

# Birds. At Home, on the Range

10<sup>th</sup> 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 299<sup>th</sup> 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

Join us ~ **June 10-11, 2016** ~ for the  
South Dakota Grassland Coalition's

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## **Birds. At Home, on the Range. Bird Watching Tour**

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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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