



Georgia Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) 2022 Calendar of Events

****Due to the ongoing nature of COVID-19, BOW events are subject to change****

March 26th - Give it a Shot: Archery at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center – 10:00 am -2:00 pm

Through a partnership with Becoming an Outdoors-Woman, the Give It a Shot program will be offering a women's only Archery course. Learn basic archery techniques for target shooting with compound bows. The class will cover types of bows, arrows, and the latest archery equipment. Participants will have hands on instruction, and time to shoot at our static and 3D archery targets. The cost is \$5 per person, and the event is open to women ages 18 and older. A Georgia hunting or fishing license is required for this class. The class is open to 10 participants. Please call 770-784-3059 or visit <https://georgiawildlife.doubleknot.com/selection/73913> to register.

April 23rd - Tree Climbing at Panola Mountain State Park – 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Freedom, excitement, a rush of adrenaline and the thrill of adventure; our reasons for climbing today are still the same. Experience Canopy-Adventure-Research-Educational Technical Tree Climbing (CARE TTC), the type of rope assisted technical tree climbing offered at Panola Mountain State Park. Loose, comfortable clothing that does not impede movement and closed-toe shoes are recommended. The cost is \$15 per person, not including ParkPass. The class is open to 12 participants. Please call 770-389-7801 to register.

May 14th – Give it a Shot: Shotgun at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center & Clybel Shooting Range – 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Are you new to shooting? Do you prefer a hands-on approach to learning? If you answered yes to both, the Give It a Shot program is for you! Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center will be offering a women's-only shotgun course, which will focus on the basics of firearm safety and shooting, with time in the classroom and on the range. Participants will have the opportunity to practice using a shotgun in a safe and structured environment. The cost is \$10 per person. The event is open to women ages 18 and older. A Georgia hunting or fishing license is required for this class. The class is open to 10 participants. Please call 770-784-3059 or visit <https://georgiawildlife.doubleknot.com/selection/73913> to register.

May 21st – Keeping Georgia Wild Festival at Charlie Elliott – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Bring your family and come join us for Annual Keeping Georgia Wild Festival where family members and friends can try their hand at fishing, archery, shooting sports, tree climbing and much more. The event is open to everyone and is free of charge.

June 4th - Paddling at Tallulah Gorge State Park – XXX

Nothing is quite like a paddle in a mountain lake in early summer. Talk about fun in the sun! Come join us to paddle Lake Tugaloo and explore its headwaters during this 2.5-to-3-hour trip. Paddlers will need water, snacks, and sunscreen. Paddles, canoes, and PFD are provided. Participants are welcome to bring their own gear, just

let the staff know at registration. The cost is \$15 per a person, not including ParkPass, and is open to 6 participants. Contact West Malenke at west.malenke@dnr.ga.gov to register.

August 20th – Firearms 101 at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center - 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Are you interested in gun ownership but feel you don't know enough to get started? Then Firearms 101 is meant for you! This course will provide you with background knowledge needed to understand the language common to the firearms industry. Topics to be discussed include gun ownership responsibility, basic firearms safety, firearm types, ammunition, firearm selection and purchase. This event is open to women ages 18 and older and will meet at the Visitor's Center classroom. A Georgia hunting or fishing license is required for this class. The class costs \$5.00 per person and is open to 24 participants. Please call 770-784-3059 or visit <https://georgiawildlife.doubleknot.com/selection/73913> to register.

September 17th - Foraging 101 FDR State Park - 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Join us on a forager's journey through our woods here at F.D. Roosevelt State Park. Learn about the basics of foraging and identify a few common edible plants for the region and their uses on a guided hike. This program is geared towards those beginners that have always wanted to harvest wild edibles but haven't had the confidence or the time to delve into this exciting and rewarding hobby. This is not an advanced class. Plants may vary depending on what is available at the time. Cost is \$5 per person, not including ParkPass. Dress for the weather. Location disclosed upon registration. Contact Danielle Joerger at Danielle.joerger@dnr.ga.gov to register.

October 14th - Wilderness Skills at Fort McAllister State Park - 10:00 am – 4:00 pm with an option to camp overnight

This hands-on interactive workshop will focus on the first 72 hours of emergency survival. Together we will learn essential skills, including building a survival shelter, fire making techniques, basic navigation skills, basket weaving for hunting and gathering, and ash soap making. Participants will need to bring a survival knife and small tarp. The knife will need to have a full tang and the blade must be at least 4 inches long. Tomahawks or machetes are also acceptable in a a holster or sheath for transporting safely. The cost is \$25 per a person, not including ParkPass, and is open to 24 participants. Register by calling park office: (912) 727-2339

* The site also offers a full campground for \$29+tax per night for those that are interested in staying overnight. Reservations must be made on your own.

November 4-6 - The 11th Annual BOW Workshop at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center

Want to learn more about fishing, hunting, geocaching, wildlife photography, preparing game for meals or other outdoor topics? Be sure to sign up to attend the Becoming an Outdoors Woman workshop scheduled for Nov. 4-6 at the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center. BOW workshops focus on learning outdoor skills in a safe and structured environment. Class activities cover topics such as hunting, shooting, fishing, and more. These are learning opportunities primarily designed for women 18 years of age or older. Beginners are welcome and encouraged. The cost ranges from \$245-\$290 depending on the type of lodging accommodation selected. For more information, call 770-784-3059. Registration will open for annual workshop on August 1st. <https://georgiawildlife.com/BOW>.

See you out there!