



# NEWSLETTER

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## ***Membership Renewal Forms Enclosed !!***

### **President's Message**

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We hope you find it informative and helpful.

If you received this newsletter you are a member in good standing and I would like to invite you to attend our monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. The meetings are held at the clubhouse and we have free food and refreshments for all members attending.

The financial challenges of a thirty per cent drop in our shooting programs, continues to keep us looking for ways to economize and find programs to raise additional funds.

We have appointed a fund raising committee and they have been working hard to find ways to raise additional money. They have come up with three functions with the potential to raise significant funds:

- On Sept. 20 we held our first Block Shoot in many years.
- On Sept 19 we hosted our first ever Sportsman's Night Out.
- Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information on shirts embroidered with the club logo.

At the time of this writing the events listed above had not yet happened. I'm confident they will be successful and we will do more of the same in the future. I hope that you will support these efforts to keep your dues low by attending future events and purchasing shirts, hats, 50/50 tickets, etc.

You can support the club in other ways as well. We are always in need of volunteers, especially in the kitchen on the second Sunday of each month. The fish pond is always in need of volunteers to clear brush, mow grass, etc. That goes for the rifle, pistol and archery ranges too. New members who must get their four hours in are welcome to call the membership chairman to volunteer for work at



times other than the scheduled work parties.

The officers and trustees are doing their best to keep your dues low and working hard to keep the property looking good. Their names and phone numbers are listed at the top of the first page. Please feel free to contact any of them if you have a question, a suggestion or would like to volunteer for an activity or work detail. Additionally, the e-mail addresses for the President and the Secretary/Treasurer are linked on our web site at [www.cocali-cosportsmen.org](http://www.cocali-cosportsmen.org) when you click the contact tab.

### **Treasurers Report**

The Voting Membership approved an Operating Budget for 2009 with a planned increase to reserves of approximately \$7000. Despite the economic challenges the Club faces just as we all face, our mid-year position was strong and continues to look so for the rest of this year. Despite significant reductions in some income areas such as trap and skeet, our expense control has been good while still maintaining the facilities in great shape and completing some improvements. New Membership income has been stronger than expected and we anticipate renewals will be strong as well.

Our financial position remains fairly strong, with acceptable cash flow and reasonable investments. We must continue to bolster our investments to safeguard against future negative circumstances and/or to be prepared for opportunities to expand our property and buffers to our shooting ranges.

### **Membership Committee**

The 4 hour work program is still in effect for 2010 and new members must complete four hours of work during their first year of membership. The work Party dates for 2010 are Jan 9th, March 20th, June 12th, and Sept 11th from 8:00 AM til 12:00. If you cannot make one of the scheduled work parties you must contact me by phone at 717-336-3926 or by e-mail at [shooter@ptd.net](mailto:shooter@ptd.net).

Thanks to the new members who contributed their time in maintaining the club and fulfilling their work requirement.

We would still like to see more faces at the monthly meetings and more involvement in the running of the club.

We will be taking renewal applications over the counter on the second Sunday of the month at the club and your membership card will also be available for pickup there.

### **Shoot Committee**

Minor range improvements continue to be made to the facilities along with regular maintenance handled primarily by our small group of valued volunteers who keep the property in great shape.

Clay target shooting activity and income continues a serious 24% decrease the first six months of this year compared to the same period last year. This is in part due to the loss of Thursday evening Trap practice due to the absence of volunteer help to run the program. If you enjoy this activity then please consider volunteering to help out with the program. Without this needed assistance not only do we suffer significant income reduction but many people lose the chance to enjoy a recreational pas-time they sincerely enjoy.

The archery range is busy this time of year and soon the rifle ranges should be as well in anticipation of the big game seasons. Please follow all posted safety signs on the ranges. Remember; Safety First, then Good Shooting.

## **Youth .22 Rifle League**

It's been another great year for the .22 league and a great experience for all participating. We are very proud of the boys & girls who made up our team. These are great kids who were willing to learn, be safe and still have a good time.

Thanks go out to all of the parents for their support: Beverly & Grant Kent, Sandy Ott, Dave & Diane Grube, Scott Nicholas, Kirby Sensenig, Brian Fryberger, Joel North, Wayne King, Lenny Kirkner, John Sweinhart, Todd Bollinger, Chris Wright, Ken Moore, Keith Mueller, John Keifer, Mark Buckwalter.

Special thanks to our Assistant Coaches Dennis Moyer & Neal Showalter.

The 2010 season begins in April and concludes in August. Weekly practice sessions are on Thursday evenings beginning at 7 PM. No Experience is required and anyone aged 11-18 is welcome. Please contact Jim & Diane Haller at 717-336-5265.

We would also like to thank Cocalico Sportsmen's Club for all of their support.

## **Archery**

We would just like to remind all the archers that broadheads are not allowed except when shooting at your own targets or at club targets marked OK for broadheads.

The nearby trees require constant attention to the fallen limbs and branches. Members should not be reluctant to pick up branches and throw them into the woods. Also, if anyone is willing to mow at the archery range please call one of the officers or trustees to volunteer.

## **Shirts**

We have very nice shirts for sale at the club. Each shirt is embroidered on the left breast with the

same club logo we've been using on the hats. You can get your name embroidered on the right breast for an additional \$5. There are many colors to choose from and a color chart is hanging with the shirts at the club. The shirts at the club are for sizing only. They are not for sale. Order forms are hanging with the shirts and there is a large envelope to put your order form in.

We are not presently using any kind of schedule to order. We'll probably start by ordering twice a month. When your shirt arrives we will call you for pickup and payment at that time. You may pay in advance if you choose.

The shirts have button down collars and would be considered a dress shirt. They are very suitable for wear in an office setting.

## **Web Site Store**

We are currently working with a company to put a link on our web site which will take you to a site where you can buy items with the club logo on them. Again, this is the logo we use on the hats. Items for sale will be things such as coffee mugs, T-shirts, sweat shirts, License plates, flags and so forth. We are working with this company to get some shooting related items as well. We'll be looking for items such as range bags, shell belts, perhaps a nice shooting shirt or jacket.

Please check the club web site periodically for this addition.

## **Supporters**

As always, we encourage you to patronize those who support our club by sponsoring events, donating items, etc. When looking for outdoor sports related merchandise, remember the following local businesses:

- Darryl's Gun Shop
- Richland Shooter's Supplies
- Trout Run Sports



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## 2010 SCHEDULE of EVENTS

- ❖ Annual Kids Fish Rodeo...Saturday April 10...12:00 to 3:00pm...Open to and welcome are children and grandchildren, age 15 years and younger, of members in good standing and under their supervision. The pond is stocked with plenty of trout, and snacks and drinks are provided.
- ❖ Monthly Meeting...the second Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00pm. Open to members and guests.
- ❖ Breakfast is served the second Sunday of each month from 6:00 to 10:30am. Open to the public.
- ❖ Work Party...Jan. 9, March 20, June 12, September 11...new members must attend at least one, all members welcome.

### TRAP SHOOTING

- ❖ Monthly Trap Shoot the second Sunday of each month from 8:00am to 3:00pm. Open to the public.
- ❖ Club Championship...Sunday Sept. 12...8:00am to 3:00pm. Open to the public. High Member, Open, and Class prizes.
- ❖ **ALL Rifle and Pistol Ranges Closed during Trap Shooting.**

### SKEET SHOOTING

- ❖ Practice every Wednesday from Noon to 3:00pm and 6:00 to 9:00pm, and every Saturday from Noon to 4:00pm.
- ❖ Club Championship...Sunday Sept. 26...Noon to 3:00pm. Open to the public. High Member, Open, & Lewis Class Prizes.
- ❖ Groundhog Day Shoot...Sunday Feb. 7...Noon to 3:00pm. Open to the public. High Overall & Lewis Class Prizes.
- ❖ NSSA Registered Shoots may take place, schedule to be determined. Please see Bulletin Board and website for schedules. These events are open to the public, but only NSSA registered shooters.
- ❖ **Lower Rifle Range Only Closed During Skeet Shooting. Upper Rifle and Pistol Ranges are Open.**

### OTHER RANGE CLOSINGS

- ❖ From Nov. 1 to Dec. 11, these special range closings apply to accommodate as many rifle shooters as possible in preparation for the rifle deer season: **Trap**...open only Sunday Nov. 14th...**Skeet**... open during daylight hours **ONLY** on Wednesdays from Noon to 3:00pm, and Sat. Nov. 6 from Noon to 4:00pm. Skeet fields closed Saturday Nov. 13, 20, and 27 all day.
- ❖ Schedule of Events are subject to change without notice. Please see [www.cocalicosportsmen.org](http://www.cocalicosportsmen.org) or the bulletin board at the clubhouse for updates.



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## 2010 Application for Membership

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
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Street Address	P.O. Box Number
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City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
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I hereby make application for \_\_\_\_\_ **New 2010 Membership**, OR \_\_\_\_\_ **2010 Renewal of my current 2009 Membership** in the Cocalico Sportsmen Association. I certify that I am at least 18 years old and agree to abide by the By-Laws and all Rules and Regulations of the Club, especially the rules shown on the reverse side of this application, and that violation of such may be grounds for dismissal, without remuneration.

2010 annual dues are \$20.00. **Current 2009 member renewals for 2010 membership must be received before January 31, 2010.** Otherwise you must submit this as **a new member application** with the \$30.00 fee and **you will be required to meet the work party requirements** outlined on the reverse side. For renewal of 2009 membership enclose with this application the 2010 annual dues of \$20.00 **by Jan. 31, 2010.**

**New member applicants** must add a non-refundable application fee of \$10.00 for a total of \$30.00 per applicant. New member applications will be submitted for approval by the membership at the next monthly meeting and if approved you will receive your membership card within two weeks. If membership is denied you will receive a refund of the \$20.00 annual dues paid, less the \$10.00 application fee.

2010 membership dues are not prorated. New membership applications received and approved up to and including the September 2010 monthly meeting will be good only through December 31, 2010. New membership applications received after the September 2010 monthly meeting and approved at the October, November, or December 2010 monthly meetings will be good through December 31, 2011.

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Applicant Signature	Date of Birth (for minimum age verification)	Date Signed
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**Please see reverse side for important information!**

- ❖ Effective October 1, 2007, all newly approved members must participate in at least (1) scheduled work party in their first year of membership. Failure to do so will result in denial of renewal of your membership for the following year and you must then wait (1) additional year to re-apply as a new member.
- ❖ 2010 work parties are scheduled for Jan. 9, March 20, June 12, and Sept. 11. Work parties will run from 8:00am until 12:00pm. No reservations are needed, just show up prepared to work. **All members are welcome to participate and all help is appreciated.**
- ❖ Membership applications and renewals should be mailed only to Cocalico Sportsmen's Association, P.O. Box 53, Denver, PA, 17517, or can be dropped off at the clubhouse during scheduled events only.
- ❖ Checks returned for any reason will be returned to the applicant and require the applicant to pay the bank service fee in addition to the annual dues which must then be re-submitted by certified check or money order.
- ❖ **You must display** your current Membership Card when using the rifle, pistol, and archery ranges, and fishing pond. If your card is not displayed and you are questioned by a Trustee, Officer, or any member of the club and you do not respond with a civil answer you may be subject to dismissal from the club.
- ❖ No shooting is allowed before 8:00am, or on any ranges when indicated "Range Closed" by the signs.
- ❖ No shooting at anything other than paper targets fastened to the target racks provided with a proper backstop, and only the provided steel targets on the pistol range. No shooting at post or cross bars of the target racks, targets set at mid-range, or cross shooting on ranges. No shooting of full automatic weapons of any type.
- ❖ No shooting of Broadhead arrows on archery range except at targets marked accordingly. No children under the age of 12 allowed on the Tower on the archery range.
- ❖ Eye and ear protection REQUIRED when shooting Trap or Skeet and HIGHLY RECOMMENDED for rifle and pistol shooting and for spectators on any range. Observe all safe gun handling rules and especially keep all gun muzzles pointed downrange with the action open and safety on until ready to fire. **Absolutely no loaded guns in the clubhouse.**