

Birds. At Home, on the Range

12th Annual
Bird Watching Tour



June 8-9, 2018

Perman's Rock Hills Ranch - Lowry
Sieck's Deep Root Ranch - Selby

Savannah Sparrow Photo by Keith Anderson

Hosts

Doug & Merilee Sieck
Deep Root Ranch
30940 138th St. Selby, SD 57472

Lyle & Garnet Perman
Rock Hills Ranch
30872 143rd St. Lowry, SD 57472
RockHillsRanch.com

Driving Directions to Rock Hills Ranch

From the town of Lowry:
Travel east 1/4 mile and turn left/north. Travel
1/4 mile and turn left/west on 143rd St. and
continue 1 1/4 miles. Follow the road north 1/2
mile into Rock Hills Ranch

Cost

Free to current SDGC members and students;
\$30 per person for non-members (which
includes a 1 year SDGC membership)
Meals are included, lodging is on your own.

What to Bring

Bring your digital camera, binoculars,
and clothing/footwear for
all weather conditions.

Lodging

Rock Hills Ranch
**limited space available for participants

Hilltop Motel & Campgrounds
7005 US-12 Selby, SD
(605) 649-7622

Selby Motel
5000 US-12 Selby, SD
(605) 649-7979

Miller's Lodge
308 Coffey St. Akaska, SD
(605) 649-7610

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Organization: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of Participants: _____ ADULTS _____ STUDENTS

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Interested in earning college graduate credit for participating in the bird tour? YES NO
Contact 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 31, 2018**.

Bird Tour Agenda

{Central Daylight Time}

Friday, June 8th

3:25 – 4 pm Gather at Rock Hills Ranch
{see driving directions}

4:00 – 4:15 Welcome and Introductions

4:15 – 5:00 History of Deep Root Ranch History
Grass Manager's View

5:00 – 5:45 Bird Identification by KC Jensen

5:45 – 6:45 Supper and Refreshments

6:45 – 7:30 Habitat Presentation:
Grassland Birds
by Kristel Bakker, DSU

7:30 Bird Watching at Deep Root Ranch

Saturday, June 9th

5:30 am Gather at Rock Hills Ranch

5:30 – 6:00 Sunrise Coffee and Rolls

6:05 – 10:15 Bird Watch/Record Species Groups
rotate to different stations: (45 minutes per station)

1. Birding
2. Nest Dragging
3. Plant Identification
4. The How & Why of Bird Banding
5. Tipi Ring Presentation

10:15 – 10:45 Break/Discuss Group Highlights
Share memory cards for slideshow

10:45 – 11:30 Rainfall Simulator
by Stan Boltz, NRCS

10:45 – 11:30 Kids' Activities
bird house assembly

11:30 – 12:30 Lunch and Slideshow

12:30 – 1:15 Rock Hills Ranch History
Grass Manager's View

2:00 Closing Comments

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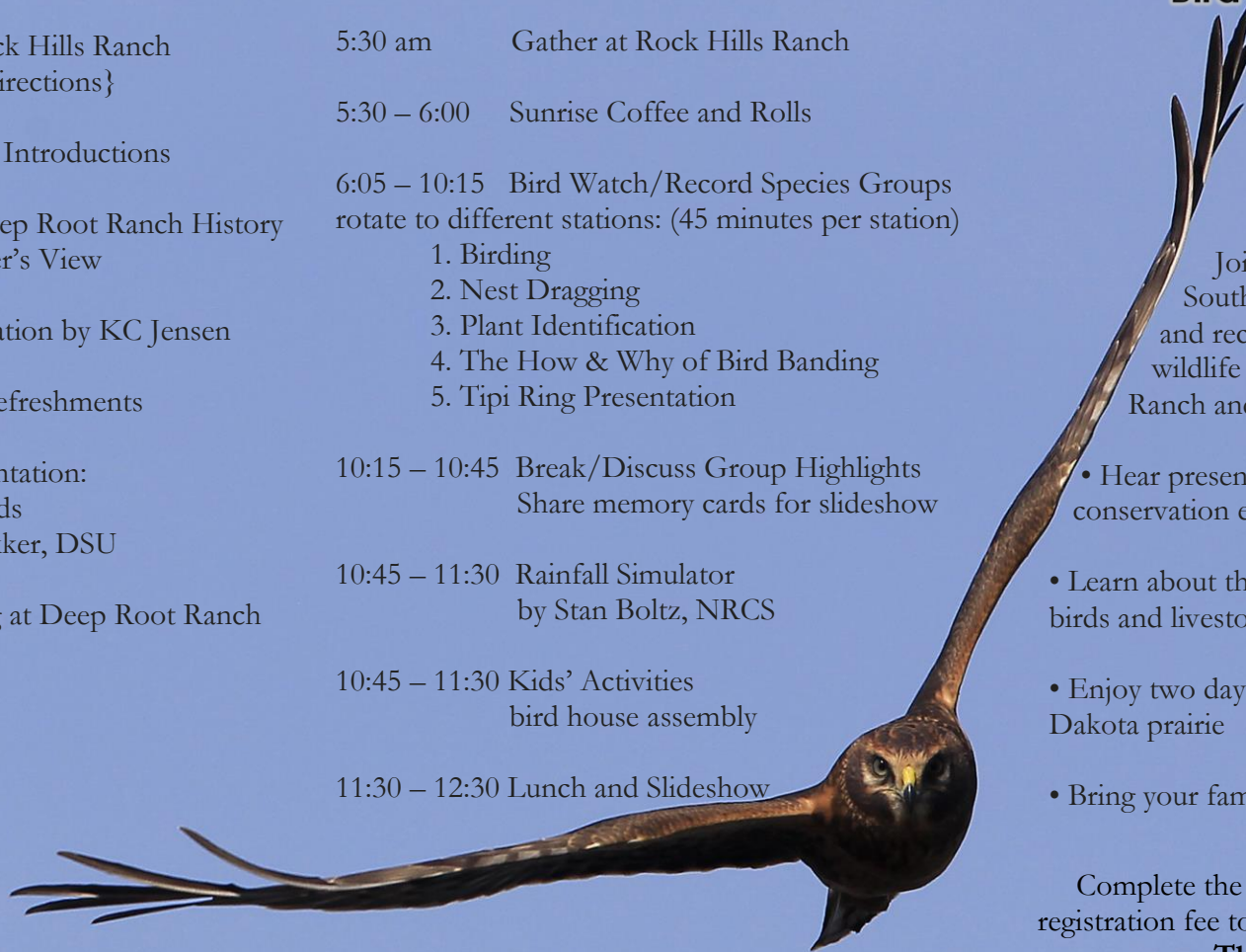
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Lowry, SD & Selby, SD

Join us on the prairie in central South Dakota to watch, photograph and record bird species, livestock and wildlife on Perman's Rock Hills Ranch and Sieck's Deep Root Ranch.

- Hear presentations from land owners and conservation experts.
- Learn about the unique connections between birds and livestock
- Enjoy two days on the beautiful central South Dakota prairie
- Bring your family ~ kids are welcome!

Complete the attached form and mail your registration fee to the SD Grassland Coalition by
Thursday, May 31.

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



Become a member of the South Dakota Grassland Coalition.
Learn more at www.SDGrass.org.

Northern Harrier
Photo by Dean Pearson