



AROUND THE ROCK

December 2024

BLOWING ROCK WINTERFEST

2025 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY JANUARY 23RD

Winterfest
Hendrick Hunt
begins, 3:00pm
(Hunt ends
Sunday)

Winterfeast
at Chetola Resort
Two feast times:
5:30pm &
7:00pm

Festival of Lights
from dusk until
10:00pm at
Chetola Resort

Artist Talk
(Cocktail w/
Curator) at the
Blowing Rock
Art & History
Museum



FRIDAY JANUARY 24TH

Ice Stroll Down
Main Street
(Tour of Ice
Carvings)
4:00-7:00pm

Museum Cork &
Canvas #1: Winter
Landscape at the
Blowing Rock Art &
History Museum
5:00-7:00pm

1920's Hat Party at the
Blowing Rock Art &
History Museum to
celebrate the Mayview
Manor Diorama
5:00-7:00pm

Festival of Lights from
dusk until 10:00pm
at Chetola Resort



SATURDAY JANUARY 25TH

Polar Bear Plunge at
Chetola Resort - 10:00am

Mountain Alliance's 2025 Silent Auction
10:00am-4:00pm
*The auction will go live online Sat. January 18th & will be live
for a week. On Sat. January 25th, will be in-person with all
auction items from 10:00am-4:00pm at the American Legion*

Rotary Chilly Chili Challenge at the
Blowing Rock School Gym
11:00am-2:00pm

Ice Carving Demo in Memorial Park
12:00-4:00pm

Winterfest Beer Garden presented
by Speckled Trout at Meadowbrook Inn
in the Four Seasons Room - 1:00-3:00pm

Museum Cork & Canvas #2: Winter Landscape
at the Blowing Rock Art & History Museum
11:00am-1:00pm

WFDD Photo of the Year Reception

Wine Tasting & Wine Auction at
Chetola Resort - 3:00-6:00pm

Festival of Lights from dusk until 10:00pm
at Chetola Resort

SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH

Winter Paws
Blowing Rock
School Gym
12:00-3:00pm

Winterfest
Hendrick Hunt
Ends 11:00am

Festival of Lights
from dusk until
10:00pm at
Chetola Resort



Important Numbers

Town Administrative Offices

Town Hall..... 828-295-5200
Planning & Inspections 828-295-5240
Parks & Recreation 828-295-5222

Non-Emergency

Police Administration..... 828-295-5212
Fire Administration..... 828-548-2800

After Hours (Water & Sewer)

Emergency 828-295-5210
Emergency Police & Fire 911

Local Area Services

BR Post Office 800-275-8777
Aho Road Landfill 828-264-5305
Landfill Winter Hours:
M,W,F: 6:30am-6pm, Sat: 8am-6pm

Upcoming Meetings

(All Meetings Are in Town Hall)

Town Council

(Second Tuesday of the month)
January 14th at 6:00pm

Planning Board

(Third Thursday of the month)
January 16th at 5:30pm

Downtown Subcommittee Public Workshop

January 22nd at 4:00-7:00pm

Annual Town Winter Retreat

January 29th-1st

Town Council

(Schedule Change)
Monday, February 10th at 6:00pm

Upcoming Events

New Year's Day - Offices Closed
January 1st

MLK Jr. Day - Offices Closed
January 20th

Blowing Rock Winterfest
January 23rd-26th

CHECK IT TWICE

Please double check all checks
sent into Town. The numerical
amount must match the written
amount, the date should be the
date the check is written and the
check must be signed.

Town Council Annual Winter Retreat

The annual Town Council Winter Retreat will be January 29th-February 1st. This year's retreat will be held at the Blowing Rock Conference Center. More details on time and location to come. The retreat will be live-streamed on our YouTube Channel and recorded for those not in attendance.

Winterize Your Home

Preparing your home for winter will help avoid broken water pipes. Shut off main water supply at the street or basement. If you have a private water supply, turn off the pump and drain the pressure tank.

If the heat will be turned off:

1. Shut off gas lines at the entrance to your home, if present.
2. Open all faucets and leave them open to empty pipes.
3. Drain the water heater and leave the valve open.
4. Remove all water from toilet tanks and bowls.
5. If you remove drain traps, plug the line to block sewer gas.
6. Unplug the refrigerator, clean, and prop open the door.
7. Unplug all electrical items, except lights on timers.

If the heat will be left on:

1. Set thermostat to 50 degrees.
2. Keep heat turned on in any areas where there are water or drain pipes. If this can't be done, wrap them with electrical heat tape.

You can prevent fats, oil and grease clogs in your home & the environment

Avoid disposing of these
items down your sink:

**Meat Fats Food Scraps
Butter Baking Goods Lard
Sauces Dairy Products
Cooking Oil**

Never pour grease down
sink drains or into toilets.

Scrape grease and food
scraps from kitchen items,
grills, and cooking surfaces
into a can or the trash.

Do not put grease down
garbage disposals.

Put strainers in sink drains
to catch food scraps,
and empty the drain
strainers for disposal.



The Town of Blowing Rock Planning Department Needs **YOU!**

WHAT WE ARE DOING

A subcommittee was formed representing the Planning Board, Town Council, and at-large community members to study the current development standards for the downtown area. The purpose is to evaluate and establish new standards for East Main Street (Sunset Drive side) and West Main Street (park side), and then the rest of the downtown Central Business-zoned properties. During this current process, the subcommittee is seeking more public input to assist with evaluation and decision-making.

INITIAL GOALS

1. Preserve the downtown character
2. Simplify the Land Use Ordinance
3. Revisit and evaluate the current architectural standards
4. Involve the public in the process

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU

The Planning Department and the Downtown Subcommittee are asking for your input on how to improve our current Downtown Standards. We would like to know the citizens' views on downtown development, the historic character, building materials, green space, and related concerns. We will use these suggestions and recommendations to draft Land Use Code amendments for downtown and present them to the Planning Board and the Town Council for approval.

Please visit our website, townofblowingrocknc.gov, or scan this QR code to take part in our survey.

***The Downtown Subcommittee will hold a public work shop
January 22nd from 4:00-7:00pm in Town Hall.***

