

Sigel Sportsmens Club

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Coming Events (check our website for the latest updates):

- ❖ **Monthly Meetings:** 1st Thursday of each month @ 7:00 PM.
- ❖ **Wild Game Dinner:** Mar. 16. Set up 4:00 PM at the Club. Dinner begins at 5:00 PM. Vegetable dishes and desserts will be welcomed as well as wild game dishes. After dinner, Mary Jo Casalena from the PGC will speak on the PA wild turkey.
- ❖ **State Wide Winter Coyote Hunt:** Feb. 15, 16, and 17. Registration is \$15. 2/3 of the proceeds will be divided equally among successful hunters. You can register on our club website or at the following locations: Route 66 Sporting Goods (Shippenville), Iroquois Archery & Firearms (Brookville), Rich's Outdoor World (Summerville), and Mahoney Valley Milling (Punxsutawney).
- ❖ **Rifle League Competition:** Our two smallbore 4 position rifle leagues have begun and the Sigel Team got off to a good start by winning their first match in each league. Matches are always held on Wednesday or Friday, half at our range, the other half away. At present we have 22 adult and 2 junior shooters on the team and expect to have a couple of more juniors in the near future. Club membership is required to participate in league competition. For additional info contact Biff.
- ❖ **Hunter-Trapper Education Classes:** **MARCH 16, JEFFERSON COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS, 9 AM – 4 PM. JUNE 29 HERITAGE HOUSE, BROOKVILLE 9 AM – 4 PM.** To register, please visit the Pennsylvania Game Commission website, www.pgc.state.pa.us . Click on the "**Education**" tab, **then "Hunter Education"**, then "**Hunter Education Class Calendar**" Follow the on line instructions for registration
- ❖ **Jefferson County Youth Field Day:** June 8 at Reynlow Park, 7:30 am-3 pm.
- ❖ **Indoor Archery:** the club house will be open Monday evenings from 6 PM to 8PM.

- ❖ **2013 Ham, Steak, and Turkey Shoots: Firearms:** .22 rim fire rifles with any sight, but scopes are limited to 10X max. No hooks or palm rests, slings optional. **Course of fire:** 10 one shot matches fired from the offhand position on a bullseye target at 50 feet, indoors, or at 30 yards outdoors. Two additional one shot matches follow for all non-winners from the first 10 matches. **Scoring:** the best center shot in each match wins. **Prizes:** a ham, a turkey, or a pack of steaks is awarded to the adult winner of each match. **Entry Fees:** Adults, \$10; Juniors, \$1. A **Bonus Match** with separate entry fee and a special meat prize for the winner concludes the shooting. **Starting time:** 7:00 PM. **Dates:** Feb.28 indoor steak shoot; Mar. 21 and 28 indoor Easter Ham Shoots; beginning in April the steak shoots will be outdoors on the 4th Thursday of the month. The last shoot for the year will be Nov. 21 due to Thanksgiving falling on the 4th Thursday.

Past Events

- ❖ **2012 Club Contests:** Winners of the Spring Gobbler, Archery Buck, Rifle Buck, and Groundhog Contests will be announced and recognized at the wild game dinner, Mar. 16. As always, we have had some really nice trophy bucks entered. The most unusual was a 14 point with 3 antlers. Check our website for pictures.
- ❖ **2012 Ham Dinner & Gun Raffle:** Once again the club had a very successful gun raffle. Our net income was slightly over \$5000! Excellent! Thank all of you that made it possible. Gun winners are posted on our website.
- ❖ **2012 Deer Season Coyote Hunt:** 54 hunters registered, BUT ONLY ONE checked in a coyote. The pay out for this one coyote would have been \$270. However, because no one checked in a coyote in 2011, \$200 of the proceeds were ear marked for pay out this year. Therefore, the total amount was \$470 of which \$75 was generously donated back to the Club by Rich Hoffman from Elk County.

Other Items

- ❖ **Club Mortgage:** As reported in the last newsletter we were very close to eliminating the mortgage on our building addition. As of last Oct. it was eliminated!
- ❖ **Outdoor Range:** (1) Having eliminated the mortgage, we are now considering improvements to the outdoor range. Nothing is definite yet, but stay tuned.
(2) Once again please make certain that every shot you fire stops in one of the backstops; wear eye and ear protection when shooting; and, police the range and remove all of your targets when finished.
- ❖ **Indoor Range:** ONLY .22 rim fire ammo is authorized; standard velocity ammo recommended; eye and ear protection required.
- ❖ **NRA Memberships:** If you join the NRA or renew your NRA membership, you can benefit the Club by using our NRA Recruiter Id. # CO180066A. For each new member or member renewal the Club will receive a commission from the NRA.

