

## 1.

**Minister for the Environment, Parks and Heritage, Peter Gutwein has just announced Tasmania's newest walking attraction to be situated on the state's west coast.**

**Showcasing the spectacular and rugged Tyndall Ranges, the proposed Philosopher's Tale will take walkers past Mt Owen and the King River Gorge area, and finally ending at the Dubbil Barril rainforest, where walkers will have the opportunity to catch the historic West Coast Wilderness Railway out to either Strahan or Queenstown.**

**The walk itself will pay homage to the pioneering spirit and ancestral roots of the prominent mineralisation in the west coast region. It is named after the local George Town prospector and explorer James "Philosopher" Smith who supposedly discovered the Mount Bischoff Mine.**

**Building on the success of other major walking attractions in Tasmania like the Three Capes and the Overland Tracks, Gutwein hopes to showcase all the west coast has to offer, provide a boost to the local economy and redefine the regions identity.**

## 2.

**A two-vehicle crash just outside the Welcome Stranger Hotel on the corner of Harrington and Davey Street has left one of the cars on its roof.**

**Police indicate no one involved was injured, while on-lookers observed a man and his dog being helped out from under the overturned car, while no details have been released about the driver of the second car.**

**Davey street was closed a few hours ago, with limited access to only the far-left lane. Again, it is unclear whether this closure is ongoing, but traffic will be moving slow.**

**This was the second crash today in the city, with police attending another two-vehicle crash between a truck and a car earlier this morning on the Tasman Highway near the Hobart Aquatic Centre.**

### **3.**

**Yet another Tasmanian restaurant is set to shut its doors for the last time, following a recent spate of business closures across the state.**

**Pier01 located on the Ulverstone Wharf, will close to the public next Friday the second of August, after their last event, Cocktails for Cancer.**

**The owner and executive chef of Pier01, Mathew Waller stated that the closure is predominantly due to his own personal desire to pursue new business opportunities.**

**The prominent restaurant received accolades from the Tasmanian Hospitality Association in 2016, and an award of excellence from the Tasmanian TAFE.**

**Waller hopes to move on to new personal challenges in the future and most importantly to keep his food passion alive.**

### **4.**

**Finally to sport, and in swimming, Tasmanian teenager Ariarne Titmus has helped Australian win gold and break a 10-year world record in the women's 4 by 200 metre freestyle at the world swimming championships in Korea.**

**18-year-old Titmus swam the race's first leg, gaining the Aussie women a solid lead, where Madison Wilson and Brianna Throssell held their ground in the middle stages.**

**Emma McKeon finished strong, fending off the American's to secure Australia gold. Titmus's father Steve who was in Korea mentioned the race came down to the wire and was "stomach in the mouth stuff."**

**Titmus has already picked up a gold medal at the championships, beating American superstar Katie Ledecky in the 400-metre freestyle, and a silver for her efforts in the 200 free.**

## **5.**

**And this just in. There's been a two-vehicle crash on the South Arm Highway, at the quad intersection at the top of Rokeby Hill.**

**It is disrupting traffic travelling southbound into Rokeby, Lauderdale and beyond.**

**Police are attending the scene and directing traffic at the lights, with cars banked back to the Howrah Garden Centre, so take this into consideration when travelling that way this evening.**

**And that's the news for the 26<sup>th</sup> of July**