2019 BioBlitz Schedule

Big Stone Lake State Park, Park Office area, Ortonville MN

Schedule subject to amendment

Early Birding: 5 a.m. -7 a.m. — Meet leaders at Big Stone State Park at the tent (park location) and then carpool to survey sites

Registration: 7 a.m.- 8 a.m., light breakfast fare: Cheese, cream cheese, bagels, fruit, and coffee (park location)

Silent Auction begins at 7 a.m. (park location)

Welcome and Orientation: 8 a.m.-8:30 a.m. (park location)

Morning survey block: 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. — survey location

- o Busses will be running on a circuit every half hour
- o There will be longer and shorter surveys available
- o Surveys in this time period will include:
 - Birds
 - Prairie plants
 - Wetland Plants
 - Aquatic invertebrates
 - Fish (likely near park location)

Morning Presentations: 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.: (park location)

A more complete schedule of morning presentations will be available soon

Children's morning programming: 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. – Programming with naturalist Cassy (park location)

Lunch: 12 p.m.-1 p.m. — Light lunch of 1 sandwich, fruit and water (park location)

Lunch Program: 1 p.m.-1:30 p.m. — Grazing public lands – listen to how some public land managers use grazing, meet the graziers, and ask questions. (park location)

Afternoon survey block: 2 p.m.-5:30 p.m.- survey location

- Prairie Plants
- Wetland Plants
- Herps (lizards, snakes, etc.)
- Dragonflies
- Bees

Children's afternoon programming: 1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. —DNR naturalist Cassy (park location)

Afternoon Presentations: 2 p.m.-5 p.m. (park location) — TBA

Silent Auction ends at 6 p.m. (park location)

Dinner: 6 p.m.-7 p.m. — LSP provides grass-fed burgers, potluck dinner (bring something to share!) (park location)

Silent Auction winners announced at 6:45 p.m. (park location)

Evening Program: 7 p.m.-8 p.m.: Dakota, Upper Sioux Agency truth-telling and sharing (park location)

Evening Surveys: (dusk) 8:30 p.m.-10 p.m. - TBA!