

THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

Back issue, The Denman Firestarter did not exist on 2026-01-02. This edition was compiled on 2026-10-01 from the public record as it stood on 2026-01-02, and contains nothing dated after that day — no outcomes, no hindsight. It is a reconstruction of what was on the record at the time, not a document from the time.

THE ISLAND

Denman housing proposals draw separate presentations to trustees

Two delegations outlined affordable-housing proposals at the Dec. 16 Local Trust Committee meeting.

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Two delegations presented affordable-housing proposals to the Denman Island Local Trust Committee on Dec. 16. One described a proposal to rezone a 15-acre property for eight dwelling units regulated by a housing agreement held with the Islands Trust.¹

The Denman Community Housing Society presented a proposal concerning the Emcon works yard, which is leased to Mainroad until 2033. The delegation said an Official Community Plan amendment could set aside a location for affordable housing in the

future, and that Emcon’s offer could allow the community to secure a parcel for that purpose.¹

The minutes record the presentations but do not record a decision on either proposal at that meeting.¹

THE ISLAND

Marine stewards raise concerns about aquaculture expansion at Denman Point

A delegation told Denman trustees that an aquaculture expansion application concerns the Marine Conservation Area.

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The Association for Denman Island Marine Stewards raised concerns at the Dec. 16 Local Trust Committee meeting about an application to the provincial government to expand an aquaculture operation at Denman Point.¹

The delegation said the operation encroaches on the Marine Conservation Area and that the proposed expansion is outside the current lease area and has already happened. It also said a complaint had been made to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.¹

The planner said a Crown lease referral would be sent to staff for a response and that, if the area encroaches into the Marine Conservation zone, staff would note that rezoning is required to permit the use. The chair asked the planner to inform the committee if a referral came forward and suggested the delegate consider making a bylaw complaint to enable an investigation.¹

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Letters debate Denman’s response to Apartheid Free Communities campaign

Four speakers asked Denman trustees to support a campaign concerning Palestine, and a trustee said the request would receive a response on the agenda.

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Four members of the public spoke at the Dec. 16 Denman Island Local Trust Committee meeting about a letter concerning the Apartheid Free Community campaign, according to the minutes.¹

They asked the committee to sign the Apartheid Free

Communities Pledge and support several related requests, including a call for a two-way arms embargo with Israel and recognition of anti-Palestinian racism as a distinct form of racism.¹

A trustee noted support for anti-apartheid movements and said there was a point on the agenda at which they would respond to the request. The minutes record the correspondence being added to the agenda, but do not record the response.¹

THE ISLAND

Denman’s community calendar lists library, market and food-bank events

The Grapevine’s fortnight calendar lists island activities scheduled in the first half of January.

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The Islands Grapevine’s calendar lists Dora Drinkwater Library sessions, the farmers market at the Old School and other Denman activities scheduled in the first half of January.¹

The calendar lists the food bank at the Hub Community Hall on Jan. 6, alongside the CAP site and Free Store. It also lists a community choir gathering at the Back Hall on Jan. 7.¹

These are calendar listings for scheduled events, not reports that the activities have taken place.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Fri 2026-01-02: Dense drizzle; 6°C / 4°C; wind SE 4 kn; daylight 08:16–16:31; moon Waxing Gibbous, 97% lit; high water 5:55 AM (5.2 m), low water 10:48 AM (4.1 m), high water 3:01 PM (4.8 m), low water 10:50 PM (0 m).



https://catchwindow.com/canada/
british-columbia/denman-island/
week/2026-01-02

	Fri 02	Sat 03	Sun 04	Mon 05	Tue 06	Wed 07	Thu 08
Sky	Dense drizzle	Rain	Light rain	Light drizzle	Light rain	Heavy snow	Overcast
High	6°C	10°C	10°C	6°C	8°C	6°C	6°C
Low	4°C	5°C	5°C	1°C	3°C	2°C	1°C
Wind	SE 4 kn	SE 11 kn	SSE 9 kn	NW 11 kn	SW 15 kn	ESE 7 kn	N 7 kn
Daylight	08:16–16:31	08:16–16:32	08:16–16:33	08:16–16:34	08:16–16:35	08:15–16:36	08:15–16:37
Moon	Waxing Gibbous	Full Moon	Full Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous
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 housing proposals draw separate presentations to trustees

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, Dec. 16, 2025 — “The delegation provided a presentation regarding rezoning the Emcon works yard”

Marine stewards raise concerns about aquaculture expansion at Denman Point

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, Dec. 16, 2025 — “The delegation spoke to concerns about an application made to the Provincial Government to expand an aquaculture operation”

Letters debate Denman’s response to Apartheid Free Communities campaign

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, Dec. 16, 2025 — “Four members member of the public spoke to a letter sent to local Trustees regarding the Apartheid Free Community (AFC) campaign”

Denman’s community calendar lists library, market and food-bank events

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, Jan. 2, 2026 — “• CAP SITE Hub Comm. Hall 4-7pm • FOOD BANK Hub Comm. Hall 4-7pm”

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