

# BY THE NUMBERS

**100,000** Hunter homes and businesses without power

**4500** reports to Ausgrid of hazards and wires down

**90,000** calls to Ausgrid

**17,000** fixed line Telstra services down in NSW

**5200** calls to the SES up to 3pm

**500** SES volunteers in action

**3409** calls to triple-0 between 6am and 3pm

**2239** storm jobs for NSW Fire and Rescue

**200** Rural Fire Service volunteers in action

**13,000** Telstra ADSL services down in NSW

**250** or more traffic lights blacked out

**110**km/h wind gusts at Nobbys

**1000** Fire and Rescue workers in action

**135**km/h wind gusts at Norah Head

**100+** schools closed across the state

**47** people rescued

Buoy off Sydney recorded wave that peaked at **11** metres

## RIVER HEIGHTS

- Paterson River, Gostwyck Bridge 16.1 metres by 4pm Tuesday
- Wollombi Brook, Bulga 4.6 metres by 9am Wednesday
- Hunter River, Maitland 8.9 metres by 3am Wednesday
- Williams River, Raymond Terrace 3.3 metres by midnight last night
- Lake Macquarie 0.8 metres by 6pm Tuesday



BRANXTON

Three people, a woman and two men, die as homes washed away after record rainfall. Town devastated

School bus washed off Martins Creek Road with only the driver on board. He is rescued and treated for minor injuries

Hunter Expressway flooded

40 children and staff evacuated from an early learning centre

A woman and two children rescued from home dislodged by flood waters.

Hunter River set to peak at 8.9 metres by 3am Wednesday following a record 148 millimetres of rain between 10am and 11am alone on Tuesday. A 95-year-old man was rescued from a water-filled car in Green Hills after water engulfed Molly Morgan Drive



GOSFORD

## RAINFALL TOTALS

- 9am Monday to 9am Tuesday
  - Dungog 312mm
  - Bulahdelah 259mm
  - Wallsend 186mm
- 9am to 8pm Tuesday
  - Maitland 292mm
  - Seaham 152mm
  - Total 158mm

**CENTRAL COAST** Sydney-Newcastle train line was closed Tuesday between Gosford and Hamilton. Boat washed ashore at Terrigal Beach. Houses destroyed by falling trees at Saratoga

DUNGOG

STROUD

BULAHDELAH

Campers caught in a flash flood before taking refuge in showground grandstand. Two elderly campers rescued by paramedics and a local on a tinny then taken to Gloucester Hospital with hypothermia

MARTINS CREEK

CLARENCE TOWN

**NINE MILE CREEK** Two SES boats damaged during rescue of seven people from roof of a house

TEA GARDENS

RUTHERFORD MAITLAND

Two people rescued from car stranded in flood waters on John Renshaw Drive

RAYMOND TERRACE

ANNA BAY

Home crushed as five trees fall in Mount Hall Road. School bus hits power pole on Raymond Terrace Road



NELSON BAY

CESSNOCK KEARSLEY

Flash flooding in Vincent Street

Five adults and four dogs rescued from a home

BERESFIELD

110km/h wind gusts pummel the city with hundreds of trees uprooted and power lines down

NEWCASTLE

**RANKIN PARK** The Walker family is lucky to survive after a large tree smashes their home in two, trapping them for an hour



NEWCASTLE

## WHO TO CALL

- > SES 132 500
- > Emergency services 000
- > Road conditions [livetraffic.com.au](http://livetraffic.com.au)
- > News updates [theherald.com.au](http://theherald.com.au)
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