



national science week 2022

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Fingerprinting forensics, looking for glow worms, and astronomical light shows

Explore caves of glowing creatures at night, learn about the science of the southern lights, knit your own neuron, and literally try your hand at forensically fighting crime. It's all part of the Springfield Science Festival—north-west Tassie's celebration of National Science Week.

"The festival is a great opportunity for the community to get involved in science and meet local researchers" says Maggie Simpson, festival coordinator and local science teacher.

"There will be events for all ages—from forensic fingerprinting and Neural Knitworks workshops, to night tours visiting the glow worms in the Gunns Plains Caves, and talks with scientists about the science behind the Aurora Australis and why Tasmania is a great place to see it."

The Springfield Science Festival will run from August 12 to 14 at the Springfield Civic Centre. To see the program and book tickets, see www.website.com.au.

National Science Week is Australia's annual opportunity to meet scientists, discuss the hot topics, do science and celebrate its cultural and economic impact on society.

First held in 1997, National Science Week has become one of Australia's largest festivals. Last year about 1.3 million people participated in more than 1750 events and activities, despite a global pandemic.

In 2022, National Science Week events will be held online and right throughout Australia—from a record-breaking rocket launch in Queensland to beer science in Tasmania, and from 'super labs' in WA to an inflatable 'poo palace' in the Hunter Valley—with everything including science festivals, music and comedy shows, expert panel discussions, interactive displays, open days and online activities.

The festival is proudly supported by the Australian Government; partners CSIRO, the Australian Science Teachers Association and the ABC; and media sponsor *Cosmos*.

National Science Week 2022 will run from 13-21 August. Event details can be found at www.scienceweek.net.au.

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[Note: we've made this event up! There is no Springfield Science Festival]



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