



SUMMER CONFERENCE

Rebooting and Regenerating

June 27-29, 2021
Little America Hotel
Cheyenne, Wyoming

Sunday, June 27th

Grab a cold beverage and some bison tender tails and pony up for the Cowboy Classic Cornhole Tournament. Compete for one of the bison-themed cornhole sets. All proceeds go to help the Center of Excellence for Bison Studies.

Time	Event	Location
4 - 6 pm	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Hallway
5:00 pm	Social and Cornhole Tournament <i>Co-hosted by National Buffalo Foundation</i> <i>Funds support Center of Excellence for Bison Studies</i>	Hathaway Patio

Monday, June 28th

Rise 'n shine to head out and see two examples of bison entrepreneurship. First stop is Memphis Ranch, a small-scale operation focusing on gate-to-plate marketing. Then, it's off to Cold Creek Bison to visit one of the larger commercial operations in our business. Lunch and meetings at the historic Terry Bison Ranch before heading back to Little America.

Don't forget...the item you bring for the benefit auction helps support your association!

Time	Event	Location
7 am	Registration open - Coffee/tea	Grand Ballroom Hallway
7:30 am	Depart for Memphis Ranch - Carr, CO	
8:00 am	Tour and Farmers' Market Breakfast at Big Heart Bison	Carr, CO
9:30 am	Depart for Cold Creek Buffalo	
10:00 am	Tour of Cold Creek Bison	Cheyenne, WY
Noon	Lunch at the Terry Bison Ranch	Terry Ranch
2:00 pm	1st bus back to Little America	
2:00 pm	Drought Mitigation and Planning <i>Roland Kroos, Crossroads Consulting, Montana</i> <i>Pat Thomson, Durham Ranch, Wyoming</i>	Terry Ranch
3:00 pm	Break	
3:15 pm	NBA/RMBA General membership meetings	Terry Ranch
4:00 pm	Trade Show Open until 9 pm	Grand Ballroom Hallway
4:15 pm	2nd bus back to Little America	
5:30 pm	Social, Dinner, Member of the Year, and Benefit Auction <i>Jud Seaman, Quality Auction Services, Auctioneer</i>	Wyoming Room

Tuesday, June 29th

Enjoy a day packed with useful information ranging from keeping herds healthy and contained, to an overview of innovative research initiatives and ecological incentives. After the meetings, it's time to unwind and enjoy a relaxing evening with friends old and new.

Time	Event	Location
7 - 9 am	Breakfast	Wyoming Room
8 - 1 pm	Registration	Grand Ballroom Hallway
8 - 4 pm	Trade Show Open	Grand Ballroom Hallway
9:00 am	Herd Health - Bison Emergencies - What to Do <i>Dr. Kayla Brown, DVM, Fall River Veterinary Clinic, South Dakota</i>	Grand Ballroom AD
10:30 am	Coffee Break - Visit the Vendors	Grand Ballroom Hallway
11:00 am	Fencing Panel Discussion <i>Carie Starr, Cherokee Valley Bison, Ohio</i> <i>Moritz Espy, 777 Ranch, South Dakota</i>	Grand Ballroom AD
Noon	Lunch	Wyoming Room

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Visit our Great Vendors

- Buffalo Gold Premium Fiber
- Center of Excellence for Bison Studies
- Farmers Business Network
- Gisel'art
- Herd Dogg, Inc.
- Herd Wear
- Hi Hog Bison Equipment
- Jim Dolan Art
- Kauffman Museum/ Bison Exhibit
- Lewis Cattle Oilers Mammoth Site
- Merlin's Hide Out
- Pahponee and Matt Elston Pottery
- Renaissance Insurance

2:00 pm	The Carbon Credit Market and Bison <i>Dr. Henk Mooiweer, CEO, Grassroots Carbon Public Benefit, L.L.C.</i> <i>Ken Klemm, Owner/Operator, Homestead Ranch</i>	Grand Ballroom AD
3:30 pm	Coffee Break - Visit the Vendors	Grand Ballroom Hallway
4:00 pm	Bison Market Update <i>Dave Carter, NBA Executive Director</i>	Grand Ballroom AD
4:30 pm	Center of Excellence Update <i>Dr. Jeff Martin, COE Director of Research</i> <i>Dr. Kristi Cammack, COE Director</i> <i>Eloise Mongillo, NBF/NBA Director of Development</i>	Grand Ballroom AD
5:30 pm	Social	Wyoming Room
6:30 pm	Closing Banquet Dinner	Wyoming Room

Help Us Grow!

Your support of the National Bison Association (NBA) and the National Buffalo Foundation (NBF) helps to celebrate the heritage of American bison, to educate and create a sustainable future for our national mammal.

Donations to the NBA's Growth Fund help us advocate for all parts of the bison community, including: lobbying for our members in Washington, working with the USDA, promoting and marketing bison, and creating partnerships with other stakeholders. Support the NBA this weekend by bidding often and high at Monday night's benefit auction or by visiting <https://bisoncentral.com/product/nba-growth-fund-program/>

Gifts to the NBF help support the Center of Excellence for Bison Studies at South Dakota State University. An anonymous donor has offered to match up to \$50,000 in new donations. We are currently \$22,800 away from our goal. You can help us hit that number by joining in the "Bison Bag Toss" Cornhole Tournament on Sunday evening or by visiting <https://www.nationalbuffalofoundation.org/donate/>

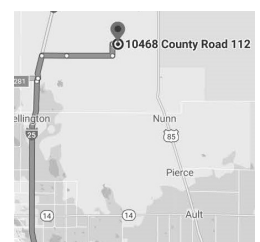
Visit with Eloise Mongillo, director of development, at Summer Conference if you would like more information, or just want to say "Hello"! Her email is: eloise@bisoncentral.com.

Directions to Memphis Ranch From Little America

- From West Lincolnway, get on I-25 south
- Proceed south on I-25 for 15 miles to Exit 293 toward Carr
- Take Exit 293, and drive east on County Rd. 126 1/2 (turns into CR 126) for 3.5 miles
- Turn right onto 2nd St., County Rd. 21 and drive 6 miles to County Rd. 112
- Turn left on County Rd. 112 and drive 1/2 mile to Big Heart Bison at 10468 County Rd. 112

From Denver

- Drive north on I-25 to Exit 281 (Owl Canyon Road)
- Continue northbound for 2 miles on the I-25 Frontage Road
- Turn right onto County Rd. 74/County Rd. 1210 and drive 6.2 miles
- Run left onto County Rd. 21 and drive one mile
- Turn right onto County Rd. 112 and drive 1/2 mile to Big Heart Bison (To get to the Terry Bison Ranch, reverse these directions and take Exit 2 just south of Cheyenne. Turn to right, and then backtrack south on the I-25 Frontage Road.)



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Monday Presenters



Roland Kroos, Crossroads Consulting

Roland Kroos has been providing on-site assistance as well as teaching Holistic Management since 1986. He trained extensively with Allan Savory, founder of Holistic Management, in 1985 and is a recognized Certified Educator with Holistic Management International. In the last 32 years, Roland has helped hundreds of ranches throughout the western United States and Canada become healthier and more productive. Roland has a degree in Range and Wildlife Management from the University of Nebraska.



Pat Thomson, Durham Ranch

Pat Thomson joined the Durham team in 2008 as its grazing and herd manager. He grew up in Kremmling, Colorado and has had experiences as far-ranging as appraising real estate and farming and ranching. His ranching experience includes utilizing horse-drawn sleds for feeding cattle in the Big Hole Montana winters. He and his wife Liza have 3 young boys at home; Charlee, Owen and Will.

Tuesday Presenters



Kayla Brown, DVM, Fall River Veterinary Clinic

Dr. Kayla Brown is a 2013 graduate of Colorado State University. She is a veterinarian and co-owner of Fall River Veterinary Clinic based out of Hot Springs, SD. She loves practicing both large and small animal medicine, but working with bison (and the wonderful people that come with them) is one of her favorite tasks.



Carie Starr, Cherokee Valley Bison Ranch

Carie Starr, along with her husband Jarrod, own and operate Cherokee Valley Bison Ranch near Thornville, OH. Their farmland has been family owned for over 50 years. Carie and Jarrod purchased their first bison herd in 2008. They sell delicious pastured bison meat directly off their farm, and conduct agritourism through farm tours, group tours, and special days for aspiring bison ranchers.



Moritz Espy, 777 Ranch

Moritz grew up on the family cattle ranch in Forsyth, MT. He graduated with a BS in Natural Resource and Ranch Management from National American University in Rapid City. In 2005 he wandered to South Dakota country and started chasing buffalo for fun. Little did he know it would turn into a passion and career as the 777 ranch manager. Moritz has seen the benefits of Holistic Management on the land, the buffalo, wildlife, and people. This drives him to continuously strive for improvement.



Henk Mooiweer, CEO, Grassroots Carbon Public Benefit, L.L.C.

Henk Mooiweer is co-founder and CEO at Grassroots Carbon Public Benefit L.L.C., which offers an easy way to buy and sell nature-based certified carbon storage credits. Henk is an innovation expert and entrepreneur who led many disruptive, high impact opportunities to implementation. In his 25-year career at Shell he helped launch multiple business opportunities and many, often unconventional, external partnerships. He is an adjunct professor at Rice University, where he teaches approaches to make individuals and teams better inventors and innovators.



Ken Klemm, Homestead Ranch

Ken and his wife Laurie have owned and operated the Homestead Ranch in northwest Kansas since 2001. Prior to owning his own ranch, Ken developed extensive experience in bison management, backcountry guiding, and bison meat marketing. For more than two decades the Klemms have practiced holistic management on the Homestead Ranch. He has been one of the leaders of the NBA Conservation Committee, and a driver in the association's new Conservation Management Plan.



Dr. Jeff Martin, Center of Excellence for Bison Studies

Dr. Jeff Martin is the director of research for the Center of Excellence for Bison Studies in Center in Rapid City, SD. His research is interdisciplinary across wildlife biology, climatology, and human dimensions to answer questions of wildlife conservation and production in a changing world. Dr. Martin's research on bison is at the nexus of two paradigms: changing climate and changing cultural values. His goal is to merge understanding of conservation science with direct stakeholder engagement to improve conservation for wildlife across working and natural lands.



Dr. Kristi Cammack, Center of Excellence for Bison Studies

Dr. Kristi Cammack is the director for West River Research and Extension at South Dakota State University (SDSU) and the director of the Center of Excellence for Bison Studies. She received a B.S. in Animal Science from SDSU in 1999, an M.S. (2001) from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a Ph.D. (2006) from the University of Missouri in Animal Breeding and Genetics. Kristi served as a faculty member in the Animal Science Department at the University of Wyoming (UW) for ten years before coming to SDSU.



Eloise Mongillo, NBA/NBF Director of Development

Eloise Mongillo has been doing non-profit fundraising for over 25 years, working in an array of industries from the arts to social justice to healthcare. Eloise lives in Connecticut with her husband, Michael, and is thrilled to be working with the National Bison Association, the National Buffalo Foundation and the National Bison Foundation (formerly Throlson American Bison Foundation).

Custom Rifle Could be Yours!

Get your raffle tickets for the Weatherby Mark V, Weathermark Limited, generously provided by John Graves. Chambered in 6.5-300 WBY, it has a threaded barrel with included thread cap and muzzle brake. It has a custom floor plate with "NBA" engraved on it. Also included are two boxes (40 rounds) of Weatherby ammo for the rifle. Tickets are 5 for \$20, \$15 for \$50 and 35 for \$100.



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