

# Farm Island Recreation Area History



Discovered by American Indians centuries ago, Farm Island has a rich and diverse history. Lewis & Clark are known to have stopped at the island to collect elk for meat. The early fur trappers planted and tilled gardens in the rich soil of the island.

The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) constructed the causeway spanning the north fork of the Missouri River in 1934. Ownership of the island passed from the City of Pierre to the State of South Dakota in 1946.

The island served as a recreation area until Big Bend Dam was constructed in 1965. At that time, facilities were moved off the island when almost half the island's land area was flooded.

In 2011, flooding caused by the Missouri River significantly impacted the park.

Since 2011, efforts have been made to re-establish existing trails on the island, planting & maintaining trees and continuing to improve the facilities in the park.

# Riverman/Riverwoman Sprint Triathlon Information Saturday, August 5, 2017

Teams will compete as a group split into one of three different brackets—Men, Women and Mixed.

Men's and women's individual classes will be divided into the following age groups:

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| * 19 & under | * 40 to 49     |
| * 20 to 29   | * 50 to 59     |
| * 30 to 39   | * 60 and older |

Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers in each individual division, with medals being awarded to the top finisher in each team bracket.

## Early Registration

\$20/individual; \$40/team

*Early registration entries MUST be postmarked by July 12, 2017.* Early registration comes with a free t-shirt on race day.

## Registration after July 15

\$30/individual; \$60/team

T-shirts will be ordered and delivered at a later date.

## Race Day

- *Registration and check-in:* 6:30-7:30 a.m. CDT
- *Rules meeting:* 7:40 a.m. Individuals and teams must be present at the rules meeting to compete in the race.
- *Race:* Starts immediately following the rules meeting

## Event breakdown

- **Swim:** .4 miles beginning on the shore of the swim beach, across to the island and back
- **Bike:** 18 miles through the park and along SD Hwy 34
- **Run:** 3.5 miles through the park and on the island trail

## Safety

Brightly colored skullcaps and bicycle helmets are required.

*Participants are responsible for timing their own splits for the race, as we will only keep track of entire race time.*

# Riverman/Riverwoman Registration

Name(s) of Individuals/Teams Competing:

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Address:

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Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Division (Men, Women, Team): \_\_\_\_\_

Age group (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size (please list **all** sizes for teams):

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## Payment

*\$20 Individual or \$40 Team*

*If received after July 15, 2017:  
\$30 Individual or \$60 Team*

Checks payable to Boy Scout Troop 27 (funds raised from this event go directly to the Boy Scouts.) Cash can only be received at the park office or day of the event only.

## Send registration with payment to:

Farm Island Recreation Area  
Riverman/Riverwoman Triathlon  
1301 Farm Island Road  
Pierre, SD 57501

*Questions? Call Farm Island at 605-773-2885.*