

OUR SHIRE

SEPTEMBER 2023

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Sutherland Shire Council acknowledges the Dharawal people as the Traditional Custodians of the land within Sutherland Shire. We value and celebrate Dharawal culture and language, and acknowledge Dharawal people's continuing connection to the land, the sea and community. We pay respect to the Elders and their families, past, present and emerging, and through them, to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



YOUR COUNCIL



IT'S ALMOST TIME TO DROP-IN!

We're past the halfway mark constructing the new Youth Precinct and Open Space Upgrade at Seymour Shaw Park, Miranda. The skate bowls are almost complete and we've installed playground and shade structures.

We still have some work to do, including building the half basketball court, paving the plaza skating course and installing furniture, shade and a BBQ in the social hub. Proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with Sutherland Shire Council. Stay up to date: bit.ly/3N4cjKC



TUNES AND GOOD VIBES: BATTLE OF THE BRIDGES - LIVE MUSIC COMP

SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2023, 6:00 – 9:30PM

Sutherland Arts Theatre, 25 East Parade, Sutherland

Join us for an evening of live music featuring up-and-coming bands from Sutherland Shire (SSC) and Georges River (GRC) areas.

Six bands will battle it out to win Battle of the Bridges! Line-up includes: Spinning Cupids (SSC), Vermanic (SSC), Pocketwatch (GRC), Sundryver (SSC), Dolor (GRC), and Jacinta Drummond (GRC).



This FREE all-ages event will have food, tunes and good vibes. For details and tickets, visit:

go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/BattleoftheBridges23

Brought to you by Sutherland Shire Council and Georges River Council.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN

Australia Day Awards are a chance to recognise the people making a difference in our community!

Categories include:

- Community Group of the Year
- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Environmental Citizen of the Year.

Nominate your local hero today. Nominations open until 13 October: go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/LocalHero24



BUSINESS

BUSINESS FINANCIALS MADE EASY - FREE WEBINAR

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2023, 12:00PM – 1:30PM

We're delighted to support Sutherland Shire's small business community with the Business Success series of webinars.

Discover budgeting strategies that can make a world of difference to cashflow and profits. Learn about key financial documents and the numbers you need to know as a business owner.

Special Guest Presenter, Jeni Wilcock is the Director at Sullivan Dewing Chartered Accountants & Business Builders.

Don't delay, limited spots.

Book now: go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/BusinessSuccess



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FRAUD AND CORRUPTION – COUNCIL'S ZERO TOLERANCE POSITION

Sutherland Shire Council is committed to a high standard of transparent, ethical and accountable conduct and maintaining trust with our community. We have a zero tolerance position of fraud and corruption and encourage the reporting of wrongdoing. You can find out more at sutherland.nsw.gov.au/Fraud-and-Corruption

It's not just our community who we encourage to report; our Public Interest Disclosure Policy also enables council staff and other public officials to report certain types of serious wrongdoing, classified as 'public interest disclosures' without fear of reprisal. Learn more at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/PID

If you see the wrong thing, do the right thing by reporting it.

REPORT WRONGDOING
If you see something, say something.



CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

HAVE
YOUR
SAY
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For all consultations and surveys, unless otherwise stated, visit Join the Conversation at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/jtc

COMO PLEASURE GROUNDS PLAYGROUND RENEWAL

Exciting news – we're planning to renew the playground at the popular Como Pleasure Grounds. Let us know how you currently use the park and what improvements you'd like to see.

Consultation closing soon on **31 August**.



CCTV OPERATIONS POLICY REVIEW

We are seeking community feedback on our updated Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Operations Policy which applies to all CCTV owned and managed by Council within Sutherland Shire.

Open until **11 September**.



CROWN RESERVES DRAFT GENERIC PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

We use Plans of Management to guide the use and management of Crown Reserves like parks, sportsgrounds, general community use areas and natural assets. We are seeking community feedback online until 1 September 2023 and in writing until 14 September 2023.

Open until **1 September** (written submissions until **14 September**).



ECO NEWS AND WASTE WISE LIVING

JOSEPH BANKS NATIVE PLANTS RESERVE AUSLAN TOUR

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2023, 10:00AM – 12:30PM

Join our Aboriginal Heritage Officer with an Auslan interpreter on a tour of Joseph Banks Native Plants Reserve, Manooka Place, Kareela.

Re-discover the history and uses of native plants in the Sutherland Shire and celebrate National Week of Deaf People.

This is a free event for Sutherland Shire residents in the Deaf community.

For details and tickets, visit
go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/JBSept22



SWOOPING BIRDS THIS SPRING

For most of the year, native birds are wonderful neighbours. We enjoy their carolling songs and the invaluable ecosystem services they provide, such as seed dispersal and pollination.

During the breeding season, some Australian native bird species can display aggressive behaviour to protect their nesting sites from people, pets or other animals they perceive as a threat. Swooping occurs for around 4-6 weeks throughout spring and early summer. Find out tips to avoid swooping birds and more: **go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/BirdTips23**

Image: Bec Williams



SUMMER WOODCHIPPING SERVICE

Planning your garden for summer? Save the dates for our Summer Woodchipping Season (for Sutherland Shire domestic residents only).

For full details visit **sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/woodchippingservice**

UPCOMING DATES (ALL SATURDAYS):

- 14 October 2023
- 13 January 2024
- 11 November 2023
- 10 February 2024
- 9 December 2023
- 9 March 2024.

SAVE THE DATE: COMMUNITY NURSERY OPEN DAY

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WASTE WISE WORKSHOP

FREE workshop for Sutherland Shire residents only.

Bookings are essential.

Visit **sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/waste** for more information.

FERMENTING WORKSHOP - ONLINE

Saturday 16 September 2023, 9:00am – 12:00noon

Enjoy this unique online workshop to learn about the age-old practice of fermenting, while reducing food waste. Book online at **bit.ly/Ferm16Sep**



HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL CLEANOUT

**SATURDAY 16, SUNDAY 17 AND MONDAY 18
SEPTEMBER, 9:00AM TO 3:30PM,**

Bellingara Netball Courts car park, Miranda

This is a free service. Bring your household chemicals for safe disposal, including:

- garden and household chemicals
- motor oils, fluids and fuels
- poisons
- gas bottles and fire extinguishers
- batteries
- smoke detectors.
- fluoro lights

Place all chemical items in the boot of your car and remain in your vehicle during collection. Access the event from Bellingara Road, Miranda and please follow instructions from staff on site.

There may be higher than normal traffic during this time. Council has engaged a traffic management company to minimise inconvenience to surrounding streets and community members using this service.

More information: **sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Chemicalwaste**

For more dates and details on what's collected see **go.ssc.nsw.gov.au/epa-chemical-cleanouts**

Sutherland Shire

**It's time for a
Household Chemical CleanOut**

You can drop off for free:



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LIBRARIES

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/libraries
Book online for all events

WHAT'S ON

TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER | TRACEY KIRKLAND AND GAVIN FANG PRESENT *PANDEMEDIA: HOW COVID CHANGED JOURNALISM*

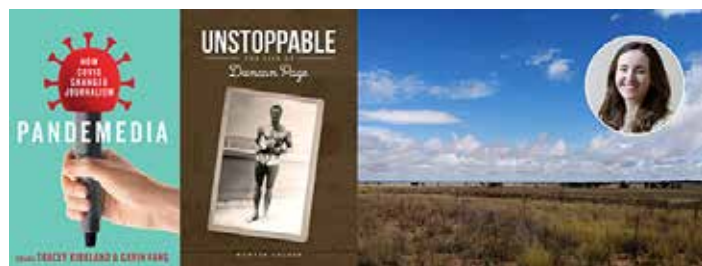
Discover how the COVID-19 pandemic altered journalism, in some ways irrevocably. Journalists, Tracey and Gavin, will examine the rise of user-generated content, the weaponising of disinformation, and the demand for data journalism in a post-pandemic world.

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER | HUNTER CALDER IN CONVERSATION WITH LOCAL HERO DUNCAN PAGE

Duncan Page is one of a kind. His resume cites dual Olympian, first grade Rugby League player, and Australian beach sprint champion. This History Week, join Duncan as he chats with Hunter Calder about his biography, *Unstoppable: The Life of Duncan Page*.

THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER | THREATENED SPECIES & OUR CITIES

This National Threatened Species Day, join Dr Eliza Middleton as she delves into the often-underappreciated importance of biodiversity, its integral role in climate change, and what we can do to support our unique plants and animals.



THURSDAY 7 TO MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER | THE GREAT BOOK SWAP

Pop along to Sutherland, Menai, Cronulla or Sylvania Library and grab a pre-loved book or two to take home. All money raised will be donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to support their work in remote communities.

THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER | KOORIE CULTURE FOR LITTLE BOORIES | STORYTIME WITH AUNTY DEANNA

Celebrate Indigenous Literacy Day at Sutherland Library! Aunty Deanna will read some of her favourite Aboriginal stories and share heart-warming tales of times spent with family, and rhymes about our local native animals.



THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER | TAMING TECHNOLOGY | BRAIN TRAINING APPS

At this session we'll discuss the most popular brain training apps to help keep you sharp. We'll also show you how they work, how to get started, some of the best options for games, puzzles and quizzes, and more!

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER | HEALTHY AGEING SEMINAR | LET'S CHAT ABOUT... HINTS FOR YOUR FUTURE PLANNING

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TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER | HOW TO USE GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

Join us for this Be Connected information session, hosted by the eSafety Commissioner, and discover how using online government services can benefit you.

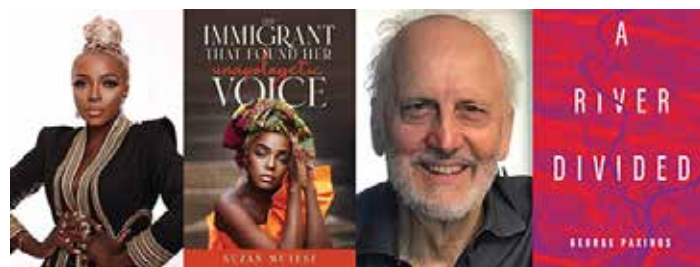


WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER | SUZAN MUTESI PRESENTS *THE IMMIGRANT THAT FOUND HER UNAPOLOGETIC VOICE*

Come along to Sutherland Library as Suzan discusses her inspiring life story tracing her humble beginnings in Uganda through to breaking into the Australian fashion and entertainment industry – and beyond!

FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER | PROFESSOR GEORGE PAXINOS PRESENTS *A RIVER DIVIDED*

Meet the brilliant mind behind this thrilling eco-fiction. Exploring how love, faith, forgiveness, and freedom can set a new course for humanity, this book begs the question: who wins in a battle of nature versus nurture?



SUBSCRIBE TO OUR LIBRARY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive the latest news and events from Libraries at bit.ly/yourlibraryevents

MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER | HSC RESCUE

HSC students – we're here to support you! Take a break from the books and enjoy pizza and massage sessions at Sutherland, as well as visits from a therapy dog at Cronulla and Sutherland Libraries. We'll also help fuel your study with refreshment stations at each of our libraries.



SPRING INTO THE SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

There's something for school kids of all ages at the library these School Holidays. Build a birdhouse, read with the cats, paint a pot plant, visit our hatching chicks and MORE! There are also fun activities for teens, like tabletop board games and cupcake wars! Bookings open 4 September.



RESOURCES OF THE MONTH

ADULTS – TRANSPARENT LANGUAGE

Challenge yourself and learn a new language! Transparent Language provides a fun, effective and engaging experience for learners of all levels. And with over 110 languages to choose from, there's something for every learner.

KIDS – STORY BOX LIBRARY

Watch and enjoy some of our favourite storytellers as they read wonderful Australian stories from the Story Box Library – including shortlisted CBCA titles. Some available in Auslan!



ANIMALS

KEEPING YOUR FURRY FRIENDS SAFE

When we receive inquiries about lost or found pets, one of the most important pieces of information we rely on is their microchip number. If your pet happens to get lost; their microchip leads them back to you. Remember to keep your information up to date on the NSW Pet Registry so we can reunite you with your furry family member.

More information about microchipping your pets, or guidance on what to do if you've lost or found a pet, visit

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/petmicrochipping



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LOCAL FERN SPECIES

Our community nursery horticulturists have spent the last 18 months cultivating local fern species. We now have a variety available including *Adiantum* (Maidenhair fern), *Asplenium* (Birds Nest fern), *Histiopteris* (Bats Wing fern), *Doodia* (Rasp fern) and several varieties of tree ferns.

The method of propagating ferns is quite different to the usual methods of propagation such as seed, cuttings or division. Ferns produce spores on the underside of their leaves. This fine material, almost like dust, is difficult to handle and required a lot of research, a new skill set, and trial and error.

Council will plant these ferns in public places such as Bushcare reserves, and they are also available at the nursery in sizes ranging from tubes to 200mm pots. Tubes can be redeemed with the free seedlings voucher that came with your July rates notice.

More about the community nursery:
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/nursery



REMINDER: E-WASTE COLLECTION

Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October
9:00am to 3:00pm

HAZELHURST

hazelhurst.com.au

IN THE MAIN GALLERY

HAZELHURST ART ON PAPER AWARD 2023

Saturday 16 September - Sunday 12 November 2023

Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2023 is a significant national exhibition featuring works by over 80 artists, across painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, video and photography. With awards totalling \$26,000, the biennial *Hazelhurst Art on Paper*

To book your place for Hazelhurst Arts Centre's events and programs visit bit.ly/whatsonathazelhurst or call 02 8536 5700

HAZELHURST 2023 ART ON PAPER AWARD

Award aims to elevate the status of art created with, on or about paper while supporting and promoting artists working with this medium. Winners will be announced Friday 15 September.

IN THE BROADHURST GALLERY

SOUTHSIDE: EARLY CAREER ARTISTS FROM SOUTHERN SYDNEY

Friday 25 August - Tuesday 5 September 2023

Southside brings together eight early career artists from southern Sydney with diverse practices across drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics and photography. Artists: Liam Ambrose, Emily Dabron, Rachel Farag, Kirk Jenkins, Bec Litvan, Jasmine Poole, Bree Riley and Emily Wynn.

JODI STEWART: EYES WIDE SHUT

Friday 8 September - Tuesday 19 September 2023

An exhibition of painting, drawing and sculpture that explores the concept of drapery as a metaphor for the state of separation that we impose on ourselves - from the environment, from each other - and the way our beliefs can separate us from reality.

HAZELHURST CERAMICS STUDENTS EXHIBITION

Friday 22 September - Tuesday 3 October 2023

Featuring works by Hazelhurst pottery students, this exhibition reveals the artists' relationship to clay, art, community, and their lives.

Images L-R (details): Bec Litvan, *Mozg*, 2023, mixed media; Jodi Stewart, *The Ephemerality of Butterflies I*, 2023, oil on canvas; Jodi Cornish, *untitled*, 2022, ceramics.



SUBSCRIBE TO OUR HAZELHURST EMAIL NEWSLETTER:

Sign up to receive the latest news from Hazelhurst at bit.ly/HazelhurstNews

IN THE GARDENS

Explore the Hazelhurst Gardens to discover works by three incredible artists: stone sculptures by the late May Barrie, Peter Sharp's large sculptures made from salvaged local timber, and a brightly coloured mural by Christina Huynh.

Images L-R: May Barrie, *Affinity*, 1980-85; Christina Huynh, *Frangipani Tea Time*, 2023; Peter Sharp, *Wood Quarry*, 2023. Photography by Silversalt Photography.



WHAT'S ON

ART IN CONVERSATION

Saturday 23 September 2023, 2:00pm

Join *Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2023* finalists in the gallery to hear insights about their finalist works, artistic intentions and diverse practices.

ART ENGAGE

Monday 25 September 2023, 10:00am - 12 noon

People living with dementia and their carers are invited to *Art Engage*, a program that engages participants with their world and sense of identity through art and provides opportunities for connection through conversation, artmaking and looking at art. Bookings essential.



SAVE THE DATE:
COMMUNITY NURSERY OPEN DAY
SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER, 8:00AM TO 1:00PM
 345 The Boulevard, Gympie
 Join us in celebrating the 50th birthday of our Community Nursery at our Open Day.
 More at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/nursery



CHILDREN

SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Check out our fun-filled school holiday activities to help keep children entertained this spring.

There is an exciting mix of free and paid activities facilitated by Council's specialist staff, industry professionals or partnering organisations.

Find out what's on at
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays



FREE WEBINAR! A PARENT'S GUIDE TO CHILDCARE IN SUTHERLAND SHIRE

WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER, 6:30PM

Back by popular demand, our free webinar for parents thinking about childcare.

Hear from our early childhood experts from the comfort of your home, including:

- your childcare options
- local demand and when to apply
- how to find a quality service – what to look for and questions to ask
- preparing for childcare.

Book your place and we'll send a zoom link to join the webinar: bit.ly/ChildcareWebinarOct



LITTLE ART MAKERS

Wednesdays, 9:30am-10:30am
during school term

Introduce your pre-schooler to the world of art through discovery and creative learning! Excite their senses and develop their skills as they engage with our current exhibitions through a gallery tour, storytime and an exhibition-inspired artmaking activity. Suitable for children ages 3-5 years. \$10.00 per child. Bookings essential.

FREE FRIDAY ART TOURS

Every Friday 11:00am

Finish up your week with free art tour of the *Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2023* exhibition. Bring a friend or two and enjoy lunch or a coffee afterwards at Hazelhurst Cafe. No booking needed, meet in the Main Gallery foyer at 11:00am.



ART CLASSES

SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

This spring we are getting creative with paper across an exciting range of classes for children and teens. Enrolments open on Monday 4 September, from 6:00am online or 9:00am by phone, so mark your calendars and set your alarms!

TERM 4 ART CLASSES

We offer a great range of creative learning experiences for adults, children, and teens in Term 4, all led by qualified teachers who are also practicing artists. Choose from printmaking, drawing, painting, mixed media, collage, mosaics, sculpture, life drawing, jewellery, illustration and more. Enrolments open Monday 18 September, from 6:00am online or 9:00am by phone.



BIKE TO THE BEACH - REGISTER NOW

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023

You're invited to a fun 7km bicycle ride from Taren Point Shorebird Reserve to Don Lucas Reserve, Cronulla. Grab your bikes, helmets, friends and family, and join us for a fantastic experience on two wheels.

The supervised course along off-road paths is easily managed by all ages and is a great way to get some fresh air, exercise, and enjoy the company of others. There will be inflatable obstacles, giant slides, fun games, giveaways, plus food and drink stalls at the finish line.

Register: sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Bike2Beach



SYLVANVALE PRE WWII CAR SHOW

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023, 8:30AM - 3:00PM

Flora Street Car Park in Sutherland

Supported by Sutherland Shire Council, the Sylvanvale Pre WWII Car Show is one of the Sutherland Shire's largest and most popular community events each year.

Featuring a spectacular array of more than 100 vintage cars, food stalls and raffles, the show is a fantastic day out.

All funds raised at the event will make a difference to the lives of the people moving into Sylvanvale's brand-new, state-of-the-art Specialist Disability Accommodation in Illawong.

Find out more at
sylvanvale.com.au/car-show



LET'S CHAT ABOUT... HINTS FOR YOUR FUTURE PLANNING - HEALTHY AGEING SEMINAR

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2023, 10:30AM-12 NOON AT ENGADINE LIBRARY

What options are available to help you stay independent and living in your home for longer? What are your strategies to get the most out of life?

We all have individual goals for our futures and 'healthy ageing' can mean different things to different people. Getting older is something many of us avoid discussing, but at this seminar we're changing the conversation to empower you. Discover how you can plan for your years ahead to keep living life to the full. Hear from:

- Karen Buckley, Healthy Ageing Hub Advisor, Sutherland Shire
- Lisa Maunsell, Community Engagement Professional, liveup.

Bookings essential and open 3-4 weeks prior - visit bit.ly/SSLEventbrite to book, watch out for future dates and topics, or phone 02 9710 0525. Free event, morning tea provided.

Presented by Sutherland Shire Council, Sutherland Shire Libraries, and the Healthy Ageing Hub, with funding from Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network.



CRONULLAFEST

8-10 SEPTEMBER 2023, CRONULLA PARK AND 9-10 SEPTEMBER 2023, CRONULLA STREET

We're proud to be supporting this popular family event for another year. With over 100 stalls, amusement rides and entertainment, Cronulla Fest is a showcase of the best of Cronulla. Starting Friday night, bring your friends and family along to join in the fun.

Visit cronullaspringfestival.com.au



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