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THE ISLAND

Letters raise opposing views on COVID-19 vaccine safety

Two letters in the April 15 Grapevine present sharply different accounts of concerns about COVID-19 vaccines.

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Letters published in the April 15 Islands Grapevine offer opposing views on COVID-19 vaccine safety and the information available to islanders.¹

In a letter signed by Stephen Malthouse, the writer shared an open letter from Lytton physician Charles Hoffe and said it might help islanders make an informed decision. Malthouse wrote that

safety analyses were ongoing and that information was still coming in.¹

Hoffe’s letter reported allergic reactions, two cases of anaphylaxis, one presumed vaccine-induced death and three people with ongoing neurological deficits among people in his community who had received a first Moderna dose.¹

The Grapevine also carried an Island Health notice saying vaccine clinics for permanent residents aged 18 and over were scheduled to begin on Denman the week of April 28. The notice said the clinics were meant for permanent residents.¹

THE ISLAND

Hamish Kimmins remembered after his death at home

A notice in the April 15 Grapevine says Hamish Kimmins died peacefully at home on April 8.

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Hamish Kimmins died peacefully at home on April 8, according to a family notice published in the April 15 Islands Grapevine.¹

The notice said Kimmins lived with a glioblastoma diagnosis for almost 11 years and remained energetic until the end.¹

The family thanked Denman’s home-support team, paramedics, Green Cemetery team and fire department, and said it hoped to hold a celebration of his life in the fall.¹

THE ISLAND

Earth Day week brings Denman climate events

The Denman Island Climate Action Network is sponsoring a week of webinars and events around Earth Day.

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The Denman Island Climate Action Network is sponsoring a week-long series of webinars and events, according to a community information notice in the April 15 Islands Grapevine.¹

The notice said the events were published on an insert in the issue and directed readers to the network’s website for information and newsletter registration.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.

Thu 2021-04-15: Clear; 23°C / 6°C; wind NNE 9 kn; daylight 06:29–20:11; moon Waxing Crescent, 8% lit; low water 2:42 AM (3.1 m), high water 7:57 AM (4.3 m), low water 2:58 PM (1.2 m), high water 10:19 PM (4.4 m).



https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2021-04-15

	Thu 15	Fri 16	Sat 17	Sun 18	Mon 19	Tue 20	Wed 21
Sky	Clear	Mainly clear	Clear	Partly cloudy	Clear	Clear	Partly cloudy
High	23°C	23°C	24°C	24°C	23°C	21°C	19°C
Low	6°C	7°C	7°C	8°C	10°C	7°C	6°C
Wind	NNE 9 kn	N 6 kn	NNE 5 kn	N 8 kn	ENE 9 kn	NNE 5 kn	N 9 kn
Daylight	06:29–20:11	06:27–20:13	06:25–20:14	06:23–20:16	06:21–20:17	06:19–20:19	06:17–20:20
Moon	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	First Quarter	First Quarter

Open-Meteo historical forecast. Tides: Canadian Hydrographic Service.

DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

Emergencies: **911.** Denman Island Fire Rescue is a volunteer department. This space is theirs in every edition, free, and is not for sale.

Burning restrictions change through the season. Check before you light anything — including this newspaper.

Sources

Every claim in this edition is cited. Full documents, and the checks each source passed, are at denmanisland.co/news — or ask us and we will post you a copy.

Letters raise opposing views on COVID-19 vaccine safety

- 1. The Islands Grapevine — April 15, 2021 — “It is important for people to be aware that we are still in Phase 3 trials and safety analyses are ongoing.”

Hamish Kimmins remembered after his death at home

- 1. The Islands Grapevine — April 15, 2021 — “Our beloved Hamish died peacefully at home on April 8th.”

Earth Day week brings Denman climate events

- 1. The Islands Grapevine — April 15, 2021 — “Locally the Denman Island Climate Action Network is sponsoring a week long series of WEBINARS and EVENTS published on the Insert in this Grapevine.”

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