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Weather



TODAY:
SUNNY

HIGH OF 24
LOW OF 13



TUESDAY:
A MIX OF SUN
AND CLOUD

HIGH OF 25
LOW OF 14



WEDNESDAY:
CLOUDY

HIGH OF 18
LOW OF 7



THURSDAY:
SUNNY

HIGH OF 22
LOW OF 10



FRIDAY:
A MIX OF SUN
AND CLOUD

HIGH OF 27
LOW OF 12

Potton's 911 camp gave 15 local teenagers an experience of a lifetime



THE SCOOP MABLE HASTINGS

This year's 911 Camp, organized by the Potton SSIC, welcomed 15 local teenagers.

During the week long camp, the youth learned about the work of firefighters, first responders, paramedics and police officers and what they do and experience. The first day of Camp 2023 was dedicated to the firefighting profession. The group learned how to do the following tasks: connect to a static water source, radio communication, intervention sector, breathing apparatus, hoses, interventions with a car. The experience paired with the efforts put in by the teens made day one a great success.

Day 2 was dedicated to first responders and paramedics. In the morning, participants learned about first responders intervention protocols. In the afternoon, they had a visit from Catherine and Laurier, paramedics at Ambulance de l'Estrie. They taught some of the techniques paramedics use



PHOTOS ÉMILIE HÉBERT-LARUE

during their interventions.

Day 3 of Camp 911 was organized by Potton's Fire Department: participants learned hazardous materials response techniques, gas detection, off-road rescue and water rescue.

Day 4 of Camp 911 the group were visited by patrol officers from Sureté du Québec and the RCMP. They also had a visit from an emergency medical dispatcher from the Centre de Communication Santé Estrie. The day included the playing of a skill game with extrication tools.

Camp 911 ended with a simulation

on the Friday. Participants used the techniques they had learned during the week to save victims. A road was closed down to allow for the realistic set up of an accident. Volunteers served as victims including parents who got to see their kids in action! Some spectators gathered and the camp is now recognized as a major contribution to the prevention and safety promotion instilled in our future, Potton and area youth.

"This is a great initiative for our teens! It offers them first hand experiences in first-aid and fire safety, all while encouraging them to be implicated in their community. As parents we are truly grateful for this camp and the people who helped make it happen!" said Patricia Lachance, parent of Alexis Eldridge, one of this year's Camp 911 participants.

The Municipality of Potton would like to thank Camp 911 sponsor, NexKemia Petrochemicals inc. This community minded company is a huge supporter of youth related projects and programs in the community.

Until next year, congratulations to all the children and teens of Camp 2023! A huge salute to Potton SSIC for organizing, animating and initiating this annual 911 camp for youth.



Ben by Daniel Shelton

