

Sigel Sportsmen's Club
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Year 2010 Club Officers

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Memberships: Chuck Heeter is the membership coordinator for the club. Make direct contact with Chuck for prompt answers to any question concerning membership status. His phone number is (814) 752-2395.

Membership Dues (annual): adult membership \$20; family \$40; senior \$10; junior \$5.

Life Memberships: \$400 for ages 21-40, \$250 for ages 41-61, \$80 for ages 62-75.

Newsletter: Need something included in the newsletter? Contact Biff Stuart, biff1996@windstream.net.

Club Phone Number: 814-752-2480

Gate Combination: 1985

COMING EVENTS (check the club website for updates)

- ❖ **Monthly Meetings:** 1st Thursday of the month - 7:00 PM.

- ❖ **Indoor Archery Shoots:** Monday evenings beginning Jan. Time: 6:30 to 9:00 PM.

- ❖ **Wild Game Dinner:** 6:00 PM Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Sigel Sportsmens Club; **setup** at 5 PM on Saturday. **Guest Speaker** Rusty Snyder from Double Diamond Deer Ranch will talk about whitetail deer antlers. **Also**, awards will be presented to the top 3 places in each of our annual hunting contests.

- ❖ **State Wide Winter Coyote Hunt:** Feb. 19, 20, and 21. Hunters may register at Rich's Outdoor World in Summerville; Iroquois Archery (Rt. 322 Brookville); Shooter's Shop (Rt. 219 between Du Bois and Brockway); Rt. 66 Sporting Goods, Shippenville; Alamo Gun Shop in Du Bois; or, complete the registration form on the last page of this newsletter and mail it in. **Deadline for mail in registrations is Thursday Feb. 18. Check in Sunday, Feb. 21 from 9 AM to 5 PM.**

- ❖ **.22 Rifle & Pistol Shoots: Every Thursday starting at 6:00 PM.** (*EXCEPTIONS: on club meeting days and on the days of our scheduled Ham Shoots the rifle and pistol shoots will be suspended.*) Standard velocity ammo is recommended. Any safe .22 cal. rifle or pistol is permitted. All shooting is on paper targets and are provided by the club. The course of fire with either rifle or pistol is according to the shooter's interest. **COST:** \$3 for non-members.

- ❖ **Junior Rifle Program:** The program will also be conducted from 6 to 9 PM on Thursday evenings thru Mar. 25. (*EXCEPTIONS: on club meeting days and on the days of our scheduled Ham Shoots there will be no junior shooting.*) The focus of the program is 4 position smallbore (.22LR) rifle competition. Beginner match rifles, shooting mats, targets, and required ear and eye protection are provided. **Ammo is not provided. COST: no cost other than ammo.** For additional information contact Biff Stuart at 814-849-5879 or biff1996@alltel.net.

- ❖ **Rifle League Competition:** The Sigel Rifle Team is currently competing in two 4 position smallbore (.22LR) rifle leagues. **Green Mountain League** matches are held on Friday evenings thru April 16. **Tri County League** matches are held on Wednesday evenings thru Mar. 24. Juniors who have an interest and have the required skill level may join in the competition. Banquets follow the last match in both leagues and trophies are awarded to the high scoring shooters by class. **Club membership required to participate in league competition. For additional info contact Biff.**

- ❖ **Easter "Ham" Shoots (.22 rimfire rifles): Thursday Mar 11 & Thursday Mar. 18; Time 7:00 PM.** These are a variation on the popular Easter Egg Shoots conducted by a couple of other clubs in the area. Instead of candy eggs, at least 12 nice hams each shoot will be up for grabs! In addition, juniors have the opportunity to win a lot of candy for their Easter Baskets. Run a cleaning rod through your .22 rifle and come out and try your skill and/or luck. One box of .22 ammo more than enough for both shoots. Cost: \$10 for adults; 16 yrs. and under \$5.

- ❖ **Club Crow Hunt:** Saturday, March 27. Meet at the Club at 6:00 AM to establish teams.
- ❖ **Open Kitchen at Sigel SC:** opening weekend of trout season April 17 & 18 from 10 AM to 4 PM. A varied menu will be available. Free coffee. Andy Strohm is taking charge of this event and asks that a few club members volunteer to help out, especially Sunday.

POND BEARDS:

❖ 2009 Spring Gobbler Contest:		<u>Beard Length</u>	<u>Spur Length</u>	<u>Total</u>
			<u>Left</u> + <u>Right</u>	
1 st	Tim Keth	9 4/16	1 3/16 + 1 2/16	11 9/16
2 nd	Chuck Heeter	9 11/16	15/16 + 14/16	11 8/16
3 rd	Todd Brown	9	12/16 + 12/16	10 8/16
	Bill Fiscus	8 8/16	13/16 + 12/16	10 1/16
	Brad Geer	8 9/16	12/16 + 12/16	10 1/16
	Scott Dittman	7	12/16 + 12/16	8 8/16

(Total length of beard and both spurs measured to the nearest 1/16 inch equals Total Score)

❖ 2009 Archery Buck Contest:		<u>Points</u>	<u>O/S Spread</u>	<u>Total Score</u>
1 st	Don Keth	14	19 7/8	33 7/8
2 nd	Eric Byerly	11	17 2/8	28 2/8
3 rd	Corey Oakes	8	18 7/8	26 7/8
	Zand Hackett	9	16	25
	Dave Geltz	9	15 5/8	24 5/8
	Tim Keth	8	15	23

(Number of points plus outside spread, measured to the nearest 1/8 inch, equals Total Score.)

❖ 2009 Rifle Buck Contest:		<u>Points</u>	<u>O/S Spread</u>	<u>Total Score</u>
1 st	Brian Guy	10	19	29
2 nd	Mark Mohney	7	21	28
3 rd	Ron Menhorn	8	18 6/8	26 6/8
	Chuck Heeter	10	14 3/8	24 3/8

(Number of points plus outside spread, measured to the nearest 1/8 inch, equals Total Score.)

- ❖ **2009 Groundhog Contest:** no entries.
- ❖ **Outdoor Rimfire Rifle Meat Shoot:** This was a new event in 2009. We had 6 shoots, each was held in the evening under our newly installed outdoor flood lights. Similar to a turkey shoot but shot with .17 or .22 rim-fires at a target 30 yards away. The best center shot on each of 12 relays won a package of meat (bacon, pork chops, chicken, etc.). The shoots were very well attended and produced a little over \$500 net for the club. Look for these to begin in late May or early June this year. Come on out, support the club and get in some trigger time!
- ❖ **Annual Gun Raffle:** It was another very successful raffle. Thanks to all who sold and purchased raffle tickets. Your support is very much appreciated. Check the website for the list of gun winners.

OTHER ITEMS

- ❖ **OUTDOOR RANGE: PLEASE THINK SAFETY!**
 1. Please make certain every shot you fire stops in one of our backstops!
 2. Always wear eye and ear protection.
 3. Remove and dispose of your targets when finished shooting.