



BUSINESS EAST TAMAR

(Formerly George Town Chamber of Commerce)

Supporting Local Business

JULY 2026 BUSINESS UPDATE



WEBSITE UPDATE

Business East Tamar's website www.gtcci.asn.au home page and search engine has been represented with new visuals and a simpler search engine for local businesses and community groups.

Please visit and check your business or community group listing for accuracy,

The aim is to make the site universally more appealing to visitors, the community and local businesses. It is planned to further update the site through 2026 and further newsletters will keep you informed



BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The 2026 Business Excellence Awards will be held on **Thursday 22 October 2026.**

Please consider self-nominating your business or nominating another business you believe deserves recognition.

Nominations can be submitted online via www.gtcci.asn.au. Simply visit Business Excellence Awards and click Nominate Online.

Nominations are open till August 31st 2026.



AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER

Deputy Premier and Minister for Small Business
GUY BARNETT

📅 Thursday 6th August

🕒 5.30pm for 6.00pm start

📍 George Town Yacht Club - 13 Esplanade North

🍴 Finger food and refreshments provided

All Business representatives are welcome





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LIBERTY BELL BAY

Business East Tamar recognises and sympathies with the workforce now unemployed – we encourage all businesses to notify us or BBAMZ's NEBhub of any job vacancies you may have or be aware of so ex-employees can quickly find employment. It is only by working together that a bad situation can be turned around. You can advise us via email to liaison@gtcci.asn.au and NEBhub at bbamz.com.au

Support for Liberty Bell Bay Employees- George Town Council.

George Town Council recognises that the closure of Liberty Bell Bay will have a significant and deeply personal impact on employees, their families and the wider community. George Town Council understands that many affected workers live in the George Town municipality, and that this may be a difficult and uncertain time. Council's Financial Hardship Policy is available to support residents who may be experiencing financial hardship as a result.

Further information about Council's Financial Hardship Policy and application form is available on the George Town Council Website:

<https://georgetown.tas.gov.au/financial-hardship-rates-and-or-charges-relief-form>



USEFUL LINKS



BBAMZ website
www.nebhub.com.au



TCCI website
www.tcci.com.au



George Town Council website
www.georgetowncouncil.com.au



Business Tasmania
www.business.tas.gov.au



Visit Northern Tasmania
www.visitnortherntasmania.com.au



Tourism Tasmania
www.tourismtasmania.com.au



Ausindustry
www.business.gov.au



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SMALL BUSINESS ADVICE



BUSINESS TASMANIA TOOLS

TOPICAL GUIDES INCLUDE:



Starting a business

Steps registrations and key considerations.



Marketing & Sales

Attract customers and grow your business.



Finance

Cash slowly loans and financial planning.



Legal and risk

Contracts, licences and managing risk.



People and Culture

Hiring, managing staff and workplace policies.



Sustainability

Build a better business for the future.



EXPLORE BUSINESS TASMANIA TOOLS

Visit [business.tasmania.com](https://business.tas.gov.au) to access free tools and advice to help your business succeed.

Free Business Advice Available

If your business has held an ABN for at least 12 months and employs up to 19 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff, you may be eligible for this free, independent and confidential business advice service. The service is designed to help small businesses identify opportunities, overcome challenges and build long-term success.

To learn more or register, visit the [Tasmanian Business Advice Service website](https://business.tas.gov.au) or contact Business Tasmania on **1800 440 026**.



POPULAR RESOURCES:

- ✓ Free Business Advice.
- ✓ Employ and manage staff
- ✓ Marketing
- ✓ Social Media Planner
- ✓ Risk assessment template
- ✓ Licences and permits
- ✓ Grant and funding finder



NEED MORE HELP?

Business Advisors are available to provide free, confidential advice tailored to your business.

Call 1800 440 026



Connecting Businesses. Creating Opportunities. Building our Future



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Timberlink Update

Last month at Timberlink we had lots happening starting with the International Men's Health week initiative. Men's Health Week is celebrated every year around the world in the middle of June. It is an opportunity to highlight the importance of men's health, and to promote and support the health and wellbeing of men and boys in our communities.

This year we celebrated by providing fruits in each lunchroom daily, displayed men's health facts on the screens in the lunchrooms and conducted a photo competition where the winner won a \$250 voucher.



R U OK?

DID YOU KNOW?



MEN DIE
**4 YEARS
YOUNGER**
THAN WOMEN



1 IN 4
SUICIDES ARE
MEN



1 IN 2
MEN WILL BE
DIAGNOSED WITH
CANCER BY 85



REGULAR
TALK REDUCES
SAME DAYS



**EAT WELL,
MOVE MORE,
SLEEP BETTER**

TIMBERLINK





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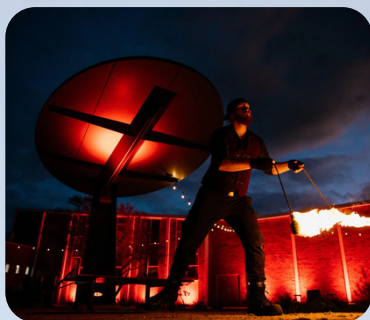
Timberlink *Update cont.....* SOLSTICE IN THE SQUARE

Solstice in the Square is George Town Council's annual winter event celebrating the longest night of the year with art, music, fire and community activities.

Timberlink proudly returned as a Sponsor for the second consecutive year, sponsoring the Youth Area, where children and families enjoyed face painting, circus skills, creative play activities and interactive art installations.

Despite the wet weather, the community turned out in great numbers, braving the cold to enjoy the entertainment and celebrate together.

Business East Tamar congratulates Timberlink on its continued investment in our community. Their support of the Youth Area helped create a fun, engaging and memorable experience for local children and families, while contributing to the ongoing success of this much-loved community event.



LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

Earlier this month, Timberlink was proud to support the **Light Up the Night** community event at Bell Bay, bringing together families, friends and visitors for an evening of fun and connection.

The event featured live music, food stalls, market vendors, children's activities and a spectacular fireworks display, creating a vibrant atmosphere for all ages to enjoy. It was fantastic to see so many people from across the region come together and make the most of the evening.

Timberlink is proud to support events that strengthen our community and create opportunities for people to connect. A sincere thank you to everyone who attended and to the organisers and volunteers whose hard work made the event such a memorable success. We look forward to continuing to support initiatives that help our community thrive.





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NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

At Timberlink, we recently recognised National Reconciliation Week—a time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to consider how each of us can contribute to reconciliation.

This year's week encouraged us to reflect, show respect and take meaningful action towards building stronger relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. By learning from one another and working together, we can help create a more united and inclusive future. To mark the occasion, employees came together to share a traditional smoked kangaroo lunch prepared by local artist and cultural leader Ray Precious (Corroborian Bay). Ray, together with cultural mentor Margaret and community member Murray, shared stories, culture and the importance of walking together with understanding and respect.

National Reconciliation Week reminds us that stronger communities are built through listening, learning and embracing different perspectives. Thank you to everyone who took part in making the week both meaningful and inspiring. Together, we continue to build a future founded on respect, inclusion and reconciliation.



Timberlink Positions Vacant



- ✓ Mechanical Maintenance Supervisor
- ✓ Shift Electrician
- ✓ Production Operator

To view full details and apply, visit Timberlink careers page:
www.timbelinkaustalia.com.au/careers