

Birds. At Home, on the Range

10th Annual
Bird Watching Tour



June 10-11, 2016

Bad River Ranch
Fort Pierre, SD

Hosts
Bad River Ranch
Dusty Hepper & Tom LeFaive

Driving Directions
From Fort Pierre, SD:
travel south (approx. 1 mile) on Hwy 83,
turn west/right on
Bad River Road, travel 12.5 miles,
Roads will be marked

Cost
\$20 per person; Kids are free.
Meals are included in the registration fee.
Lodging is on your own.

What to Bring
Bring your digital camera, binoculars,
plus clothing and footwear (could be snakes)
For all weather conditions.

Lodging
AmericInn Lodge & Suites
(605) 223-2358
www.americinn.com

Fort Pierre Motel
(605) 223-3111
www.fortpierremotel.com

Holiday Inn Express
(605) 223-9045
www.ihg.com

My Place Hotel
(605) 494-2090
www.myplacehotels.com

**For additional lodging
and visitor information,
visit FortPierre.com.**

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Organization: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Number in Party: _____ ADULTS (\$20 per person) _____ KIDS (free)

Interested in earning college graduate credit for participating in the bird tour? YES NO
Contact Dr. Kristel Bakker for more information: 605-256-5182 or Kristel.Bakker@dsu.edu.

Please mail registration form and payment to:

Judge Jessop
24690 299th Ave. Presho, SD 57568

Please make checks payable to the South Dakota Grassland Coalition.

For planning purposes, registration form and fee must be received by **May 30, 2016.**

Bird Tour Agenda

{Central Daylight Time}

Friday, June 10th

- 3:25 – 4 pm Gather at Bad River Ranch
{see driving directions}
- 4:00 – 4:15 Welcome and Introduction
to the SD Grassland Coalition
- 4:15 – 5:00 History of Bad River Ranch
Tom LeFaive, Former Ranch Manager
- 5:00 – 5:45 Bird Identification
*KC Jensen, SDSU Associate Professor
Ecology and Management of Birds*
- 5:45 – 6:45 Supper and Refreshments
- 6:45 – 7:30 Habitat Presentation:
Grassland Birds
*Kristel Bakker
Dakota State University*
- 7:30 Birding

Saturday, June 11th

- 5:30 am Gather at Bad River Ranch
- 5:30 – 5:55 Sunrise Coffee and Rolls
- 6:00 – 8:35 Bird Watch/Record Species

**Groups rotate to different stations:
(40 minutes per station)**

1. Nest Dragging

Kassy Hendricks and October Greenfield

2. Plant Identification

*Sandy Smart
South Dakota State University*

3. The How & Why of Bird Banding

*KC Jensen
South Dakota State University*

4. Birding

- 9:00 -10:45 Mammal Ecology Station (1 group)
Tom LeFaive & Dusty Hepper
- 10:45 – 11:05 Travel Back to War Creek
Break/Discuss Group Highlights
*Share memory cards for slideshow-
Silka Kempemka*
- 11:05 – 11:35 Rainfall Simulator
*Stan Boltz
State NRCS Range Specialist*
- 11:35 - 12:35 Lunch and Slideshow
- 12:40 – 1:30 Grass Manager's View
Tom LeFaive & Dusty Hepper
- 12:40 - 1:30 Kids' Activities
bird house assembly (take home)
- 2:00 Closing Comments

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- Watch, photograph and record bird species, livestock and wildlife
- Hear presentations from land owners and conservation experts
- Learn the connections between birds and livestock
- Enjoy two days on the beautiful South Dakota prairie
Complete the attached form and mail your registration fee to the South Dakota Grassland Coalition by **Tuesday, May 31, 2016.**

**For more information, contact Judge Jessop:
(605) 280-0127
judge.jessop@sdconservation.net**



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