

Open Gate: Breault Ranching Ltd.



REGENERATING THE LAND THROUGH LIVESTOCK AND IMPROVED FERTILITY

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

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Toutes Aides, Manitoba

The Breault Ranching tour is part of the HM Canada Open Gate Learning Series. Open Gates are peer-to-peer action-based learning days with short presentations and small group exercises geared for participants to share discoveries and management

techniques with guidance from experienced facilitators and producers. Whether you are an agricultural producer, wildlife manager, local agency representative, or just interested in ranching, land stewardship, and grassfed beef, this is a day for you.

What you will learn

- How does grass grow and what is recovery time?
- The importance of litter on the surface
- Solar collection the first step
- What makes an effective water cycle?
- Our most important ally- the microbes below our feet
- Why diversity is critical to success?
- Why do we want to increase stock density?



Registration

Farmers, ranchers, and land stewards with any length of agricultural experience are welcome to attend. Whether you are raising cattle, broccoli, or wheat, you'll find helpful advice, tips, and techniques to build a profitable, sustainable operation. Registration is \$35.00 per person including lunch, and is non-refundable when purchased online. At the gate registration is \$40.00 per person. Space is limited at each event, so you are encouraged to register in advance.

This is a rain or shine event. Please bring appropriate clothing and footwear

Agenda

9:00 AM – Registration

9:30 AM – Introductions and Orientation – Don Campbell

9:40 AM – Breault Ranching – Overview of Operation - Clayton and Shauna Breault

11:00 AM – Kane Vet Supplies – Fencing techniques – Grant House and Jason Williams

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Holistic Management Pasture Planning – Pam Iwanchysko - MAFRD

1:30 PM - In the Field With Don Campbell – Certified Holistic Management Educator

- Overgrazing
- Graze period
- Recovery period
- Severity of the graze
- Stock density

3:00 PM – Questions and Evaluation

4:00 PM – Adjourn

LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS

Go north of Ste. Rose du Lac on Highway 276 to Road 48. Turn East and go 2 miles and enter the driveway on the south side of road.



SPEAKERS

Clayton and Shauna Breault – Clayton and Shauna took the Holistic Management course from Don and Bev Campbell 10 years ago and thought it was the best course by far that they had ever taken. They have four children, Ashley, husband Jeff and a precious grand-daughter Kassi, Jesse came back from working in Fort McMurray and Laine and Elektra are still at home attending school. This first generation ranch consists of 1150 mother cows 3/4 Red angus 1/4 simmental, 270 replacement heifers all home raised. The cows and heifers all calve on grass with the heifers starting the beginning of May and the cows starting the end of May. The ranch consists of 130 quarters of pasture which is native and tame grass. The bush and sloughs are all fenced and cross fenced. There are also 5 quarters of highly productive farm land in which corn, barley and alfalfa are made into silage for the majority of the winter feed supply for the cow herd and backgrounding calves. All hay, straw and grain is purchased off the farm. The majority of the calves are marketed off the ranch into a natural market (no antibiotics, no implants and no monensin). In the past several years bale grazing the cow herd has been practiced when the quantity of hay was available.

Don Campbell - Don is a 2nd generation rancher from Meadow Lake, Sask. Don & his wife Bev currently ranch with their two sons & their wives. Don has used H M principles in his life & business for 30 years. Don is a Certified Educator with HMI & has taught 6 day H M courses across Western Canada for 25 years. H M has helped Don create what he considers to be an excellent quality of life & a profitable sustainable business. Don's mission statement is "to

empower people to live a full & rewarding life." Come out & enjoy an afternoon full of practical ideas & personal experiences that will help you be more successful.

Jason Williams – Kane Vet Supplies - Jason Williams is the Western Regional Manager for Tru-Test Group. Tru-Test manufactures premium electric fencing, scales and Eid, dairy milk meters tanks and software. Jason trains stores and producers on fence construction and design as well as providing tech support for scale and Eid systems. When not on the road Jason grazes some yearlings and enjoys competing in rodeos with his family.

Pam Iwanchyko – MAFRD – Pam was born and raised in the Sifton area approximately 20 miles North of Dauphin, Manitoba. Growing up she always knew she wanted to be involved in agriculture in some capacity. After completing high school, Pam went on to complete her undergraduate degree in Agriculture at the University of Manitoba majoring in Animal Science and then continued on to complete her Master's degree at the University of Saskatchewan in ruminant nutrition.

Following the completion of these educational goals she was offered a position with Manitoba Agriculture based in the Ste. Rose Ag office where she began her consulting career as a Forage and Livestock Technician. Pam then had the opportunity to pursue some traveling goals and worked in Ukraine for 6 months on the Forage and Beef Development project through a Canadian International Development Agency funded project teaching students about extension and forage and beef production on developing private farms there. Following her return she was moved into the Forage Specialist position based out of the Dauphin Agriculture office where she continues in a consulting capacity for Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

