

**REGISTER ONLINE:**

<https://sdgrass.org/bird-watching-tour/>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Party: \_\_\_\_\_ ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENTS

Interested in earning college graduate credit?  YES  NO *Contact Dr. Kristel Bakker: 605.256.5182 or Kristel.Bakker@dsu.edu*

Registration is FREE to all SDGC members or \$35 per person (includes a 1-year membership)

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.

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**Birds. At Home, on the Range. June 3-4, 2026**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**LOCATION**

**Bien Ranch**  
Veblen, SD

**COST**

Free to current SDGC members and students; \$35 per person for non-members (includes a 1-year SDGC membership).

Meals included.

**Lodging is on your own.**

**REGISTER**



**WHAT TO BRING**

Bring your digital camera & binoculars. Wearing appropriate clothing and sturdy, enclosed footwear for walking on uneven terrain, changing weather conditions and protection from the elements and injury is recommended.

**LODGING**

There are multiple options nearby, including Roy Lake State Park, Prairie Coteau Lodge, Prairie Sky Guest & Game Ranch, motels, and more. Check our website for a full list.



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# BIRD TOUR AGENDA

CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME

BIEN RANCH  
JUNE 3-4, 2026

## WED, JUNE 3

*Central Daylight time*

GATHER AT BIEN RANCH	3:25-4PM
WELCOME & INTRO TO SD GRASSLAND COALITION	4:00-4:15
HISTORY OF THE BIEN RANCH	4:15-5:00
BIRD IDENTIFICATION	5:00-5:45
SUPPER & REFRESHMENTS	5:45-6:45
RAINFALL SIMULATOR	6:45-7:30
BIRDING	7:30

## THURS, JUNE 4

GATHER	5:30AM
SUNRISE COFFEE & ROLLS	5:30-5:55
BIRD WATCH/RECORD SPECIES	6:00-8:35
GROUPS TO ROTATE TO DIFFERENT STATIONS <i>(40 min per station)</i>	8:40 - 10:40
BREAK/DISCUSS GROUP HIGHLIGHTS	10:45-11:05
HABITAT PRESENTATION: GRASSLAND BIRDS	11:05-11:35
LUNCH & SLIDESHOW	11:35-12:35
GRASS MANAGER'S VIEW	12:40-1:30
KIDS' ACTIVITIES	1:30-2:00
CLOSING COMMENTS	2:00

## BIRDS. AT HOME ON THE RANGE

*Annual* BIRD WATCHING TOUR



Join us for a unique opportunity to explore the diverse grasslands of northeastern South Dakota and observe the abundant bird species that call this region home.

Experience firsthand how thoughtful rangeland management supports thriving wildlife populations while sustaining working ranches.

Whether you're an experienced birder, rancher, student, or simply someone who appreciates South Dakota's open spaces, this event offers learning, connection, and unforgettable early-morning birding.

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