



Chief Logan Lodge

# Blair County Game, Fish and Forestry

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## Lodge and Range Hours

The Lodge and Range are 8:30am to Sunset. Subject to change.

## Ox Roast Festival

**FREE ADDMISSION:** Our Ox Roast Festival is Sept 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. This is open to the public. Live music, great food, shooting events and vendors both days. Come out and enjoy and bring your friends. Most events begin around 11am and continue until 6pm. More info can be found at [blairgame.com/oxroast](http://blairgame.com/oxroast)

### Live Music:

Sunday Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

11 - 12:30 Still available

1 - 2:30 Still available

Mon. Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

11- 12:30 The Back Yard Rockers

1 - 2:30 Chad Patterson

If you are a musician and are interested in playing at this event please contact the club at [blaircountygame@gmail.com](mailto:blaircountygame@gmail.com).

## Gun Raffle

This fall gun raffle is just as good or even better than the spring. Every adult member gets 4 tickets with the newsletter, you can purchase them yourself, sell them or just ignore them. Support your club by picking up additional tickets at the lodge to purchase or sell to others.

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### Fall 2020 Raffle

**Drawing will be held at the Ox Roast  
on Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00 PM**

- Prizes 1<sup>st</sup> Ruger American Go Wild 22" 6.5 Creedmoor (or \$440.00)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> CZ 1012 Semi Auto 28" Syn 12GA (or \$420.00)  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Springfield XD-E 9mm (or \$380.00)  
 4<sup>th</sup> Henry Golden Boy .22LR (or \$360.00)  
 5<sup>th</sup> Ruger Precision Rimfire 18" .22LR (or \$350.00)  
 6<sup>th</sup> Smith & Wesson Shield .45 ACP Pistol (or \$320.00)  
 7<sup>th</sup> Smith & Wesson M642 .38 SPL (or \$320.00)  
 8<sup>th</sup> Browning Buck Mark Micro Bull STS .22LR (or \$280.00)  
 9<sup>th</sup> Ruger American Copper Mica .30-06 (or \$250.00)  
 10<sup>th</sup> Thompson Center Compass Synthetic Rifle .270 WIN (or \$240.00)

Donation: \$5.00 SGOCLicense 2019-123

Specific gun models subject to manufacturer and/or distributor availability at the time of drawing.

## Membership Picnic

Several times each year we have a membership picnic to bring members and their families together. The hotdog roast, marshmallow toast, hayrides galore picnic will be held on September 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 4pm. Bring a covered dish and enjoy time with fellow members around a campfire.



## Important Dates

- July 9<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary Meeting
- July 16<sup>th</sup> Mid-week Work Day
- July 18<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- Aug 6<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting**
- Aug 13<sup>th</sup> Aux Meeting/ orientation**
- Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> Muzzle loader shoot**
- Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 5 Stand Trap Shoot**
- Aug 18<sup>th</sup> Centerfire Pistol match**
- Aug 20<sup>th</sup> Mid-week Work Day**
- Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> Work Day**
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Work day
- Sept 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Ox Roast Festival
- Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Aux Meeting/ Orientation
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Mid-week Work Day
- Sept 26<sup>th</sup> Fall Membership Picnic
- Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Membership Meeting**
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Aux Meeting/Orientation**
- Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Work Day**
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup> Mid-week workday**
- Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Pistol League Practice
- Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Membership meeting
- Nov 8<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- Nov 12<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary Meeting/ Orientation
- Nov 15<sup>th</sup> Muzzle Loader Woods walk
- Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Mid-week Work Day
- Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Sight in Days
- Nov 28<sup>th</sup> First day of Rifle Season
- Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting**
- Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Muzzle Loader Shoot**
- Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Aux Meeting/Orientation**
- Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party**
- Jan 6<sup>th</sup> Pistol League Starts
- Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting
- Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Bottlecap Shoot Starts
- Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Aux Meeting/Orientation
- Jan 10<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Work Day
- Jan 31<sup>st</sup> Ham Pot Pie Dinner

## 2020 Archery

The 2020 3D Archery course is open every day until mid-September. There are 15 targets on a wooded course that take about an hour to shoot. Each target has 3 colored pins, Green will be set at 20 yards from the target to help new or less experienced shooters. The Orange pins are placed at any distance as hunter pins to simulate a tough hunting shot. Yellow Pins are placed anywhere to simulate a pro or competition shot.

There are reduced prices for members and children under the age of 18. **Crossbows are not allowed.** Season passes are also available.

The targets are Field Tip only. Please remember to take your trash and keep the woods clean. Always use caution and be careful. More info at [blairgame.com/3d](http://blairgame.com/3d)

## Centerfire Silhouette Shoot

**The shoot has a \$20 entry Fee** for a total of 40 shots for each entry. You have 10 chickens at 20 yards, 10 Rams at 30 yards, 10 pigs at 40 yards and 10 turkeys at 50 yards. Match dates are as follows:

July 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

Aug 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sept 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

All matches start at 9am.

Possibly more dates, See the website for more info at [blairgame.com/bud](http://blairgame.com/bud)

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## Indoor Bottle Cap Shoot

The indoor bottle cap shoot is starting Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All shooters welcome. 22lr with peep sights only. All shooting is offhand. More information at [blairgame.com/bottlecap](http://blairgame.com/bottlecap)

## Indoor Pistol League

22lr event with practice starting on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. The League officially begins Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> and continues for 10 weeks. All are welcome. You do not have to be a member to shoot our leagues or events. The event is based on the NRA Bullseye competition. [Blairgame.com/pistol](http://blairgame.com/pistol)

## Club Orientation

The second Thursday of every month we have an open orientation for any interested nonmember or member. This orientation will provide a tour of the buildings and ranges on the property and answer any questions you may have. Tours start at 6:30pm sharp.

If you can't make the regularly scheduled tour/orientation feel free to reach out to schedule one on a different day.

## Muzzleloader Shoot

The Tuckahoe Valley Militia is hosting a woods walk Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> at 1pm and a rest match Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 11am. More info can be found at [blairgame.com/tvm](http://blairgame.com/tvm)

## Youth Shooting

The tentative start date is Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> but subject to change due to the current circumstances. Check the website for updates.

[Blairgame.com/youth](http://Blairgame.com/youth)

The program is available to youth ages 8-17. Subjects taught include firearm safety, basic marksmanship skills, and position match shooting with match BB rifles and sporter air rifles. We supply all equipment and ammo. We ask only \$2.00 per week to cover our costs. Hours are 5:30 to 8:30, every Monday evening (except holidays). Your child does not have to stay the entire evening. They may stay as little or as much as they want. We are also looking for responsible adult leaders interested in working with young shooters. For more info call Don Blazier at 814-742-8208 or Blair County Game, Fish and Forestry at 814-942-8522. Check for any changes at [blairgame.com/youth](http://blairgame.com/youth)

## Flea Market Donations

We are accepting donations for the flea market held during the Ox Roast Festival. All sporting related items are welcome and can be dropped off at the lodge. Proceeds go toward the youth shooting programs.

## Volunteering

We now have a volunteer portal at [blairgame.com/volunteers](http://blairgame.com/volunteers). A more in-depth look at volunteer opportunities throughout the year. If you are a regular adult member you can reduce your membership to \$25 by volunteering. You can also contact the lodge for the next workday or our continuing projects.

[Blairgame.com/volunteers](http://Blairgame.com/volunteers)

## Club Meetings

Just a reminder all members are welcome and encouraged to attend the membership meetings. They are always held on the first Thursday of every month at 7pm. Auxiliary meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at 6:30pm and the board meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 7pm

## Rentals

Just a reminder, the club grounds are available for rent for reunions, Holiday parties, Wedding receptions, group picnics, etc. Contact the caretaker for reservations and additional information. The entire club is alcohol free which includes all rentals.

Shooting during rentals:

Range fees for nonmembers are not included in the rental. All members and paid non-members that are part of a rental will be issued a wristband for the day.

More info at [blairgame.com/rental](http://blairgame.com/rental)

## Dues increase discussion

During the next few membership meetings, we will be discussing a future dues increase within the next few years. There has been a suggested \$5 increase in the membership fee to help accommodate future increases in expenses such as the higher property taxes and lack of volunteer participation for work days and general maintenance.

## Trap Shooting

Trap shoots are every Sunday at 1pm and Tuesday at 6pm.

\$4 per round (25 birds) Youth is \$2 per round. All shoots are dependent on weather and are open to the public.

## Auxiliary

One of the committees of Blair Game is the Auxiliary. This group plans all parties and picnics and focus's on providing a family friendly environment for all activities on club grounds. One of the most important jobs of the Auxiliary is fundraising. Fundraising includes holding special dinners and selling club merchandise such as t-shirts, hats, hoodies and more. We are always looking for more help in the auxiliary, one of the biggest needs right now is on the gardening projects. The Auxiliary maintains the landscaping and flower beds throughout the growing season. If you are willing to help or interested in following along you can friend us at [facebook.com/blairgame.aux](https://www.facebook.com/blairgame.aux) or get more info at [blairgame.com/aux](http://blairgame.com/aux)

## Online Store

This year we introduced our online merchandise store at [blairgame.com/store](http://blairgame.com/store). You can purchase apparel and other merchandise for pickup or delivery from the comfort of your home. Check it out TODAY!



[www.blairgame.com](http://www.blairgame.com) | [www.facebook.com/blaircountygame](https://www.facebook.com/blaircountygame)

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## THANK YOU!

To all those that volunteer your time and energy to make this club the best. We appreciate your dedication. Thank you to all our corporate sponsors for special events. Your support does not go unnoticed.

## Free Library

Maylea and Sarahs free library is located inside the lodge. There are books for all different readers even magazines and kids books.. Feel free to take a book, bring it back or give it to someone else when you are done or donate some books for others to read. Some notable authors include Tom Clancy, James Paterson, Lee Child, Dan Brown, Nora Roberts, Catherine Coulter, J K Rowlings and many more.

Even though we are a sportsmen's club we have a wide variety of books including romance, nonfiction historical books, historical fiction, and children's books from toddlers to teens.



# Final Page, Final Notes

## To our family of members,

Lately we have experienced an increase in the amount of damage to our ranges. We believe much of this is caused by shooters not following the range rules and guidelines that are posted on all the ranges and at the sign-in kiosk. This damage affects all of us by putting a drain on our financial and personal resources. The materials and people needed to keep our ranges safe and useful to all could cause our cost to rise. A single backer board costs about \$2 and a set of silhouettes over \$700.

Gongs at different ranges have been damaged by someone intentionally shooting chains and mounting fixtures. Damage has also been done by those shooting improper ammo. At "Buds Range" silhouettes were destroyed by centerfire rifle ammo. It is posted at that range "No Centerfire Rifles" and "No Bottleneck Cased Ammo". Target backers on the other ranges have been blown apart by shotgun ammo just to see the effect. Target supports and crossmembers are being damaged by incorrect posting of targets and by placing objects on them to shoot at.

We have taken measures such as signage and video cameras to stop the damage. It is the responsibility of all of us to make sure that all of us follow the range rules and guidelines. If we see something, we should say something. Do it politely and encourage the offenders to read and follow the postings. Encourage good range ethics.

Anyone found in violation of the rules and by-laws may be asked to appear before the board of directors which could result in loss of membership privileges.

FYI we currently have over 1300 active members and close to that number of non-member range users each year.

By all means, keep our ranges safe, clean and an enjoyable place to attend. Mentor those who need help and just may not know any better.

See you at the Range,  
Don Blazier  
Chairman, Board of Directors

## Basic Range Info Trap Field:

- Nonmembers must be accompanied by a member.
- May use your own thrower or our portable thrower.
- You can bring your own birds or buy at the lodge.
- **Patterning your shotgun is to be done at the Taylor range Shotgun target only.**

## Taylor Rifle Range:

- 25yd, 50yd, and 75yd are available
- 100yd at the first 4 benches on the right only.
- **No Shooting across the range, shoot as straight ahead as possible.**
- Shotguns are only to be used at the **one** designated Shot Gun Target.
- Handguns are allowed but must be shot from the firing line. **No shooting beyond the firing line.**

## Pistol/Muzzleloader Range:

- 5yd, 7yd, 10yd defensive handgun
- No Shotguns!
- 25yd and 50yd muzzleloader, May also be used as overflow from the Taylor range.

## High Power Range:

100yd, 200yd, 300yds  
No Shotguns  
Steel targets at 200yd and 300yd  
Clean up your mess. Balloons, Skool cans and other targets are your mess to clean up, not ours.

## Buds Steel Target Range

- Small Steel targets are **22lr only** Rifle or pistol.
- Steel targets on steel beams are Center fire Pistols or 22lr, **No Centerfire Rifles**
- No armored Piercing ammo allowed! NO .223 or any other Bottleneck cartridge. No Shotguns.

## Proper Range Use

Here are some of the issues that we are seeing every day.

- Correct size target for the backer you are using. Remove targets when done.
- **Keep objects off the frame work of target backers**
- No Exploding Targets
- **Clean up your mess. Balloons and other targets are your mess to clean up, not ours.**
- **Balloons and others must be placed between the framework of the backers.**
- Shooters are responsible for cleaning up their own brass.
- No sliding benches forward or back, this creates an unsafe firing line.
- **All shooters must shoot from the firing line. You cannot walk closer than that line to shoot. Move to a different range if needed.**

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