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Buderim 10.7.2026

Time - 12 pm to 3 pm

100 Buderim Pines Drive, Goodlife Centre Buderim

Nevil Eyre Android Phones & Tablets & Home automation

Tutorial Room Bill Maxwell

1. Q&A
2. SDD Health Check using Crystal Disk Info and Linux
3. A book to hand out - Windows 11 Simplified. So bring a USB stick or your laptop.

Replacement for BOM Radar - [Rain Rate](#)

Discussion on iPad and iPhone functions.
Limited help with basic Apple Mac computers.

Saturday

11.7.2026

8.30 to 11.30 am

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Hands on Help - Windows, Linux and Chromebooks

Please wear your Name Tag.

Before connecting to a Hotspot a small checklist of things to change in Windows, so it stopped treating my mobile internet like NBN:

Pausing all of my synced cloud storage apps like OneDrive, iCloud for Windows, and even the two-way sync to my home file server.

Closing down all game launches, including Steam, and setting them to not open on Windows startup.

Disable Microsoft Store apps from updating automatically.

Paused Windows Update and Delivery Optimization and put all the OS housekeeping on hold.

Telling Windows it's on a mobile connection by enabling metered connection mode.

Once those five things were under control, the laptop finally started acting like it knew it had a data limit.

Microsoft OneDrive is a seriously handy part of the Windows operating system, but it also gets expensive fast on a mobile data tariff.

On my home network, linking my OneDrive account to Windows means my documents, photos, and videos follow me around without having to really think about it.

On a mobile hotspot, though, that convenience means a lot of data use.

The extra annoying part is that some people might not even be aware they're using OneDrive at all.

But if you've ever signed in to a Microsoft account and saved files under Desktop, Documents, or Pictures and just accepted the setup prompts, chances are you are.

I didn't want random file edits, screenshots, or massive Adobe catalog files uploaded just because my laptop found a connection.

So I paused OneDrive sync by right-clicking the icon in the system tray and selecting Pause syncing for 24 hours.

Annoyingly, 24 hours is as long as it offers, so I found myself having to remember to do this every single day.

Since I actually needed OneDrive turned on while I worked, I set the download and upload limits to 125 KB/sec to

throttle the speed and prevent large uploads and downloads from using too much data.

Windows updates were the next target, and I opened them from the Windows settings menu and immediately found the

Pause updates drop-down menu and set it to 2 weeks. Here I had the option to actually pause them for up to 5 weeks, depending on how long I needed.

Another setting I turned off here was Delivery Optimization, or when Windows uses my internet to send updates to other PCs online.

On the normal internet, this can be helpful, or a little creepy, depending on how you look at it. On a mobile hotspot, I wanted no part of it.

So I disabled these options by going to Windows Update > Advanced Options > Delivery Optimization and turning it off.

Windows already has a built-in mode for connections with data limits that I somehow overlooked.

On Windows 11, I opened Settings > Network & Internet > Wi-Fi, selected my phone's hotspot, and turned on Metered Connection.

Here, I could also set a data limit that, once exceeded, would force the metered connection restrictions to kick in.

That's really all there was to it, though it's not a magic fix for all data use, since some apps ignore it and download as usual anyway.

It did, however, change the way that Windows treated the connection. Instead of assuming it has all the data it wants,

it pauses Windows Updates, OneDrive, and Microsoft Store apps, and even freezes tiles on the Start Menu.

The big catch with this is that it's network-specific. If I changed the hotspot SSID or started **using USB tethering instead**.

Be Connected

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From Peter [Benefits of Books reading](#)

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Never provide your financial PIN or account passwords to anyone.

Do not make any payments to the caller, either via phone, internet, or cash.

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Don't let scammers pressure you – scammers use detailed scripts to convince you that they're the real deal and create a high-pressure situation to make a decision on the spot.

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