

Sigel Sportsmen's Club
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Newsletter Jan. 2008

Year 2008 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. **NOTICE: Life Members will now have their spouses and dependents, under age 17, regarded as club members.**

Newsletter: Need something included in the newsletter? Contact Biff Stuart, biff1996@alltel.net or 849-5879.

Club Phone Number: 814-752-2480

New Gate Combination: Members Only

COMING EVENTS : (check the club website for updates)

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

❖ **Coyote Seminar:** Jan. 12, 7 PM, at the club. Presented by Dave Dunmar. Public welcome. No Cost.

❖ **Archery Meeting:** A meeting is scheduled for Jan. 28 at 7:00PM. Topics of discussion include our 3D shoots, our indoor shoots, and any other archery related topics of interest. Any and all suggestions are welcome.

❖ **Indoor Archery Shoots:** Monday evenings beginning Jan. 7. Time: 6 to 10 PM. **COST:** adults \$3 per night.

Non-members welcome.

❖ **Wild Game Dinner:** Saturday, Feb. 2 at the Sigel Sportsmens Club; serving starts at 6:00PM.

❖ **State Wide "Wylie Coyotee" Hunt:** Feb. 22, 23, and 24. Registration at the SCC Sat. Feb. 16

and & Sun. Feb. 17 from 1PM-4PM each day. Deadline for mail in registrations is Monday Feb. 11. A registration form is on the last page of this newsletter.

❖ **.22 Rifle & Pistol Shoots:** .22 rim-fire only! Start Tuesday Jan. 8 and end Tuesday Mar. 11. **Time:** 6 to 10 PM. 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:** adults \$3; juniors no charge if accompanying an adult shooter. **Non-members welcome.**

❖ **Junior Rifle Program:** The program will be conducted from 6 to 9 PM on Thursday evenings until Mar. 29. The focus of the program will be 4 position smallbore (.22LR) rifle competition. Beginner match rifles, shooting mats, targets, and required ear and eye protection are provided. Ammo is not provided, but standard velocity ammo is available for purchase. **NOTE:** The Sigel Rifle Team competes with several other smallbore teams in Venango, Clarion, Clearfield, and Indiana Counties; match schedules are posted at the club and on the club website. Juniors who have an interest and have the required skill level may join in the competition. **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 participates in 4 position smallbore (.22LR) rifle competition. Typical equipment includes Anschutz match rifles with high power scopes and heavy leather shooting jackets in addition to other equipment. **Green Mountain League;** Friday evenings from Jan. 4 to April 12. **Tri County League;** Wednesday evenings from Jan. 9 to Mar. 26. 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.**

❖ **Easter "Ham" Shoots: Thursday Mar. 13 & Thursday Mar. 20.** This is a variation on the popular Easter Egg Shoot conducted by a couple of other clubs in the area. Course of fire is as follows: all shooters fire one shot on a paper target. All targets are then scored. The adult shooter firing the BEST CENTER SHOT wins a ham. The junior shooter firing the best center shot also wins a prize. This is repeated 11 more times. Essentially, there are 12 one shot matches with an adult and junior winner of each match. Each of the last 2 shots is called a **Losers Match**, which means, if you have won a ham during the first 10 you can not shoot in the last 2. These are fun and frustrating and require a little skill and a lot of luck! Cost: \$10 for adults; 16 yrs. and under \$5.

PAST EVENTS:

❖ **2007 Archery Buck Contest: 1st Place,** George Wilson, 11 pts. + 17 inch spread = 28; **2nd Place,** Jolyn Geer, 10 pts. + 17 4/8 spread = 27 4/8; **3rd Place,** Fred Geer, 9 pts. + 18 4/8 = 27 4/8. Also successful were; Chuck Heeter, 10 pts. + 15 spread = 25; Brad Geer, 7 pts. + 16 2/8 spread = 23 2/8; Eric Byerly, 7 pts. + 16 spread = 23; Andy

Park, 8 pts. + 15 spread = 23; Pat Holmes, 9 pts. + 12 7/8 spread = 21 7/8; Zane Hackett, 4 pts. + 11 4/8 spread = 15 4/8; and, Tim Keth, 6 pts. + 9 2/8 spread = 15 2/8.

- ❖ **2007 Rifle Buck Contest: 1st Place**, Randal Wingard, 8 pts. + 19 1/8 inch spread = 27 1/8;
2nd Place, Dom Palmer, 8 pts. + 18 2/8 inch spread = 26 2/8. Dom (age 10) hunted with his Dad as a Mentored Youth and took his buck with one shot from Rem. Model 7 in .308 Win. caliber. Guess which one, Dom or Dad, was most excited!
- ❖ **Annual Gun Raffle:** Our Annual Gun Raffle is one of our major fund raisers for the year. It was very successful this year and thanks to all who sold and purchased raffle tickets. We are staying in the black and the loan is coming down. Your support is appreciated. The names of the 10 lucky gun winners on the club website.
- ❖ **3rd Annual Deer Season Coyote Hunt :** the hunt ran concurrently with the firearm deer season from Nov. 26 thru Dec. 8, 2007. Only 3 coyotes were turned in this year which netted the 3 successful hunters **\$375 each**. Names of successful hunters and coyote data are listed on the club website, check it out!

OTHER ITEMS

❖ **NEW PHOTO GALLERY:** We would like to include a photo gallery on our club website that deals with hunting, fishing, and shooting activities of our members. If you have an interesting photo you would like to see posted on the website e-mail it to info@sigelsportsmensclub.com. We do not promise to post every photo but do promise to do the best we can.

❖ **INDOOR RANGE: RIFLE AND PISTOL SHOOTERS PLEASE REMEMBER: WE HAVE RESTRICTED RANGE USE TO .22 RIMFIRE AMMO ONLY. STANDARD VELOCITY AMMO IS RECOMMENDED. ALSO, EYE AND EAR PROTECTION ARE REQUIRED.**

❖ **CLUB WEBSITE: www.sigelsportsmensclub.com CHECK IT OUT!** Randy Becker has done a really good job on it. A lot of important dates are posted and photos are there as well. The site is updated periodically. TAKE A LOOK. I'll think you will like it.

❖ **NRA MEMBERSHIPS** The club now has a recruiter number: CO18066A. Each current NRA member who renews through the club earns the club \$5; each new member who joins through the club earns the club \$10! In order for the club to get credit, you must make reference to our recruiter number. To join or renew, contact Biff Stuart, biff1996@alltel.net, or use the secure link on our club website. **NOTICE: . The cost of Life Membership in the NRA is now \$1000. However, I still have a few membership applications with the cost listed at \$750. The NRA has informed me that they will honor these applications, at least for the time being. Thought some one out there might be interested.**

❖ **WYLIE COYOTEE HUNT REGISTRATION:** Please fill out all information on form and send along with registration fee of ten dollars (\$10) to: Sigel Sportsmens Club, PO Box 155, Sigel, PA 15860, Attn: coyote hunt. A list of hunt rules and verification of registration will be returned by mail.

NAME: (please print) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PA HUNTING LICENSE #: _____ E-MAIL: _____

*Please include \$10.00 fee and a self addressed stamped envelop.
Deadline for mail in registrations is Feb. 11. Thank you & good hunting!*