



# DAKOTA PRAIRIE LODGE & RESORT

# PRAIRIE NEWS



## SHOW RECAP: FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO TENNESSEE



We spent much of February on the road, attending the Great American Outdoor Show in Harrisburg, PA and the Safari Club International show in Nashville, TN. While we miss being away from the Lodge, the joy of seeing hunters and growing new connections makes it all worthwhile.

We love chatting with show visitors about all of our hunts, and we saw lots of interest in our newest option, snow goose hunting. If you stopped by in Harrisburg, you probably met Poppy, the daughter of our black lab Molly. We hope to see you at an [upcoming hunting show](#) soon!

### IT'S SHOW SEASON! FIND OUT WHAT'S NEXT

Visit us at one of our upcoming shows. We'd love to say hello!

#### Dixie Deer Classic

February 27 - March 1  
Raleigh, North Carolina

#### Northwest Sport Show

March 5-8, 2026  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

#### Ultimate Sport Show

March 12-15, 2026  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

#### Ozark Outdoor Expo

March 20-21, 2026  
Springfield, Missouri

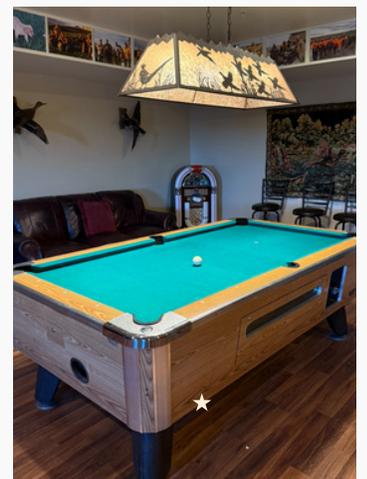
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## WHAT'S NEW? THE LATEST FROM THE LODGE

As winter starts to thaw, we are diving headfirst into spring field work. We have been tuning up our equipment and ensuring that our combines, planters, and tractors are all ready to take up last year's food plots and plant new ones come April. A few food plot redesigns are also on the docket. Our big goal? Fostering an environment where our wild pheasant population will thrive.

This winter has not been particularly snowy, which is great for our late season hunters. The dogs, however, are wishing for a little more snow - they love playing in it! If you like black labs as much as we do, keep us in mind next year: We are considering having another litter of puppies, this time from Emma and Johnny.

Do not forget to check out our [gift shop](#) online or when you visit in person! We recently added a couple of new items that you might just love.



## WHY SHOULD YOU VISIT A HUNTING SHOW THIS SEASON?

If you are a regular reader of this newsletter, then you have probably noticed that we have been talking a lot about hunting shows over the past few months. During the off season for hunting, we travel around the country and exhibit at a variety of different shows, allowing more and more people to discover Dakota Prairie Lodge and Resort. But meeting people and taking bookings is far from the only reason to visit a show – and as a hunter, there is so much to explore at these exciting events.

### #1: DISCOVERING NEW HUNTING POSSIBILITIES

One of the things that amazes us at every hunting show? Every country and every state has something to hunt. You will be astounded by the plethora of options that unfold in front of you, especially at larger shows. You might even catch sight of a species that you had not previously thought about hunting. Plus, there are hunts available at every budget: You do not need to pay \$100,000 for a lion hunt in Africa in order to find a fun new adventure at a hunting show. You can hunt near or far.

### #2: PINPOINTING OUTFITTERS PERFECT FOR YOUR NEEDS

Just as there are countless different species to hunt advertised at these shows, there are also outfitters of virtually every different variety. If you are more of a DIY-er and want to camp and hunt on public land, you can find trips catering to those preferences. If you prefer a white-glove experience with five-star dining and daily laundry service, you can find that as well – and everything in between, of course. Discovering the outfitter of your dreams is a big draw at shows.

### #3: EDUCATING YOURSELF ON THE LATEST SKILLS AND HUNTING TRENDS

Many shows have an education component that savvy hunters love to take advantage of. You will be able to participate in seminars, demonstrations, and panels with experts in the field. Many of these events are included in the ticket price for admission to the show, and you can learn about topics like how to call coyotes, how to skin deer, and so much more.



### #4: STOCKING UP ON NEW GEAR AND FREE SWAG

In addition to the outfitters exhibiting at shows, you will also find booths full of gear from pocket knives to guns to ammo to hunting vests – and everything else you can think of! Some larger shows even have boats and fishing equipment. Plus, as you wander the show grounds, you will likely be gifted all kinds of free swag: koozies, pens, you name it!

### #5: CONNECTING WITH OUTFITTERS AND FELLOW HUNTERS

Everyone who attends hunting shows shares the same passion: A love for the outdoors and the adrenaline and adventure behind a great hunt. You are sure to meet friends and build rewarding connections along the way when you immerse yourself in the fun-filled hunting show culture. You never know where you'll find your next hunting buddy!



## PRAIRIE PUZZLE

**February Question:** About how tall are the heads of the four presidents features on Mount Rushmore?

- a) 60 feet
- b) 100 feet
- c) 40 feet
- d) 80 feet



Submit your answer by March 10, 2026, for a chance to win! Answers will be accepted via email, phone, or mail. Correct answers will be entered into the prize drawing to receive a FREE piece of Dakota Prairie Lodge & Resort merchandise.