

Shorebirds of the Spencer Gulf IBA: Sunday, 6 November 2016



The eastern coastline of the Spencer Gulf is recognised amongst the most important in South Australia for migratory and resident shorebirds. Although much of the coast is difficult to access, several counts over the last 4 decades have identified the site as significant for several species. BirdLife International have subsequently listed it as one of their internationally *Important Bird Areas* (IBA).

Every summer over **10,000 migratory shorebirds**, from pocket sized Red-necked Stilts to giant Eastern Curlews, leave their breeding grounds (up to 11,000km away!) and seek out the shores around the east Spencer Gulf. Here they join our resident shorebirds who use the safe beaches and undisturbed wetlands and claypans of the region to raise their young.

Join us to learn more about these amazing birds, how to identify them and what you can do to aid their conservation.

When: Sunday, 6 November, 2016

8:45am - arrive for a cuppa

9:00-10:30 - theory session

10:30 - morning tea

10:45 to 12:30 - field session (location TBA)

Where: Port Broughton Meeting Room, 11 Bay Street, Port Broughton.

RSVP essential: Natural Resources Northern and Yorke Community Ranger Janet Moore, Janet.Moore@sa.gov.au

* Morning tea provided. Please bring sunscreen and appropriate footwear.

