



# Sutherland Shire Environment Centre

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Dear Friends and Local Groups

## **Save the date for our Curlew Homecoming 2026 Festival**

BirdLife Southern NSW and Sutherland Shire Environment Centre are planning the second Curlew Homecoming festival in Bundeena on **Sunday 11 October, celebrating the return of the Far Eastern Curlew after its remarkable 13,000 km migration from the Arctic.**

They spend seven months of each year here feeding in Port Hacking during the Australian spring, summer and autumn before flying back above the Arctic Circle to breed.

The festival is a collaboration of BirdLife, Sutherland Shire Environment Centre and Bundeena Progress Association, with promotional support by Sutherland Shire Council.

This celebration combines nature, culture and community, opening people's eyes to the lives of these amazing birds of Port Hacking. Curlew Homecoming offers guided bird walks, shorebird viewing, kids creative and educational activities, a panel discussion and an Indigenous Cultural walk on the tidal flats. Morning tea and a BBQ lunch are provided free.

**Date:** Sunday October 11th

**Time:** 8am to 4.30 pm

**Venue:** Bundeena Community Centre and Port Hacking shoreline at Bonnie Vale

Please put the date in your calendar. We'll be in touch again closer to the day.

For more information please email [southernsw@birdlife.org.au](mailto:southernsw@birdlife.org.au) or [chair@ssec.org.au](mailto:chair@ssec.org.au)



Kind Regards

Curlew Homecoming 2026 team and SSEC Chair

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