learned to play piano. My father brought his cornet over with him from the old country.

When I came along, the cornet had been donated to the Salvation Army and the piano had been transformed into the workbench in the cellar. Unfortunately, parlor pianos took up too much space in a small homes living room. All that was left was this big plank of wood sitting on top of a couple of wooden saw horses that were slowly sinking into the dirt cellar floor.

All the tools that were around the house were my fathers. I could

use them any time and I learned to put them back where I found them. But I wanted my own tools. I thought the tool that the guy at the gas station had that turned nuts without removing the wrench was really cool. I now have a good collection of ratchet wrenches.

One day, looking for something in the dirt under the workbench, I found a hammer head. There was no handle, but I thought it was cool because it had a nail holder built into it that I had never seen before, or since. So I cleaned up the rust and took it to the hardware store to find me a handle. Nothing would fit, so I bought the closest sized one with the straightest grain, whittled it down to fit and taught myself how to put on a handle. I still have that hammer today. And

use it.

I always liked pianos for some reason. I would have wanted to play one but ended up playing what dad played, the cornet. When I was in junior high school, we were asked to play in a Memorial Day parade. I got to sport a marching band coat and pants and play with the school band down Main Street. This was pretty cool. I even got to skip some classes to practice marching around the park. But the coolest thing of all was a week or so later, the music director handed me seven dollars for playing at the parade. At that instant, I realized that you could actually get paid money for playing music, something I really enjoyed doing, and thought how it would be really cool to play music for a living.

all around the northeast.

After destroying my hearing, I gave up on music and fell back upon the degree that sat on top of my parents’ refrigerator. After twenty years, when all the tech jobs were sucked out of our country, and I found myself without a job with a couple of kids to raise. I picked up my tools and using all the practical skills I learned from my father, became a handy man that continues to this day.

A couple weeks ago, I was replacing some trim boards along the bottom of a raised deck. I was at the top of my ladder with an eight foot one by eight in my left hand, my hammer

in my right, and a nail in my lips. I could hold the board in place for a few seconds, but it would move when I tried to place the nail. All of a sudden a little light went on. I took the nail and placed it in the nail holder on my hammer, held the board in place and set the nail in one quick sweep. It worked! I had never needed to use this feature in its 50-plus years of being my hammer. I just knew that it would come in handy some day.

E.Twaste

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The Town of New Durham Select Board will be conducting a Public Hearing on Monday, November 9, 2020 7 p.m., Virtual Meeting by Joining: Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84454391684?pwd=QWxTK3F6WEZ-ZejNjK1VjQ3BuUmtKQT09>.

Meeting ID: 844 5439 1684 Passcode: 070023 or at +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) Meeting ID: 844 5439 1684 Passcode: 070023 for the purposes of public input on the New Durham Land Use, Code Enforcement and DPW Fees.

Those who cannot attend are encouraged to submit written testimony to the Town Administrator, Scott Kinmond, P.O. Box 207 (4 Main Street), New Durham, NH 03855 or skinmond@newdurhamnh.us. By Monday, November 9, 2020 at 4 p.m.

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Dowd runs on to Meet of Champions

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

MANCHESTER — The Prospect Mountain cross country team put in a solid effort in the Division III State Meet on Saturday at Derryfield Park in Manchester.

While portions of the course were surrounded by snow, the two divisions that ran before the Division III athletes helped to get rid of the snow on most of the course.

The Timber Wolf girls finished 11th overall on the day and the boys finished in 14th place. Hopkinton won the girls' championship and Monadnock captured the boys' championship.

Veronica Dowd was able to qualify for the Meet of Champions, finishing in ninth place overall in a time of 21:06. This year, the top four teams and the top four



VERONICA DOWD raced to a ninth place finish in the Division III State Meet on Saturday and moves on to the Meet of Champions.

runners not on any of those teams advance to the Meet of Champions. Dowd was second among those runners.



DENNIS SIMPSON led the way for the Prospect Mountain boys on Saturday in Manchester.

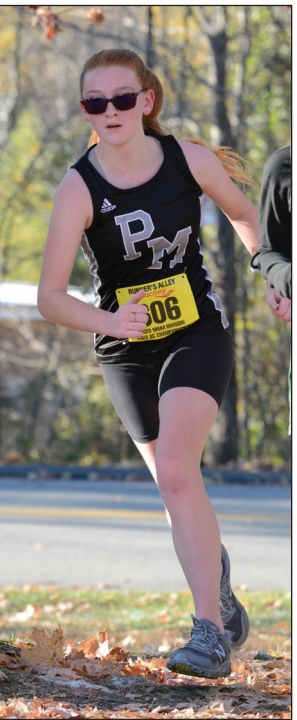
Hannah Capsalis had a good day for the Timber Wolves, finishing in 27th place overall with a time of 22:18 and Amber



DEUCE SMITH rounds the final corner of the Division III State Meet course in Manchester Saturday.

Fernald finished with a time of 23:20 for 39th place overall.

Emily Siegler finished in 79th place with



JILLIANNE SIMPSON heads to the finish line of Saturday's Division III State Meet.

a time of 27:20 and Jillianne Simpson rounded out the scoring for the Timber Wolves with a time of 29:13 for 88th

place. For the Timber Wolf boys, Dennis Simpson was the top finisher, crossing in a time of 19:19 for 42nd place.

Frank Dowd finished in 58th place overall with his time of 19:54 and Joey Howlett was the third scorer for the Timber Wolves, crossing in a time of 20:21 for 69th place overall.

Deuce Smith finished in 73rd place in a time of 20:26 and Liam White rounded out the scoring for Prosepct with a time of 21:13 for 86th place.

Dowd moves on to the Meet of Champions this coming Sunday at Nashua South High School. The girls will race at 2:30 p.m.

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Rams knock off Timber Wolves in D3 tournament



BY JOSHUA SPAULDING

MAKENZY HOLDEN battles for position in action against Raymond last week.

ALTON — The Prospect Mountain girls' soccer team got to play its final game of the season on the home turf in Alton, as the Timber Wolves drew a good number in the random playoff seeding draw.

However, they also had to play against a strong undefeated team from Raymond and the Rams were able to take care of business and bring Prospect's season to a close on Tuesday, Oct. 27, picking up the 4-0 win.

"Raymond is a very good team," said Prospect coach Bill Nardino. "I told the girls I was proud of their effort and how they came out and competed.

"We got beat by a better team today," he added. "But we left everything on the field today."

The Rams wasted little time getting on the board, as they scored in the first few minutes of the game after a flurry of activity in front of the Prospect net. After a shot rocketed off the cross bar, the Rams got to it and put the rebound

home for the 1-0 lead.

And the visitors continued to put the pressure on keeper Thera Woods and the Timber Wolf defense. Wood stepped up with a couple of saves and Maren Rayno, Makenzy Holden and Autumn Sheets all stepped up with solid defensive stops for the Timber Wolves while Abby Breuer also chipped in on the defensive side of things. The Rams fired a number of shots on net that Woods stopped and Sheets was able to send a nice ball ahead to Piper Flood in the other direction but the Raymond defense made the stop.

Sarah White just missed connecting with Jaden Burt on a run and then Sheets also just missed connecting with Burt. Raymond turned things around and got off a shot on net that Woods was able to stop.

Holden, Rayno and Breuer continued their strong defensive stand in front of Woods with a couple of good clears and Woods also made a nice run out to grab a loose ball in front of a charging Raymond attacker.

With 11:26 to go in the half, the Rams were able to double the lead, as a shot from outside the box found its way to the top of the net for the 2-0 lead. Woods kept her head in it and made a couple more saves as Raymond continued to pressure. Ella Smith just missed connecting with Flood at the other end and Rayno and Burt connected on a chance that went through the crease. Payton Everett also sent a ball through the crease.

The Rams fired a shot off the cross bar and also had a corner kick but the Timber Wolves held strong. Everett had a late shot for the hosts that was stopped by the Raymond keeper and Woods finished the half with another save as the game went to the break with the score 2-0 for the visitors.

Prospect made an early run into the offensive zone to start the second half and got a corner out of it, but Raymond's defense did its job and cleared the ball out. Woods added another save and then the Rams headed a cross just over the top of the net. Flood had a chance at the other end but her bid was stopped.

Raymond got on the board again just about 10 minutes into the half, as they ripped a shot from the top of the box for the 3-0 lead. Prospect bounced right back with chances at the other end. Flood sent Everett in on



KEEPER THERA WOODS dives to make a save at the foot of a Raymond defender in playoff action last week.

a run but the Raymond keeper was able to grab the ball. Everett sent another shot wide of the net as well.

Woods was able to make another save and Holden helped out with a nice clear when the rebound got close to the goal line. Raymond had a corner kick but Abby Wittenberg cleared it out of the zone.

Eve Roberge took over in goal midway through the second half and immediately made a save for her squad. Flood had a shot denied and White and Smith both sent balls into the offensive zone just ahead of Flood. The Rams had a corner kick but could not convert and also sent a shot over the top of the net.

Charlie Forsythe had a shot ring off the cross bar for perhaps Prospect's best chance of the game and Raymond came back the other way and iced the game with their fourth goal with 9:36 to go. Holden had a long shot stopped by the Ram keeper and Prospect had a corner with Everett getting her shot blocked. Another Prospect corner saw Flood get a shot that was also deflected and the Rams closed out the 4-0 win.

With just three seniors (Sheets, Kassidy Kelley and Everett) graduating, Nardino knows that the young team will continue to build and improve with experience.

"With me as a new coach, there were new expectations, a new style

of play," the Timber Wolf coach said. "They'll be used to that for next year.

"The last few years there's been a big freshman class," he continued. "That will be helpful."

Nardino noted that traditionally, the team would've started coming together in June with some summer league play, but with the COVID-19 pandemic, they weren't allowed to do anything until August, making the adjustments to a new coach and new system a bit more difficult.

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MAREN RAYNO goes airborne to try and clear a Raymond corner kick from in front of her goal in action last Tuesday.

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Knight boys battle past Eagles in playoff opener



JOSHUA SPAULDING

KENNETT'S Colby Eastwood and Kingswood's Dominic Alberto battle for position in action in the Division II tournament.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

WOLFEBORO — Both the Kennett and Kingswood boys' soccer teams were looking to get back to the playoffs for the first time in at least four years.

With an open tournament this season due to the COVID 19-pandemic, both teams were guaranteed a spot in the tournament and as it turned out, the Carroll County rivals were matched up against one another in the opening round of the Division II tournament on Wednesday, Oct. 28.

The Knights played the role of hosts and eventually played the role of victors, as they got the 2-0 win over the Eagles to advance to the Division II quarterfinals.

"I think this is the farthest a Kingswood boys' soccer team has gone in a long time," said Kingswood coach Erik Nelson. "This is an impressive feat with this young team."

"They wanted it, but we just didn't have it tonight," said Kennett coach Cam Clark. "We were the better team in our past game, but tonight, we were not the better team. They (Kingswood) wanted it more."

Kennett's Ty Montowski and Riley Hayes teamed up on an early bid but Kingswood keeper Caleb Russo was able to make the grab. Kingswood's Josh Finneron made a nice defensive stop on Alex Clark and Carter Morrissey had a direct kick for King-

swood that Kennett keeper Aubrey Narducci was able to stop.

Hayes had a direct kick at the other end that Russo stopped and also just missed connecting with Clark on another chance. Keegan Donovan-Laviolette made a run in for Kingswood but Narducci kicked it out of harm's way. Dominic Alberto and Vinny Butka teamed up on a bid for Kingswood but Willem Badger made a solid defensive stop. Alberto and Clark exchanged shots but neither team was able to score.

The Knights were able to get on the board with 24 minutes to play in the first half, as Gabe Arinello fired a shot past Narducci to get Kingswood on the board. Donovan-Laviolette had a nice cross but Colby Eastwood cleared it out. Finneron also made a nice defensive stop on Clark, who also had a nice cross but the ball was cleared out. Donovan-Laviolette made a couple of runs in for Kingswood, but he was turned away. Ethan Clay-Storm sent a shot just wide for the Eagles and Robbie Murphy made a good stop on a Butka run.

Kingswood had a couple of corners but they could not convert. Murphy did a nice job heading the second corner out of the zone. Bryce Hill had a nice run into the zone for the Eagles and at the other end, Donovan-Laviolette made a nice cross to Logan Copenhaver but

Narducci made a strong save to keep the score at 1-0. Clark had a direct kick that Russo stopped and then had another chance go wide of the net. James Yarling made a pair of nice defensive stops on Hill as well.

In the final five minutes of the half, the Knights were able to get on the board again. Ethan Raifsnider sent the ball in to Donovan-Laviolette and a miscommunication between Narducci and his defense allowed Donovan-Laviolette to put the ball in the net for the 2-0 lead. Kennett had a chance in the final minutes of the half to cut into the lead, as the Eagles got a penalty kick chance. Hayes stepped to the ball but his shot went high and the game went to the half with Kingswood up by a 2-0 score.

Kingswood had a number of early chances in the second half, but Narducci stepped up and made a couple of solid saves. Morrissey's direct kick was headed out and Kingswood had a corner kick but Jack Cryan made a nice clear from the goal line to keep the Knights from adding to the lead. Donovan-Laviolette had a shot go high as well.

At the other end, Eastwood had a direct kick that just missed Hayes in front, with Russo coming out to grab it. The Eagles had a corner kick but could not convert and Kingswood came back with Copenhaver and Donovan-Laviolette just missing connecting on a



ETHAN RAIFSNIDER of Kingswood and Bryce Hill of Kennett go after the ball in action last Wednesday night.

chance and Copenhaver sending another shot wide of the net. Yarling made a nice clear on a chance from Clay-Storm as well.

Kennett got another shot from Hayes that Russo stopped and then Butka came back with a chance that went over the top of the net. Matt Nordwick made a good clear for the Eagles and Morrissey sent a direct kick just high as well. Clay-Storm made a run into the zone, but his shot went wide. Kennett got a corner kick and Clark had a shot that went wide of the net. Kingswood had a corner as well but Narducci made a save on the chance. Yarling stepped up with another defen-

sive stop for Kingswood while Murphy did the same for Kennett.

Clark had a direct kick that Butka cleared and then Murphy had a shot stopped by Narducci. Clark had another two chances saved and then Ansel Barclay had a shot that went wide. Kingswood had a corner that Alberto sent wide and then Raifsnider had a chance go high. Clark had the final chance of the night but it went wide of the net, finishing off the 2-0 win for Kingswood.

"I am psyched with where this team is headed, the future is bright with these guys," said Nelson. "Credit to Kennett for coming out with a strong game, a physi-

cal game.

"It was a good team effort," the Knight coach added.

"My seniors put their all out there, this was a big one for them," said Clark. "All them hadn't played in a playoff game."

"But we should've been better tonight," the Eagle coach noted.

Kingswood moved on to play Merrimack Valley on Saturday and dropped a 2-0 decision to the Pride.

"The boys did their best," Nelson said. "I'm excited for the future of Kingswood soccer."

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JOSHUA SPAULDING

Correction

This photo ran in last week's edition but with the wrong name in the cutline. Kaitlyn Catalano of Kingswood is battling with Prospect Mountain's Charlie Forsythe in the action in Wolfeboro. We apologize for the error.

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OBITUARIES

Bradford H. Jones, 85

ALTON BAY, NH - Bradford H. Jones, 85, passed away on October 29th at home with his family by his side after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Bradford was born at Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro, NH and was the son of George V. and Mildred (Hayes) Jones. With both of his parents being school teachers as well as Alton Bay Real Estate agents, education was always a top family priority. He earned his Civil Engineering Degree at Northeastern University with his military service and spent 13 years in the National Guard. He learned at a very early age the importance of hard work. Together, with his family, they built and renovated multiple cottages and condos, constructed a multipurpose barn for themselves and their three horses and built their lake home in Alton Bay.

Bradford will be remembered for his incredible sense of humor which attracted his beloved wife of 61 years, Ginny. After a five-year courtship, they were married and raised three children Cindy, Brad and Randy. Bradford and his family lived in Weymouth, MA before moving to Stratham, NH and then to their favorite place, Alton, NH. They also later in life resided in Naples Florida for the Winter Season.

In 1977, Bradford with his wife Ginny by his side, started a successful family business, Jones & Beach Engineers.



They worked out of their home in Stratham, NH with just four employees and built a new office addition for future business expansion. He was always extremely passionate for his engineering business and had continued involvement long after his retirement.

He was a very kind hearted and generous man and would always help anyone in any way that he could. His legacy lives in the many children and adults who will recreate at Jones Field Recreational Area, (Home of Little Fenway) which he, along with his sisters, donated in the memory of their father, George Vinton Jones. He also founded with his wife and friend Don Young, the Summers' Peoples' Scholarship Fund for Alton's youth.

Well into his eighty's, he could be seen spreading mulch, planting trees, mowing, clearing land, and burning brush. He loved to design homes for the lots he and his family developed in Lakewood Estates and High Point Drive in Alton. He always had a project going on.

He loved traveling to different destinations, boating on Lake Winnepesaukee, teaching family and friends how to waterski, snow skiing and his wife's delicious homemade cooking on which he was sure to compliment her often. He had a special spot in his heart for all animals and they all loved him back. He loved to laugh at a good joke especially when it was his own. Above all, he treasured spending time and making memories with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Bradford was predeceased by his son, Randall in 2000. He leaves behind his wife, the love of his life, Virginia (Ginny) Smith Jones, his daughter Cindy Jones of Alton Bay, his son Bradford A. Jones and his wife Kelly of Alton Bay, his grandchildren, Brian, Ashley, Anthony, Lucas and Tory and his great grandchildren, his two sisters, Beverly Abt of Southport, CT and Nancy McGuirk and her husband Warren of Westfield, MA, his daughter in-law Karen Jones of Braintree, MA and several nieces and nephews.

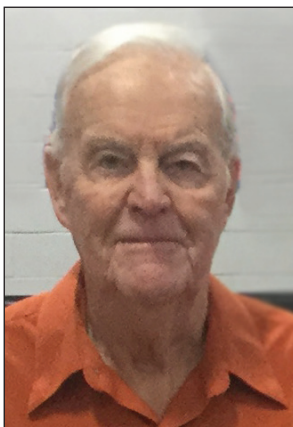
A private service at St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Alton will be held on Wednesday November 4, 2020, please tune into: www.stkdrexel.org/102 at 11am to watch the live broadcast of the Mass. There will be a Celebration of Bradford's Life planned during the Summer of 2021.

In Lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Central NH VNA & Hospice www.centralvna.org or to St. Jude Children's Hospital www.stjude.org

Funeral arrangements by Peaslee Funeral Home. To express condolences, please visit: www.peasleefuneralhome.com

Les Turner, of Merrymeeting Daylilies, passed away at his home on Tash Road in New Durham on October 10. Les had a long and interesting life. He was born in 1933 into a long line of gardeners in a small town in southeast Massachusetts. He lived in the same house from birth through high school. As soon as he graduated, he "set sail". He joined a traveling carnival for a while, and returned home just long enough to enlist in the Navy, hoping to "see the World". He was promptly stationed at Boston Harbor, which was not quite what he had dreamed of. But eventually he was assigned to a battleship and "rounded the Horn" and toured the Pacific Basin.

On the completion of his Navy adventure, he pursued a college career. During his summers, he worked as a groundskeeper on Naushon Island (where he was given his first daylily), and did one summer as a rootin' too-



tin' Sheriff at a Boomtown-era "western village" on Cape Cod. It was during this time that he met his future wife, Nathalie. They married in 1959 and started a family.

Leslie worked in college administration at universities in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Oregon. He took a break from academia and owned and operated a lunch counter/general store on the Cape for ten years, but then returned to the educational world as a Dean at the vocational-technical college system in NH. He eventually retired (for the first time) in the mid-1990s and

promptly created Merry-meeting Gardens in New Durham. He ran that until he retired again and created Merrymeeting Daylilies, which kept him busy until his passing.

Les was predeceased by his wife, Nathalie (Goss) Turner in 2015, and is survived by two sons, David Turner of Alton, and Harvey Turner of Rochester, and two daughters, Amanda Turner of New Durham and Cathy Turner of Rochester. Les had three granddaughters, two great granddaughters, one great grandson, and another on the way. He will be deeply missed by friends and family.

There will be no funeral at this time, due to the current pandemic. The family intends to honor him by keeping his beloved daylily field in operation. His daughter, Amanda, will be running the business, and will be expanding with new varieties next year, while keeping Les Turner's tried and true favorites on hand.

McConaghy

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the Barnstead area, who gather monthly to exchange ideas, learn together and do community service.

Ethel advocates for Racial Justice on the State level. Ethel is involved with Black Lives Matter as well as the LB-GTQ movement.

She is involved in "Hope for NH Family," an addiction support group meeting locally. Ethel has helped with liaison work for the New Beginnings, (Emergency Shelter of Belknap County).

One of the people who marvels at what Ethel accomplishes said, "When an inactive church member fell on hard times and was incarcerated, Ethel reached out to him, attended his trial, organized letters and re-

quested that our Church financially support him through the jail system. She and David visited him in jail and when he was released, she found items he needed to re-enter society. He told me she was the brightest source of support he had while in jail."

Another quote from someone touched by her is "Ethel does not give up on anyone, she does not quit when she is ignored or dismissed. Ethel has stated time and time again it important to do outreach for those in need - and it is. She is definitely cut from the same mold as Gordon."

So, we are proud to recognize Ethel for her unwavering volunteer service to this town. Congratulations, Ethel McConaghy!

Faith Matters to feature profile on Farmington's Bowden brothers

FARMINGTON — The Story of the Seven Bowden Brothers in WWII will be featured on "Faith Matters" at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5.

In recognition and celebration of upcoming Veteran's day, our guest on the Nov. 5 edition of Faith Matters, is Sandra DiPrizio, daughter of the late Pearl Bowden of Farmington. Sandra and co-hosts, Pastor Kent Schneider and Susan Loker, will discuss the extraordinary story of Pearl and his six brothers who all fought in World War II ~ and who all returned home alive. Each of the seven brothers enlisted or was drafted between the years of 1938 and 1945. They all served in the Army in various locations including India, Germany, Japan, Panama and the Aleutian Islands. Widowed in 1940, their mother, Clydia, wrote to each son each week and was, in the words of son, Seymour, the true hero. "She comforted other women who got telegrams of their sons' death, knowing that the next telegram coming into town could be for her." Join us on November 5th at 5:00 to learn more of this wonderful story of dedication and service of this local family. We broadcast weekly from the sanctuary of the First Congregational church in Farmington, offering a "Faith Lift" and positive connections to all who tune in to www.facebook.com/farmingtonnhfirstcongregational.

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Cross country Knights wrap up the season

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
Sports Editor

MANCHESTER — The Kingswood cross country teams competed in the Division II State Meet on Saturday at snowy Derryfield park in Manchester.

The Knight boys finished in 13th place overall and the girls ran to a 14th place finish. Coe-Brown took top honors for both the boys and the girls behind winning performances from siblings Aidan and Addison Cox.

For the boys, Kingswood was led by sophomore Casey Arsenault, who finished in a time of 18:40 for 50th place overall.

Matt Jacobs was next in for Kingswood, placing 55th overall in a time of 18:52 and Oleg Sheah-



JOSHUA SPAULDING
CASEY ARSENAULT led the way for the Kingswood boys on Saturday at the Division II State Meet.



CAROLYN DAY paced the Kingswood girls during Saturday's state championships in Manchester.



ASHLEY DIAMOND makes the final turn of the Derryfield Park course on Saturday.



MARK STANARD races for Kingwood during the Division II State Meet Saturday in Manchester.

a time of 21:42 for 124th place.

The Kingswood girls were led by Carolyn Day, who finished in 38th place in a time of 22:19.

Rosemary Carpenter finished in 53rd place with a time of 23:18 and Sarah Carpenter was 59th overall in a time of 23:39.

Katie Mann finished in 96th place in a time of 26:06 and Lily Stinchfield finished out the scoring with a time of 26:25 for 100th place.

Ashley Diamond rounded out the field of Knights on the day, finishing in a time of 27:53 for 116th place overall.

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Kennett girls defeat Kingswood to move on to quarterfinals



KENNETT'S Bryn Fayle fires off a shot as Kingswood's Marcella DeNitto tries to knock the ball away.



JOSHUA SPAULDING
KENNETT'S EMILY KENNY and Kingswood's Avery Dinges battle for the ball in action last week.

BY JOSHUA SPAULDING
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NORTH CONWAY — The Kennett and Kingswood soccer girls opened the Division II playoffs on Thursday, Oct. 29, with a rainy battle in North Conway.

The Eagles scored twice in the first half and added a tally in the second half to knock off the Knights by a 3-0 score and advance to the Division II quarterfinals.

"I was happy with the way we came out," said Kennett coach Ron Krieger. "I was worried we'd come out flat, but I don't think we did."

"Last season I think that would've been five

or six (to nothing)," said Kingswood coach Rob Kelly. "They battled, they played hard."

Kennett got the early chances, with Aida Wheat making a nice run and sending a shot wide while Kingswood's Sara Hyde also made a nice defensive clear. Wheat also rang a shot off the cross bar. Kennett had the game's first corner but Kingswood keeper Alexis Turner made the save. The Eagles had another corner and Marissa Caputo and Kendall Krieger got in close but they could not convert. Emily Kenny turned in a good defensive play for Kennett against King-

swood's Avery Dinges.

Kennett got the game's first goal with 22:45 to go in the first half, as Wheat got in all alone and buried the shot for the 1-0 lead.

Makenzie Willett had a nice defensive stop for the Knights on a run in by Shannon Abrams while Ashley Garside had a good clear for the Eagles. Kennett got another corner but Megan Davey was able to clear the ball out of the zone. Dinges made another run in for Kingsowod, but Kenny made a nice defensive stop. Turner also made a save on another Kennett chance and Davey also made an-

other good clear.

With 6:16 to go in the first half, Caputo was able to finish off a crossing pass to make it 2-0. Kenny came through with another defensive stop on Dinges and then Dinges had a direct kick that Carli Krebs cleared out of the zone. Wheat sent a couple of shots high and Abrams had a bid that Davey cleared out, bringing the half to a close with Kennett up 2-0.

The second half started out with Wheat sending a shot wide and Abrams and Isabelle Murray both had shots but could not convert. Hyde made a nice defensive stop on Wheat as well.

With just more than 11 minutes gone in the half, Abrams sent a pass across the crease and Liz Blair was able to put the ball in the net for the 3-0 lead.

The Knights got a run into the zone but could not convert while

Abrams had a chance go wide at the other end. Kennett had a corner kick but Kingswood's Makenna Leigh was able to clear the ball out of the zone. Abrams and Wheat made a run into the zone but Turner was able to grab the ball. Kennett had a corner kick, with Grace Ruddy sending the ball wide of the net. The Eagles kept pressuring with Murray and Bryn Fayle getting chances, but they could not convert. Both Davey and Leigh had solid clears as time ticked off the clock.

Krieger praised the work of keeper Sam Habert-Jaques, who didn't have a lot of work, but kept her teammates moving in the right direction.

"Sam didn't get challenged today, but her vocalization has increased and gone to the entire team," Krieger said. "And they all follow."

The Eagle coach also praised Kenny for get-

ting to and winning all the one-on-one battles she had throughout the game, all while remaining calm and focused on her job.

"The outstanding thing for this season is the consistency," said Kelly. "The girls played consistently hard, the performances have been there, the growth has been there."

Kelly noted the team is losing 10 seniors but he expects another solid group moving up from the middle school.

He also thanked Athletic Director Aaron House for figuring out how to get the Knights a season amidst the logistical nightmare that has been 2020, with only half the kids in school at a time and travel restricted.

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Volleyball

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"They are a phenomenal program," Hutchins said. "Are we the underdogs? Sure. But, I think we can definitely win."

Winnisquam was led by Delaney Skourtis with eight kills and Emma Richardson with seven kills. Richardson also had 17 digs in a nice defensive effort. Ariana

Williams had 17 assists on the night.

Winnisquam coach Kevin Archibald, who just wrapped up his first season as the helm for the Bears, was proud of the way his team played despite the loss.

"We were right there the whole and I liked to see us put pressure on them, but unfortunately

it wasn't our night," Archibald said.

Prospect went on to fall to Gilford in the quarterfinals by a 3-0 score. In that match, Leavitt had 12 kills and 13 digs while Stockman had 20 assists and seven digs. Ella Misiaszek had two service aces and seven digs while Sophie Sar-no added 10 digs.



JIANA KENERSON of Prospect Mountain goes up for a block against Delaney Skourtis of Winnisquam in action last week.

ABA hosts the "Grateful Giveaway"

ALTON — It's that time of year when we force ourselves to pause and be grateful! The ABA is so grateful for our supporting business member and our thriving community that supports our small businesses! So, we're celebrating with a "Grateful Giveaway," which is a VIRTUAL event from Nov. 1-24. We'll be asking the community to share and post a picture of yourself supporting a local business (this can be making a purchase, dining or services from a local business). Each posted picture is an entry to win \$100 in gift cards to member businesses (one picture post per person please). The winner will be announced on Nov. 24 on this Event Page!

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Gunstock announces winter operation plans

GILFORD — In a letter on the Gunstock Web site, Tom Day, President and GM of Gunstock Mountain Resort, addresses skiers and riders with the changes they will see when arriving to the resort during the 2020-21 ski season.

Since the abrupt ending of our winter season last March, the world has been turned upside down by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our daily lives have changed in ways we never could have expected. These last few months have given us better insight into how this virus spreads and how it can be managed. As we look ahead to the 2020-21 winter season, you can expect to see many changes throughout the operation that will protect you from the risks of the COVID-19 virus during your visit to Gunstock. The one thing we hope won't change is the excitement and pure joy people feel when they are here.

This week, we announced exciting improvements to the ski/ride experience including an expanded Tubing Park, improved Rental facilities, touchless payments, a new reservation and online ordering system for food services, and other facility improvements. What you will also see are the snowmaking guns and groomers laying down some fresh corduroy for your shredding pleasure. With expanded operating hours on weekends and Christmas we hope you get even more time on the slopes with us this season.

Now more than ever, we all need a place to recreate outdoors safely and responsibly. Gunstock has taken a proactive and comprehensive approach to protecting our guests and employees during this pandemic. When we open our mountain on December 4 guests will experience a myriad of changes put in place to enhance our safety protocols, which we have outlined for you below.

Lift tickets

All tickets must be purchased in advance and online to allow us to manage daily capacity and minimize in-person transactions. Your RFID card is direct to lift access. At times, we may be required to limit ticket sales due to state requirements but our hope is that you are able to ski/ride whenever you'd like - we have a lot of options to choose from. All ticket sales are final. You may adjust your ticket date up to 48 hours before your original arrival date. No date adjustments will be allowed less than 48 hours in advance. We've expanded weekend hours (opening at 8 a.m.) and will now be open Christmas Day. We also offer the best night skiing in New England so we encourage you to try a new routine to avoid the crowds.

Season passholders

Our season passholders always hold a special place in our hearts and they will continue to enjoy unlimited access to the mountain during op-

erating hours.

Parking & shuttles

Gunstock is delighted to offer direct-to-lift ticketing so you can go straight from your car to the lifts! Please be mindful of the physical distancing requirements when loading and unloading your car and wear a face covering. When you arrive at the resort, tune into Gunstock Radio for important arrival information and special updates for your visit. Shuttle service will operate with capacity limits to allow for physical distancing inside the shuttles. Family members and parties arriving together will be allowed to sit together or in an adjacent seat.

Lodges

Without a doubt, the biggest impact of COVID will be felt inside the lodge areas. Each public space has established capacity limits to allow for physical distancing, traffic control, and minimal exposure to staff and other guests. Family members and related parties are allowed closer than 6 feet to each other. We have also modified indoor traffic patterns to manage guest flow.

These restrictions have required an entirely new approach to creating a comfortable and welcoming lodge experience. As a result, we will be introducing a new Lodge Reservation system that will allow us to manage indoor capacity and help you to better plan for your visit. Reservations will be re-

quired to enter the Stockade Lodge and the Main Lodge, including Cobble Mountain Food Court, the Powder Keg Pub, and the Pistol Pub.

Storage

Storage for personal items will not be available in any of the lodges this season. Basket Check, Ski Check and paid lockers will also be closed to the public, so you will need to plan ahead before your arrival. We recommend that guests boot up in their vehicles and think of it as "basecamp," and leave all personal items there. Brown bags, coolers, and other food storage containers are not allowed in the lodges, so if guests bring their lunch we encourage them to enjoy it in their vehicle or at one of our outdoor dining areas. A limited number of seasonal lockers are available, simply email services@gunstock.com for availability and rental information.

Restaurants and food service

As mentioned, reservations will be required this season for indoor dining in the Stockade Lodge and Main Lodge. Physical distancing and face coverings will be required at all times, except when eating and drinking. We will also be expanding our outdoor dining food options with take-out windows and food trucks. More information about our new reservation system is coming soon so check back for updates!

Restrooms

Indoor restrooms will be open to the public, subject to capacity limits. We have also expanded restroom services with additional portable toilets available throughout the parking lots and base area.

Lifts

Lift lines will be managed to allow for physical distancing in the loading zones. Face coverings worn over the nose and mouth will be required in all lift lines and while loading, riding, and unloading the lift. To maintain physical distance on chairlifts we will only seat arriving families who have traveled together within six feet of each other on a chair.

Lessons & rentals

Advanced online reservations will be required for all ski and snowboard lessons and equipment rentals this winter. Gunstock is proud to offer adult, children, private, group and seasonal lesson programs this winter. Physical distancing and face coverings will be required at all times during the lesson. We've expanded our Rental Shop to allow for capacity restraints and all equipment will be thoroughly disinfected between each rental.

Tubing and Mountain Coaster

The Tubing Park and Mountain Coaster will open this winter. Face coverings are required, and you must be physi-

cally distant while participating in these activities. All tickets must be purchased in advance, online, prior to arrival. We may need to reduce the number of tickets available to allow for physical distancing.

Protect yourself and others at all times

Face coverings must be worn at all times over the nose and mouth when not eating, drinking, or actively skiing or riding. This includes lift lines, parking lots, restrooms and any other area where six foot physical distancing cannot be maintained. Maintain at least six feet distance between yourself and others who are not in your party. Wash your hands frequently and vigorously. Gunstock will make hand sanitizer available to all guests in the lodge areas and restaurants. If you are sick or experiencing any new or unexplained symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your health care provider before you leave home.

We follow New Hampshire's Universal Guidelines for safe operation this ski season and hope you find this information to be helpful and encouraging. The COVID landscape is constantly changing so we will continuously monitor our local area for developments and evaluate these operating plans as needed.

We look forward to sharing a healthy and fun 2020-21 ski season with you!

VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

A day to honor all veterans

The month of November is a special time for the nation's veterans. While Memorial Day honors fallen soldiers and service people, Veteran's Day, which takes place each November, is an opportunity to commemorate the efforts of all who have been in the armed forces, with a special emphasis on living veterans. While people are encouraged to thank veterans throughout the year, Veteran's Day is a particularly poignant time to show your appreciation for the men and women of the military.


Veteran's Day takes place on November 11 and marks an important moment in history. On November 11, 1918, World War I, known at the time as "The Great War," unofficially ended

when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, took place between Germany and the Allied nations on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. World War I ended on paper when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. In November 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Armistice Day became a federal holiday in the United States in 1938. However, after subsequent wars, including World War II and the Korean War, veterans' service organizations lobbied for Armistice Day to be revised so it

would be more inclusive of all veterans. On June 1, 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation to strike the word "Armistice" from the holiday's name in favor of "Veterans." Since then, November 11 has been known as "Veterans Day" and has honored veterans of all wars.

Veterans Day was moved to the fourth Monday in October for roughly seven years under the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which sought to ensure three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating certain national holidays on Mondays. But since November 11 bore such significance, many states disapproved and continued to observe the holiday on November 11.



In 1975, President Gerald Ford signed legislation to return the observation of Veterans Day to November 11 beginning in 1978. Should the day fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the federal government observes the holiday on the previous Friday or following Monday, respectively, according to History.com.

The United States isn't the only country to celebrate its veterans. Canada, Great Britain, Australia, and France also commemorate the veterans of World War I and II on or near November 11 as Remembrance Day or Remembrance Sunday.

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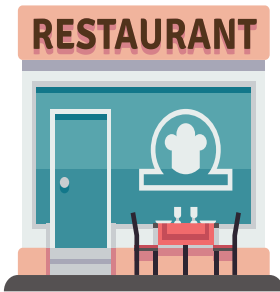
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We have sacrificed our self-respect at the altar of self-gratification; we have surrendered to expedience for the sake of popular approval; we have turned our backs on God and lost the dignity with which we were created; we have rejected the truth and

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As a result, we are now living in a new America, far different from the America of just thirty years ago. Who would have thought we'd now be dealing with co-ed bathrooms, legalized marijuana, sex education without a Biblical perspective, athletes who kneel for the playing of our national anthem, and police who cannot defend themselves without the risk of public censure? What in the world is going on?

It's not that we have been overwhelmed by radicals. Unhappy citizens, pushing for fundamental change, have always been with us. What is most troubling, however, is that these radicals have found popular support. Amid the mayhem, and no matter how aberrant their lifestyle, they have been championed as heroes.

Emerging out of the sixty's has come a generation of leaders who never developed a healthy respect for God and His Word. Driven by power, politics, and prosperity they have been left empty and unfulfilled and have been captivated by new causes and a new reason for living.

With the radical left clamoring for attention, I am reminded that all it takes for evil to prevail is for good people to remain silent. And that we will not do!

As often as I can, I will ensure my voice is heard in support of honesty, integrity, and a godliness that does justice to our Christian heritage. I will oppose the tyranny of those who would destroy our way of life and I will support those principles of responsibility, common sense, and justice that made America great.

And I will have voted on Nov. 3. In doing so I was voting for an America in which our babies are guaranteed the right to life, for a police force empowered to bring law and order to our cities without fear of reprisal, and for a government capable of giving us responsible, honest, common sense leadership.

And I will pray. Along with millions of other Americans, I will ask God to help us wake up to what is happening before it is too late. Only God knows if we have already reached the point of no return, but I serve a miracle-working God and know He can turn things around. "If my people," the Bible says, "will pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and forgive their sin and will heal their land." There can be no other way!



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