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# BIG WEATHER

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## HOST YOUR OWN BIG WEATHER GET TOGETHER

When big weather events strike, being prepared, knowing your neighbours and being connected with your community, can make a huge difference. In fact, disaster research shows the more connected a community is, the more resilient they are. One way to get ready for big weather and check in with your neighbours, family and friends, is to host a **Big Weather Get Together!**

Encourage your community to watch ***Big Weather (and how to survive it)***, then get everyone together to chat about the series, the big weather risks in your area, and what you can all do to be #ReadyTogether.

Your **Big Weather Get Together** might take the form of a street party, a barbeque at your local fire station or sports club, or an online meet-up (here are some [ideas for hosting an online gathering](#)). Whatever works best for your community and fits within the local restrictions on gatherings.

It could be a free event, or you might choose to make it a fundraiser for your local emergency services or Australian Red Cross. It's up to you.

Here are some tools to help you make it easy (and fun!) to get prepared for big weather events:

- [Conversation starters](#) to help get the ball rolling
- [Big Weather quizzes](#) that will really test your knowledge!
- Big Weather Get Together [digital invitation](#)
- Big Weather Get Together [digital poster](#)
- [Images](#) to use on your social media event page

## Resources

These are some resources everyone can use to prepare for, survive and thrive through big weather emergencies:

- Make your emergency plan. Download the [Red Cross Get Prepared app](#) or visit [redcross.org.au/prepare](http://redcross.org.au/prepare)
- During an emergency tune in to your [local ABC Radio](#) and go to [abc.net.au/emergency](http://abc.net.au/emergency)
- Explore Mt. Resilience, a mobile augmented reality experience, to see how Australian cities can adapt to the big weather events of the future. Launching early October.

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- Visit [abc.net.au/YourPlanet](http://abc.net.au/YourPlanet) for more climate and environment stories that will inform, entertain and empower all Australians to be part of the solution to the climate challenge.

## Get the word out

Here's an example of what you could tell people about your event on social media:

"We're hosting a Big Weather Get Together! @ABCTV's new series ***Big Weather (and how to survive it)***, hosted by Craig Reucassel, explores how big weather events have shaped our nation's story, why they are getting more intense and more frequent, and why it's more important than ever we are all prepared for big weather emergencies.

Join us for a chat, learn some surprising big weather facts, and let's all get ready for summer's big weather together! #BigWeather #ReadyTogether"

## Videos to share

Here are some videos you could share on social media to get people excited:

- **Evacuation challenge.** What would you pack if you had ten minutes to evacuate? Craig puts two families to the test: [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Youtube](#)
- **Why you should never drive in floodwaters.** The average car will begin to move in as little as 15cm of fast-flowing water. [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Youtube](#)

The three-part documentary series is coming to [ABC TV + iView](#) on Tuesday October 13, 20 and 27 at 8.30pm, with encore screenings each Saturday and Monday, and will be available to stream on iView after the broadcast.