

Bird count survey continues

Our bird survey group has been meeting monthly at Curl Curl Lagoon since 2017. With the help of experts Alicia Parmiter and Russell Beardmore you'll quickly come to appreciate what a fascinating and bright bunch of neighbours our local birds are.

Join the group at 7:30AM on the last Friday of each month at the duck pond, close to the car park off Abbott Rd near the primary school. Bring binoculars if you have them. For more information email our secretary Jane at curlcurlagoon@gmail.com

Membership applications & renewals - 2023/24



To join our Association scan this QR code or go to Membership | Apply on our website to complete the online application form and pay the membership fee. Our membership year is July to June.

Membership renewal reminders are being emailed to existing members now.

Easier payment process You can now bypass PayPal if you wish and use your mobile or online banking app to pay your membership by funds transfer to our PayID® ABN (39896562401). Please check your name appears correctly in the Payer name field so we can send you an acknowledgement. See your emailed renewal notice or check out our website for more information.

Membership is by household. Membership levels are Basic (\$10), Concession (\$5), Supporter (\$25), Super Supporter (\$50), and Sustainer (\$100).

- [facebook.com/CurlCurlLagoonFriends](https://www.facebook.com/CurlCurlLagoonFriends)
- Instagram @curlcurlagoonfriends
- www.curlcurlagoonfriends.org

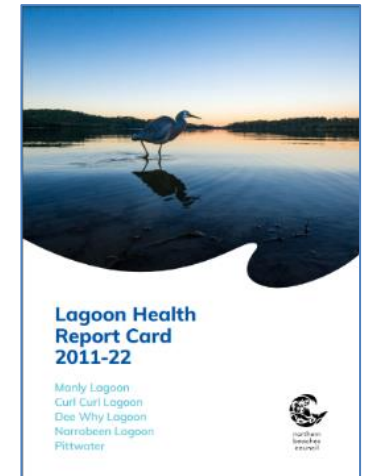
Spring into the Park – A stroll in the cool air as the sun rises is a great way to enjoy the Park and waterway and prepare for the day ahead. See our local birds in their different shapes, sizes and colours and hear their calls and songs while they are at their busiest. Observe their personalities and habits and the different ways they react when you pass by. It's a great experience, it's healthy and it's completely free of charge. Don't miss out this Spring!

Lagoon Health Report Card 2011-2022

Council has published this comprehensive and highly informative report on Northern Beaches lagoons and estuaries.

The report describes Council's catchment management processes and includes annual water quality testing results for each waterway for the last decade.

Interestingly, Curl Curl's annual water quality grades have been rated 'Fair' or 'Good' for the last 3 years. Look for a link to this report under "News & Events" on our website.



Curl Curl Lagoon Friends Inc Annual General Meeting

*** SAVE THE DATE ***

Tuesday 10th October 6:30PM for 7:00PM start
North Curl Curl Surf Lifesaving Club

Refreshments will be provided as usual
Please see our website and social channels for more information

Manly Dam Series

Manly Environment Centre is conducting a series of walks and talks during September and October to help us learn more about the precious Manly Dam environment. Dates and times are as follows.

Date and time

Thu 21 Sep 6:30 – 7:30PM
Fri 22 Sep 6:30 – 8:00PM
Thu 12 Oct 6:30 – 8:30PM
Fri 20 Oct 6:30 – 7:30PM
Thu 26 Oct 6:30 – 7:30PM

Activity

Dr Jodi Rowley talks Frogs
Night walk – Manly Dam
Night walk & Night Sky– Manly Dam
Knowing our native bees
All about bats

Search “Manly Dam Series” on Council’s website for details including location of these activities.

Paint washes away. . . into Greendale Creek

Late on a Friday afternoon in July Council staff, councillors, the Hazmat team and the Environmental Protection Agency responded immediately to a report from Lagoon Friends’ members of the dumping of a quantity of paint into a stormwater drain that discharges into Greendale Ck.

Booms were immediately installed at a stormwater outlet and downstream at the concrete bridge.



Paint discharging from a stormwater drain into Greendale Ck (Photo: Deb Moffat)

Let’s all remember - there is no “away”. What we wash down the drains goes into the waterways we rely on for food, for recreation, for life.

Plantings & ‘Greening our City’ projects update

* **Planting Day 25 March** Council and community members planted 400 plants in North Curl Curl Dunes to revegetate this wildlife corridor with native plants.

* **National Tree Day 30 July** Revegetation continued with 4000 plants put in by over 300 members of the community. And another 1000 plants were put in the following week by corporate volunteers.

* Flora and Ritchie Roberts Reserve

Just before National Tree Day, the Mayor planted the first of 1000 trees. The site is still being closely monitored, as a spring flush of weeds is expected. However, Council aims to plant 100 advanced trees with CCLF and community in March 2024 – so stay tuned. Overall, over 3000 native plants (1000 being trees) will be planted by July 2025.



National Tree Day 2023 (Photo: CCLF)

Get involved in Bush Care at Curl Curl Lagoon

You might not realise just how relaxing, enjoyable and productive it can be to spend a couple of hours tending a garden.

While Curl Curl does have its own actively supported community vegetable garden, there is also the other dimension of weeding and planting in the bushland areas around the Lagoon and Creek. This work requires Council’s specialist knowledge and co-ordination.

If you would like to learn about and do something practical to improve the local environment for native plants then why not join our other volunteers who meet twice monthly for Bush Care at the Lagoon. Contact our co-ordinator Pam on 0428-370-003.