

PRAIRIE NEWS

<http://SD-PheasantHunting.com>
1-855-SD Lodge

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35451 253rd Street
Kimball, SD 57355

Post Hunting Entertainment:

To provide our hunters with interesting pastimes after hunting, the Lodge has a variety of options both indoor and outdoor. The great room and the lower level lounge both have pool tables, dart boards, poker tables, flat screen TVs, comfortable couches and fully stocked bars. Outside, the deck has many seating options and mobile deck heaters to ensure everyone's comfort. While there is still daylight, hunters may also choose to practice on our clay target shooter or on our rifle range with targets at 100, 200 and 300 yards.

But despite this plethora of entertainment options, our hunters were still able to share something new with us. Several of our groups opted to experiment with binary explosives, with the two most popular types being tannerite and star exploding targets. If you're not familiar with these products, they consist of two parts, an oxidizer and a fuel, that are not explosive until mixed together. Because it is sold as two separate powders, it can be transported and sold with minimal legal restrictions and no special permits. The mixture is not flammable and is intended to detonate when impacted by a high-velocity firearm cartridge, i.e. shotgun ammunition will not initiate the explosion.



Game, Fish and Parks Update:

Everyone at the Lodge is always very interested in pheasant habitat and the impact of any changes on pheasant hunting. Therefore, we encourage attendance at the Governor's summit on this issue:



Governor Dennis Daugaard announced that he will host a Pheasant Habitat Summit to discuss the future of pheasant habitat and hunting in South Dakota. The summit is scheduled for Friday, December 6, at the Crossroads Convention Center in Huron.

"Pheasant hunting is extremely important to the culture and economic well-being of South Dakota," Gov. Daugaard said. "South Dakota's pheasant hunting experience is second to none and draws hunters from around the world. We want to do what we can now to ensure these opportunities for future generations."

The Governor's Pheasant Habitat Summit will provide a forum for landowners, sportsmen, members of the tourism industry and other interested individuals to learn about the current state of pheasant habitat in South Dakota. The summit will include panel discussions and public input as a means to explore ways to maintain and enhance pheasant habitat.

The Governor's Pheasant Summit is open to the public and pre-registration is required. Individuals may register online at <http://gfp.sd.gov/pheasantsummit/>. Information and registration is also available by calling the Game, Fish and Parks Department at 605.773.3387.

Pheasant Recipes:

At this time of year, we often have requests for pheasant recipes as our hunters return home with their birds and want to prepare something special for the holidays. Traditionally, pheasant is usually paired with wild rice and mushroom sauces, but there are many tasty alternatives. For some new ideas, we encourage you to explore the wide variety of options offered at: <http://www.ultimatepheasanthunting.com/recipes/>.

Prairie Puzzle:

December question: ***What are the two active components of tannerite and star exploding targets that combine to form the binary explosive?***

- a) Ammonium nitrate and water
- b) Hydrochloric acid and aluminum powder
- c) Aluminum powder and ammonium nitrate
- d) Zirconium powder and hydrochloric acid

Please submit your answer by December 15, 2013 to be included in the prize drawing for a free Dakota Prairie Lodge & Resort hunting hat. Responses will be accepted via mail, phone, or email. Good luck!