

The Denman Firestarter

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THE ISLAND

Denman Health Centre prepares for two-doctor team

The Health Centre Society says Dr. Jody Taylor is to take over the clinic in January, with Dr. Veerle Willaey's joining part time early in the new year.

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The Denman Health Centre is preparing for a two-doctor team, with Dr. Jody Taylor scheduled to assume full responsibility for the clinic in January 2023 and Dr. Veerle Willaey's expected to join part time early in the new year, the Health Centre Society reported.¹

The society said Dr. Ron Wilson is retiring and described his contribution to the island's health care. Taylor wrote that she has

worked as a family doctor for seven years and previously worked as a nurse.¹

The society also said a portable structure is slated for installation beside the equipment shed sometime in late January. It is intended to provide office and meeting space for the Hornby Denman Community Health Care Society, while the main building is to

accommodate two medical rooms and space for physiotherapy and allied health services.¹

The Comox Valley Primary Care Network said that, over the past six months, its staff have travelled by ferry to provide services at the Denman Medical Clinic, including nursing, social work, pharmacy, and mental health and substance-use support.¹

THE ISLAND

Farming bylaw review turns to watercourse setbacks

Denman trustees amended draft farming regulations to set a 30-metre setback for agricultural buildings and structures, except fences.

The notice says the band is set to play two sets, from 9 to 10 p.m. and 10:30 to 11:30 p.m., and describes the event as all ages with a bar. It also says prizes are planned for costumes.¹

The notice asks people who feel sick not to attend and says the fundraiser is intended to support the Community Hall.¹

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Denman Island trustees amended draft farming regulations at a special meeting on October 14, setting a 30-metre setback from watercourses for buildings and structures associated with agriculture, except fences.¹

The minutes say staff had been asked to provide more information on watercourse setbacks. Planner Marlis McCargar reported that a comprehensive review of setbacks and Development Permit Areas was outside the project's scope, and that provincial rules under the Agricultural Environmental Management Code of Practice set setbacks for water protection on farmland.¹

Trustee David Critchley proposed adding an information note about the provincial code to the draft bylaw. The motion did not receive a seconder and did not proceed.¹

The trustees then approved the amended wording for sections 1.7 and 1.8 of draft Bylaw No. 229. The minutes record the change as part of the farming regulations review; they do not record final adoption of the bylaw.¹

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Denman Halloween dance returns with live band

The Community Hall fundraiser is scheduled for October 22, with Balkan Shmalkan and a DJ on the bill.

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A Halloween dance fundraiser for the Denman Island Community Hall is scheduled for Saturday, October 22, with Vancouver band Balkan Shmalkan and DJ Eliazar, an event notice in the Grapevine says.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.
Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.
Thu 2022-10-20: Overcast; 18°C / 8°C; wind N 10 kn; daylight 07:48–18:22; moon Waning Crescent, 29% lit; high water 1:58 AM (3.3 m), low water 8:26 AM (1.7 m), high water 3:46 PM (4.6 m), low water 10:22 PM (2.7 m).



https://catchwindow.com/canada/
british-columbia/denman-island/
week/2022-10-20

	Thu 20	Fri 21	Sat 22	Sun 23	Mon 24	Tue 25	Wed 26
Sky	Overcast	Overcast	Overcast	Dense drizzle	Drizzle	Light drizzle	Overcast
High	18°C	14°C	14°C	12°C	13°C	9°C	9°C
Low	8°C	6°C	4°C	2°C	5°C	3°C	3°C
Wind	N 10 kn	E 6 kn	NNW 6 kn	ESE 15 kn	E 9 kn	SSE 13 kn	NNW 12 kn
Daylight	07:48–18:22	07:49–18:20	07:51–18:18	07:52–18:16	07:54–18:15	07:56–18:13	07:57–18:11
Moon	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent	Waning Crescent	New Moon	New Moon

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.
Denman Health Centre prepares for two-doctor team

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, October 20, 2022 — “Beginning in January 2023 Dr. Taylor will assume full responsibility for the Denman clinic.”

Farming bylaw review turns to watercourse setbacks

- 1. Denman LTC Special Meeting Minutes, October 6 and 14, 2022 — “30.0 metres for buildings and structures associated with agriculture, except for a fence.”

Denman Halloween dance returns with live band

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, October 20, 2022 — “This event is a fundraiser for DIRCs - aka the Community Hall”

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