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Lodge and Range Hours

The Lodge and Range normally open at 8:30am and close at Sunset.

Ox Roast Festival

FREE ADDMISSION: Our Ox Roast is Sept 1st and 2nd. 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

Live Music:

Sunday Sept. 1st
11 - 12:30 Asbury Lane
1 - 2:30 RokKandy
Sat Sept. 2nd
11- 12:30 The Back Yard Rockers
1 - 2:30 Chad Patterson

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Gun Raffle

This fall gun raffle is just as good or even better that the spring. Every adult member gets 4 tickets with the newsletter, you can purchase them yourself, sell them to others or neither. Turn in all sold tickets via Mail or drop them off at the lodge.

Support your club by picking up additional tickets at the lodge to purchase or sell to others.

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Fall 2019 Raffle

Drawing will be held at the Ox Roast on Monday, September 2nd, 2019 at 5:00PM

SI	Franchi Momentum Rifle, Choice of Std Caliber (or \$440.00)
nd	CZ 912 Semi Auto 28" 12 Gauge Shotgun (or \$400.00)
rd	Sig P365 Nitron 9mm Pistol (or \$400.00)
th	Glock 43 9mm Pistol (or \$360.00)
th.	Ruger Mark IV 22/45 Tactical .22lr Pistol (or \$340.00)
th .	Ruger Precision Rimfire .22lr Rifle (or \$320.00)
th	Thompson Center Venture Synthetic Rifle, Choice of Std Caliber (or \$3
th	Smith & Wesson Shield .45 ACP Pistol (or \$280.00)
th	Winchester SXP 28" 12 Gauge Shotgun (or \$250.00)
0th	Smith & Wesson Bodyguard .38 SPL +P Revolver (or \$240.00)

Members hip Picnic

Oct. 12th at 4pm, Hotdog Roast, Marshmallow Toast, Hay Rides Galore. Bring a covered dish. All members and families are welcome to attend.

Centerfire Silhouette

\$20 entry Fee

Total of 40 shoots 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. More info at blairgame.com/bud

Important Dates

July 7th Centerfire Pistol match July 11th Auxiliary Meeting and Orientation July 13th Work Day July 18th mid-week Work Day July 22nd Last Groundhog Shoot Aug 1st Membership Meeting Aug 3rd BWTA Rifle/Pistol Clinics Aug 4th BWTA Rifle & Handgun Clinic Aug 8th Auxiliary Meeting/ orientation Aug 10th, 11th Muzzle loader shoot Aug 18th 5 Stand Trap Shoot Aug 18th Centerfire Pistol match Aug 22nd Work Day Aug 30th, 31st Workday Aug 31st 99 bird trap shoot Sept 1st and 2nd Ox Roast Sept 3rd Work day Sept 5th Membership Meeting Sept 12th Auxiliary Meeting/ Orientation Sept 14th Hunters Ed Class Sept 15th 5 stand trap shoot Sept 19th Work Day Oct 3rd Membership Meeting Oct 5th BWTA Trap Clinic Oct 10th Auxiliary Meeting/Orientation Oct 12th Fall Picnic Oct 17th Mid-week workday Oct 26th Work Day Nov 7th Membership meeting Nov 14th Auxiliary Meeting/ Orientation Nov 17th Muzzleloader wood Walk Nov 21st Work Day Nov 23rd 24th & 29th Sight in Days Dec 8th Membership Christmas Party. (RSVP required)

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Jan 2nd Membership Meeting

Jan26th Ham Pot Pie Dinner

Jan 9th Aux Meeting/Orientation

Youth Shooting

The youth committee has decided to take a summer break until Monday, Sept. 9th. The program is available to youth ages 8-17. Subjects taught include firearm safety, 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) April – July. Your child does not have to stay the entire evening. They may stay a 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.

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

Improvements and maintenance depend on you, our Members! Volunteer your time and expertise for a variety of projects. If you are a regular adult member you can reduce your membership to \$25 by volunteering. Contact the lodge for the next workday or our continuing projects.

Indoor Bottle Cap Shoot

The indoor bottle cap shoot is starting Jan. 9th at 7pm. All shooters welcome. 22lr with peep sights only shooting offhand. More information at blairgame.com/bottlecap

Indoor Pistol League

22 cal event with practice on Nov. 6th, 13th, 20th and Dec. 11th and 18th. The League officially begins Jan. 8th and continues for 10 weeks. All are welcome. You do not have to be a member to shoot our leagues or events. 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 Pa Company of Riflemen are hosting a shoot on Aug. 10th 9-5pm and Aug. 11th 9-1pm. Shoot is open to the public and food will be available.

2019 Archery

ARE YOU INTERSTED IN HELPING?
The 2019 3D Archery course is open every day until mid-September. 15 targets on a wooded course. Estimated time is 1 hour. 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 18. **Crossbows are not allowed this year.** 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.

3D Archery Sponsorship

Do you have a business that would like to sponsor a target? Sponsorship includes 2 season passes as well as a color sign posted at the target. Your sign will be up for the entire 3D season as well as for any special event. Sponsorship starts at \$130.00

Membership Gatherings

Every year we host a membership Christmas party. This year it is Dec. 8th. You must RSVP to the lodge. We will have a special guest stop in to visit. We also have a Ham Pot Pie dinner on Jan. 26th. Bring a side dish, the club provides the ham pot pie and rolls. Both dinners start at 5pm. For more information call 814-942-8522

Club Meetings

Just a reminder all members are welcome 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 3rd 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

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 help to accommodate future increases in expenses such as the higher property taxes.

Blair Women Take Aim Clinics



Pistol Clinic:

Goal: to gain knowledge and confidence with firearm use on the range. Length is 2 hours Held on August 3rd 2019 @ 9am (when filled will add 10am class) Cost is \$20

Rifle Clinic:

Goal: to gain knowledge and confidence with firearm use on the range. Length is 2 hours Held on August 3rd 2019 @ 1pm (when filled will add 2pm class)

Cost is \$20

Trap Clinic:

Goal: to gain knowledge and confidence on how to shoot a round of trap. Length is 2 hours held on Oct. 5th 2019. @ 1pm (when filled will add 3pm class) More Details will be posted on blairwomentakeaim.com

Trap Shooting

Every Tuesday at 6pm our trap committee runs a normal trap shoot that is open to the public. On Sundays at 1pm they run another open trap shoot. Check the club calendar for dates of shooting. \$4 per round (25 birds) All shoots are dependent on weather.

Auxiliary

Over the past 7 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, and our Tractor and Hay Wagon set, which was added last year. The Auxiliary would like to THANK Everyone who has supported our efforts thus far with our Merchandise Sales and fundraisers. It is our hope to continue to grow as an Auxiliary and to provide more fun opportunities for family involvement. 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.

Attn. Reloaders

We have a lot of range brass for sale in the lodge year-round. Many different calibers available. Selection varies throughout the year.

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.

Final Page, Final Notes

Thank You from Keystone Sportsmen for Youth

On June 1st, 129 children along with their parents arrived in Riggles Gap for a day of shooting (rifle, trap & muzzleloader), fishing, archery, fly tying, trapping, and learned about reptiles and elk. We hope that this event will encourage future generations to get out and enjoy the outdoors. Thank you, Blair Game, for once again hosting!

Blair Game has been a key partner with Keystone Sportsmen for Youth from the beginning, 26 years ago. The Youth Field Day relies on your club and its volunteers to host and instruct some of the activities. In order to keep this event going every year, Keystone needs help with the planning and organizing. Examples: Stations - confirming instructors & materials needed (earplugs, etc.); Registration - from preparing forms to forming groups; Purchasing confirming donations, purchasing supplies; Communication - email, website help, FB page monitoring; and Financial - Grant writing. Any help is appreciated, patience needed while dividing responsibilities. Contact us through our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ke vstonesportsmansforyouth/ or

<u>ystonesportsmansforyouth/</u> or call Sharon Merritts 946-9315 or email sharmerr510@gmail.com

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 at the Taylor range Shot gun target only.
- (All above are for open shoot times and not during club events)

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 designated Shot Gun Target.
- Handguns are allowed but must be shot from the firing line.

Pistol/Muzzleloader Range:

- 5yd, 7yd, 10yd defensive handgun
- No Shotguns!
- 25yd and 50yd muzzleloader
- Used as overflow from Taylor range

High Power Range:

100yd, 200yd, 300yds No Shotguns

Steel targets at 200yd and 300yd Clean up your mess. Balloons and other targets are your mess to clean up, not ours.

Handicap parking

Just a reminder we have a ground level entrance in the back of the lodge for those that have trouble with the stairs.

Buds Steel Target Range

- Small Steel targets are 22lr only Rifle or pistol.
- Large Steel Targets, Center fire Pistols only, No Rifles
- No armored Piercing ammo allowed!

OX ROAST Help

2 Day event on Labor Day weekend. This Sunday and Monday event is our largest fundraiser of the year. Help is needed in all areas including the kitchen, ranges, games and more. We also have workdays the day before and after.

Proper Range Use

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

- Correct size target for the backer you are using.
- No Exploding Targets
- Keep objects off the frame work of target backers
- 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, creates unsafe firing line.

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