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these older devices will have to upgrade to a model that can connect to 4G or 5G. The telcos have warned that people with 3G mobile devices will not be able to call Triple-0 after networks cease to operate.

All three of Australia's largest telcos are shutting down their 3G networks in the next nine months. *(ABC News: Chris Gillette)*
What devices are affected?
The change will affect many different types of devices, from EFTPOS machines and farming equipment to baby monitors and medical devices. The most common devices impacted will be 3G-only mobile phones. Some older 4G phones that do not have "VoLTE" (Voice over Long Term Evolution) capacity will not be able to make and receive voice calls, Vodafone said.

the manufacturer to find out if your device relies on 3G network only. You can also contact your mobile service provider for assistance.

Reprinted from ABC website.
By [Nelli Saarinen](#)
Posted 14 Dec 2023.

3G PHONE NETWORK CLOSURE

Australia's 3G network shut down will begin this Friday, when Vodafone becomes the first of the big telcos to switch its service off. All three of Australia's largest telcos are set to close down their 3G networks over the next nine months.

Some devices, including older mobile phones, baby monitors and medical devices still rely on the 20-year-old network that is now being phased out in favour of faster 4G and 5G networks.

Here's what you need to know ahead of Friday's closure.

When is each telco shutting down 3G?

- **Vodafone** will shut down its 3G services on **Friday, December 15 2023**
- **Telstra** will shut down its 3G network on **June 30, 2024**
- **Optus** will switch off its 3G network in **September 2024**

What does the network closure mean?

If your device is only able to connect to 3G, you won't be able to connect to your service provider's network after it has been shut down. That means it will no longer be possible to make phone calls, send texts or access mobile internet on the device. Wi-fi access will still be possible.

To continue using mobile service, people with

Here are some of the most popular devices to be affected:

- Alcatel 2038
- Alcatel OneTouch 2045
- Apple iPhone 5
- Apple iPhone 5C
- Apple iPhone 5S
- Aspera A42
- Doro PhoneEasy 623 OPTUS
- Doro 6521
- Google Pixel 2 XL
- Huawei E5331
- Huawei E5251s-2
- Huawei Y6 Prime
- Nokia 301
- Oppo A57
- Oppo F1s
- Oppo F5 Youth
- Optus X Smart
- Samsung Galaxy J1 Mini
- Samsung Galaxy S5
- ZTE Blade A0605

How do I find out if I'm affected?

An easy way to check is to see if it says "4G" or "5G" on your phone screen. However, devices that are compatible with the more modern networks will still connect to 3G in areas where 4G coverage isn't strong. It is best to check your user manual or contact



STATEMENT FROM DEAN WINTER TASMANIAN'S NEW OPPOSITION LEADER

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By focussing on jobs, a Labor Party I lead will support families to manage the cost of living.

By focussing on jobs, a Labor Party I lead will support the workers who keep our essential public services going.

I am grateful to my colleagues for trusting me with this opportunity, and I look forward to continue working with them towards our vision for a better Tasmania.

*Dean Winter MP
Tasmanian Labor Leader*

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Swansea TAS Community Garden

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LOCATION: INSIDE SWANSEA GENERAL PRACTICE

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The Village in Triabunna is a volunteer run community centre Project of ERDO. The Village is located at 20 Melbourne Street, Triabunna.

CALLING ALL ELECTRIC OR ELECTRIC-HYBRID VEHICLES.

The Village at Triabunna will be hosting our annual Electric-hybrid Vehicle Show this coming Sunday 21st April at The Village, 20 Melbourne Street Triabunna.

This Show is for electric/hybrid cars, people movers, bicycles, motorbikes, scooters, and commercial vehicles, to focus on the current situation of renewables and transport. In addition Triabunna is on the Great Eastern Drive and so a nice drive up from Hobart or down from Launceston, with charging stations now installed in Swansea and Triabunna.

Come along and meet with representatives of the Australian Electric Vehicle Association, and Tasmanian Electric Highway, and discuss the latest trends in Electric vehicles and roll out of charging stations in Tasmania.

It is also our monthly Market Day at The Village, with stalls and produce sellers, and Village activities including Art & Craft Exhibitions, an added attraction to participants and vehicle owners. Flyer is attached.

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said the partnership offered students a wonderful opportunity for what was the most important meal of the day.

“We all know the best possible start to the day involves a nutritious breakfast. It’s shown to improve problem solving, memory, concentration, and anecdotally, the teachers find the kids are calmer and ready to learn,” Mr Aldergham said.

“Our partnership with Aurora provides the much-needed funds to

“I know many moons ago when I was a kid at school how important it was to eat breakfast. It gave me the energy I needed to get through a full day of classes,” Mr Clark said.

“This partnership will not only help put smiles on kids’ faces, but more importantly mean they don’t fall behind in their learning – a win-win.” Aurora Energy is fully owned by the people of Tasmania, based in Tasmania, employing Tasmanians. In the last financial year, the retailer contributed close to \$1.9M in customer and community support, and all of its financial returns remain within the state and don’t flow back to foreign owned entities.

Variety have been supporting Tasmanian kids and families who are facing many challenges through sickness, disadvantage or living with additional needs for over 30 years.

NEW PARTNERSHIP SERVING UP BREAKFAST TO TASSIE STUDENTS

BREAKFAST is back on the menu for school students around Tasmania thanks to a new partnership.

Aurora Energy has teamed up with Variety Tasmania to become the founding partner of its Variety School Breakfast Club, which will enable allocated schools to deliver a nutritious breakfast five days a week to all students. The multi-year, \$50,000 annual agreement will fund approximately 12 schools’ breakfast programs from different areas across the state every year.

Variety Tasmania CEO Mohammad Aldergham

expand the Variety Kids Breakfast Program. We applaud Aurora for recognising the value of investing in the health and well-being of our Tassie kids and our communities more broadly.”

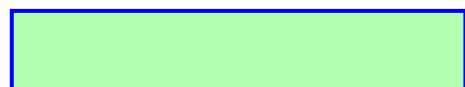
The Breakfast Club was first piloted in 2022 and has provided 30,000 breakfasts across 10 schools over two years. Parents are also invited to join in, drink a cup of tea, and chat to teachers and students to facilitate communication and sense of community.

Survey results from pre and post program data show that the Breakfast Club has led to a 22 per cent decrease in negative student behaviour as well as a 22 per cent reduction in late attendance.

Aurora Energy CEO Nigel Clark said the local retailer was a proud Tassie organisation supporting Tasmanians, especially when it produced practical and long-term benefits to the community.



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MAST**MARINE and SAFETY TASMANIA****WINTER BOATING**

For many Tasmanians, the coming winter marks the end of the boating season.

Yet, there are still ample opportunities to go boating for those undeterred by the cold, regardless of vessel type.

Winter boating offers distinct advantages. On days of settled weather, the absence of afternoon sea breezes extends the boating hours, promising more time on the water. Moreover, popular areas are often less crowded.

However, boating in winter demands additional precautions. Cooler air temperatures correlate with colder water temperatures, increasing the risk of cold-water immersion. It's crucial to recognise that your body loses heat 25 times faster in water than in air. With Tasmanian water temperatures often dipping below 15 degrees and sometimes as low as 10 degrees, cold water immersion poses a significant threat, accounting for over 60% of fatalities in Tasmania since 2001.

To mitigate risks, boaters must ensure their life jackets are properly serviced and safety equipment is readily accessible and well-maintained. Owners of older vessels dating from the 1970s to 2000 should particularly check buoyancy levels. Retrofitting buoyancy by filling voids and spaces with foam is a relatively simple yet effective solution. MAST offers a helpful buoyancy video guide for this purpose - <https://mast.tas.gov.au/>.

In the unfortunate event of sinking, vessels fitted with buoyancy provide a crucial advantage, aiding in access to safety gear and increasing visibility for rescuers.

Nonetheless, prevention remains paramount. Wearing a life jacket, and appropriate clothing and carrying essential safety equipment substantially enhance survival chances.

Whenever possible, boating with a companion is advisable. If you are boating alone, it is vital to wear a kill cord and always inform someone of your intended route and expected return.

When inspecting your safety equipment, it's crucial to thoroughly examine your Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB). These devices typically have a 10-year battery life, and you can easily verify the expiry date by locating the battery symbol on the main unit.

Additionally, all EPIRBs should be registered with the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) through the online portal. This allows you to input your vessel particulars and emergency contacts, facilitating quicker assistance in case of an emergency. Regularly reviewing and updating this information is highly advisable.

Prioritising preventive maintenance during winter ensures vessels are in optimal condition.

Regular structural inspections, professional engine servicing, and comprehensive checks of trailers and electronics are indispensable routines for boat owners.

If you have a fibreglass vessel, it is a good idea to tilt the motor up slightly and apply gentle upward pressure to the engine while inspecting the transom area where it attaches to the hull. If you detect any movement, it's crucial to seek professional advice promptly. For aluminium boats, it's important to inspect for cracked welds and signs of electrolysis.

Winter boating, while undeniably cold, offers unparalleled opportunities for exploration and camaraderie. With good planning and compliance with the safety requirements, Tasmanians can have a wonderful and safe winter boating season.

Remember: Don't let the next trip be your last.

Peter Hopkins, MAST Recreational Boating & Safety General Manager



OP-ED VETERAN HOMELESSNESS, JOHN HARDY, CEO RSL TASMANIA

One Tasmanian Veteran or widow/widower a week is now becoming homeless or is at risk of homelessness, and we are only just scratching the surface.

Many will be alarmed that you are nearly three times more likely to be homeless if you're a Veteran. 5.3% of Australia's half million current and former service people were found to be experiencing homelessness, compared with 1.9% of the broader population. Leave No Veteran Behind, the long-term economic costs of not housing Veterans in need, May 2023.

In addition, there are already 60 Veterans or family members that we identified last year as needing support, with 29 that we either housed or supported in obtaining housing. Unfortunately, our Housing Social Worker has limited if any locations available.

During the recent State Election only one party raised the issue, pledging \$6.5 million in supporting an RSL Tasmania initiative. This plan, the only one of its type in Tasmania would build affordable modular homes on its own land with a full wrap around services package, tailored to Veterans.

RSL Tasmania is the only organisation that is tracking this crisis within our Defence Family, and we are the only organisation that has land that we are willing to use, without cost, which

could see half of our current known homeless Veterans housed and supported with tailored wrap around services.

This is not social housing, it is affordable housing with a start and finish. We help the Veteran first with a house, then with wellbeing, compensation, employment, and fiscal support, with a clear goal for them to move on to an agreed permanent solution after two years. Our Veterans don't want handouts, but some do need a hand up.

It is ironic in this year of State Elections that some of our Veteran Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen, these very same men and women in your communities that ensured we have free elections, find themselves in need of support. What they need is a roof over their heads, surely this must be a priority over a monument, cenotaph, plaque, parade or a "thank you for your service".

Is it time now for a real conversation about a real issue that is affecting living Veterans in our communities?

After all, we must remember our dead, but we must fight like hell for the living.

John Hardy
CEO - RSL Tasmania

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MARKET DAY AT SWANSEA

Saturday was market at Swansea and it was a low turn out as the normal Veggie people were unable to attend and one of the regulars was also absent. Things were a little slow to start but things moved along.

The ladies from the CWA were in attendance supplying refreshments of tea/coffee and the usual scones and other baked items. The CWA is trialling the kitchen for the next few markets to see how things go with possible making it permanent. They did rather well on their first Market.

Most did a good trade, aided by Deb Blundell's busking and was doing a fine job. Deb had a good day also on her first appearance at the markets.

Next months market on the 11th May will be the last Market before the winter recess, so come along and support your local event and craft people. It would be a shame if the markets



Deb Blundell singing up a storm



had to close.

If your interested in joining the markets as a stall holder or as a committee member contact the Town Hall committee through Linda Camus on 0438 74 8545.

Photos and story by Rob Gaspari

Photos of locals and stall holders having a chat and enjoying the day.



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DEPARTMENT of STATE GROWTH

Tasman Highway Corridor Strategy Public Consultation - Have Your Say!

The Department of State Growth is developing a corridor strategy for the Tasman Highway between Sorell and Launceston which extends along Tasmania's east coast and is engaging with road users and community to seek ideas and feedback.

The strategy will identify opportunities for improvement to meet the expected future needs of road users and communities along the corridor. The strategy may include the identification of safety issues, active and public transport opportunities and investment opportunities. Works and upgrades do not form part of this strategy, however the feedback will assist the department to prioritise projects and seek funding.

The public consultation period is from 15 April to 20 May 2024. You can be involved by attending an in-person session for a casual chat, or by completing our online survey.

For further information on this project, and to access the online survey, please go to the department's project page at:

https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/tasman_highway_corridor

If you have any questions, please contact Connie Steers, Stakeholder Engagement Consultant or Christa Capel, Stakeholder Engagement Consultant on (03) 6165 0443 or at sorelltolanceston@stategrowth.tas.gov.au.

Location	Date and Time
Derby Mountain Bike Trails Carpark Main Street, Derby	Friday, 19 April 2024 9.00AM - 11.00AM
St Helens Market 39 Cecilia Street, St Helens	Saturday, 20 April 2024 9.00AM - 11.00AM
Bicheno IGA Everyday 39 Foster Street, Bicheno	Saturday, 20 April 2024 2.00PM - 4.00PM
Freycinet National Park trailhead Freycinet Drive, Coles Bay	Sunday, 21 April 2024 9.30AM - 11.30AM
Swansea Everyday IGA 13 Franklin Street, Swansea	Sunday, 21 April 2024 1.00PM - 3.00PM
Triabunna Wharf Charles Street, Triabunna	Wednesday, 24 April 2024 9.30AM - 11.30AM
Orford IGA Everyday 5 Charles Street, Orford	Wednesday, 24 April 2024 2.00PM - 4.00PM
Scottsdale Woolworths 1 Victoria Street, Scottsdale	Thursday, 2 May 2024 12.00PM - 2.00PM
Launceston Visitor Information Centre 68-72 Cameron Street, Launceston	Friday, 3 May 2024 10.00AM - 12.00PM
Sorell Plaza 12 Cole Street, Sorell	Wednesday, 8 May 2024 3.30PM - 5.30PM

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ROADWORKS REPORT FRIDAY, 12TH - 26TH APRIL 2024

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SORELL CAUSEWAY

We will be doing some investigations on the Sorell Causeway from Monday, 15 April 2024 to Friday, 26 April 2024.

There will be a reduced speed limit without lane closures during our working hours, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.

TASMAN HIGHWAY NEW

We will be trimming trees at the following locations on the Tasman Highway from Wednesday, 17 April 2024 to Thursday, 25 April 2024:

- between Glen Gala Road, Cranbrook, and Coles Bay Road, Bicheno
- between Harveys Farm Road and Weily Avenue, Bicheno
- between Denison Rivulet Bridge and Douglas River Bridge, Douglas River
- between Farifield Road and Upper Brid Road, Springfield
- between St Patricks River Bridge, Myrtle Bank and Pecks Hill Road, Nunamara
- between Hunting Ground Road, Nunamara township, and Naroo Street, Waverly.

There will be a reduced speed limit with frequent lane closures during our working hours, 6:30 am to 5:30 pm.

ST HELENS

We will be installing a new sign on the Tasman Highway between Beaumaris and St Helens from Monday, 15 April 2024 to Friday, 19 April 2024.

There will be a lowered speed limit with some lane closures during our working hours 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.

ST HELENS UPDATED

We will be doing drainage works at multiple sites on the Tasman Highway at St Helens until Friday, 19 April 2024.

There will be a lowered speed limit with some lane closures during our working hours, 6:30 am to 5:30 pm.

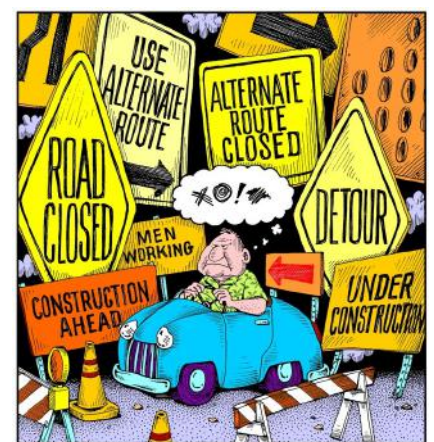
THE SIDELING

Construction will continue between the Sideling Lookout and Wish-Wilson Road, Springfield until May 2024.

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THE PUZZLED PAGE

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ALL ANSWERS ON PAGE 5



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ACROSS

1. Discuss the pros and cons of an issue (11)
11. Every person; everyone (9)
12. An instrument for writing or drawing with ink or similar fluid (3)
13. Having the qualities that are desirable or distinguishing in a particular thing (4)
14. Not out (2)
15. Collection of items used by a mechanic or other specialist (7) divided, in music. (6)
16. That lasts for an eon. (5)
17. Old Testament the highest priest at Shiloh and teacher of Samuel (3)
19. Element Sodium (2)
20. To cause to move around an axis or centre; cause to rotate or revolve (4)
22. Release ice (5)
24. A pale to light or moderate purple. (5)
25. Although possibly; even though: (2)
26. Share; a payment (4)
27. Lighted up by or as by fire or flame; (5)
29. A photograph in a brown tint. (5)
30. Element Titanium (2)
31. Remove from a position or office; (4)
33. One of England's largest and most elite public schools, founded by Henry VI in 1440. (4)
35. Element Rhenium (2)
36. A female animal or person. (3)
37. Pull up by or as if by the roots (11)

DOWN

1. Lower the value of something (11)
2. The period immediately preceding a certain event: (3)
3. A plant, of the legume family, having flattened seeds used as food. (6)
4. Element Iridium (2)
5. earlier; former; past: (6)
6. A severe and often fatal disease in humans and nonhuman primates (5)
7. Also called castle in chess (4)
8. A substance added in small amounts to something else to improve, strengthen, or otherwise alter it. (8)
9. In texting 'thank you'(2)
10. Condemned openly (11)
16. A person who is especially devoted to the cultivation of tulips (8)
18. French pirate who aided the United States in the War of 1812 (7)
21. Element Radium (2)
23. Italian city of Romeo & Juliet (6)
24. Pay close attention to; give heed to (6)
28. Element Europium (2)
32. Indian title of respect (3)
34. Otherwise, used to indicate an alternative (2)
38. Element Helium (2)

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The Wizard of Oz

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- UNCLE HENRY
- AUNT EM
- COWARDLY LION
- GALE
- GARLAND
- WIZARD
- RUBY
- TOTO
- NIKKO

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/147/>

LOCAL SPORTS



SWANSEA GOLF CLUB

RESULTS

13TH APRIL 2024

TODAY'S EVENT - STROKE

Overall Winner	Tim Bond 62
Div 1 Winner	John Franklin 63c/b,
Runner Up	David Brown 63
Div 2 Winner	Angela Barden 63c/b,
Runner Up	Steve Mortimer 63
Nearest the Pin	8/17 th Fran Dowling, 2/11 th Jimmy Kuntze.
Super Pin	4/13 th Jason Kerrison, 7/16 th Keith Gillies.

NEXT WEEK - AMBROSE SPONSORED BY SKYLINE ROOFING & SHEETMETAL P/L

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LADY'S MID-WEEK STROKE

9-Holers:	Jennifer Whittaker 34c/b, Jane Cotton 34.
Nearest the Pin	4 th & 7 th Jen Whittaker.
18-Holers:	Joanna Whelan 63, Sally Siepen 66..
Nearest the Pin:	5 th & 8 th Kathy Dance.
Gobblers.	Kathy Dance.

NEXT WEEK - FOURSOMES - DRAW FOR PARTNERS - TRISH ENGLISH TROPHY

CHICKEN RUNS

WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL.

Winners:	Tim Bond 28, Peter Lea 28.5, Corry Van Den Broek 28.5 Tony Johnstone 29.
Putts:	John Quinn 12.

FRIDAY 12TH APRIL.

Winners:	Kathy Dance 29, Wayne Menzies 29, David Brown 29, Colin Walters 30.5.
Putts:	Wayne Menzies 11,



Results & photo supplied by Paul Nunn



SWANSEA BOWLS CLUB PENNANT RESULTS

The Grand Final of the 2023/24 East Coast Pennant season was played on Sat, 13th April against Scamander at Scamander. With the title on the line both teams delivered their best bowling in great conditions at the Scamander Sports Complex and some tight bowling was the order of the day. Unfortunately, the Swansea teams could not prevail and Scamander came away with a comfortable win and the championship title.

A big thank you to the Scamander Bowls Club for hosting the final and for the preparation of the green. Thanks also to Garry Laycock from the St Marys Bowls Club for umpiring on the day. Finally, a big thank

you to all those that came along and supported the players from all teams.

GRAND FINAL – SAT, 13TH APR V SCAMANDER SWANSEA DEFEATED BY SCAMANDER: 78-110

Barry Hill	It	Chris Davern	19-24
John Greening	It	Grant McCormack	20-27
Shane Pollington	It	Jake Inhen	19-29
Dean Pyke	It	Tony Faulkner	20-30

The 7-Day Glamorgan-Spring Bay Weather Forecast from Bureau of Meteorology

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Tue. 16 Apr	Wed. 17 Apr	Thu. 18 Apr	Fri. 19 Apr	Sat. 20 Apr	Sun. 21 Apr
Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Mostly sunny.	Sunny.
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Cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Mostly sunny.	Partly cloudy.
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COLES BAY

Tue. 16 Apr	Wed. 17 Apr	Thu. 18 Apr	Fri. 19 Apr	Sat. 20 Apr	Sun. 21 Apr
Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Mostly sunny.	Mostly sunny.
19 °C	18 °C	20 °C	17 °C	20 °C	22 °C
10 °C	10 °C	9 °C	10 °C	8 °C	11 °C

SWANSEA

Tue. 16 Apr	Wed. 17 Apr	Thu. 18 Apr	Fri. 19 Apr	Sat. 20 Apr	Sun. 21 Apr
Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Partly cloudy.	Mostly sunny.	Mostly sunny.
18 °C	18 °C	19 °C	17 °C	20 °C	21 °C
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