



Buffalo Stampede raising money for Foundation

Runners and walkers from northeast Wyoming will gather at the Durham Buffalo Ranch for the 18th time on Saturday, June 1, and challenge the open range course to raise money for charity. In addition to the challenge of competing in the 5-kilometer run or walk and 10-kilometer run, participants will have the satisfaction of knowing they helped raise money for some of the most critical community needs in northeast Wyoming.

The event is an annual fundraising effort of the Powder River Energy Foundation. The event organizers and hosts at the Durham Ranch have partnered with the Foundation because of its wide range of giving to local children's charities, feeding the hungry, and helping local veterans.

The event draws scores of runners and walkers to the Durham Ranch in Campbell County, four miles north of Wright. Walkers kick off the event at 8 a.m. and runners start at 8:30 a.m. The always-popular Buffalo "Breakfast Burritos" are served at 9:30 a.m. followed by awards for the top finishers in all runner categories and event sponsor door prize drawings. Don't miss out on the final event of the day, the crowd favorite "buffalo chip" throwing competition.

The cost to pre-register is \$20 per person or \$40 per family if participants signup prior to May 25. To pre-register or for more information, call the Campbell County Rec Center in Gillette at 682-7406; the Wright Rec Center in Wright at 464-0580; or email: <u>buffalo@vcn.com</u>. Registration forms can also be picked up and dropped off at the Powder River Energy Corporation office at 200 Garner Lake Road, Gillette.

Costs after May 25 up to the day of the race are \$25 for a single and \$45 per family. Event day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. June 1. All paid registrants receive a T-shirt and a breakfast the morning of the run. Family registrations include two T-shirts and breakfast for the family.

Established in 2007, the Powder River Energy Foundation has awarded nearly \$1 million to organizations in Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan and Weston counties. For more information on the Foundation, its charitable giving, fundraising, or how organizations may apply for grants go to the foundation website at www.precorpfoundation.org