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THE ISLAND

Denman tax clinic scheduled for Aug. 6

A free, in-person tax clinic is scheduled at the Denman Back Hall for residents seeking help with tax slips, benefits and personal tax filing.

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A free tax clinic is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Denman Back Hall, according to a notice in this week’s Grapevine.¹

The notice says CRA and Service Canada representatives can provide in-person support, including help with tax slips, benefit questions and personal taxes. Limited volunteer tax filing is available after visitors check in with a CRA representative.¹

The service is one-on-one and first come, first served. The notice advises visitors to bring government-issued identification and says having notices of assessment and tax slips can save time.¹

THE ISLAND

Housing review draws questions at Denman meeting

Residents questioned proposed housing rules at a July 11 special meeting, where the Local Trust Committee reviewed draft bylaws and heard that a public hearing is scheduled for September.

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee reviewed draft Official Community Plan and land-use bylaws at a special meeting on July 11, with approximately 19 members of the public attending, according to the adopted minutes.¹

The planner’s presentation described proposed changes including more housing options, cistern requirements for new builds and a reduction of 100 dwelling units in total density. The minutes say the density cap and density bank were to be replaced by policy supporting affordable secondary suites and rezoning for multi-unit housing.¹

During questions, attendees raised concerns about notice and access to documents. The minutes record the response that the public hearing was scheduled for September 15; they also record that the project documents could be found on the project page of the website.¹

The minutes say subdivision through rezoning may be supported where it provides a community benefit, and that rezoning for subdivision within 200 metres of the sea would be guided by an Official Community Plan policy on whether additional lots are appropriate.¹

THE ISLAND

Waste committee asks residents to secure garbage

The Denman Island Waste Management Committee is reminding residents to use critter-proof containers and says it will appear at the next DIRA meeting.

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The Denman Island Waste Management Committee is reminding residents to put garbage in critter-proof containers, according to a notice in this week’s Grapevine.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2026-07-30: Overcast; 24°C / 12°C; wind ESE 9 kn; daylight 05:47–21:06; moon Full Moon, 100% lit; low water 1:17 AM (3.5 m), high water 5:49 AM (4.2 m), low water 1:02 PM (0.9 m), high water 8:25 PM (4.7 m).



	Thu 30	Fri 31	Sat 01	Sun 02	Mon 03	Tue 04	Wed 05
Sky	Overcast	Overcast	Drizzle	Overcast	Clear	Clear	Clear
High	24°C	25°C	21°C	22°C	25°C	28°C	27°C
Low	12°C	14°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C	12°C
Wind	ESE 9 kn	SE 11 kn	SW 10 kn	NNE 11 kn	NNE 5 kn	NNE 6 kn	N 5 kn
Daylight	05:47–21:06	05:48–21:04	05:50–21:03	05:51–21:02	05:52–21:00	05:54–20:59	05:55–20:57
Moon	Full Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	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 tax clinic scheduled for Aug. 6

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, July 30, 2026 — “Thursday, August 6th Denman Island 10:30am-3:00pm at the Denman Back Hall”

Housing review draws questions at Denman meeting

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee special meeting minutes, July 11, 2026 — “There were approximately 19 members of the public in attendance.”

Waste committee asks residents to secure garbage

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, July 30, 2026 — “The Waste Management Committee will be on the agenda for the next Denman Island Residents Association meeting on Monday, August 10 at 7:30 in the back hall.”

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