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Taking Stock of Record-Setting 2020 Firearm Year

By Joe Bartozzi

Twenty-one million. Let that number sink in for a moment.

That's a very big number. If I told you at SHOT Show® last year the industry would see 21 million background checks for the sale of a firearm in 2020, you would have thought I was crazy. One year later, and with the benefit of hindsight, this was truly a remarkable year for the industry across the board.

The final figures for the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) put all of this year's hard work into perspective. Twenty-one million background checks were conducted for the sale of a firearm over the past 12 months. That topped 2019's totals of 13.2 million by 60 percent. It also shattered the previous record from 2016, when 15.7 million background checks were conducted for the sale of firearms. This year's 21 million total surpassed 2016 by 5.3 million, or 34 percent.

Here's one more incredible number to witness. NSSF estimates that 8.4 million people bought a firearm for the first time in 2020. That's 40 percent of all purchases. This year's buyer is increasingly diverse too. Forty percent of 2020's buyers were women and the biggest increase of any demographic category was among African Americans, who bought guns at a rate of 58 percent greater than in 2019.

Resilience

None of this was possible without the resilience and determination of the industry. Our own Government Relations teams – both in Federal and State Affairs – were quick to act to keep the industry open. When the rest of America was shutting down, NSSF's team made sure gun manufacturers, distributors, retailers and ranges weren't forced to close their doors. It was apparent early that Americans in every state were choosing to exercise their Second Amendment rights in record numbers and that's not possible unless manufacturers are turning raw metal into finished firearms and ammunition.



America's Second Amendment freedoms are literally designed, assembled and shipped from NSSF member manufacturers, distributors and retailers each day.

Even while the firearm industry was cranking production to record levels, they were also serving their communities. Brownells offered computer server space to run modeling tests for vaccine research. Federal Premium, SIG SAUER, Radians, Smith & Wesson, Versacarry, Keltec and Ruger were among many of the firearm businesses that converted manufacturing space or donated supplies to help first responders. Bass Pro Shops' Johnny Morris donated one million masks to keep first responders safe.

Response

The amazing thing is that among the concerns surrounding the pandemic, the industry responded. Manufacturing and distribution facilities shifted personnel and made physical changes to accommodate social distancing guidelines. Retailers and ranges adopted safety measures to keep customers and staff safe. This all happened even as the industry worked to keep up with the breathless pace of demand.

That demand is most clearly evident on the ammunition shelves. Most shelves are still bare, but that's not a result of anything but overwhelming demand. At 8.4

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National Gun Legislation Process Has Started

Editor comments can be found in parentheses

Sponsor: Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, (D-TX)

H.R. 121 - Provides for the hiring of 200 additional BATFE agents and investigators to enforce gun laws (*or aid in confiscation?*).

H.R. 125 - 7-day waiting period for sales and transfers of semiautomatic firearms, silencers, armor piercing ammo, or large capacity magazines. (*one question - will the bad guys wait a week?*)

H.R. 127 - Provides for national license and registration of firearms and prohibits the possession of certain types of ammunition. (*first step to a nationwide confiscation list - who has what*)

H.R. 130 - Requires safe firearm and ammunition storage, and the investigation of reports of unsafe storage. (*this is a no-brainer if you have non-shooters and kids around*)

H.R. 135 - Requires the Director of the FBI to report to Congress twice a year on the number of firearms transfers resulting from the failure to create a background check in three (3) days, as well as the procedures followed after an ineligible transferee received a firearm.

Sponsor: Rep. Al Green (D-TX)

H.R. 167 - Ban on private firearm sale at gun shows without an FFL (*supposed "gun show loophole"*).

Sponsor: Rep. Bobby Rush (D-IL)

H.R. 30 - Increase public safety by punishing and deterring firearms trafficking. (*sounds good on the surface, but who knows what will be attached to it before it's voted on. Gun trafficking and straw purchases are already illegal, by the way.*)

Sponsor: Rep. Richard Hudson (R-NC)

H.R. 38 - Provide a means by which nonresident of a state whose residents may carry concealed firearms may also do so in the state (*CCW Reciprocity, a good thing!*)

Sponsor: Rep Jeff Duncan (R-SC)

H.R. 95 - Removes silencers from the definition of firearms, and for other purposes. (*also good!*)

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Bottom line is, even if you see 'em coming, you're not ready for the big moments. No one asks for their life to change, not really. But it does. So what are we, helpless? Puppets? No. The big moments are gonna come. You can't help that. It's what you do afterwards that counts. That's when you find out who you are.

Joss Whedon



New Year Update

The Tanner Gun Show would like to wish everyone a happy New Year. To say we are frustrated is probably an understatement; a couple of our neighboring states have allowed several thousand person gun shows without any health consequences.

We petitioned appropriate health officials with several ideas like spreading vendors out in the entirety of the Denver Mart, roping off part of the parking lot, and having some vendors outside or even a completely outdoor event, but each time local authorities insist on restrictions which make a show impossible.

We pursued litigation, but that would take months with significant legal fees. Unfortunately, we wait and cut our operating costs in order to survive. Tanner Gun Show will be back providing an essential resource, bigger and better than ever, hopefully sooner rather than later, as we truly miss our customers and world-class vendors.

Connect With Us And Stay Up-To-Date

We plan to communicate in a variety of ways as we organize our next round of shows. In addition to email, we are encouraging everyone to like our Facebook and Instagram pages to stay informed, as changes happen quickly. Additionally, if you like what we do, please share a 5-Star Review with us on Google; if it's not 5 Stars something must have not gone as we planned it, so feel free to email us your experience at tannergunshow@gmail.com so we can make it right.

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Still Need Firearms, Etc?

We have compiled a list of trusted vendors to keep you locked and loaded. It is up to the customer and vendor to adhere to state rules and the Tanner Gun Show is merely making connections during this time of need. These are the vendors who have completed the process to this point. If you are a vendor and would like to be included, please email tannergunshow@gmail.com.

[Trusted Vendors](#)

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million new gun owners buying just two boxes of ammunition each, that translates to 850 million cartridges. Federal Premium's Jason Vanderbrink spoke directly to customers to set the record straight. Rumors of secret warehouses or reduced production capacity just aren't true.

"We are doing our damndest to meet this demand," he said.

Jason Hornady of Hornady Ammunition echoed the same notion in his own video.

"The stuff that goes out today was literally put in a box yesterday," he said. "We've made one-third more than last year. Unfortunately, we don't have an extra factory laying around..."

This is true across the industry. It's what's made 2020 successful and what will set this industry up to meet demand across America in 2021.

Hear Massad Ayoob



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NRA Plans to Leave New York for Texas

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by F Riehl, Editor in Chief

Fairfax, VA – -(AmmoLand.com)-
The National Rifle Association of America (“NRA”) has announced it will restructure the Association as a Texas non-profit to exit what it believes is a corrupt political and regulatory environment in New York. The move will enable long-term, sustainable growth and ensure the NRA’s continued success as the nation’s leading advocate for constitutional freedom, free from the toxic political environment of New York.

The NRA plan, which involves utilizing the protection of the bankruptcy court, has the Association dumping New York and organizing its legal and regulatory matters in Texas. The move comes at a time when the NRA is in its strongest financial condition in years.

The NRA will continue confronting anti-Second Amendment activities, promoting firearm safety and training, and advancing public programs across the United States. There will be no immediate changes to the NRA’s operations or workforce.

The restructuring plan aims to streamline costs and expenses, proceed with pending litigation in a coordinated and structured manner, and realize many financial and strategic advantages.

The Path Forward

The NRA will move quickly through the restructuring process. Its day-to-day operations, training programs, and Second Amendment advocacy will continue as usual.

By exiting New York, where the NRA has been incorporated for approximately 150 years, the NRA abandons a state where elected officials have weaponized the legal



and regulatory powers they wield to penalize the Association and its members for purely political purposes.

In the summer of 2018, then New York Attorney General candidate Letitia James vowed that, if elected, she would use the powers of her office to investigate the “legitimacy” of the NRA.

Without a shred of evidence to support the claim, she called the Association a “terrorist organization” and a “criminal enterprise.” As promised, she commenced an “investigation” upon being elected to the Office of NYAG and, predictably, filed a lawsuit seeking to dissolve the NRA just prior to the November 2020 national election.

The NRA filed a lawsuit in August 2020 against the NYAG similar to its lawsuit against New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Department of Financial Services, filed in 2018. The NRA pursues the defendants for attempting to “blacklist” the organization and its financial partners in violation of their First Amendment rights. The NRA will continue those legal actions.

With respect to its headquarters, the NRA has formed a committee to

study opportunities for relocating segments of its business operations to Texas or other states. The Association will analyze whether a move of its headquarters, now located in Fairfax, Virginia, is in the best interests of its members. In the meantime, the NRA’s general business operations will remain in Fairfax.

NRA leadership approaches 2021 with renewed energy and an expanding national platform. This plan has no impact on the NRA’s most important goal: serving its membership and protecting the Second Amendment.

The NRA will propose a plan that provides for payment in full of all valid creditors’ claims. The Association expects to uphold commitments to employees, vendors, members, and other community stakeholders.

The plan allows the NRA to go forward with a renewed focus on Second Amendment advocacy,” says NRA President Carolyn Meadows. “We will continue to honor the trust placed in us by employees, members and other stakeholders – following a blueprint that allows us to become the strongest NRA ever known.”

Colorado Anti-Gunners Will Push Waiting Period, Safe Storage

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by Dave Workman

(AmmoLand.com)- Centennial State lawmakers are reportedly preparing legislation to mandate a waiting period for the purchase of a firearm, and a safe storage requirement.

The Colorado Sun reported that Democrat State Rep. Tom Sullivan will introduce the waiting period measure. It would prevent Coloradans from purchasing and taking possession of firearms on the same day, instead imposing a waiting period “potentially of five days,” the newspaper said. According to the report, Democrat Rep. Steve Woodrow of Denver is assisting Sullivan on the bill.

Sullivan is a gun control supporter and the father of a victim of the Aurora movie theater shooting in 2012. The killer in that case passed background checks.

But do waiting periods work? A detailed account of the period leading up to the Aurora shooting at Wikipedia suggests a waiting period would not have mattered. Killer James Holmes legally purchased



the guns he used in the July 20 mass shooting weeks before the attack. He bought a Glock pistol on May 22, 2012, and a Remington shotgun on May 28. On June 7, he purchased a Smith & Wesson semi-auto rifle. He was able to pass background checks all three times because he had no prior criminal record.

Another Democrat, Rep. Kyle Mullica of Northglenn, will reportedly introduce the safe storage measure. According to *The Colorado Sun*, his

bill “would impose fines and potentially even jail time on gun owners who don’t use a safe, trigger lock or cable lock when their weapons are being stored. It also would also require gun shops to distribute trigger or cable locks with every sale or transfer of a firearm.”

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Firearm Transport Protection Bill to Protect Travelers

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By Larry Keane

(AmmoLand.com)- Traveling between two dots on a map would become less worrisome for travelers transporting firearms if Congress listens to what U.S. Rep. Morgan Griffith (R-Va.) is offering. He’s introduced **H.R. 225**, a bill that would remove the legal pitfalls for interstate travel with firearms.

The difficulty for gun owners traveling with their firearm is that each state regulates firearm possession differently. Some states ban modern sporting rifles, posing a traveling obstacle to those firearm owners who need to

pass through that state to get to another.

This is a real concern for firearm owners who must drive or even stop on flights in states like Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, or Maryland. Traveling with a modern sporting rifle or standard magazines might not be an issue in New Hampshire but traveling with firearms through the corridor of those strict gun control states means navigating more than just road hazards. It’s weaving through legal hazards too.

This common situation unwittingly turns law-abiding Americans into

instant criminals, oftentimes without their knowledge or intention.

This circumstance is common with those in the trucking and transportation industry too, not just private citizens traveling across state lines.

Similar situations arise when hunters travel with their firearms on hunting excursions in other states. Should they be delayed at airports and required to stay overnight away from home, they may be vulnerable to similar inquiries and confiscation by local law enforcement. It just allows a traveler who is passing through to do so without fear of jail time.

JPFO - Take The American Gun Pledge

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by Alan Korwin

A long-time Jewish civil-rights group advises on the importance of sane personal gun policy as the U.S. political landscape evolves.

(AmmoLand.com)- At Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership, we are concerned that history tends to repeat itself.

Guns are widely recognized as among the most honorable human inventions of all time. Guns protect the weak and the innocent, are a basis for enforcement of just laws and help preserve traditions, values, and material goods of civilization. Firearms were a linchpin upon which the abundant freedoms of this great nation were established, becoming a model for the entire planet.

Guns are why America is still free, and they continue to serve to defend our borders and our allies, stop crime, save lives, and preserve the peace we have, every day of our lives. To wit take the pledge:



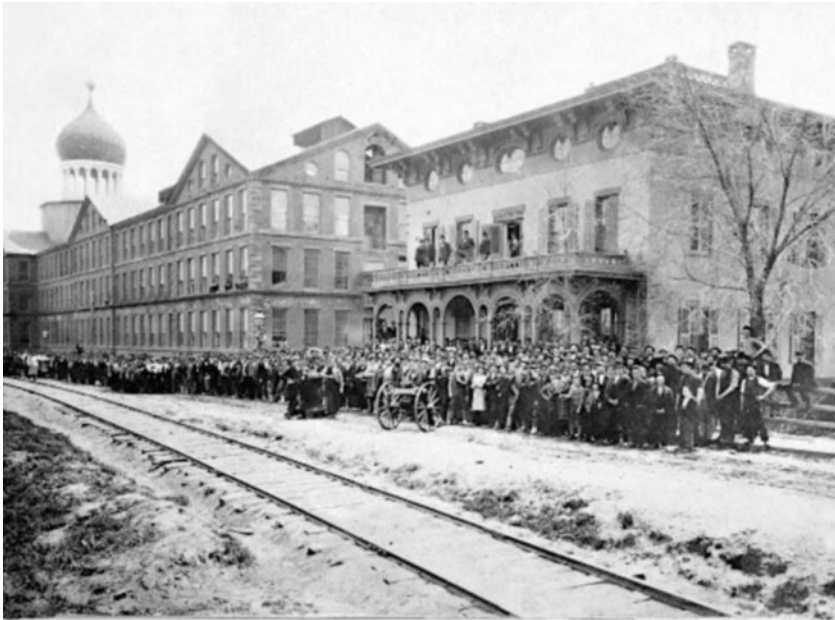
Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership, www.jpfo.org is America's most aggressive civil-rights organization, dedicated to destroying the notion of 'gun control' as any kind of credible public-policy position. So-called 'gun control' does not control guns and doesn't control criminal behavior. What it does is disarm the innocent, leaving them helpless in the face of criminals, tyrannical governments, and genocide.

History repeatedly proves this fact. Founded in 1989 by Aaron Zelman as a response to the Holocaust, JPFO speaks with the moral authority and tenacious commitment of survivors of persecution and knows that surrendering your personal and family safety to government protection courts disaster. You don't have to be Jewish to fight by our side, you just have to love liberty.

American Gun Pledge

As a gun owner I earn the respect of the community by always handling and using my personal firearms in a responsible and safe manner. I endeavor to learn about firearms from those who know more than I do, and to assist those who have yet to reach my level of understanding and competence. I encourage firearm safety education at every level in my community as a responsible course of action for inclusive civil participation.

As a responsible American gun owner, I strive to enhance the public perception of gun ownership through my personal conduct, community work, conservation awareness, charitable giving, ongoing education, diligent practice and through cooperation with law enforcement officials to reduce criminal activity. I proudly and publicly represent myself as a gun owner and work to keep gun ownership a respectable position of honor and good citizenship within our nation.



The CZ Group is in talks to acquire Colt. (Photo: Colt/Connecticut Historical Society Museum and Library)

CZ in Talks to Purchase Colt

The parent companies of CZ and Colt are nearing the end of negotiations that would have CZ take over Colt, one of America's iconic firearms manufacturers, after many years of financial problems. Both companies have agreed to initial terms, and intend to complete the transaction by the end of January.

Colt recently decided to stop making rifles for its consumer market, even as gun sales in the U.S. Have reached record levels. The loss of military contracts forced the company into bankruptcy, and it is currently restructuring.

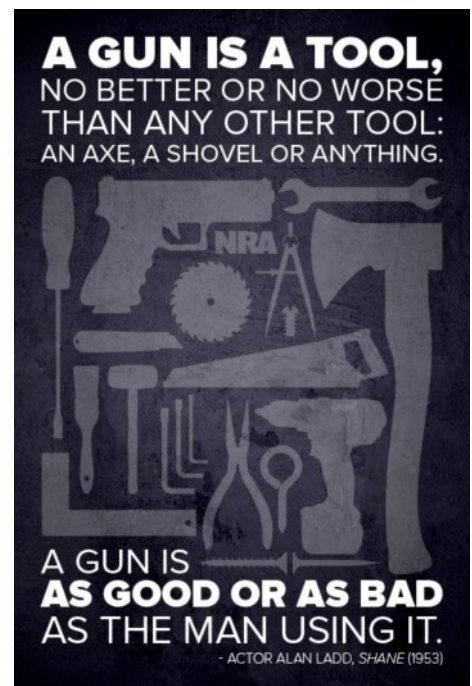
CZ, on the other hand, has been keeping up with market demands while continuing to supply a variety of new products and innovative designs.

Colt and CZ collaborated in the late 1990's on a .40 S&W pistol for police contracts based on the appearance and feel of a 1911. The planned purchase would go far beyond that venture. CZ bought Dan Wesson firearms in 2005, and has been able to revitalize the company while maintaining its legacy.

A Guide to Staying Safe From COVID

UNSAFE SAFE

Worshiping in small church	Rioting in massive crowd
Hugging Grandma	Screaming at Grandma outside Trump rally
Sporting event	Sporting event where athletes are kneeling in protest
Shopping at small businesses	Looting small businesses
Licking doorknobs	Licking doorknobs to protest systemic racism or something
Walking through restaurant without a mask	Sitting at table in same restaurant without a mask
Getting hair done if you're a filthy peasant	Getting hair done if you're Nancy Pelosi
Hanging out on Florida beach alone	Being locked inside New York nursing home
Going to funeral	Going to cemetery to harvest mail-in votes
Going outside and enjoying life	Staying inside and slipping into deep depression
Taking hydroxychloroquine	Letting Bill Gates inject you with the Mark of the Beast
Going to polling place to vote for Trump	Going to polling place to vote for Biden



Remember...

Remember in 2011 when tens of thousands of Democrats surged on the Wisconsin Capitol building in Madison and physically occupied it for more than two weeks? We were told, "This is what democracy looks like."

Remember in 2016 when Obama was President and hundreds of BLM blocked interstate highways and violently accosted police (even killing several)? We were told, "To assign the actions of one person to an entire movement is dangerous and irresponsible."

Remember in 2018 during the Kavanaugh hearings when a mob of Democrats stormed the U.S. Supreme Court building in Washington, DC, and pounded their fists in rage on the door. We were told, "It's understandable."

Remember this summer's riots in major cities across the country when groups of Democrats marched in the streets, set buildings on fire, looted businesses, assaulted and even killed bystanders and police? We were told, "These are mostly peaceful protests."

Remember when Democrats seized several blocks of the Capitol Hill neighborhood in downtown Seattle, declaring it an autonomous zone? Remember the guns, deaths and utter destruction? We were told, "It's a block party atmosphere."

Remember when a crazed mob gathered after the Republican National Convention and attacked Rand Paul, a sitting U.S. Senator? We were told, "No justice, no peace."

Remember how police were told to stand down, governors refused to call in the national guard, and Democrats paid bail for violent protesters who were arrested? We were told, "This is the only way oppressed people can be heard."

I have condemned violent protests and lawlessness every single time they've been reported. I condemn the actions of those who stormed the Capitol yesterday. But I refuse to condemn hundreds of thousands of peaceful protestors because a handful (52 arrested) chose to be lawless and to defy everything the vast majority of the crowd stood for. Conservatives are defenders of the Constitution, the police, and the rule of law. Because a relative few people decided to do something stupid doesn't nullify the concerns of the many.

The real culprit here? The mainstream media has been telling us for years that violence is the only way people who feel oppressed can be heard, it's the only way to get justice, and this is what democracy looks like. Apparently, a few who were in the crowd on Wednesday listened to them.

The inflammatory rhetoric of the Left caused this, and it's about time Democrats and the mainstream media took responsibility for dividing Americans and attempting to humiliate those who support the President or any conservative ideals. They have pushed people to the brink, even while claiming, "It's time for unity." It's time for careful reflection and change on all sides.

Written by Stu Bykofsky, former *Philadelphia Daily News* columnist, a Liberal



Being a New Gun Owner – What I Wish I Knew When I Started

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by Rob Morse

(AmmoLand.com)- These are strange times. Few of us thought we'd ever be here. This year, 8 million new gun owners joined the more than a hundred million existing firearms owners. We've all been that new guy at one time or another. Fortunately, there is a place for everyone in the gun culture. Here are some of the things I wish I knew when I chose a firearm and started learning self-defense.

Some of these steps are optional and some are mandatory. Rather than trying to tell you what to do and how to do it, I want to sketch out a broad map so you can find what you're looking for.

If I had one suggestion for new gun owners, it would be to not rush. Take it one step at a time.

Go slowly and learn great habits from the beginning. You don't need to know everything perfectly at each step, but it helps to avoid big mistakes that you have to unlearn later. Fortunately, each new step usually includes a review of the earlier material.

- The first steps have to start with the four rules of firearms safety. We'll return to these rules time after time.
- Practice safe gun handling and muzzle awareness. Gun handling is a skill, not a theory. Your instructor tells you what to do and then shows you the drill. You repeat the exercise and are corrected until you have it right. Now, you practice perfect performance on your own.
- Learn to load and unload your firearm. Yes, there are easy ways and hard ways, dangerous ways and safe ways. Learn how to tell if your gun is loaded.
- Here is another aspect of gun safety. Your gun belongs in your hand, in a holster, or stored safely. Learn about safe storage and the safe techniques to put your gun away. Is that gun in your safe empty and in storage, or loaded and "in use?"
- There are safe ways to move your empty gun between your range bag and the shooting bench



at the firing line. Pros will notice and appreciate when you do it right.

- Learn how to hold a gun. Details matter. Even after decades of training and practice, I continue to receive suggestions from my instructors on how to refine my grip. Think of it this way. Most of the shoes in the shoe store won't fit you. Most guns in the gun store won't fit you either. Find the guns that fit you and learn how to hold them.
- Learn how to shoot. That is built on grip, sight alignment, sight picture, and trigger press. Please listen to your instructor and forget what you saw on TV.
- Try some holsters and learn to carry a gun on your body. What I use might not fit you. What fits with one set of clothes might not work as you change the way you dress. Gun belts are cool. Did you know there are concealed carry fashion shows?
- Learn to present your firearm from an exposed holster. We call it an openly carried holster because it isn't concealed.
- The next thing you learn is how to put your gun back into your holster. You'll learn that with an empty gun, and then relearn it with a loaded gun.
- This is where you want a partner. Learn how to be a safety spotter for your shooting buddy. You want them to do the same for you.

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- Learn the safe ways to practice with an empty gun. That is called dry practice.
- Guns are heavy. Learn the compressed ready, low ready, and sul positions.
- Learn how to pick up a gun one-handed. Now, do it one-handed with your other hand.
- I know you think you're looking at the sights. Learn to call your shots and diagnose your mistakes. Where was the gun pointed when it went bang?
- Learn the legal use of lethal force.
- Study how to defend your family at home. This includes locking your doors, installing motion lights, hurricane glass near your doors, alarms, and camera doorbells.
- Learn how to carry concealed and to present your firearm from a concealed holster.
- Learn how to get a concealed carry permit if your state allows it. This probably includes where you may and may not carry your firearm in public.
- Learn how to defend yourself. How will you present your concealed firearm in close quarters?
- Learn how to defend your family in public. You win every fight you avoid. An ounce of prevention is worth much more than an ounce of lead.
- Learn how to shoot one-handed, to move with a gun, and to shoot on the move.
- Engage multiple targets in one string of fire. Learn to reload, though that is mostly a training exercise.
- Learn to use cover and concealment to keep from getting shot.
- Learn more than one gun. Shoot other models of firearms, like revolvers, rifles, and shotguns.
- Learn to shoot from unusual positions like kneeling, sitting, on your back, on your side, and rice paddy prone.
- How will you protect your gun, hang onto it, and get it back if someone grabs it? Learn close-quarters combat and weapons retention.
- Learn kinematic shooting at close quarters. This is also called point shooting or shooting by feel.
- Learn to hit a target that is 50 to 75 feet away. How much time does that take for each shot?

Since we want to save a life, learn first aid, and carry some basic supplies with you.

You don't have to take every step in order. The point is to know that there are next steps. You wouldn't learn to fly by watching some videos and getting into an airplane. Get real training on how to use your gun. YouTube and Instagram videos can be brilliant.. or garbage. Neither will look at what you're doing and correct your mistakes. That is exactly what instructors do every day and they get good at it. Give yourself a fair chance at success by taking good instruction.

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Safety Recall on Smith & Wesson M&P Shield EZ Pistols

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by AmmoLand Editor Duncan Johnson

(AmmoLand.com)- Smith & Wesson Inc. has identified two M&P Shield EZ Pistols on which the hammers manufactured by our supplier were cracked. In those firearms, the hammer failed to fully engage the sear, causing the round to fire, cycling the slide, and potentially resulting in multiple discharges without depressing the trigger. In all cases, the firearm will NOT fire unless the grip safety is depressed.

S&W has established this Safety Recall as a precautionary measure to ensure that all M&P Shield EZ Pistols in service meet our design specifications, as any

unintended discharge of a firearm has the potential to cause injury. This notice applies ONLY to M&P Shield EZ pistols (including Performance Center® models) manufactured between March 1, 2020, and October 31, 2020, and only to a small percentage of that population. It does NOT apply to all SHIELD™ pistols.

S&W is asking consumers of all M&P®9 Shield EZ, and M&P380 Shield EZ, including Performance Center models, to go to MPShieldEZrecall.com and input their serial number, or call 888-871-7114, to determine whether the hammer of their M&P Shield EZ Pistol was from a manufacturing lot that was potentially affected. This notice applies ONLY to certain M&P Shield EZ model pistols, and not all M&P Shield pistols.

Hoplophobia

Hoplophobia is a political neologism coined by retired American military officer Jeff Cooper as a pejorative to describe an "irrational aversion to weapons." It is also used to describe the "fear of firearms" or the "fear of armed citizens." Hoplophobia is listed simply as a phobia in some medical dictionaries as a fear of weapons or firearms.

Gallup: Gun Control Unpopular and Not a Priority for Americans

by AmmoLand Editor Jim Grant for NRA-ILA

(AmmoLand.com)- The latest results of Gallup's long-running gun issue polling are sure to upset gun control advocates. After a year of COVID-uncertainty, civil unrest, and record gun sales, support for further firearms restrictions has reached its lowest point since 2016.

The data shows exceedingly few Americans consider additional gun controls the most pressing issue facing the country. As Gallup was one of the few polling firms that did not disgrace itself during the 2020 elections, anti-gun activists should find the results all the more stinging.

Since 1990, Gallup has periodically asked Americans "In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are?" In early October 2020, a slim majority of 57 percent said gun controls should be "more strict," down from 67 percent in 2018. Those hoping that gun control laws would be "kept as they are," or are made "less strict," accounted for 34 and 9 percent, respectively.

Gallup's data makes short work of some of the more ludicrous claims peddled by gun control advocates and opportunistic political grifters. For almost a decade, dishonest gun control supporters have contended there is near-universal support for the criminalization of private firearm transfers – sometimes referred to as "universal background checks." Gallup's results directly controvert these specious claims; as do the results every time this gun control measure has been placed on the ballot. Through the 1990s and into the early 2000s, the measured support for stricter gun control routinely topped 60 percent and was sometimes measured above 70 percent.

SIG CROSS RECALL



NEWINGTON, N.H., (November 25, 2020) – Sig Sauer, Inc. has announced a safety recall for the CROSS Bolt-Action Rifle, and consumers should immediately discontinue use of the rifle. This recall applies to all CROSS Bolt-Action rifles currently manufactured.

Sig Sauer has viewed an online video that presents a single CROSS Bolt-Action Rifle with a potential safety concern. This gun has been returned to Sig Sauer and upon evaluation it has been confirmed that the rifle exhibited a delayed discharge after the trigger was pulled. Sig Sauer has decided to issue a safety recall in order to implement a modification to the firing action to address this potential safety concern.

To register for the recall process please visit sigsauer.com/crossrecall or call Sig Sauer Customer Service at 603-610-3000, option 1. Following registration Sig Sauer will further communicate with you to arrange for the return of your rifle to Sig Sauer for the safety improvement. All shipment and replacement costs will be covered by Sig Sauer.

Sig Sauer is committed to providing the highest quality, industry leading firearms in the marketplace and is requesting that consumers take immediate action and follow the recall process as described.

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AMMO FOR SALE

.357 Magnum - RELOADS

.40 Caliber - RELOADS

.44 Magnum - RELOADS

.308 Winchester -
RELOADS

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Who's Who in Firearms - Part 11

Small Arms Lexicon and Encyclopedias, Chester Mueller and John Olson, Shooter's Bible, South Hackensack, News Jersey, 1st Ed., 1968

Hugo S. Schmeisser - Designed a 9mm machine gun made in several models in 1917. It was used in World War II by Germany, Japan, and other European countries as a limited standard.

F.E. Schneider - Parisian who was granted an English patent in 1861 for the first widely-used center fire cartridge.

Otto Schoenauer - Austrian gun-maker and inventor. As Director of the Austrian Arms Factory in Steyr, Austria, in 1900 he collaborated with Ferdinand Ritter Von Mannlicher to develop a spool-type rotary magazine for what would become the Mannlicher-Schoenauer carbine.

Berthold Schwartz (c1310-1384) - Legendary German monk who was erroneously credited with inventing gunpowder. He was concerned with casting cannon and, as a result, experimented with gunpowder.

Christian Sharps (1811-1874) - American gunsmith who, in 1848, patented his basic breech loading mechanism with its drop block action. His design was used by several manufacturers. In 1863-1867 he produced the famous Sharps and Hankins carbines and rifles.

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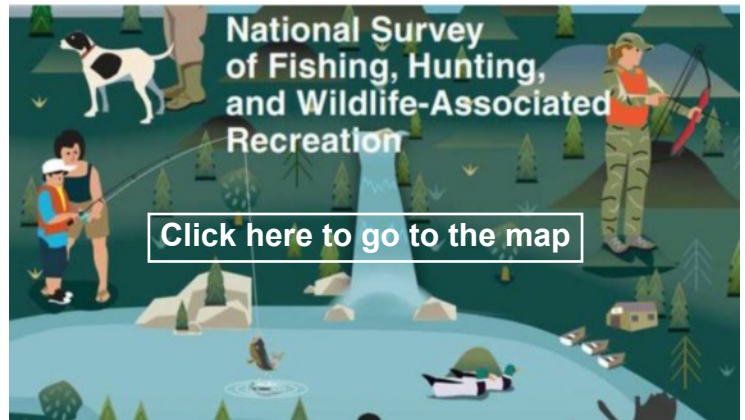
US Fish and Wildlife Service Releases Innovative New Recreation Map

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(AmmoLand.com)- Finding a place to shoot safely is now easier than ever thanks to a new interactive tool from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as part of its 83-year partnership with states, industry, and individual firearms users who help pay for wildlife and natural resource conservation, hunter education and public shooting ranges through the Wildlife Restoration Program.

The new map identifies a total of 623 ranges across the United States, including 183 archery ranges, 285 firearms ranges, and 155 archery and firearms combined shooting ranges, highlighting opportunities and access from California to Massachusetts. Ranges are operated by state wildlife and natural resource agencies.

This year, 859 hunting and fishing opportunities on national wildlife refuges were opened or expanded which, added to last year's figures, total more than 4 million



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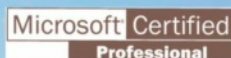
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Big 5 Sporting Goods – <http://big5sportinggoods.com/store/>
Black Hills Shooters Supply - <http://www.bhshooters.com>
Brownells - <http://www.brownells.com>
Buffalo Arms Co. - <http://www.buffaloarms.com>
Cabela's – <https://www.cabelas.com>
Cave Armor Gun Safes – <http://cavearmor.com/>
CDNN Sports – <https://www.cdnnsports.com/>
Cheaper Than Dirt – <https://www.cheaperthandirt.com/>
Dixie Gun Works - <http://www.dixiegunworks.com>
Fix-It-Sticks Tools – <https://store.fixitsticks.com/>
Grab-A-Gun Gun Sales – <http://grabaqun.com>
Graf & Sons, Inc. - <http://www.grafs.com>
Gun Broker – <https://www.gunbroker.com/>
Gun Mag Warehouse - <https://gunmagwarehouse.com>
Guns.com (gun sales + newsletter) – <http://guns.com>
Hardshell FZE - <https://www.hardshell.ae/>
MidwayUSA – <http://midwayusa.com>
Natchez Shooting Supplies – <http://natchezss.com>
Northwoods Shooting Sports –
<http://www.northwoodshootingssports.com/>
Ohio Ordnance Works - <http://www.ohioordnanceworks.com>
Palmetto State Armory - <http://www.palmettostatearmory.com>
Prolix - <http://www.prolixlubricant.com>
Sinclair International, Inc. - <http://www.sinclairintl.com>
Smith & Alexander - <http://www.smithandalexander.com>
Sportsman's Guide – <https://www.sportsmansguide.com/>
Sportsman's Warehouse – <https://www.sportsmans.com/>
The Shooter's Box – <http://www.theshootersbox.com/>
Target Barn – <https://www.targetbarn.com/>
The Gear Hunt – <https://thegearhunt.com>

Gun Parts

Bravo Company USA - <http://www.bravocompanyusa.com>
BuyMilSurp - <http://www.buymilsurp.com>
Huber Concepts - <http://www.huberconcepts.com>
Mag-Na-Port Intl. - <http://www.magnaport.com>
Military Gun Supply - <http://www.militarygunsupply.com>
Pacific Canvas & Leather - <http://pacificcanvasandleather.com>
RTG Parts - <http://www.robertrtg.com>
Sarco, Inc. - <http://www.sarcoinc.com>
Springfield Sporters, Inc. - <http://www.sporters.com>
TG International - <http://www.tguns.com>
VTI Replica Gun Parts - <http://www.vtgunparts.com>

Grips & Gun Stocks

Alumagrips - <http://www.alumagrips.com>
Altamont Co. - <http://www.altamontco.com>
Boyd's Gunstock Industries - <http://www.boydsgunstocks.com>
Donson Products - <http://www.dsplaser.com>
Eagle Grips - <http://www.eaglegrips.com>
Gunstock Blanks - <http://www.gunstockblanks.com>
Herrett's Stocks - <http://www.herrett-stocks.com>

Hogue - <http://www.getgrip.com>
Jack First Gun Shop - <http://www.jackfirstgun.com>
Nill-Grips - <http://www.nill-grips.com>
Numrich Gun Parts - <http://www.gunpartscorp.com>
Pachmayr - <http://www.pachmayr.com>
Pearce Grip - <http://www.pearcegrip.com>
Tiger-Hunt - <http://www.gunstockwood.com>
Wicked Grips - <http://www.wickedgrips.com>

Manufacturers

Beretta USA – <http://www.beretta.com/en-us/>
Bersa – Eagle Imports – <https://bersa.eagleimportsinc.com/>
Browning North America – <https://www.browning.com/>
Bushmaster Firearms – <https://www.bushmaster.com/>
Colt Manufacturing – <https://colt.com/>
Christianson Arms - <https://christensenarms.com>
CVA – <https://cva.com/>
CZ-USA – <https://cz-usa.com/>
Glock USA – <https://us.glock.com/en>
HK – Heckler & Koch USA – <https://hk-usa.com/>
Henry Repeating Arms – <https://www.henryusa.com/>
Kahr Arms – <https://www.kahr.com/>
Kimber America – <https://www.kimberamerica.com/>
Marlin Firearms – <https://www.marlinfirearms.com/>
Mossberg – <https://www.mossberg.com/>
Remington Arms – <https://www.remington.com/>
Ruger Firearms – <https://ruger.com/>
Savage Arms – <https://savagearms.com/>
Sig Sauer – <https://www.sigsauer.com>
Smith & Wesson – <https://www.smith-wesson.com/>
Springfield Armory – <https://www.springfield-armory.com/>
Taurus USA – <https://www.taurususa.com>
Thompson/Center – <https://www.tcarms.com/firearms>

Newsletters and Publications

A&J Arms Booksellers - <http://ajarmsbooksellers.com>
AR-15 Newsletter - <http://ar15.com>
Art of the Rifle - <https://artoftherifle.com/>
Accurate Shooter – <http://accurateshooter.com>
Ammoland News Aggregator – <http://www.ammoland.com>
Avalon Forge - <http://www.avalonforge.com>
Bev Fitchett - <https://www.bevfitchett.us>
Blue Book Publications - <http://www.bluebookinc.com>
Chuck Hawks - <http://www.chuckhawks.com>
Everyday Marksman – <http://everydaymarksman.co>
FMG Publications - <http://www.fmgpublications.com>
F+W Publications - <http://gundigeststore.com>
Gun Digest – <http://gundigest.com>
Gun News Daily – <https://gunnewsdaily.com/>
Guns America – <http://gunsamerica.com>
Gun Pros - <https://gunpros.com>
Hunting Wire - <http://www.huntingwire.com>
IDSA Books - <http://idsabooks.com>
K-Var – <http://k-var.com>
Mowbray Publishing - <http://www.manalarmsbooks.com>
My Gun Culture – <http://mygunculture.com>

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North Cape Publications - <http://www.northcapepubs.com>
Pew Tactical – <http://pewpewtactical.com>
Recoil Magazine (from Gun Digest) -
<http://www.recoilweb.com>
Recoil OffGrid Magazine - <https://www.offgridweb.com>
Rifle Craft - <https://www.rifle-craft.com>
Schiffer Publishing - <http://www.schifferbooks.com>
Skyhorse Publishing - <http://www.skyhorsepublishing.com>
Tactical Hyve - <https://tacticalhyve.com/>
the loaded mag - <http://theloadedmag.com>

Organizations/Clubs

Ben Lomond Gun Club, Elbert County, Colorado –
<https://www.blgc.org/>
Buffalo Creek Gun Club, Bailey, Colorado –
<https://www.bcgc.com/>
Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) – <http://cmp.org>
Colorado Gun Collectors Association (CGCA) –
<http://www.cgca.com/>
Colorado Firearms Safety Coalition -
<http://coloradofirearmsafetycoalition.org>
Colorado State Shooting Association (CSSA) –
<http://www.cssa.org>
Concealed Nation – <http://concealednation.org>
Firearms Coalition - <https://firearmscoalition.org/>
Gun Owners of America (GOA) – <http://www.gunowners.org>
National Association for Gun Rights (NAGR) –
<https://nationalgunrights.org/>
National Rifle Association (NRA) – <http://nramedia.org>
National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) – <http://nssf.org>
Rocky Mountain Gun Owners (RMGO) – <https://rmgo.org/>
Texas State Rifle Association (TSRA) – <https://tsra.com/>
United States Concealed Carry Assn. (USCCA) –
<http://uscca.org>
USA Shooting Team – <https://www.usashooting.org/>

Politics/Gun Control

Colorado General Assembly – <http://leg.colorado.gov>
Contact Your Elected Officials - <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials/>

Gun Control and Second Amendment Issues

Arbalest Quarrel - <http://www.arbalestquarrel.com>
Crime Prevention Research Center - Dr. John Lott, Ph.D. -
<http://www.crimeresearch.org>
Handgun Law USA – <http://www.handgunlaw.us/>
NRA Institute for Legal Action (NRA-ILA) –
<https://www.nraila.org/>
Second Amendment Foundation - <http://www.saf.org>
2nd Amendment Learning Guide –
<https://www.daytonohlawyer.com/blog/2018/10/2nd-amendment-learning-guide/>

Prepping/Survival Skills

Archery Guide - <http://www.completeguidetoarchery.com>
Survival Still – <http://survivalstill.com>

Shows/Exhibitions

Colorado Gun Collectors Assn. – <http://www.cgca.com>
Tanner Gun Show – <http://tannergunshow.com>

Social Media/Podcasts

Down Range Radio –
<http://www.downrange.tv/blog/category/down-range-radio/>
Guns and Ham/Amateur Radio –
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1101562313308836/>
Gun Talk Media – <https://quntalk.com/>
The Gun Nation Podcast – <http://www.gunnation.us/>

Airguns

Airsoft Station Guide for Scouts BSA shooting programs –
<https://www.airsoftstation.com/content/resources/boy-scout-airsoft-rifle-safety-information.html>
<https://airgunstation.com/resources/all-about-air-guns/>
American Airguns – <http://www.airguns.net/index.php>
Get Airsoft Gun Blog - <https://getairsoftgun.com/>

Ammunition

Ammo.com – <https://ammo.com/>
Ammo For Sale – <http://https://www.ammo4sale.com/>
Ammo To Go – <https://www.ammunitiontogo.com/>
ASYM Precision Ammunition - <http://asymammo.com>
Barnes Bullets - <http://barnesbullets.com>
Black Hills Ammunition - <http://www.black-hills.com>
CCI - <http://www.cci-ammunition.com>
Corbon Dakota Ammo, Inc. - <http://www.corbon.com>
Doubletap Ammunition - <http://doubletapammo.com>
Federal Cartridge Co. - <http://federalpremium.com>
Fiocchi Ammunition - <http://fiocchiusa.com>
Hornady - <http://www.hornady.com>
Missouri Bullets - <http://missouribullet.com>
Montana Bullet Works - <http://montanabulletworks.com>
PMC Ammunition - <http://pmcammo.com>
Remington Arms - <http://www.remington.com>
Sierra Bullets - <http://sierrabullets.com>
Wilson Combat - <http://www.wilsoncombat.com>
Winchester Ammunition - <http://www.winchester.com>

Reloading

Boomers Bullet Moulds - <http://boomersmoulds.com>
C&H/4D Dies - <http://www.ch4d.com>
Colorado Brass – <http://www.coloradooncefiredbrass.com>
Forster Products - <http://forsterproducts.com>

Online Resources for Shooters - 3

How to Reload Ammo: Basic Equipment –

<https://www.ammoland.com/2012/09/how-to-reload-ammunition/#axzz2jgtuZpZs>
Graf & Sons Reloading - <http://grafs.com>
Huntingdon Die Specialties - <http://www.huntingtons.com>
Lee Precision - <http://leeprecision.com>
Lyman Products - <http://lymanproducts.com>
M.D. Smith's Reloading – <http://www.reloadammo.com/>
Precision Reloading - <http://www.precisionreloading.com>
Products for the Beginning Reloader –
<https://www.midwayusa.com/how-to-guides/beginning-reloader>
RCBS - <http://www.rcbs.com>
Redding Reloading Equipment - <http://redding-reloading.com>
Reloading Your Own Ammo –
<https://www.gunsamerica.com/digest/how-to-get-started-reloading-ammunition/>
Smartreloader Products - <http://www.smartreloader-usa.com>
Starline Brass - <http://www.starlinebrass.com>
Speer Ammo - <http://www.speer-bullets.com>
Top Brass - <http://www.topbrass-inc.com>
Widener's Reloading & Shooting Supply - <http://wideners.com>
X-Reload - <http://x-reload.com>

Bullseye/Action Shooting

The Encyclopedia of Bullseye Pistol –
<http://www.bullseyepistol.com/>
NRA Competition Rules (rev. 2018) –
<https://compete.nra.org/documents/pdf/compete/RuleBooks/Pistol/pistol-book.pdf>
NRA Precision Pistol Competition –
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NRA_Precision_Pistol

Black Powder Guns

Beauchamp & Son Flintlocks etc. - <http://www.flintlocksetc.com>
Dixie Gun Works - <http://www.dixiegunworks.com>
Navy Arms - <http://www.navyarms.com>
S&S Firearms - <http://www.ssfirearms.com>
Traditions Performance - <http://www.traditionsfirearms.com>

Gun Safety

NRA Eddie Eagle Program for Primary-3rd Grade –
<https://eddieeagle.nra.org/information-for-parents.asp>
NRA Refuse To Be A Victim Promotional Video –
<https://rtbav.nra.org/promotional-video.aspx>
Youth Gun Safety – <https://ammo.com/articles/parents-guide-to-gun-safety>

Gunsmithing

American Gunsmithing – Training Courses –
<http://americangunsmith.com>
Colorado School of Trades – <http://schooloftrades.edu>

Do-It-Yourself

Accurate Shooter –
<http://bulletin accurateshooter.com/2008/12/gunsmithing-reference-articles-for-home-smiths/>
Checkering the 1911 Frontstrap – Steve Locatelli, CCGC –
<http://cherrycreekgunclub.org/skills/documents/CHECKERING%20THE%201911%20FRONTSTRAP-wpf.htm>

Maintenance/Cleaning

BING Search – Gun Maintenance Videos –
<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=gun+maintenance&qpvt=gun+maintenance&FORM=VDRE>

Scopes/Optics

E. Arthur Brown Co. – How to Choose a Hunting Rifle Scope –
<https://www.eabco.com/Reports/report01.html>
Nikon Spot On Scopes –
<http://spoton.nikonspotoptics.com/spoton/spoton.html#Index:4>
On Target Enterprises LLC – How to Use a Scope –
<http://www.ontargetcfl.com/howtoscope.html>
US Optics – Practical Long-Range Rifle Shooting –
<http://demiagodllc.com/articles/practical-long-range-rifle-shooting-optics/?p=1>

Training/Techniques

Able Shepard Training - <https://ableshepherd.com/>
Colorado Parks & Wildlife – Hunter Education –
<https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterEducation.aspx>
Family Shooting Center, Cherry Creek State Park –
<http://www.familyshootingcenter.com/>
Foothills Firearm Instruction – Brett Denison, CCGC –
<http://www.foothillsfirearminstruction.com/>
Law Enforcement Services LLC – Basic Pistol Shooting Techniques –
<http://www.lawenforcementservices.biz/Web%20Page%20Graphics/Basic%20Pistol%20Shooting%20Techniques.pdf>

