



Sigel Sportsmens Club
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May 2016 Newsletter

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

- ❖ **Monthly Meetings:** 1st Thursday of each month @ 7:00 PM.
- ❖ **Annual Summer Picnic:** *July 17th at the club. Time: 1:00 PM. Please bring a covered dish or desert. Grilled chicken and beverage provided.*
- ❖ **Archery:** practice bails are in place and ready for use.
- ❖ **Annual Club Ground Hog Contest:** runs June through September. A scale and sheet for recording names and weights are available at the club. Good hunting!
- ❖ **Hunter/Trapper Education:** The Hunter Trapper Education Classes for August and September will be posted on the 1. PGC website July1. Sigel Sportsmen's Club will sponsor the August 13 class from 9 am-4pm. Lunch will be provided. .To register for any class, visit 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. The outdoor and indoor ranges are closed from 8-5 during any Hunter Ed. Class.

- ❖ **Youth Field Day:** Suzy Stefani, Jefferson Co. Youth Field Day Chairperson, would like to thank Sigel Sportsmens Club for their generous \$200 donation to the event. Also, thanks to all club members who have volunteered to work at this year's event, June 11, at Reynlow Park. Anyone wishing to help should contact Suzy.
- ❖ **Outdoor Steak Shoots:** **4th Thursday** each month, May thru October. **Firearms:** 22 rim-fire rifles. **Distance:** 30 yards. *(If the weather doesn't cooperate shoots will be indoors @ 50 feet.)* **Course of Fire:** 12 one shot relays with one winner per relay and 2 wins max. per shooter. **Prizes:** a pack of steaks from Tom's Meats for the winner of each relay. **Starting time:** 7:00 PM. **Entry Fees:** adults: \$10; juniors: \$1. Run a patch through you rifle and join us. It's fun, good support for the club and you may go home with a pack or two of delicious steaks.

Past Events

- ❖ **Wild Game Dinner:** We had 32 members and guests in attendance at our wild game dinner March 19. Stacey Wolbert, PGC Biologist, spoke on bats and bat research in PA. Tommy Knapp handed out the awards immediately following his program.
- ❖ **2016 Club Contest Winners** were recognized at the game dinner.
 - (1) **Spring Gobbler: 1st Place** went to Tim McAninch **2nd Place to Junior Hunter** Madison McAninch, and **3rd Place** to Chad Fox. Eric Byerly, Brad Geer and Tim Keth also entered gobblers as did **Junior Hunter** Hunter Geer.
 - (2) **Archery Buck: 1st Place** Fred Geer, 10 pts with 19 1/2 in. spread; **2nd Place** Steve Himes, **3rd Place** Joseph Blankenship. Archery bucks were also entered by Don Keth, Tim Keth, Brad Geer, Eric Byerly and Rich Cashdollar. Also entering bucks were **Junior Hunters** Madison McAninch, Alex Nichols, Hunter Geer and **Youth Mentor Hunter** Abby Keth.
 - (3) **Rifle Buck: 1st Place** Chuck Heeter, 8 pts. With 18 1/2 in. spread; **2nd Place** Gordon Greeley, 10 pts with 16 in. spread; **3rd Place** Luke Cashdollar a **Junior Hunter**. Also entering bucks were Jolynn Geer, and **2 Youth Mentor Hunters** Harley Geer and Hanna Geer.
 - (4) **Ground Hog:** 1st Place Joe Gilligan, 13 lbs; 2nd Place Dylan Manns, 7 lbs 1 oz.
- ❖ **2016 State Wide Coyote Hunt:** out of 92 registrations 18 coyotes were entered. The pay out for each was \$53. Check our web site for more details and photos.
- ❖ **Rifle League Competition:** The Sigel Rifle Team placed first in both rifle leagues for the second year in a row. Leading the way for our team in the Green Mountain League were Master Class Shooters Vance Oakes and Kevin Dufford. In the Tri County League, Master Class Shooters setting the pace for our team were, Kevin Dufford and Jim Read.

Other Items

- ❖ **Club Website:** Check our Facebook page and website for updated info on club events and, the latest additions to the photo gallery. If you would like to contribute a photo, e-mail it to info@sigelsportsmensclub.com.
- ❖ **YOUTH MENTOR HUNTERS:** each successful Youth Mentored Hunter of a Club member is eligible to receive an award from the Club that recognizes his/her hunting success. Awards are presented at our annual wild game dinner but attendance at the dinner is not required to receive the award. Please notify us if your mentored youth becomes eligible.
- ❖ **DECEASED MEMBERS: Deceased Members:** We as a club would like the families of S.S.C. members who have passed to please notify the club so that they may be honored on a plaque at our club house. Thank You.
- ❖ **Indoor Range:**
 - (1) **ONLY .22 rim fire ammo** is authorized; standard velocity ammo recommended.
 - (2) Eye and ear protection required.
- ❖ **Outdoor Range:**



- (1) Not yet completed but open for member use while no work is in progress.
- (2) Still to be completed includes landscaping, more target frames, benches, stools and a gravel parking area near the firing line.
- (3) **RED LIGHTS** have been installed.
PROCEDURE: (a) make the line safe; (b) turn red lights on; (c) then, proceed down range to post or retrieve targets; (d) after everyone has returned, turn red lights off; (e) resume firing.
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- (4) ***THANK YOU to all club members who have donated time, labor, equipment and money to this project. Also, thanks to the NRA FOUNDATION for supporting our range project with grants totaling \$8,000!!***