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Trap Shooting

Sunday shoots start at 1pm. Shoots are open to the public. \$4 per round (25 shots) \$2 for youth. Summer months we shoot on Tuesdays at 5:30pm.

75yd Groundhog Shoot

First week is Thursday, May 23rd. The shoot is open to the public and the cost is \$6 per scored set of targets. 25 shots at 75yrds on a rest and 5 shots off hand at 50 yards. Prize money will be payed out each week.

T-Shirt Sales

The last page of this newsletter is an order form for a pre-sale t-shirt order. Forms must be submitted by March 28th and we expect shirts will be available for pickup at the lodge by the end April. We will contact you when they are available. Proceeds are going towards flower gardens for the bees and butterflies . Submit orders to the lodge in person or by mail.

Classes **Available**

Interested in classes available at our facility? Check out our Education Station on our website. It includes hunters education and other classes.

blairgame.com/education-station/

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Spring Raffle

Check out the prizes for this year's spring raffle. Tickets are \$5. Drawing is May 18th at 4:30pm. More tickets are available at the Lodge.

1st Sig Sauer SP2022 9mm (or \$350)

2nd Ruger American Ranch (or \$320) 3rd Ruger Blackhawk Conv (or \$460) 4th PSA Mid-Length AR-15(or \$400) 5th S&W Victory 22Ir(or \$280) 6th Remington 870 Express 12guage (or \$250) 7th Springfield XDS 3.3" (or \$350) 8th GSG STG44 (or \$250) 9th Ruger LCP II .380 (or \$200) Thompson Center Venture Synthetic (or \$350) If you provide your email address with



Feb. 9th Work Day

Feb. 21st Work Day (Thursday 9am) March 9th Work Day

your tickets you can get a receipt.

March 21st Wok Day (Thursday 9am)

March 23rd Hunter Ed

March 28th Landowners Sportsmen Banquet

March 30th Paper Reentry Black Powder Shoot

April 6th Work Day

April 18th Work Day (Thursday 9am) April 21st Woods Walk Black Powder

May 4th and 5th Spring Cleanup May 10th and 11th PA Co of Rifleman

May 18th Blair Women Take Aim May 23rd Ground Hog Shoot Begins

June 2nd 3d Archery Course Opens June 23rd #Membership Picnic 4pm

Aug. 10th and 11th PA Co of Rifleman

Benefit shoot

Aug. 31st Work Day

Sept. 1st and 2nd Ox Roast Festival

Sept. 3rd Work Day



May 18th is the 5th Annual Blair Women Take Aim event. We will be accepting 100 women this year. Pre-registration is required to participate and will not open until April 1st. Events include rifle, pistol, shotgun and much more. For more information check out blairwomentakeaim.com. Again this event is hosted and run by this organization. If you are interested in helping or sponsoring please contact us at 814-942-8522.



Expenses

2018 was another big year of expenses. We spent of \$112,000 in the 2018 year. Over \$3,000 in taxes, \$7,000 for insurance, and almost \$10,000 in utility costs. On top of these expenses we also bought a \$14,000 mower for all our grass fields. Keep in mind membership only accounts for \$30,000 in income. The rest comes from fundraisers like ticket sales and the Ox Roast.

Indoor Shooting Events

The 22 Pistol league is back again this year on Wednesdays at 6pm, running until March 13th. We have had a lot of positive feedback with the event last year and it looks to be another great year. Check out the weekly scores on blairgame.com. \$3 per round.

22 Bottle Cap league is also going well. Members and non-members compete with 22 rifles to see who can get closest to the center. \$10 per night on Thursdays thru March. These events are all open to the

public.

Landowners Sportsmen Banquet

March 28th at 6pm we will hold our annual banquet to thank landowners who keep their ground open to hunting. If you are a landowner or know one that keeps land open, please contact us for free tickets. Other tickets can be purchase for \$10. Our guest speaker will be from the PA Game Commission this year.

Youth Field Day

This year is the 26th anniversary of the Keystone Sportsmen for Youth Field day on June 1st. Tyrone Sportsmen will be hosting this year but we always have a large crew from Blair Game helping. Contact us if you are interested.

2019 Archery

The 2019 3D Archery Season will begin on June 2nd. Open everyday at 8:30am until dark.

There are reduced prices for members and children under 18. Crossbows are welcome but have a higher fee. Season passes are also available.

The targets are Field Tip only. Members pricing starts at \$8 Non-members Starts at \$14 Youth Start at \$5

We need help with the archery course! Contact us if you are interested in helping!

Muzzleloader Matches

March 30th is a paper target match. These matches are open to new shooters and spectators.

April 21st is a Woods walk event open to new shooters and Spectators as well.

May 10th & 11th Spring Tryout August 10th & 11th Benefit shoot Check out our muzzleloader group on Facebook.

Facebook.com/TuckahoeValleyMilitia



We want you to Participate!

We want you to come to the membership meetings! Become a participating member and see what it takes to keep the facility growing. We want your help, knowledge and skills. Meetings are every 1st Thursday and work days are scheduled several months ahead. Be one of the few that push the club to become better by being a leader! Contact us at

blaircountygame@gmail.com

Youth Air Rifle

We are still running youth shooting every Monday evening at 5:30pm Ages 8-18 (Public Welcome).

\$2 fee per week and everything is provided. We are also looking for volunteers to help.

New Member Orientation/ Refresher

All current or potential members are welcome to come out every 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. You have the opportunity to ask one on one questions and get tours of our ranges and buildings.

Sponsorships Available

Do you have a business that would like to sponsor an event? Sponsorships are available for the 3d archery course, Blair Women Take Aim, and Newsletters. Sponsorships range from \$25 to \$300. Contact the club at blaircountygame@gmail.com or at 814-942-8522. Some sponsorships are time sensitive so contact us as soon as possible.

Upcoming Projects

Big projects that are planned

These projects are being outsourced because of lack of volunteers:

- Pistol/Muzzleloader range roof replacement
- Lodge floor refinished
 We need volunteers for these projects below:
- Wood driving bridge repaired
- · Range gutters added
- Hay wagon deck replaced
 These projects are not a priority if we don't get volunteers:
- Steel AR range
- 3d Archery course

We have some volunteer opportunities that may be of interest to you. These are projects that you may be able to accomplish at home. Ex: we have a few small engines that we rely on throughout the year. If you are interested in volunteering time to keep these maintained please let us know. Others include brass cleanup, bench/picnic table building

On the Trails

We have a lot of trails throughout the property and they are being used often. With the weather being wet and windy we have had a lot of trees break or fall. Keep an eye out for potentially dangerous trees throughout the woods.

We created a few more trails on the eastern part of our property. They are easy walking and can be accessed near the trap field.

If you are interested in helping maintain the trails, please let us know.

Suspicious Activity

If you see something odd on the range or property, please let us know as soon as possible.

From the Auxiliary President

Over the past 6 years we have not only grown as an Auxiliary, but as a more family-oriented Sportsman's Club as a whole. We have increased our number of family friendly events and fundraisers to help build the large playground set, which was completed in the spring of 2015. We are continuing to fundraise to help raise funds for our newest addition to our playground area, the tractor and hay wagon set. The Auxiliary would like to THANK Everyone who has supported our efforts this far and hope you will again support us in our Annual Pre Order Merchandise Sale. Our Auxiliary is open to anyone Male or Female who wants to be involved with planning our family friendly events. If you are not available for meetings, but still want to be involved we have created a Private Auxiliary Page or you can Friend BlairGame Aux on Facebook.

Here is where you can find an overview of what went on during the meetings and also other discussions that come up between meetings. We would love to welcome everyone into the auxiliary. The Auxiliary meets the Second Thursday of each month at 6:30pm in the Lodge.

In the News

Eddie the Eagle

BCCOA has purchased an Eddie the Eagle costume with the help of local clubs including ours. If you have a youth event that Eddie the Eagle could attend, please contact Mark Luke at 814-944-6663

Writer in the Making!

A junior member from our club recently won first place in the PA News Youth Writing Outdoor Contest. Ryan Marinak, a sixth grader at Bellwood-Antis Middle School, took top honors in the junior division (6th-7th-8th grades) for a story he wrote about the experience of killing his first deer. Ryan's story was published in the December 21st edition of the PA Outdoor News and will now be entered into the Outdoor Writers Association of America annual writing contest. If you see Ryan, please congratulate him on his award and wish him good luck in the national contest!

In Memory of Marty Franks

In January 2019 the family of Marty Franks donated a shooting bench on our pistol range. The bench was dedicated to Marty with a bronze plaque embedded in the concrete. Marty was a long time member and will be missed by his club family.

Check out our website to see a list of projects we have completed in the last few years. Blairgame.com/projects

