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WAYC Rollout



ALYSSA SOBOTKA/P&D The last stack of targets awaits placement on an archery stand, one final preparation for the WAYC tournament, in which shooting competition begins Tuesday, June 9. The public is invited to attend, free of charge, shooting competitions and the opening ceremony, which will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 7.

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After Year Of Preparation, **Tourney Officials Ready To Go**

BY ALYSSA SOBOTKA news@yankton.net

> rganizers at the Easton Yankton Archery Complex has spent the past 12 months answering the logistical questions of complex renovation, transportation, finance and accommodation (to name a few) necessary to host

the 2015 World Archery Youth Championships (WAYC) since receiving the bid in 2014. One year later, they are ready to show

complex. The ceremony will include speakers from World Archery, Bruce Cull, National Field Archery Association president; a parade of nations which will highlight flags from the 51 countries represented; presentation of the colors by South Dakota National Guard; Native American dancers and two performing buffalo. The opening ceremony is expected to last about an hour.

Not only is the public invited to the opening ceremony, but also all shooting events throughout the week-long competition. The first shooting event will be qualification rounds for both recurve and compound divisions beginning at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 9. Scheduled Wednesday, June 10, and Thursday, June 11, are individual eliminations beginning at 9 a.m. Mixed team eliminations will be shot at 9 a.m. Friday, June 12, and will tentatively con-

Bird Flu Nebraska Poultry Events Canceled

Knox Co. Case Still Has Not Been Confirmed BY RANDY DOCKENDORF

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In response to bird flu cases in the state, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) has canceled all poultry events across Nebraska through Jan. 1, 2016.

Nebraska state officials announced the

action Thursday following discussions with Nebraska Extension and poultry industry leaders. The decision was taken to help prevent the spread of the H5N2 avian influenza virus. So far, the bird flu has impacted Knox and Dixon counties in northeastern Nebraska.



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The poultry ban will include all events where birds are co-mingled, according to a news release. Those events include local and county fairs and festivals, the Nebraska State Fair, Ak-Sar-Ben, swap meets, exotic sales and live bird auctions.

"The decision to cancel poultry events was made in an effort to protect the physical and economic health of Nebraska's poultry sector," said NDA Director Greg Ibach. "It is a difficult decision, and I know youth and adults would soon be exhibiting their projects at local fairs.

Nebraska joins more than 10 states, including South Dakota, that have taken similar steps to protect their poultry flock.

South Dakota officials announced their state's ban last month. The South Dakota

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SDSU Program Unaffected **By NCAA Decision**

BROOKINGS (AP) - South Dakota State University athletic director Justin Sell says the fate of the school's equestrian program lies with the NCAA and won't be affected by the departure of the program's coach.

Megan Rossiter is leaving effective June 30 to pursue other opportunities, after leading SDSU's program to the National Collegiate Equestrian Association National Championships twice in four years.

NCAA officials are expected to decide later this month whether to continue recognizing equestrian as an intercollegiate sport. Sell tells the Argus Leader that if the NCAA continues to recognize the sport, SDSU will continue to field a team through its athletic department. He says if the NCAA decision goes the other way, SDSU would make equestrian a club sports program.

In the meantime, SDSU will pursue a new head coach.

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their planning efforts, beginning this weekend. And they hope the public will take part in this world class event, free of charge.

"I think this is a great experience for anyone who has never experienced an event like this," said Nancy Wenande, tournament manager. "It's really exciting to watch and see how good some of the shooters are."

The public is invited to attend the opening ceremony at 4 p.m. Sunday at the archery

Healthy Choices

STEP UP WITH THE

CHALLENGE

Jeff Martyka, EHS manager at Yankton's Sapa Extru-

sions, explains some of the points of the "Million Step

Challenge" that his company is undertaking, during a meeting Thursday at the Yankton plant. The goal is get

employees to walk 10,000 steps a day — or about five miles — for the 100 days leading up to Sapa's annual Safety Day event this fall. A smoking cessation program is also being undertaken. Martyka said such healthy and safety efforts reflect an investment in the employees.

ON STEPS IN 100 DAYS

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Animal Industry Board issued a board order May 21, suspending all South Dakota bird exhibitions immediately and until further notice.

As of May 21, South Dakota had bird flu cases on 10 premises in nine counties affecting 1,700,900 birds. Commercial turkey flocks were impacted in Yankton and

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Summer Means The Return of Tick Season

BY ROB NIELSEN

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Summer means a time for people to venture out into their yards, the woods and down to the river. However, the same rings true for the different species of ticks that also reside in South Dakota.

Amanda Bachmann, pesticide education and urban etymology field specialist for the South Dakota State University Extension, said so far, she hasn't noticed a surge in the number of ticks in the state.

This was kind of a nice year for ticks, Bachmann said. "This spring, we did get a fair number of calls from people saying they seem to be encountering more ticks than they were used to. I'm not aware of any sort of official spike in population numbers, but ticks like tall, grassy habitat, which we have a lot of in South Dakota."

Bachmann said the state sports a number of different species of ticks.

The dog tick is fairly common," she said. "We're sort of on the edge of the range of the black-legged tick — that's one

the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) is actually working on updating their range map for, so they're looking to see if we have any confirmed reports of it in South Dakota, but if we do, they're very sparse.

The state also boasts the brown dog tick and sits on the edge of the range for the lone star tick and the Rocky Mountain tick.

A major concern with ticks has always been disease transmission. One of the most publicized examples of tick-borne diseases is Lyme disease, which is commonly spread by deer ticks in the eastern United States.

Bachmann said disease carrying ticks aren't quite as prevalent in South Dakota.

"We're kind of lucky out here in South Dakota," she said. "Ticks do vector diseases and different species are capable of vectoring different diseases. ... We don't have Lyme disease out here or the black deer tick."

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