

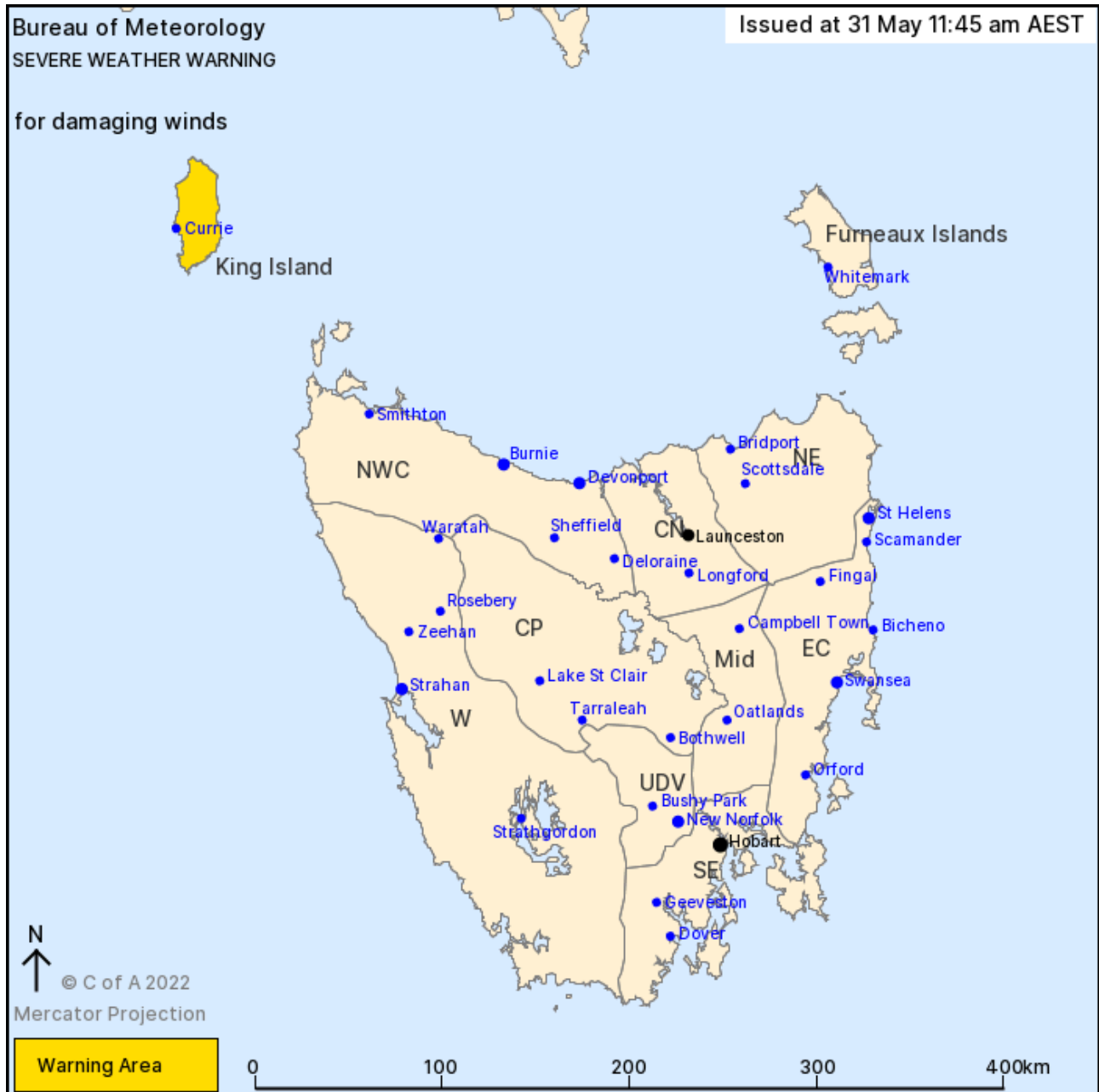
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Severe Weather Warning for DAMAGING WINDS

For people in King Island Forecast District.

Issued at 11:45 am Tuesday, 31 May 2022.

Damaging winds expected over King Island late on Tuesday and into Wednesday.



Weather Situation: A low pressure system off southwest Tasmania is expected to move into central Bass Strait early on Tuesday, with a vigorous southwesterly flow to its north and west.

DAMAGING WINDS averaging 60 to 70 km/h with peak gusts of 90 to 100 km/h are likely to affect King Island from around midnight tonight, before easing by around sunrise on Wednesday. Gusty showers and isolated thunderstorms are also likely during this period.

Locations which may be affected include Currie.

The State Emergency Service advises that people should:

* Supervise children closely.

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- * Check that family and neighbours are aware of warnings.
- * Manage pets and livestock.
- * Secure outdoor items including furniture and play equipment.
- * Be prepared in case of power outages and report any outages to TasNetworks on 132 004.
- * Beware of damaged trees and power lines and take care when driving.
- * Listen to the ABC radio or check www.ses.tas.gov.au for further advice.
- * For emergency assistance contact the SES on 132500.

The next Severe Weather Warning will be issued by 5:00 pm AEST Tuesday.

Warnings are also available through TV and Radio broadcasts, the Bureau's website at www.bom.gov.au or call 1300 659 210. The Bureau and State Emergency Service would appreciate warnings being broadcast regularly.