

**[CNE26] Birds of the Eemlanden 6**

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N 52° 14.860 E 005° 23.964

UTM: 31U E 663797 N 5791297

Dec: N 52.2476667 E 5.3994

DMS: N 52° 14' 51.6" E 5° 23' 57.84"

Difficulty: ★★★★★  
Terrain: ★★★★★

Size: (Small)

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**Long Description****This cache is part of CNE 2026**

CNE stands for the culture and nature event. The event took place on March 21, 2026, in Amersfoort. More information about CNE can be found at: [www.cultuurennaturevent.nl](http://www.cultuurennaturevent.nl)

With this event and these caches, we're eager to show everyone all the wonderful things Amersfoort and the surrounding area has to offer in terms of culture and nature. We hope you have lots of fun with these caches!

**BvVeen, Tedonus, Pc\_Queen, Flash! and TeamThoroCatchers****[CNE26] Birds of the Eemlanden 6**



**Caution! This is a cycle path.  
Motorized traffic is prohibited on a large portion of the route. This is  
strictly enforced!**

North of Amersfoort, around Bunschoten-Spakenburg, lies a vast polder landscape. It's an open peat meadow area. This means plenty of grasslands, but also plenty of water. Ditches separate the meadows, which in turn flow into ditches. All this makes it an excellent spot for meadow and water birds, which also occur here in hundreds of numbers. This tour passes through two areas: De Eemland and Het Arkemheen. The latter is one of the oldest polders in the Netherlands, established in 1356. What's special about this polder is that it has never been subject to land consolidation. Winding ditches can still be seen here, in contrast to the straight ditches of the Eemland.

This approximately 35-kilometer bike ride passes through these bird-rich areas. Each cache tells about a specific bird that can be seen there. Inside the cache, you'll also find a bird, but it's different from the one listed. You need this bird to determine your bonus. The value is the number of the cache for that bird.

**Example:**

In the first cache, you'll find a black-tailed godwit, along with an A.

Cache number 8 tells you about the black-tailed godwit.

So, A=8.

Enjoy this bike ride through the bird-rich Eemlanden and don't forget your binoculars—it's definitely worth it. You might spot some of the caches there.

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## Oystercatcher



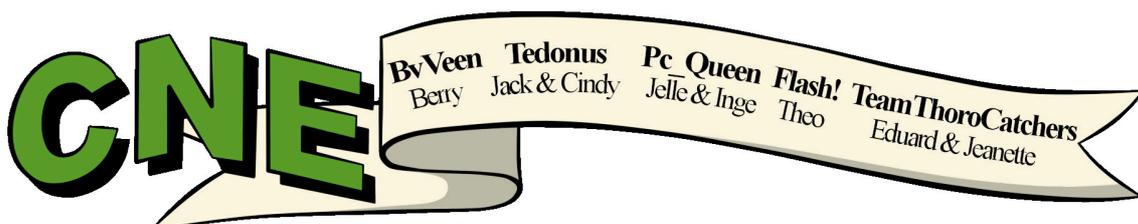
The oystercatcher (*Haematopus ostralegus*) is a recognizable wading bird. They have black and white plumage, pink legs, and a long orange beak. This beak wears down quickly but also grows rapidly. This allows it to change slightly depending on the food available. They live mainly in open grassland, farmland, and also on buildings. They dig a small hole in the ground and line it with straw, pebbles, or shells. They also nest on gravel roofs. Their food consists mainly of small animals, such as worms, larvae, and shellfish. Officially, the oystercatcher is a coastal bird, but that is no longer the case. In winter, they migrate from the grasslands to the Wadden Sea and Delta regions. In February, they return to their inland breeding grounds. Unfortunately, the number of breeding pairs is slowly declining. There are currently around 34,000 left, but that number is decreasing every year.

The municipality of Bunschoten has given permission for this cache. Thank you for this.



**This cache is part of a larger series**

For a complete list of the rest of these caches, please refer to [www.cultuurennatuurevent.nl/caches-cne-2026/](http://www.cultuurennatuurevent.nl/caches-cne-2026/)



## Cache Attributes



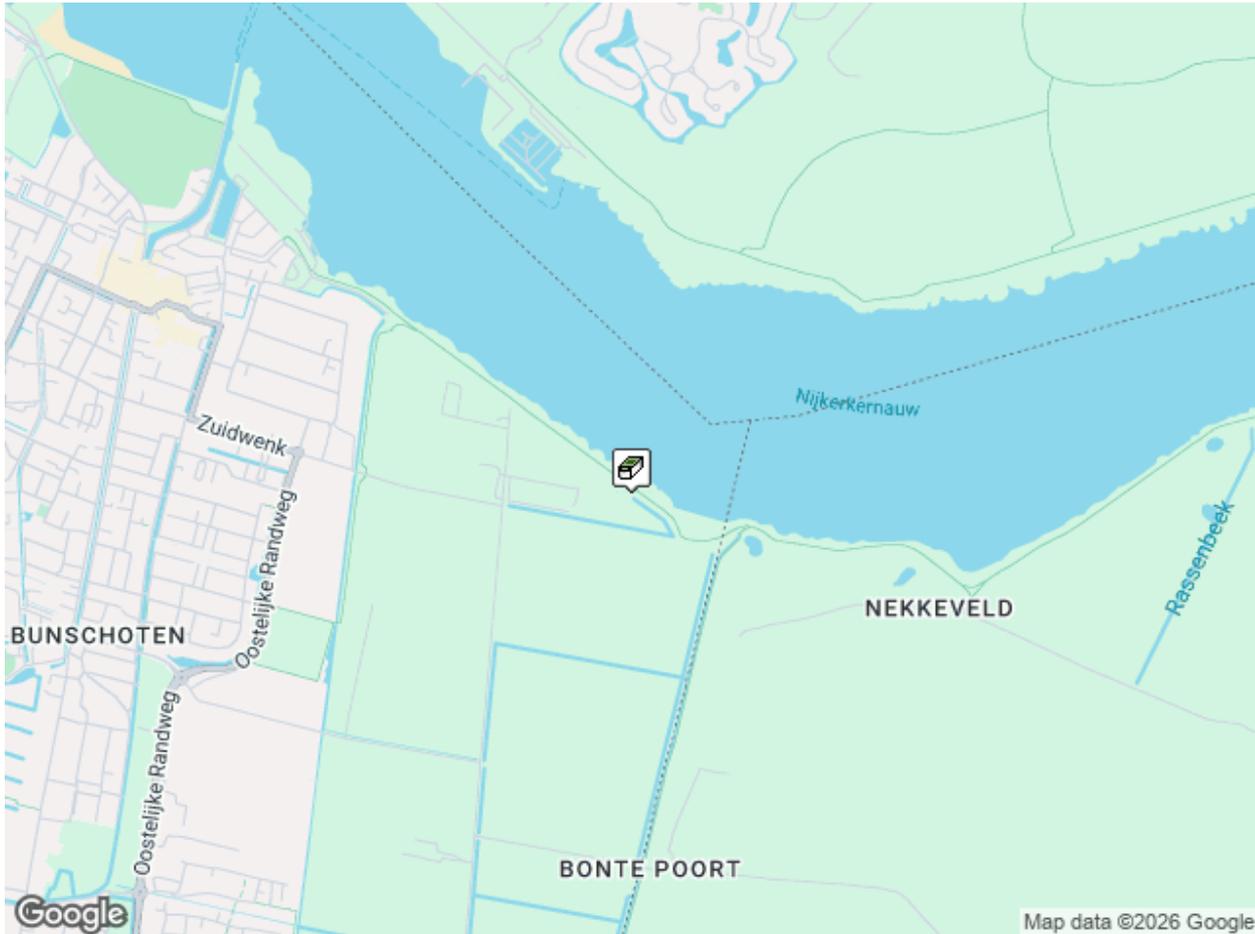
[What are Attributes?](#)

Ticks nearby, No motorcycles allowed, No off-road vehicles allowed, No quads allowed, Bicycles allowed, Picnic tables nearby, Recommended for tourists, Significant hike, Scenic view nearby, Livestock nearby

## Logs

## Overview Map

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