

OUTDOORS DIGEST

2013 Birding Festival
Slated For May 3-5

PICKSTOWN — Birding enthusiasts, both novice and experienced, will gather May 3-5 at the Fort Randall area near Pickstown to hopefully catch site of hundreds of migrating bird species returning to South Dakota or heading to other parts of the country. The communities of Wagner, Pickstown and Lake Andes stand ready to welcome visits for this weekend event.

The festival offers a full schedule of birding activities that include presentations on Listening to Birds, Basics of Bird Identification, an Owl Prowl and much more. Some of the outdoor activities will be held at the Karl Mundt Wildlife Refuge at Fort Randall — this is the only time the refuge is open to the public, which is an added bonus for festival attendees. In addition, the Fort Randall Dam Visitor's Center will be open from noon until 4 p.m. on Saturday.

For an event schedule and registration form, go to: www.sdgreatlakes.org/greatoutdoors/birdinginfo or call 1-605-487-7603.

Women's Neb. Archery
Classes Scheduled In May

LINCOLN, Neb. — A Beyond Becoming an Outdoors-Woman archery class will take place at Platte River State Park each Wednesday in May. Participants may attend any of the classes, which are: May 8, Introduction to Archery; May 15, Shopping for Women's Bows; May 22, Tuning Your Bow; and May 29, Fun with Archery.

The classes cost \$5 each and run from 6-9 p.m. at the Roger G. Sykes Outdoor Heritage Education Complex. Bows will be available to participants who do not bring their own.

To register, visit <http://www.outdoornebraska.ne.gov/Education/pdf/BeyondBOWArcherySummer2013.pdf> or contact Christy Christiansen at 402-471-5547 or christy.christiansen@nebraska.gov.

The park is located west of Louisville on Nebraska Highway 66. A park entry permit is required.

Youth Hunter Education
Challenge Returns To S.D.

PIERRE — Young hunters will get a chance to demonstrate their shooting abilities and their knowledge of conservation at the 2013 Youth Hunter Education Challenge (YHEC) June 15 in Mitchell.

South Dakota youth who participate in the daylong event will compete in two age divisions and eight separate shooting sports and outdoor skills tests. Events range from firearm and archery proficiency to orienteering and wildlife identification. All rules and regulations will follow National Rifle Association International rules as much as possible.

"YHEC is designed to promote youth participation in the shooting sports, hunting and overall knowledge of the outdoors," said Gary Stadlman, South Dakota YHEC Coordinator. "This is a test to see how we have done as HuntSAFE instructors, and I would encourage any youngsters who have completed their HuntSAFE classes to participate in this year's event."

All registrants must be at least 12 years old, hunter-education certified and have parent or guardian approval. An adult coach or parent/guardian must be present at the event. For general information, phone Gary Stadlman at 605-227-4286.

The 2013 YHEC event is sponsored by the South Dakota Shooting Sports-YHEC Committee and the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks.

GFP Invites Educators To
Score A Bullseye With Free
Archery Training

PIERRE — The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks will host teacher training next month at Watertown for the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP).

NASP allows schools in South Dakota to safely incorporate archery into their school curriculum and at no cost to the local school district. Home school parents are also encouraged to attend the training at no charge.

The one-day training is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, at the Watertown Middle School gymnasium. The session begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. CDT.

Upon successful completion of the training, new schools to the program will be eligible to receive free archery equipment from GFP. All participating teachers will be able to enter their students in the 2014 NASP state tournament.

Teachers wishing to introduce archery into their schools must pre-register for training by email at outdoorprogramming@gmail.com or by phone at 605-220-2130. Space is limited so registrations should be made as soon as possible.

Buzzards' Return Causing
Problem In Beatrice

BEATRICE, Neb. (AP) — The buzzards are back in Beatrice.

The federally protected migrating birds are more accurately known as turkey vultures. And their waste is a problem that John Dageford of Windstream Communications wants the City Council to address.

Last fall Dageford approached the council about amending the city code so someone could legally use a high-powered pellet gun to kill some of the birds that roost on a tower near the Windstream office. The hope is the other birds will flee the danger.

The Beatrice Daily Sun says the council again discussed the idea at a Monday work session but took no action. Police Chief Bruce Lang says the birds are a problem at several locations, which could raise more requests for gunfire.

Gary Howey | Of The Outdoors

On The Lookout For Ticks

BY GARY HOWEY

Hartington, Neb.

Most seasons, deer, turkey pheasant can be found listed on the Game, Fish and Parks calendars and web sites, one you won't find listed there is the tick season, but don't let that stop you from being prepared for this season in the same way you'd be prepared for the other seasons.

Ticks, come out in the spring, about the time we outdoorsmen and women head into the woods looking for morel mushrooms, wild asparagus or hunting turkeys, but don't let a little critter like a tick keep you from getting out into the outdoors this spring. There are several things hunters and those of us who love the outdoor can do to prevent ticks from hitching a ride.

There are two groups of ticks, hard or soft ticks.

In our area, it's the hard ticks we see the most of, which are found in wooded, grassy, or other densely vegetated areas, the areas where mushrooms and asparagus are found. The soft ticks tend to live in bird nests, on rodents, and on bats. Either of these ticks can find their way onto us, fortunately for us, there no species of tick depends solely on us for survival. Some ticks can only be found on a certain host, luckily we aren't one of them, but a female tick can lay anywhere from 3,000 to 11,000 eggs, we should be aware of them and do what we can to prevent them from catching a ride from us.

There's only one way to avoid the possibility of avoiding a tick borne disease and that's to not go into areas they inhabit, DUH, like that's going to happen if your an outdoorsmen or women that spends every spare moment out in the field or woods.

Since we know we're going to be in the same areas where ticks can be found, listed below are a few simple precautions that can



PHOTO: TEAM OUTDOORMEN ADVENTURES

Outdoorsmen and women spending time in the field and woods in the spring, especially turkey hunters since they set up on the ground, not only need to be well versed on what they're looking for, they also need to be aware of those things that might be hunting for you.

reduce the chances of a tick encounter.

Tip #1: Ticks crawl upward onto a host, that's why it's a good idea to cut off any route they might have in an attempt to get on your skin and why it's an excellent idea to tuck your pant legs into your boots and your shirts into your pants. For extra protection, you can tape your pant legs and long sleeve shirt sleeves with duct tape, twisting the tape so the sticky side is out, then wrap it one more time.

Tip #2: It's also a good idea to wear light-colored clothing when ever possible. Making it easier to see ticks crawling around before they make their way onto your skin..

Tip #3: Look for a repellent that contains 5/10th of a percent or more of permethrin, which works well on clothing. There are some products out there that containing permethrin and not be bothered by laundering.

Tip #4: A light concentrated Deet repellent of less than 100% can be used on the

skin to repel ticks.

Tip #5: When you get back home., check yourself over thoroughly, your clothing before going inside and once inside, do a whole-body inspection, washing your clothing as soon as possible.

Tip #6: For those of us who take their dog out with them for a run or to hunt sheds, don't forget to protect him. There are commercial dog dips that contain amitrax or permethrin which can provide your dog with tick protection for two to three weeks per treatment. Check with your local veterinarian for their advice as to what's the best treatment for your dog to prevent ticks.

When you find a tick on you, it should be removed as soon as possible and then disinfect the area immediately after removal.

The most recommended method and the best way to remove a tick is to grab the tick close to the skin with fine-tipped tweezers, placing the tweezers close to the skin so

Parkston Girls Take Mitchell Invite

MITCHELL — For a second straight day, the Parkston girls' golf team tore through the competition.

One day after a 60-stroke victory in the Dakota Valley Invitational, Parkston beat a field of Class AA teams by 18 strokes in winning the Mitchell Invitational on Friday at Lakeview Golf Course in Mitchell.

Parkston, the defending Class A champions, finished at 317, 18 strokes ahead of defending Class AA champion Pierre. Yankton finished third at 343, followed by O'Gorman at 348.

Pierre's Hallie Getz shot a 71 for a five-stroke victory in the individual standings. Yankton's Megan

Mingo and Parkston's Jordan Bormann each shot 76. Parkston's Sydney Bormann and Mitchell's Kristin Sabers tied for fourth at 79. Parkston's Logan Wagner, a Mount Marty recruit, rounded out the top six with an 80.

Also for Parkston, Sydney Weber shot 82 to tie for eighth. Taylor Bormann shot 86 to tie for 16th, and Jayden Bormann shot 108.

For Yankton, Becky Frick carded an 85 to rank 13th. Amber Livingston shot 90, Whitney Specht shot 92, Alicia Gregoire shot 107 and Payton Pierce shot 109 for the Gazelles.

TEAM SCORES: Parkston 317, Pierre 335, Yankton 343, SF O'Gorman 348, Aberdeen Central 361, Huron 361, Watertown 365, SF Lincoln 368, RC Stevens 378, Mitchell 379, SF

Washington 383, RC Central 388, Brookings 394, SF Roosevelt 394, Brandon Valley 395, Sturgis 399, Spearfish 404, Mitchell Black 488

TOP 20: Hallie Getz, Pierre 71; Megan Mingo, Yankton 76; Jordan Bormann, Parkston 76; Kristin Sabers, Mitchell 79; Sydney Bormann, Parkston 79; Logan Wagner, Parkston 80; Mae Meierhenry, SF Lincoln 81; Hallie Pieper, Watertown 82; Kelsey Johnson, SF O'Gorman 82; Sydney Weber, Parkston 82; Katie Bartlett, Pierre 83; Ashlee Eggebraaten, SF Washington 84; Becky Frick, Yankton 85; Amanda Tobin, Aberdeen Central 86; Charley Claussen, RC Central 86; Taylor Bormann, Parkston 86; Abbie Grevios, SF Lincoln 87; Hallee Allerdings, Huron 87; Kiley Phares, RC Stevens 87; Meredith Turner, SF O'Gorman 87

OTHER AREA: Amber Livingston, Yankton 90; Whitney Specht, Yankton 92; Alicia Gregoire, Yankton 107; Jayden Bormann, Parkston 108; Payton Pierce, Yankton 109

Canton Tri.

CANTON — Vermillion's Kayla Stammer shot a 41 to lead the Tanagers to a 13-stroke victory in a nine-hole girls' golf triangular at Hi-

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kat Stottler of Yankton shot this turkey, sporting a 9 1/4 inch beard, south of Centerville on April 20. It was her first-ever hunt.

Lancers

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starter Courtney Hansen. The Mustangs, thought, started off the first two innings with doubles and got a one-out triple in the third to start rallies, jumping out to a 7-0 lead. Five of those runs came in the third, when the Mustangs recorded six hits, including two for extra bases.

"They're a good-hitting team," Fernandez said. "But I felt like we continued to compete. We stayed in it. We just didn't make enough adjustments at the plate to be ef-

fective against their pitcher in game one."

Johnson helped her own cause with a three-run home run in the top of the sixth, then went back to the rubber to try to close out a perfect game. She got the first two Lancer batters in the bottom of the sixth, then walked Shaina Lonneman before getting the final batter to settle for a no-hitter.

Johnson struck out five in the win. Hansen took the loss, with Katie Groteluschen getting the final two outs on a double-play ball to Bunde.

The Lancers have a busy four days ahead of them. After traveling to league-leading Hastings (22-8, 12-2 GPAC) today, the Lancers host Nebraska Wesleyan (12-15, 6-8

GPAC) on Sunday at 2 p.m. After a day off, MMC travels to Dakota Wesleyan (8-20, 6-8 GPAC) on Tuesday to finish the regular season.

"We've still got life," Fernandez said, referring the Lancers' chances of getting in to the GPAC post-season tournament. The top eight teams qualify. "But we have to take it step by step, live in the moment. We can't worry about how many we need to win. We need to worry about what we need to do to win the game we're in."

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