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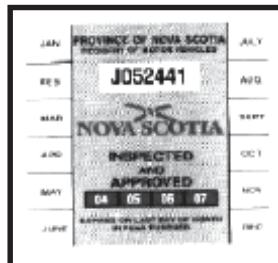
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Saturday, February 17th

from 9:00 - 1:00

Music by - Turnbull Brothers

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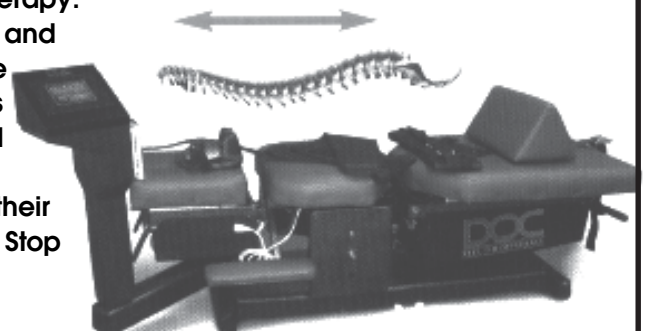
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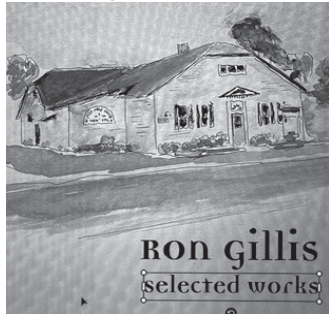
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Ron Gillis Releases New CD - CEILIDH HALL

North Sydney's poet/songwriter Ron Gillis will release a new CD - CEILIDH HALL - in early March. The CD is a compilation of Ron's songs over a 25 year span. It consists of Eleven Singers, Four Recording Studios, Six Producers, Four engineers, 6 composers and Twenty six songs.



The songs include: Healing Walk, The Question, Comin' Home, Hockey Town, Play Ball, Scotty, The Call, Radio Companion, World Without Song, Charlie's Cart, My Town, Ceilidh Hall, May Every Day Be Mother's Day, Hundred Years Of Living, Coriano Ridge, Son's Room, Ghost Of The Opry,

Willie's Guitar, Just Feelin' Blue, My Turn, Saturday Cowboy, Make A House A Home, Ceilidh In The Sky, Rockers From The Past and The Songwriter.

The singer/musicians/producers are the cream of Cape Breton talent and expertise. They include - Ron Gillis, Kenny Walsh, Aaron Lewis, Tim Jackson, Shane MacLean, Ward Glogowski, Jocelyn Hynes, Hugh MacDonald, Lynda Maxwell, Fred Lavery, Mel McMulin, Max MacDonald, Shawn MacDonald, and Patricia Chafe.

GROUNDHOG DAY TRIVIA

- 1 - What are the only 2 countries that celebrate Groundhog Day?
- 2 - What other name are groundhogs known as?
- 3 - Who had the male lead in the movie "Groundhog Day"?
- 4 - What is the name of Cape Breton's groundhog?
- 5 - What year was the first groundhog Day celebrated?
- 6 - The movie Groundhog Day, the celebration was filmed in Punxsutawney, PA. - **TRUE** or **FALSE**
- 7 - Why was the name Phil chosen for the famous Punxsutawney groundhog?
- 8 - If the groundhog sees his shadow, it means an early Spring. **TRUE** or **FALSE**
- 9 - What's the name of groundhog Phil's wife?
- 10 - What percentage of the time are groundhogs accurate?

ANSWERS - 1 Canada and the U.S., 2 Woodchucks, 3 Bill Murray, 4 Two Rivers Tunnel, 5 1987, 6 False, 7 To honor King Phillip, 8 False, 9 six more weeks of Winter, 9 Phyllis, 10 - 70%

What The Heck Is Purple Cow Anyway?

I have just moved to the Northside on December 25th and I waited all this time to get internet, phone and TV hooked up. I tried Bell Aliant and Eastlink with little success.

One service representative said they couldn't provide internet and another one said it would take 2 months to get set up.

This is just not acceptable in this age of technology. Then I discovered Purple Cow Internet and I was very surprised at the cost. Internet service with 5G was just \$60 a month and there is also a

TV and Phone package as well. Purple Cow is a Halifax based company and is available in PEI, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.

I was skeptical at first as I was paying nearly \$270 for Bell Aliant service.

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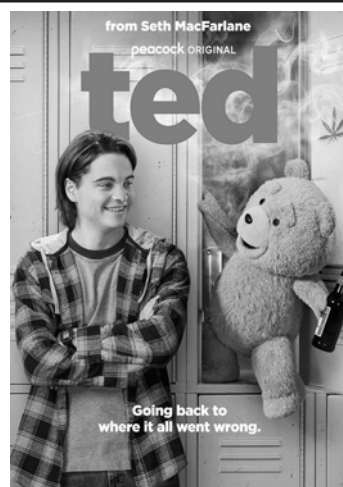
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Take 2

PAUL POWER

When it comes to humour I make no apologies for the fact that my favourite kind of humour is crass, outrageous and pushes the envelope of good taste; I believe that comedy is the last bastion of real freedom-and that kind is usually not liked much by the Woke. There's also no question that the 2 "Ted" movies (from 2012 and 2015) were pretty crude-the offspring of comedy mastermind Seth MacFarlane who's best known for creating "Family Guy" and voicing many of the characters. He also created the series "The Orville", "American Dad", "The Cleveland Show" as well as other specials and movies, and is a renowned big band jazz singer with 8 albums released thus far. With loving the "Ted" movies so much I was really happy to hear that the movie franchise was going to become a TV series on the Peacock network. This series picks up after the opening of the first movie, so it's set in 1993 when Ted has to go to school with his 16 year old owner and



best friend John Bennett (portrayed by Max Burkholder). The cast is great, with Alanna Ubach as the ditsy mom who's really smarter than they think and the amazing comedy actor Scott Grimes as the hot-headed dad. Giorgia Whigham plays the live-in cousin who's very liberal and clashes all the time with the dad. The narrator is Sir Ian McKellan-so if you have a real knight onboard that speaks volumes on how great this series is. There are 7 episodes, all clocking in at around 40 minutes each-and from the start there's swearing, weed and some very inappropriate moments-all the things real "Ted" fans love (I actually have a 16 inch taking Ted in my office so some people never grow up!). BTW-the "Thunder Song" is here too.

AROUND THE TOWN

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS EVENTS

GLEN GRAY - EDITOR

This past week I was able to cut down on one expense that has been growing steadily - **internet usage**, I use the internet to gather information for the paper each week and send our layouts to the printer each week - my bill was approaching **\$270** for internet, phone and TV - I decided to cut out the phone as my wife and I both have cell phones, that helped a little bit - see the story on page 3 about the **Purple Cow**, I was able to get 5G internet service for just **\$60 a month** and that tells me that other companies are gouging us for this service - the speed is good and the setup took only 15 minutes to get me back on the internet - I recommend this service to anybody wanting to cut back on expenses this year - go to their website - **purplecow.com** and see for yourself what savings you can make..... February 2nd is the annual **Ground Hog Day** and I have included some groundhog trivia to help you to better understand the groundhog. and let's hope he doesn't see his shadow - we already have a snowstorm for January... **Paul Power** has another review this week with "TED" from the popular Seth Mac Farlane, see his column opposite this one.... From now on, we will be featuring **TAX TIPS** with suggestions and tax information to get you your maximum deductions - see **page 6** for this week's suggestions.... on page 3 you will see a story about local North Sydney poet/songwriter **Ron Gillis** who has been turning out poetry and song lyrics for 25 years - his latest CD project, **CEILIDH HALL**. will be ready for distribution in early March and you will be able to sample 26 of his local compositions with a host of local singers and musicians and the talents of producers and engineers to make this CD a special tribute - Ron has **contributed freely** to this publication over the years and we wish him well with this new endeavour.... Once again the **Super Bowl** is upon us and I am ready to give my prediction - I have successfully predicted the Super Bowl winner for the **last 5 years** - so here goes - I believe that Patrick Mahomes and the **Kansas City Chiefs** will be victorious - the game will take place in Las Vegas, Nevada on Sunday, February 11..... The Boisdale Fire Hall will be hosting a **Valentine Spaghetti Dinner** with dessert \$15.00 on Sat.Feb.10th - served from 6:00 - 7:00 with music and Including DJ dancing til 10:00 pm..... Again this week we feature the popular **Wuzzle Puzzle** as requested by several of our readers and the weekly Horoscope to guide your way this week.... **NOTICE** - to all Church groups, Legions, Seniors Clubs, Fire Halls and Community associations - if you want free publicity for your upcoming event, simply email us with your information and we'll publish it in our printed edition and digital edition - email us at - thisweek@kleeradio.com



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NO GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED

There's an old saying that "No good deed goes unpunished" but I was too young to understand what it meant.

As the Summer dragged on at Gillis Lake, we had fished, hiked, picked berries, played ball, went swimming, rode our bikes and played horseshoes and were now looking for something else to capture our attention for a change of pace.

My father had asked me several times to paint the outhouse but I was having too much fun to complete that chore. I decided that I would surprise him and finish it off before he came home from work.

I had plenty of help from the other boys who were slightly bored like me.

We each took a side of the outhouse and before too long we had completed the entire building. I decided that the inside needed sprucing up as well and painted the bench seat. I was feeling quite proud of myself and couldn't wait until my father came home from work.

After we finished painting, me and the boys ran down to the lake to go swimming. It wasn't until I came home for supper that my father was waiting for me and asked me politely if I forgot to put a "Wet Paint" sign on the bench seat. Apparently he came home, used the outhouse and sat on the wet painted seat.



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St John the Baptist Anglican Church services are held on Sunday and Wednesday at 28 King Street in North Sydney at 10:00 am. ALL ARE WELCOME - the office phone number is 902-794-3392 .

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WHO IS ELIGIBLE? - It's easy to determine who is eligible for the rebate. The Grocery Rebate is based on your 2021 tax return, so you must file a tax return for 2021 in order to receive it, even if you didn't have any income to report that year.

The Grocery Rebate will be given to anyone who is entitled to receive the GST/HST credit in January 2023, which is based on your 2021 tax return. This means, even if you didn't qualify for the GST/HST credit in July 2023, you could still get the Grocery Rebate. That's because the GST/HST credit for July 2023 is based on your 2022 tax return.

HOW MUCH CAN PEOPLE EXPECT TO GET BACK IN THE GROCERY REBATE? - The Grocery Rebate will be equivalent to double the GST/HST credit amount you received in January 2023. The payment amount is based on your family situation in January 2023 and your 2021 adjusted family net income. For those who are single, they can expect to receive a maximum payment of up to:

\$234 (no children), \$387 (with 1 child)
\$467 (with 2 children), \$548 (with 3 children)
\$628 (with 4 children)

For those who are married or living with a common law partner, they can expect to receive a maximum payment of up to:

\$306 (no children), \$387 (with 1 child)
\$467 (with 2 children), \$548 (with 3 children)
\$628 (with 4 children)

It's important to note that payments will be reduced if your net income on your 2021 tax return was more than \$39,826.

The Grocery Rebate was issued on July 5, 2023

If you believe you're eligible for the Grocery Rebate but do not receive it, the Canada Revenue Agency recommends you wait 10 business days and then contact them. If you're unsure if you're eligible for this payment, reach out to your local Tax Expert to help you navigate and get the credits, benefits and rebates you're entitled to.



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VALENTINE DANCE - Branch 19 Legion, North Sydney, Saturday, February 10 from 9:00 - 1:00 - Music by ALTER EGO. Tickets \$10 available at the Branch.

TAX TIPS

Tax season is coming up and each week we will feature Tax Tips designed to save you money and increase your tax deductions - see page 6.



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Wednesday and Saturday
9 am - 4:30



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BIRTHDAY WISHES

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ANSWERS - 1 Play On Words, 2 Eyes In The Back Of My Head, 3 Back To The Future, 4 Eiffel Tower, 5 To Sum It Up, 6 A Little Rough Around The Edges, 7 Foot In The Door, 8 No Can Do, 9 Different Strokes For Different Folks, 10 There's No End To It, 11 They're All The Same, 12 Splitting Hairs

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TUESDAYS

Pre-school Skating @ Emera Centre from 11:30-12:30

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WEDNESDAYS

Tots Skate @ Sydney Mines and District Community Centre from 10-11

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THURSDAYS

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FRIDAYS

Tots Skate @ Sydney Mines and District Community Centre from 10-11

Adult Skate @ Sydney Mines and District Community Centre from 12-2

YOUR WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

Aries (March 21-April 19) - The Full Moon today might create tension dealing with your kids as well as tension in sports events and romantic relationships. The best way to handle this is to be patient. After the Full Moon peaks, these problems will diminish. Respect authority today.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - This is the classic day for a tug-of-war with parents or authority figures in your family. Family discussions might be split about how to do things or how to move forward on a particular. Tomorrow, these problems will diminish.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) - Be careful and pay attention to everything you say and do because this is a mildly accident-prone day for you due to the energy of the Full Moon. Guard against impulsive actions or acting without thinking.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) - Because the Moon is your ruler, you will feel the energy of today's Full Moon. Today you might feel torn between protecting your own financial interests and respecting the interests of others. This is a poor day for important discussions about inheritances and how to share something.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Because the Moon is in your sign today, things will tend to go your way. Nevertheless, today is the only Full Moon in your sign all year! This could create tension between you and partners and close friends. Be aware of this and be diplomatic and understanding.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - You might feel some tension going on behind the scenes today because the Full Moon is taking place in a hidden part of your chart. This is why you feel restless and indecisive. ("The red pill or the blue pill?") Something related to your health might come to a head today. Wait a day or two to decide.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today's Full Moon might create conflict with your kids or some romantic tension. It can also create problems with sports and teammates. The thing to know is that problems intensify before the Full Moon and afterwards, and they diminish. This day gets better as it wears on.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today you might feel pulled between the demands of home and family versus the demands of your career, job or your reputation in the community. It's impossible to satisfy both. If caught between a rock and a hard place, you can't ignore home and family.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Pay attention to everything you say and do today because the distraction of the Full Moon energy could be accident-prone for you. In particular, steer clear of arguments about politics, religion and racial issues because they will get outta hand.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Disputes about money, earnings, possessions, shared property debt, insurance issues and inheritances will culminate today, one way or the other. Wait until the dust settles before you make an important decision. Keep your head down and your powder dry.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today the only Full Moon opposite your sign is taking place, which is why you might feel increased tension dealing with partners, spouses and close friends. Fortunately, this tension will be released very soon. Don't jump to conclusions. Be patient. Relax.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today you have to cut others some slack when dealing with coworkers, or people who are dealing with your health, or maybe your pet because the Full Moon will make everyone excitable. Fortunately, because it peaks in the morning, things will settle down as the day wears on.