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Native Prairie Speaker Series

In Val Marie, SK

Land Management for Species at Risk Habitat, from a Landowner's Perspective



Thursday March 16th, 2023 at 7:00pm

Speaker: Orin Balas, Rancher and Landowner, Ponteix, SK

Val Marie Seniors' Centre on Railway Ave in Val Marie, SK

This presentation is FREE! Everyone welcome!

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Presentation summary:

An overview about ranching alongside species at risk.

About the Speaker:

Orin Balas was raised on the ranch he still operates. The ranch is about the same distance from Mankota, Ponteix, and Val Marie with summer pasture of all native grass located on Pinto Butte and wintering grounds north about ten miles which is a mixture of native and tame grass.

The ranch has always raised Black Angus cattle as a cow calf operation.

Nowadays Orin spends all his time on the ranch but he has good help from his 4 daughters their husband's and the grandkids whenever he needs it.

In 2020, Orin Balas was the recipient of Prairie Conservation Action Plan's Native Prairie Stewardship Award in recognition for his to the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association, SK PCAP, Ranchers Stewardship Alliance Inc. and South of the Divide Conservation Action Program as well as agricultural education.

