



Chief Logan Lodge

# Blair County Game, Fish and Forestry

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May 18<sup>th</sup> is the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Blair Women Take Aim event. We are tentatively scheduling the event for 132 women. Pre-registration is required and will open on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30AM. Events include rifle, pistol, shotgun and much more. For more information check out [blairwomentakeaim.com](http://blairwomentakeaim.com). ALL REGISTRATION WILL BE COMPLETED ONLINE ONLY AND IS EXPECTED TO SELL OUT QUICKLY!

## BWTA Volunteers

If you are interested in being a part of this amazing event, please reach out to [admin@blairgame.com](mailto:admin@blairgame.com) or call the lodge to get details about our next committee meeting.

IF ANY VOLUNTEERS WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A BWTA SHIRT IT MUST BE ORDERED BY APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Do you know of a business that would be interested in becoming a sponsor of the Blair Women Take Aim? This is a great opportunity to directly advertise to 132 and provide support to keep this event going. Contact us ASAP via email or call the lodge.

## Spring Raffle

Check out the prizes for this year's spring raffle. Tickets are \$5. Drawing is May 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. More tickets are available at the Lodge. You can buy, sell or ignore the tickets included with this newsletter.

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

- 1st Rossi R92 .44Mag Lever (or \$500)
- 2nd Browning AB3 .30-06 Rifle (or \$500)
- 3rd Weatherby 26" 12GA (or \$400)
- 4th FN Reflex 9mm Pistol (or \$400)
- 5th Savage Axis XP .223 Rifle (or \$390)
- 6th Winchester SXP Turkey Hunter 12GA Shotgun (or \$360)
- 7th Walther CCP M2+ 9mm Pistol (or \$340)
- 8th Savage A22 BNS-SR .22LR (or \$340)
- 9th Sig Sauer P322 .22LR Pistol (or \$320)
- 10th Ruger LCP II .380ACP Pistol (or \$300)

## 75yd 22lr Groundhog Shoot

The first shoot will be held on Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> relay begins at 5:30PM. As always, this event is open to the public and the cost is \$10 per scored set of targets. The course of fire is 25 shots, at 75yds on a rest, and 5 shots, off hand, at 50 yards. Prize money will be paid to the winners each week. Youth shooters cost is \$5, and the Club will provide ammo and a gun at no extra cost if needed for those under 18 years of age. More info at [blairgame.com/groundhog](http://blairgame.com/groundhog)

## Club Shirt Fundraiser

*Bringing back a classic design*

Check out the order form on page 4. **Long sleeves, zip-ups, and sweatshirts without hoods are only available for preorder on this form or online until April 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

Easily order and pay online at [blairgame.com/store](http://blairgame.com/store) or return page 4 to the Lodge via mail or drop off.

**Not all items will be in stock at the Lodge, if you see something you love, please order it.**

## Important Dates

- Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day
- Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day
- Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Stop the Bleed
- Feb 29<sup>th</sup> Entertainment Committee Meeting
- March 7<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting
- March 9<sup>th</sup> Hunters Education
- March 16<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day
- March 19<sup>th</sup> Mid-week Volunteer Day
- March 21<sup>st</sup> Landowners dinner
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> Muzzleloader Shoot and Banquet
- March 24<sup>th</sup> Fly Fishing Class 1:30PM
- March 31<sup>st</sup> Lodge is Closed**
- April 1<sup>st</sup> BWTA Registration
- April 4<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Mid-Week Volunteer Day
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Stop the Bleed
- April 27<sup>th</sup> Spring Cleanup Workday
- April 28<sup>th</sup> Spring Cleanup Workday
- Ranges are closed April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> Membership Meeting
- May 17<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day
- May 18<sup>th</sup> Blair Women Take Aim (ranges closed)**
- May 21<sup>st</sup> Volunteer Day
- May 31<sup>st</sup> Youth Field Day Workday
- June 1<sup>st</sup> Youth Field Day (ranges closed)**
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Ground Hog Starts
- June 4<sup>th</sup> Stop the Bleed
- June 6<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting
- June 8<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day Wood Cutting
- June 18<sup>th</sup> Mid-Week Volunteer Day
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day
- June 28-29 and 30<sup>th</sup> Trad Days. **All Ranges Closed**
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting
- July 16<sup>th</sup> Mid-Week Volunteer Day
- July 20<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Day

## Trap Shooting

Trap shooting will begin again in April. More details can be found on our website or by contacting the club. Pricing is \$5 per adult and \$3 for youth per round. Membership is not required.

## Indoor Shooting Events

The 22-pistol league is back again this year on Wednesdays at 6pm, running until March 6<sup>th</sup>. Spectators are welcome. Check out the weekly scores on [blairgame.com/pistol](http://blairgame.com/pistol). \$4 per round.

The 22-bottle cap league is also going well. Shooters compete with 22 rifles to see who can shoot closest to the center. \$10 per night on Thursdays, ending on March 28<sup>th</sup> with money prizes every night. Practice starts at 6:30pm and regular shooting is at 7pm.

These events are all open to the public and you do not need to attend every match.

## Youth Air Rifle

Our youth program has grown into a very impressive group of talented shooters. If you know of a child ages 8-17 that is interested in participating, practice is held on Monday evenings in our indoor range. Students learn basic gun safety as well as the proper shooting positions of prone, kneeling and standing. More information can be found at [blairgame.com/youth-programs](http://blairgame.com/youth-programs)

## Education Opportunities

**Hunter ED:** March 9<sup>th</sup> 8AM-4PM  
Check our website below to signup as well as searching for other education opportunities.

*Firearm classes are also held frequently. See the education station for more information.*

Check the education station at [blairgame.com/educationstation](http://blairgame.com/educationstation)

### In Memoriam: Remembering Robert "Bob" Dougal

It is with heavy hearts that we share the solemn news of the passing of our beloved board member, Bob Dougal, on January 13<sup>th</sup>. He left an indelible mark on our organization as a member and director. Here at Blair Game, Bob was known for his very detailed stories, love of the M1 Garand and his dedication to the organization. He had become a very important part of life here in Riggles Gap. We will miss him.

## Muzzleloader Matches

Join us for our muzzleloader events this year, experienced and novice shooters, all are welcome! Spectators are also encouraged!!

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Fun Shoot hosted by Tuckahoe Valley Militia at 9AM. Paper and novelty targets. Banquet at 6PM, contact Jeff or Samantha Warner for Banquet information.

**June 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> Traditional Days**

**August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>:** PA State Championship Matches

**November 9<sup>th</sup>:** Woods Walk 9AM

Get more information at [blairgame.com/tvm](http://blairgame.com/tvm) or contact Jeff Warner (814-931-8342)

## Landowners Appreciation Banquet

This dinner is designed for hunters to show their appreciation for the owners of the land they hunt. If you keep your land open (not posted) or know of someone who keeps their land open for hunting please stop by the lodge and pickup an invitation letter.

The Pennsylvania Game Commission will be presenting a program after dinner.

Anyone is welcome, \$15 donation per person and invited landowners are free.

There is limited seating, reservations are required. Call or stop at the lodge.

## Game Law Violations

During the first Day of rifle season two individuals were observed being unsportsmanlike toward a neighboring property. This caught the attention of a hunter, and it was reported to the lodge. The two individuals were then observed acting suspicious and the Pennsylvania Game Commission was notified. In a subsequent traffic stop the one individual was charged with transporting an illegal deer (the 7-point buck was not tagged). The second individual was not charged. If you see something suspicious on club grounds, contact the lodge. We do not condone illegal hunting.

## Entertainment Committee

This group is responsible for planning and implementing dinners including the Ham Pot Pie dinner (Feb 4<sup>th</sup>), the Landowner Appreciation dinner (March 21<sup>st</sup>), the Christmas party (December 8<sup>th</sup>) as well as designing parade floats. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Anyone interested is welcome to come, (you do not have to be a member)

We want to congratulate our entertainment committee for their design and implementation of our Christmas parade float. We tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Altoona Parade and 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Bellwood Parade for our Chief Logan Lodge design. Total winnings: \$300.00





NEW for 2024. An event like no other. Trad Days is a mix of traditional muzzle loader and traditional archery. Designed to bring both competitors together at one place. Learn a skill you always wanted to try. Muzzle Loader 101 course and Archery 101 course. Spectators welcome. Get more info at [www.traddays.com](http://www.traddays.com)

## 2024 3D Archery

The New and Improved 2024 3D Archery course will open on April 1st. The course opens at 8:30am everyday and you can sign-in until 7pm. You must be out of the woods by dusk. The course consists of 20 3D targets placed on a wooded trail. Crossbows are not allowed. *Member pricing starts at \$5*  
*Non-member pricing starts at \$10*  
*Youth pricing starts at \$3*  
More info at [blairgame.com/3d](http://blairgame.com/3d)

## Center Fire Pistol Silhouette Shoot

Starting April 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am until 12pm. \$20 to shoot 40 plates, two rounds of 20 each at 20, 30, 40 and 50 yards. Cash prizes each week. New shooters welcome. Find more details at the lodge or [blairgame.com/bud](http://blairgame.com/bud)

## New Railing

The front steps railing is complete. This project began in July of 2022 with Scott Gressley and Rick Merritts volunteering to install the custom log railing. Then in December 2023 Fox Chapel Iron Works was hired to custom build the steel railing to complement the logs. It took time and patience, but the result is amazing.

# A message from the Chairman of the Board

When people come to our club for the first time, you can see how impressed they are with our facilities. Members are proud to bring friends and family to the ranges and show off their club. So what does it take to keep the grass cut, the ranges in good condition, the hiking trails cleared and buildings clean? It takes you, the member.

As we continue to grow, so does the amount of maintenance. Every month we schedule 2 volunteer days. One on a Tuesday and one on a weekend. On these days, members work together on projects and lunch is provided. Unfortunately, the attendance for these workdays has been extremely low, averaging 4 people out of 1400 members. If the scheduled days and times are inconvenient there are also smaller projects that members of any age can do at any time such as sorting brass, emptying trash, replacing a few backer boards, and more.

Please volunteer. Become involved. By working together, we can keep our facilities welcoming and continue to add more activities for all of us to enjoy. Ask at the lodge or send an email to find out more.

Sharon Merritts, Chair of the Board

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# Stop the Bleed

On February 20<sup>th</sup>, April 16<sup>th</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup> we are hosting a stop the bleed class presented by P91 Protection. Uncontrolled bleeding is the number ONE cause of PREVENTABLE DEATH after injury. This class is designed to teach you how to stop bleeding as efficiently as possible.

We encourage members to take advantage of this free training. We currently have available on all the ranges the life saving equipment you will learn about in these classes.


Find more information at [p91protection.com](http://p91protection.com)

## MORE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Every year we have sponsorship opportunities for different events. Blair Women Take Aim (starting at \$150), newsletter (\$50), Traditional Days (starting at \$150). Please contact us at [admin@blairgame.com](mailto:admin@blairgame.com) or by calling 814-942-8522. We can provide more details on how you or your business can support Blair Game as well as promote your business.

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