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## Curio & Relic/C&R Information for Collectors

**Quite a perfect storm of events**—the I-594 requirements that ended easy transfers by collectors, the I-1639 changes to background checks that have invalidated the Concealed Pistol License as a document allowing pistol transfers at the shows and stopping same-day transfers of semiauto rifles; and then the Covid-19 virus that closed public events. There is really only one way for a collector to continue to really enjoy future shows and personal collecting—become Federally licensed with a Curio & Relic license (C&R).

The C&R license is a Federal Type 3 firearm license that backgrounds you as a licensee thus allowing you to buy and sell collectible firearms without repetitive background checks or paperwork. Washington State law also recognizes the C&R as a Federal Firearms License that exempts the licensee from additional background checks when purchasing collectible firearms. The application is simple and costs only \$30.

- **A 50 year old firearm is a Curio or Relic**—A firearm manufactured 50 years ago is defined by ATF as a curio or relic. Some specific firearms such as short barrel rifles, machine guns, NFA firearms and others are not C&R firearms and will have other regulatory requirements.
- **An ATF-listed firearm is a Curio or Relic**—ATF lists a number of firearms that have been specifically granted C&R status regardless of age and this publication is available at: [www.atf.gov/resource-center/docs/p-5300-11-firearms-curios-or-relics-listpdf-0/download](http://www.atf.gov/resource-center/docs/p-5300-11-firearms-curios-or-relics-listpdf-0/download)
- **Washington State RCW 9.41.113**—The following sections of Washington law contain the exemption from background checks for C&R licensees:
  - Section (27) *“Curio or Relic” has the same meaning as provided in 274 C.F.R. Sec. 478.11.5.*
  - Section (28) *“Licensed Collector means a person who is federally licensed under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923(b).*
  - Section (4) *This section does not apply to: (i)A sale or transfer when the purchaser or transferee is a licensed collector and the firearm being sold or transferred is a curio or relic.*
- **ATF additional information**—<https://www.atf.gov/qa-category/collectors>
- **Out of state transfers OK**—The C&R license allows interstate transfers of C&R firearms by the licensee. A Federal C&R licensee may order and received C&R firearms from other states. An Oregon or Idaho resident or resident of any other state, who is a WAC member and has a C&R license, may directly acquire C&R firearms at Washington WAC events.
- **Transfer to ineligible persons is prohibited**—ATF provides the following directions: *“Are transfers of curio or relic firearms by licensed collectors subject to the NICS background check requirements? No. However, it is unlawful for any person to transfer a firearm to any person knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that such person is a felon or is within any other category of person prohibited from receiving or possessing firearms.”*
- **Antiques are not C&R firearms and no background checks are required**—Washington law defines antique firearms as follows: *“Antique firearm” means a firearm **or replica** of a firearm not designed or redesigned for using rim fire or conventional center fire ignition with fixed ammunition and manufactured in or before 1898, including any matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system and also any firearm using fixed ammunition manufactured in or before 1898, for which ammunition is no longer manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of commercial trade.* Federal law defines antique firearms using similar language. A C&R license is not required for the transfer of an antique firearm. Background checks through an FFL dealer are not required for the transfer of antiques.

This informational sheet summarizes and quotes statutes but is not legal opinion or advice. You are responsible for complying with all Federal and State laws regarding the transfer of firearms. **-GN-**

## Legislation & Politics



**Joe Waldron**  
Legislative Chairman

(Short column this month. Election coming up and too many distractions going on.)

### ELECTION 2020

The first order of business has to be the upcoming election cycle. The 2020 Washington state primary election is less than a month away – 4 August – and ballots will be in the mail in a couple of weeks. The general election follows in just four months. I've said it before and I'll say it again, this is likely the most critical election cycle of our lifetimes. In 2008, Barack Obama promised “fundamental change” to the U.S. and he went a long way in achieving that. A Democrat takeover of the system in November's election will complete that transformation. Within four years the United States as we knew it will never exist again. (Yeah, I know—I'm an old white male clinging to my Bible and my guns.)

Elsewhere in the issue you'll find a list of recommended candidates for the primary election. Recall that Washington uses the so-called “jungle primary” (sound like any cities you know?), where the top two vote-getters end up on the November ballot. No longer one each, Democrat and Republican. That system has some pluses and minuses but it doesn't matter. It is what it is.

A lot of No recommendations” running—too many. Mostly no Republicans running in a Democrat-leaning district. C'mon, guys, put up a fight! Make them spend campaign money! I only covered the state Supreme Court judicial races. There are judicial races in most counties, for local courts or Courts of Appeal. The best way to choose among them is to visit their campaign web site and look at who has endorsed them. If their endorsers are your kind of people, go for it. If not, don't.

Most election cycles, my research focuses on which candidates can be relied on to support the rights of gun owners. This year, it's a little different. My number one goal this year is to assist Republicans to take control of at least one chamber – House or Senate. That provides a firewall against extremist gun control. Republican leadership in Washington has been consistently pro-gun. About the time I left Washington in the mid-2000's is when Democrats took over both the Senate and House. Yeah, go ahead and blame me. Things have gone downhill ever since, not just on guns. This is what one-party control gives you, from the governor's mansion on down. What are YOU going to do about that?

I was shocked to see the results of the 2018 primary election. Democrat advances everywhere. And true to form, the primary is a dress rehearsal for the general. Democrats won big in November as well. The handwriting was clearly on the wall—Republicans, conservatives and especially gun owners just gave up. What you've experienced the past two years is the result. And if you behave the same way, expect many more years of it. (For the record, I'm a registered Independent – have been since I first registered to vote in 1967. My conscience feels better that way.)

I get tired of hearing “my vote doesn't count.” The Hell it doesn't. The only vote that doesn't count is the one that isn't cast. How much easier can they make it? Put an “X” in the correct boxes, sign it, stick it in the envelope AND DROP IT IN THE MAIL BOX OR PUT IT WITH OUTGOING MAIL. IT'S ALREADY STAMPED!

### FIREARM SALES REMAIN UP

Header says what needs to be said. Firearm sales are still booming, so to speak.

### MINNEAPOLIS ON FIRE

Justice will take its course, just as it did three years ago when a black Minneapolis police officer shot and killed an unarmed white woman. That officer was eventually sentenced to prison. This is not the focus of *GunNews*.

But readers should be advised that many state laws allow for increased regulation of and restrictions on firearms during a declared state of emergency; primarily these emergency laws restrict where and when you can have firearms. That's not my view of the Second Amendment but that's the way the law reads in some places. Washingtonians just went through a gun shop shutdown (well, most of them anyway) thanks to Covid-19, and good luck getting your fingerprints taken for a CPL application. Fortunately fingerprints are NOT required for renewal!

Up until a short time ago, firearm possession outside the home or place of business in Washington during a declared state of emergency COULD BE prohibited. That provision was removed from state law. But if you're a traveler and carrying in a state that offers reciprocal privileges for your CPL, remember it is YOUR responsibility to know the laws of the state in which you are carrying. Always check before you travel, and if things happen while you're on the road, crank up your smartphone or tablet and review the laws. And then don't drive into a riot zone to “look-and-see.”

Defensive shooting situations are best avoided. As I recall, in his book “No Second Place Winner,” Border Patrol Chief Inspector and retired Marine Reserve Major Bill Jordan was asked what gun he would carry if he knew he was going to get into a gunfight that day. Jordan, survivor of several real gunfights, responded, “If I knew I was going to get into a gunfight? I'd call in sick that day.” Wise man.

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## **2020 PRIMARY ELECTION RECOMENDATIONS**

### **FEDERAL**

Cong Dist 1 Jeffrey Beeler Sr (R)  
Cong Dist 2 Tim Hazelo (R)  
Cong Dist 3 Jaime Herrera Beutler (R)  
Cong Dist 4 Dan Newhouse (R)  
Cong Dist 5 Cathy McMorris-Rodgers (R)  
Cong Dist 6 Stephen Brodhead (R)  
Cong Dist 7 Craig Keller (R)  
Cong Dist 8 Keith Swank (R)  
Cong Dist 9 Doug Basler (R)  
Cong Dist 10 Jackson Maynard (R)

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Supreme Ct Pos 5 Greg Zempel  
Supreme Ct Pos 6 Dave Larson

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Leg Dist 1  
Senate Art Coday (R)  
Pos 1 Adam Bartholomew (R)  
Pos 2 Jeb Brewer  
Leg Dist 2  
Senate Jim McCune (R)  
Pos 1 Andrew Barkis (R)

Pos 2 J. T. Wilcox (R)  
Leg Dist 3  
Senate Dave Lucas (R)  
Pos 1 Laura Carder (R)  
Pos 2 Bob Apple (R)  
Leg Dist 4  
Senate Mike Padden (R)  
Pos 1 Bob McCaslin (R)  
Pos 2 Leonard Christian (R)  
Leg Dist 5  
Senate No recommendation  
Pos 1 Ken Moninski (R)  
Pos 2 No recommendation  
Leg Dist 6  
Pos 1 Mike Volz (R)  
Pos 2 Jenny Graham (R)  
Leg Dist 7  
Pos 1 Jacquelin Maycumber (R)  
Pos 2 Joel Kretz (R)  
Leg Dist 8  
Pos 1 Brad Klippert (R)  
Pos 2 Matt Boehnke (R)  
Leg Dist 9  
Senate Mark Schoiesler (R)  
Pos 1 Mary Dye (R)  
Pos 2 Joe Schmick (R)  
Leg Dist 10  
Senate Ron Muzzall (R)  
Pos 1 Greg Gilday (R)  
Pos 2 Bill Bruch (R)  
Leg Dist 11  
Senate No recommendation  
Pos 1 Jay Stark (None)  
Pos 2 Sean Atchison (R)

Leg Dist 12  
Senate Brad Hawkins (R)  
Pos 1 Keith Goehner (R)  
Pos 2 Mike Steele (R)  
Leg Dist 13  
Pos 1 Tom Dent (R)  
Pos 2 Alex Ybarra (R)  
Leg Dist 14  
Senate Curtis King (R)  
~~Pos 1 Chris Conny (R)~~  
Pos 2 Gina Mosbrucker (R)  
Leg Dist 15  
Pos 1 Bruce Chandler (R)  
Pos 2 Jeremie Dufault (R)  
Leg Dist 16  
Senate Perry Dozier (R)  
~~Pos 1 Mark Klicker (R)~~  
Pos 2 Skyler Rude (R)  
Leg Dist 17  
Senate Lynda Wilson (R)  
Pos 1 Vicki Kraft (R)  
Pos 2 Paul Harris (R)  
Leg Dist 18  
Senate Ann Rivers (R)  
Pos 1 Brandon Vick (R)  
Pos 2 Larry Hoff (R)  
Leg Dist 19  
Senate Dean Takko (D)  
Pos 1 Jim Walsh (R)  
Pos 2 Brian Blake (D)  
Leg Dist 20  
Senate John Braun (R)  
Pos 1 Peter Abbarno (R)  
Pos 2 Ed Orcutt (R)  
Leg Dist 21

Pos 1 Brian Thompson (R)  
Pos 2 Amy Schaper (R)  
Leg Dist 22  
Senate Gary Holland (R)  
Pos 1 J. D. Ingram (R)  
Pos 2 Dusty Pierpoint (R)  
Leg Dist 23  
Senate Pam Madden-Boyer (R)  
Pos 1 April Ferguson (R)  
Pos 2 Elaina Gonzalez-Blanton (R)  
Leg Dist 24  
Senate Connie Beauvais (R)  
Pos 1 Sue Forde (R)  
Pos 2 Brian Pruiett (R)  
Leg Dist 25  
Senate Chris Gildon (R)  
Pos 1 Kelly Chambers (R)  
Pos 2 Cyndy Jacobsen (R)  
Leg Dist 26  
Pos 1 Jesse Young (R)  
Pos 2 Michelle Caldier (R)  
Leg Dist 27  
Senate Kyle Paskewitz (R)  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 Barry Knowles (I)  
Leg Dist 28  
Senate Steve O'Ban (R)  
Pos 1 Kevin Ballard (R)  
Pos 2 Jamie Michaud (R)  
Leg Dist 29  
Pos 1 Koshim Mohamed Fidaar (R)  
Pos 2 Terry Harder (R)  
Leg Dist 30  
Pos 1 Martin Moore (R)  
Pos 2 Mark Greene (R)

Leg Dist 31  
Pos 1 Drew Stokesbary (R)  
Pos 2 Eric E. Robertson (R)  
Leg Dist 32  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 No recommendation  
Leg Dist 33  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 Marliza Melzer (L)  
Leg Dist 34  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 No recommendation  
Leg Dist 35  
Pos 1 Dan Griffey (R)  
Pos 2 Drew C, MacEwen (R)  
Leg Dist 36  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 No recommendation  
Leg Dist 37  
Pos 1 John Dickinson (No party)  
Pos 2 Stephen Richter (R)  
Leg Dist 38  
Senate Bernard Moody (R)  
Pos 1 Bert Johnson (R)  
Pos 2 David Wiley (L)  
Leg Dist 39  
Senate Keith Wagoner (R)  
Pos 1 Robert J. Sutherland (R)  
Pos 2  
Leg Dist 40  
Senate Charles Carrell (R)  
Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 Russ Dzialo (R)  
Leg Dist 41  
Senate Mike Nykreim (R)

Pos 1 No recommendation  
Pos 2 Al Rosenthal (R)  
Leg Dist 42  
Pos 1 Luanne Van Werven (R)  
Pos 2 Jennifer Sefzik (R)  
Leg Dist 43  
Pos 1 Leslie Klein (R)  
Pos 2 No recommendation  
  
Leg Dist 44  
Pos 1 John T. Kartak (R)  
Pos 2 Mark A. James (R)  
Leg Dist 45  
Pos 1 John P. Gibbons (R)  
Pos 2 Amber Krabach (R)  
Leg Dist 46  
Pos 1 Eric J. Brown (R)  
Pos 2 Beth Daranciang (R)  
Leg Dist 47  
Pos 1 Kyle Lyebedyev (R)  
Pos 2 Ted Cooke (R)  
Leg Dist 48  
Pos 1 Victor H. Bishop (R)  
Pos 2 Tim J. Hickey (R)  
Leg Dist 49  
Senate Rey Reynolds (R)  
Pos 1 Justin Forsman (R)  
Pos 2 Park Llafet (R)

## Register & Vote



# The Red 9–Mauser C96 Prussian Contract

A Photo Essay By Bill Hunt, GunNews Art Director

I bought this Mauser C96 pistol from longtime friend and fellow varmint hunter, Irv Benzion. Irv was the original Editor of the *GunNews* magazine for the Washington Arms Collectors. I wanted a 'Red 9' from the same era as my paternal grandfather who had been born in Hannover in 1866 just as it was being absorbed into Prussia. Irv was kind enough to sell me his.

This particular firearm is part of the original 1916/17 Prussian Contract. 150,000 were ordered – about 136,000 were delivered by the time the war ended in 1918. This example is a numbers-matching firearm with the German military proof marks on the left side barrel flat and the Prussian Eagle (image A) on the front of the magazine. The proof marks on the left side of the gun are the double crown over U proofs of the Oberndörf proof house. All Broomhandles typically have these marks. A small proof mark on the other side is what a collector really wants; this is the military acceptance stamp (image B) and it indicates that this pistol was accepted into Prussian military service in WWI.

While many collectors are familiar with Mauser Broomhandles and their copies, the Red 9 version is especially desirable because of its military history and the unique marking of the wooden stocks.

**Editor's Note:** In order to take advantage of Bill Hunt's superb photographs, I have placed this photo essay on color pages 8,9, 16,17. Please excuse the break in page continuity—the photos are worth it.

**Title Page—**

Here's the Red 9 with correct cleaning rod and loaded stripper clip.

**Right—**Bolt to the rear, stripper clip inserted, ready to load.



**Below—**A macro view of the backstrap, hammer and the very German serial numbering of the various parts. The fine condition of this pistol is apparent in the close-up photos.



*Photos continue on p. 16-17*

# The Chinese .45 ACP Broomhandle

By J.W. "Woody" Mathews, WAC



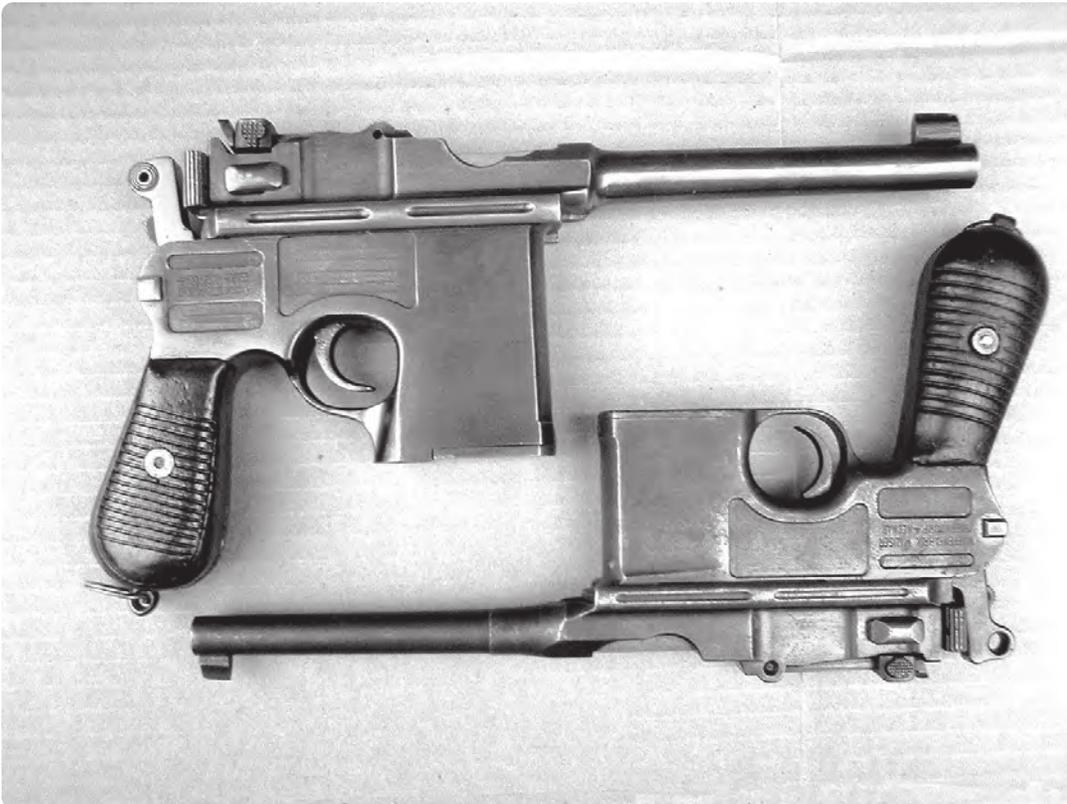
**T**he C96 ("Broomhandle") Mauser pistol became very popular in China, especially during the 1920's when feuding warlords and their private armies were actively vying for power. In fact, many copies of the pistols were made in China, with quality ranging from extremely poor to about decent.

The most unusual Chinese Broomhandle, however, is not an original-size copy in either 7.63 or 9mm caliber. The Chinese were also very fond of the Thompson submachine gun which was of course .45 ACP; someone in authority decided they should make a pistol in the same caliber as the Thompson—.45 ACP. But they did not copy the Browning M1911—they copied the Broomhandle!

Sometime around the year 1930, the Shansei Arsenal built several thousand broomhandles in .45 ACP. Like the .30 caliber pistols, the .45's had 5.5" barrels, but were much larger in all other respects. A

standard Broomhandle has a maximum width of an inch and weighs 40 oz., whereas the .45's magazine section is an inch wide with a maximum width over the barrel extension (receiver) of 1-3/8" and the pistol weighs about 57 ounces, slightly over 3.5 pounds. This is a massive handgun. There are but a few conventional-design handguns heavier: The old Colt Walker/Dagoon percussion revolvers, cartridge revolvers chambered for large rifle cartridges, some S&W X-frame revolvers and a few .50-caliber semi-auto pistols.

Prior to the importation of original Mauser Broomhandles from China during the late 1980's, only a very few of the Chinese .45's were known in the U.S.A., as Korean War souvenirs. A few more may have been mixed in with the German-made guns from China, but were not advertised as generally available. One thing that many of the Chinese surplus



**Left**—A good comparison of the relative size of the massive .45 ACP Broomhandle at top and the much smaller 7.63 pistol beneath it. No Broomhandle is petite but the .45 is extreme.

**Below**—A view from the muzzle end dramatizes the caliber difference.

**Title Page**—An excellent photo of the Chinese copy of the C96 in .45 ACP. And the pistol is in very good condition.

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Broomhandles had in common is that the barrels were badly worn due to poor or no cleaning.

Yet during the mid-1990's Chinese-made .45's were imported in excellent condition. I don't know if these pistols came out of storage or were newly-manufactured (perhaps from the resurrected original tooling) but a number were imported and made available to American collectors. Mine came in 1995 from the Bricklee Trading Company, a California firm that took over the assets of Federal Ordnance, an importer of various military surplus arms. (Fed Ord also built up new 1903 & 03A3 Springfield rifles from refurbished receivers, new barrels, parts and stocks.)

I haven't fired this Broomhandle in about two decades, but I can state that it has a nice "chunky" feel in the hand and that recoil is less than that of a 1911. The sights do not lend themselves to accurate marksmanship, as they are the traditional Mauser barleycorn front sight (a sort of inverted V) with a shallow V-notch rear



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sight. Like the German-made pistols, the rear sight has elevation graduations up to 1000 meters. I think this is wildly optimistic, given the arch-like trajectory of the .45 bullet and the fact that the bullet would travel for about four seconds before traversing that distance!

The Chinese also made shoulder stocks for these oversize Broomhandles. Like the pistols, these were also somewhat pricey and I did not care to spend \$300 to buy a stock. But all in all, I do think the Chinese .45 Broomhandle is one of the most interesting and unusual handguns ever made.

# A Broomhandle By Any Other Name—Some C96 History

By Phil Shave, Editor

**O**ften called by the shape of its unusual handgrip—the Broomhandle—this unique pistol might be accurately named “The Three Brothers.” It was Fidel, Friedrich and Joseph Feederle who developed this semiautomatic handgun for Waffenfabrik Mauser at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The first one was built in 1895 but early production began in 1896, hence the Mauser C96 designation. As is often the case, this handgun has many names: Originally P-7.63, it was officially the Feederle Pistole, also the Mauser Military Pistol, the C96, and colloquially the kuhfusspistole (German for cow’s foot), and the Chinese “box cannon.” Most of the world now calls it Broomhandle.

## A Strange-Looking Pistol

While the appearance is awkward by modern standards, we should recognize that the C96 was the very first successful self-loading handgun. At the time of its introduction the strange look would have been revolutionary. The introduction in 1896 would have been much like dropping a Tesla into a Ford showroom alongside a 1908 Model T. And that shape makes a C96 instantly recognizable although the variations are much harder to spot for the untrained eye. The unusual shape came full circle into the space-age when the C96 became the platform for the Star Wars movie blaster carried by Han Solo.

## Why a Semiauto Pistol in 1896?

Purpose? Paul Mauser called it the Military Pistol because that was the intended market...and that is how the Broomhandle achieved much of its fame. Although seldom adopted as “the” official military sidearm, various countries purchased, used or copied the Broomhandle from 1897 to 1937 (end of Mauser production) and beyond. Private purchase and commercial sales expanded the use and visibility of The Three Brothers pistol throughout the world.



## Variations

Mauser manufactured over one million Broomhandles but they’re not all the same. Collectors will be able to identify the variations and there are many. The military contracts include: The Turkish military contract of 1897, an Italian Navy contract in 1899, the Persian purchase of 1910, the Austrian M1916 purchase of 50,000 pistols, the well-known M1916 Prussian contract in WWI chambered for 9mm Luger and called “Red 9’s”, a purchase of M1920 by the French Police and the WWII Luftwaffe contract.

A variation with its own name is the Bolo, named after the Russian Bolsheviks who acquired many of these guns. The Bolo is really the M1921, with the shorter barrel and smaller grips. Of course Bolos are very collectible. The famous Red 9 pistols (as seen on our cover this month) made for the German army in 1915-1916, were chambered in 9mm Luger rather than the as-designed 7.63x25; to avoid cartridge mix-ups the stocks were made with a large red-painted “9”.

Famous for its wood holster/stock is the M1898 pistol carbine. The wood holster held the pistol and became a shoulder stock when attached. The C96 rear sight was slide-adjustable for ranges up to 1000 meters—certainly not a practical pistol range but note that

the original pistol cartridge was quite fast and shot flatter than any other pistol at the time. With the shoulder stock attached it would be possible to deliver aimed fire at relatively long range.

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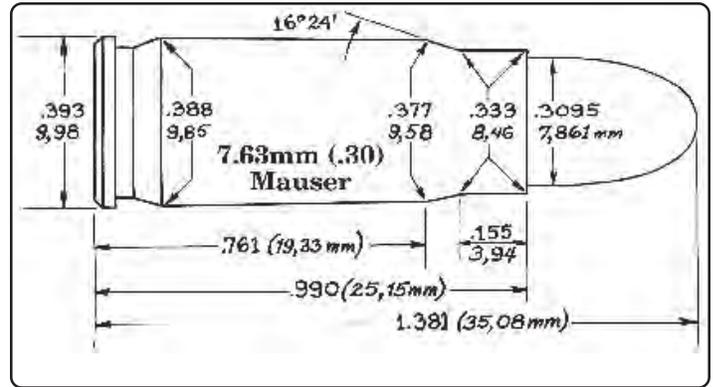
Two countries that ignored patent laws were Spain and China. The Broomhandle was very popular in China during their many wars. The Spanish Civil War found Broomhandles used by all sides. As a result, both Chinese and Spanish gun-makers cranked out their own copies and adaptations of the Mauser pistol. These may be of variable quality. One of the finer Spanish pistols is the Astra 900 model which was made rather late in the life span of the Broomhandle—1927.

Speaking of Astra, there is the interesting case of the copycat Astra pistol inspiring Mauser to copy the Spanish version of their own gun. Astra, not content with a pure copy, modified the design in 1928 to produce a full auto version with select fire and a detachable magazine. Mauser then copied the Spanish counterfeiters and made a select fire version of their pistol—the M1932 or M712 select fire Schnellfeuer.

In another of our articles this month you'll see the Chinese copy in .45 ACP. The Chinese made Broomhandles or Box Cannons at a number of factories in 7.63x25 and other calibers. Some Chinese guns appear to be handmade one-offs.

### Revolutionary Design

Collectors are attracted by rarity, historical importance and, in some cases, mechanical uniqueness. The C96 is certainly unique. The barrel and receiver are forged in one piece. The ammunition is fed from a box magazine located in front of the trigger and loaded by stripper clip. Technically the Broomhandle is of locked breech, short recoil operation. There is a locking piece, actually two lugs that lock the bolt in place during firing. The barrel and bolt recoil together for a short distance until clever angles and a ramp force the lugs down and out of engagement—at which point the barrel is stopped and the bolt continues rearward to eject the casing and return to chamber the next round. You can find computer simulations of the firing action of the C96 on YouTube. Very cool. One of the best YouTube videos is an Xray view of the internals while the gun is firing.



**Above**—Looking much like a hot, modern cartridge, the 7.63x25mm or .30 Mauser is one of a relatively few bottleneck pistol cartridges.



**Above**—The stripper clip, marked DWM.

**Right**—Stripper clip fully loaded. In this case the term "clip" is of course the accurate description of the device that "clips" the rounds together for insertion in the pistol.



If you examine a Broomhandle it may not be immediately apparent but there are no screws or pins. This is something that no modern manufacturers have achieved. Screws add complication, manufacturing steps and threads are prone to damage. Pins are fragile. The three brothers Feederle found a way to create puzzle pieces that assemble without requiring any screws or pins—amazing. Only SIG and Star have even attempted anything close to a handgun without screws. Just try to find a pistol without pins.

**The First Magnum—  
7.63x25 Mauser cartridge**

Hugo Borchardt designed the 7.63x25 cartridge, also known as the .30 Mauser, specifically for the C96. At the time other pistols could not handle the high pressure round. My 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition Ammo Encyclopedia places this round in the “obsolete” category and also notes that it was the “most powerful handgun cartridge in the world” until the introduction of the .357 Magnum in 1935. The round looks like a modern high performance round with its bottleneck case and essentially rimless design. And the bottleneck case looks like a “magnum” (as in champagne). Performance is incredible—the .30 caliber 86 grain bullet was launched at 1450 FPS, from a pistol! That’s over 400 ft/lbs of energy. Borchardt took advantage of the new smokeless powder to achieve these ballistics.

Yes it really is a .30, or rather a .309” to be accurate. Few pistols, other than C96 copies, would be chambered in this round—Star did chamber some Browning-style pistols in .30 Mauser.

One can still buy this ammo. The cartridge has as many names as the gun. If looking for components or ammunition that means that you might not find much if you just look for 7.63x25mm. Add the name Mauser and you’ll find more. The best search is “.30 Mauser.” I went looking and found Fiocchi-made and Prvi PPU current manufacture ammunition in-stock and for sale. Hornady has also offered ammunition recently.



Starline makes new cases for reloaders—look for them under .30 Mauser. With new cases and boxer primed ammo available there is little reason to form your own cases. Reloading data is scarce but I see it in the Hornady manual; their loads achieve 1400 ft./sec. with some powders and an 86 gr. bullet. With both factory ammo and reloading components available, the old Broomhandle is still shootable.

**Fame**

Collectibility is sometimes connected with those who have used a particular firearm. In the case of the Broomhandle, many associate the gun with Winston Churchill. John Marshall in 101 Classic Firearms notes that Lt. Churchill “...purchased a strange-looking new pistol from the firm of Westley Richards & Co. in Birmingham, England. Attached to the 21<sup>st</sup> Lancers in Sudan, Churchill effectively used that pistol to save his life.” He continued to carry the Broomhandle at the battle of Omdurman and later during the Boer War. Marshall also records that Lawrence of Arabia was another famous user.

Whatever the attraction—a pioneering firearm, mechanical ingenuity, historical importance, famous figures who used the pistol in battle—the three brothers would be gratified to know that the Broomhandle has become a premier collectible firearm.

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**Left Col.—**  
Starline will sell you brand new .30 Mauser brass for reloading.

**Right—**Young Winston Churchill, with holstered C96.



# STRAIGHT FROM THE HOLSTER

J.T. HILSENDEGER

June 11<sup>th</sup>, still stuck at home, although I did sneak out a couple times but did maintain the social distancing. Wasn't too concerned as I was at my cabin in Eastern Washington, or in the many thousands of acres of government land, all by myself. I'd gotten a call from a neighbor advising a number of trees had gone down and as the driveway was blocked, they didn't know whether the cabin was damaged or not. Good enough reason for me to drive the 350 miles to check it out and spend a couple days.

Good news—no damage so after a day of chainsaw work, the trees were bucked into fire wood lengths and given to a couple of needy neighbors (but they have to split into firewood).

I then had a couple days to check out my usual hunting areas. Woo Hoo!

From the cabin to the hunting area, the road goes along a little lake where folks can park at the lake edge and literally fish from their vehicles. Routinely, rainbow trout up to 20-22 inches are taken. At the end of the lake is a small campground with camping allowed up to two weeks at a time. Yeah, there is a point to this.

Driving slowly past the fishermen, I noted one old guy with a pistol on his hip, the size and shape of an old model .22 or .25 auto. I asked why he had it and he stated it was defense should a bear attack (bears are quite common in the area). I asked if he thought that pea-shooter was adequate and he was quite certain it would do the job. I assured him it would only take a very, very, very lucky shot to stop even a cub. (Gonna get that bear really P.O.'d).

Reminds me of a backpacking trip about 20 or so years earlier. My son and I, along with 3 policemen and a deputy, took the Lady of the Lake boat trip from Chelan, up to Lucerne where we were dropped off, then via old school buses, transported to an old mining camp, Holden Village, now a religious retreat. From there we packed into a couple of small lakes for some excellent fishing and camping. It was prearranged

for the return boat trip 3-4 days later. Anyway, there were signs all over advising to not feed the wildlife of any kind. There were also pictures and advisement that it was bear country, showing both black bear and grizzlies. Yup, I strapped on my service weapon, a Beretta 92, a 15 shot auto, my son had his 13 shot Browning Hi-Power. Yeah, not really bear-stoppers but would sure make a bear regret being there. For the uninformed—both 9mm caliber.

We hiked the three miles in to the camping spot at the head of the lake, near a feeder stream. We did our cooking and the backpacks were roped about 12-15 feet up between trees so the bears couldn't get to them as we slept, later. Anyway, some spilled food was thrown into the brush, not realizing it would attract bears. My son and I went into the brush along the stream to fish. I noted very fresh bear tracks in the mud, the water not yet filling the foot impressions—very fresh. About 30 minutes later, we returned to the camp, the others saying the biggest bear they'd ever seen had just wandered into camp, sniffed around and then left. From my experience, the size of the print in the mud would indicate a 150-175 pound bear, but when you know any bear can outrun you, that's a darn big bear. I asked who was armed and did they "draw down" on the bruin. Nope, their firepower was in their packs, hanging in the trees. Dumb – Dumb! Point is, even the ones most used to gun handling, can be without a clue. Up until then, my son and I were thought to be over reacting by carrying guns.

As most have figured out over the years that I've been "conned" into writing this stuff, I'm not a fan of the Magnum rifles. Probably more deer have been shot with .22's, with I'm sure many animals only wounded and not found. Next would be the "lowly" thutty-thutty, then the military surplus 30-06's and the 7mm's, also military surplus caliber. Okay, you've got some super improved something Magnum that exceeds the listed stuff, by 2000 feet per second, or

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# The Red 9

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**Above**—A great view of the red 9 engraved into the wood stocks and then with red paint to emphasize that this is NOT a 7.63x25 Mauser caliber pistol.



**Right**—Another view of the C96 with bolt to the rear, stripper clip inserted, ready to load.

**Right**—A close-up look at the 1000 meter "tangent" style rear sight.

**Below**—Bill Hunt's photography captures the old world manufacturing precision of the Mauser C96. The forgings, the machine work and the intricate assembly—without screws or pins—are all apparent.



Bill Hunt has been working with the *GunNews* for many years now and in addition to turning out some great covers for us, has contributed artwork for our banners, logos and even our office building marquee. Thanks to Bill for these fine photos from his collection.



# Is There a Mouse in Your House?

## The World of Collecting By Tom Burke

Is there a mouse in your house? No, not the mouse from Orlando or Anaheim, Tom & Jerry (dancing with or without Gene Kelly), or even the one who did tricks in the “Green Mile” movie; I’m talking about a .32 ACP mouse(gun). You know, the one with Colt, Walther, Beretta, FN, or Savage roll-marked on the slide.

### A Quick History

There was a time when the .32 ACP, also known as the 7.65 Browning, was the most popular (semi-auto) cartridge in the world. Everybody carried one—from (allegedly) Adolf Hitler (used to kill himself); to the fictional James Bond; to (for real) Serbian nationalist Gavrilo Princip who used his 7.65 FN Model 1910 to kill Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife Sofie and start World War I.

The .32 ACP was invented by, who else, John Moses Browning for the Fabrique Nationale de Herstal (FN) Model 1900 pistol, which he also designed. It was a semi-rimmed, straight-wall cartridge developed by Browning as the charge for his new blowback pocket pistol; there had been as of 1899 no breech-locking mechanism developed for small pistols when Browning designed his gun. Teddy Roosevelt owned one and carried it for many years.

That 1900 pistol, like most of the .32’s that followed, was for close-in self defense so it had, compared to today, small sights for a big target (you!) at close range. And it worked just fine with 700,000 produced.

Browning then designed an improved pistol for FN, the Model 1910, which innovated putting the recoil spring around the barrel and was advertised as a “Triple Safety” pistol with a grip safety, magazine safety, and regular external safety. It too was very successful, being produced from 1910 to 1983. (Note: A version of the 1910, the 1910/22 was made to secure military contracts. It featured a longer barrel [using a longer, detachable slide extension] and longer grip to fit more bullets into the mag. The Kingdom of Serbia was the first to buy it—no irony there—and it was used by the Germans during WWII after they had captured the FN factory. Many models sold today are advertised as “Nazi” marked.)

Following the introduction of the model 1900, FN’s competitors swiftly followed with .32’s of their own: Colt with the 1903 and Savage with the 1907, to name two of the larger US entries in the category. Both were solidly successful. In Europe, Dreyse and Star entered the category as did Webley & Scott with the M1905.

As WWI created the need for millions of new and old guns, the ubiquitous .32 “Ruby” was produced by the tens of thousands in Spain by multiple manufacturers for use by French troops in the trenches (See last month’s Collectors’ Corner.) Mauser introduced its entry in 1914 and JP Sauer & Sohn its version in 1913.

Following the war, and after markets calmed down from the flood of surplus arms, there was another round of new .32’s. FN developed the aforementioned 1910/22 for contract sales, Walther debuted the PP in 1929 and the PPK in 1930, Beretta it’s .32 in 1935 (following up on it’s 1934 intro of a .380) and Star kept making them after it had abandoned crafting the Ruby.

For a so-called “inferior” caliber, there were still new .32s being introduced into WWII and well beyond, including the HSc (Germany), Ortgies (also Germany), the PP/PPK (hmmm...Germany again?), the Saur 38H, (Germany), Mauser 1934 (yawn...Germany, again), MAB (at last, another country, France!), the CZ range including 27, 50, 70 and 83 (Czechoslovakia), Sig 230 and 232 (Germany!), H&K HK4 (Germany!!), Remington’s original 51 (USA!, USA!, USA!), Secamp’s tiny entry (US), Llama (Spain, Ole), and, of course FEG’s multitude of clones of the Walther PP and PPK (Hungary). Plus KelTec’s P-32, Beretta’s 3032 tip-up Tomcat, the Bersa Thunder 32, and the Zastava M70.

Now, let’s take a look at three of the better-known .32’s on the scene.

### A Short Quiz

What do Al Capone; John Dillinger; Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Marshall, and Patton; the Boston PD, the Shanghi PD, the Woonsocket, RI PD; Japanese general Hideki Tojo, Clyde’s girlfriend Bonnie Parker, the Belgian Army, and the most famously

unsuccessful bank robber of all time – Willie (‘Cause-that’s-where-the-money-is’) Sutton have in common?

They all carried the Colt Model 1903 “Pocket Hammerless,” which wasn’t really hammerless. And why wouldn’t they, over 570,000 were produced.

The Pocket Hammerless was designed by, Guess Who, for Colt’s introduction of it in 1903. (And if you guessed John Moses Browning you were right.)

It differed little from FN’s 1900, but the gentleman’s agreement he had with Colt and FN was that he would design locked-breech pistols for Colt for sale in the US, Great Britain and Ireland and blowbacks for sale in Europe. The 1903 was an exception to that tacit agreement and Colt’s deal with him included a 40 cent royalty for each gun sold. (And 600,000 guns X \$.40 = \$240,000 to him or his estate. For just that one gun. And he designed a whole bunch of guns.)

There were five different versions produced between 1903 and 1953 when assembly stopped. Type I had a 4” barrel; Type II shortened the barrel to 3-3/4”; Type III eliminated the barrel bushing in favor of a lug; Type IV added a new Tinsley mag safety; and Type V was the same as Type IV but was war production and parkerized. For those wishing to know more, the internet has the complete list of the serial number range for each type.

(On a personal note I find the 1903 very pleasant to shoot. It’s a fun little gun and there’s a whole bunch out there, albeit not as cheap as they used to be. I picked up mine for \$400 a few years ago. Today, on Gunbroker, you can find an occasional bargain at \$400, but most go in the \$5-700 range with many over \$1,000 and up to an ANIB with all the paperwork and stuff for \$5,575.00. If you are into .32’s, a 1903 in any working condition is a must-have.)



**Colt 1903 “Triple Safety”**



**The Beretta 1935**

### **Beretta’s .32’s**

Beretta introduced it’s first 7.65 Browning in 1931. It was not a success. (There were 7.65 cartridges used in older Berettas, but most were in 9mm Glisenti, a bottlenecked 7.65 round.)

Then in 1934, to accommodate the Royal Italian Army’s request for a more powerful round (the brass liked the Walther PP a bunch), Beretta introduced it’s Model 1934 in .380. It was a success. So in 1935 a .32 ACP version followed; wait for it, the M1935.

It was simply a different barrel and mag “conversion” from 380 down to 32, but those clever Beretta folks were thinking “marketing and profits” even then. Parts were not interchangeable between the two, even though the guns were essentially the same.

The ’35 was a success and it looks semi-similar to today’s Berettas with it’s open slide. Now it takes a bit of shooting to get used to this gun’s manual of arms. After going BANG until the magazine is empty, the slide remains open (good slide!) until the mag is dropped, when it then slams shut on an empty chamber (bad slide!); so after you replace the mag ya gotta rack it again to reload the gun. Unless...you put the safety on before you drop the mag; then the slide stays open; then when the new mag is inserted you release the safety and the slide slides home with a new bullet in the chamber.

The M1935 was followed by the Model 70 in 1958 in single action, with a single stack mag. It was an improvement over the ’35 and took a lot of its features from the 9mm Beretta 1951, including a cross bolt safety (and later a US-style thumb safety on the frame), better grip angle, better trigger (the one on the ’35 is tough, very stiff and no way, according to

everyone, everywhere, to fix it), better takedown mechanism, and a 1951-like guide rod and slide stop. It clearly looks the part of the modern Beretta family and spawned a host of other “70” models, most in .22 long rifle.

In 1976 the Beretta “Cheetah,” or 81 series, was introduced. It included .380 and .22 models, but let’s concern ourselves the models 81 and 82, the .32 ACP entries.

Most everything is upgraded and modernized from the model 70, i.e., button mag release, and it comes in five flavors:

- Base: Fewer safety features than on later models
- B: Auto firing pin safety, shorter extractor, grooved front and back straps
- BB: White dot sights and more slide serrations
- F: Combo safety/decocker, square trigger guard, Brunton finish
- FS: Some internal changes from the F and the ones sold new now.

The Model 81 is a double stack holding 12 pills, and the 82 is single stack and holds 9. It’s a very, very nice gun but a bit largish. So large in fact that it’s about the same size as my S&W Chief Special 9mm and larger than a Shield, which makes one think, “Do I want to carry a 32 ACP, or something in a 9 or 45 in the same size package? (The advantage of the .32 round, that it comes in a small, handy package, ala the Colt 1903 pocket pistol, has disappeared. But for .32 lovers, it’s a sweet gun.)

### So ya wanna be “Bond, James Bond?”

It’s simple: Carry a .32 ACP Walther PPK in a shoulder holster under your tux jacket; smoke custom-made, by Morland of Grosvenor Street, butts that

mixes Balkan and Turkish tobacco and has a higher nicotine content than normal; drink the “Vesper” martini (*three measures of Gordon’s gin, one of vodka, half a measure of Kina Lillet. Shake it very well until it’s ice-cold, then add a large slice of lemon-peel*), and wear shirts and ties by Turnbull and Asser; bespoke suits by Anthony Sinclair; and footwear by Church. (*Debt by Mastercard or Visa.*)

While the PPK has become the iconic 007/secret-agent-man pistol, there are many who question its choice, and ask, “Why in .32?” One answer I found was simply that at the time the books were written (the mid-1950’s) the .32 ACP was a round available world-wide, like the 9mm is today. It was simply so popular that the armourer who advised Ian Fleming said it was the best choice if Bond were to find himself in some out of the way place and out of ammo.

As to the gun itself, it was developed as a more concealed carry version of Walther’s original PP, it’s first DA/SA entry into small arms.

The PP (in German Polizeipistole or, duh, Police Pistol) was introduced in 1929 and was originally going to be called the Model 10, as it was Carl Walther’s tenth design. The marketing guys may have seen an opening for constabulary sales and suggested PP. PP it became and it was a huge hit with German police and forces across Europe. For Walther it was a new gun with an exposed hammer, improved safety, loaded chamber indicator, easier disassembly, and a double action trigger. It was, of course, originally offered in .32 ACP but a year later a .380 version was sold.

Originally manufactured at the Carl Walther works in Zella-Mehlis in eastern Germany, it was also manufactured in France (at the Manurhin works), at



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**Left—Beretta 81 Cheetah shown above the similar-sized S&W CS9.**

**The Beretta is a sweet .32 ACP while the S&W is a full Nine, 9mm Luger.**

the new Walther HQ in Ulm (after WWII), in the US in Maine (by Smith & Wesson), and (the PPK) at the Walther plant in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Additionally FEG, the Hungarian cloners, made their rip-off of the PP under a half-dozen different labels. (Mine was made by FEG for Hege Waffen, a West German distributor, and called the AP66.)

After the 1972 Olympics massacre the West German police wanted a more robust round and went to 9mm, adopting (at each state's choice) a Walther P5, the Sig P6 (a Sig Sauer 225), or HK P7.

The PPK, a more pocketable pistol than the PP, was introduced as the Polizeipistole Kriminal (or detective model). It was essentially the same gun as the PP except smaller at 5.9" long with a 3.3" barrel and a height of 3.9". The price paid between the PP and PPK is only one round. It was equally popular with police and cruised along famously until the 1968 US Control Act. As a smaller gun, it missed getting okayed for US sales by 1/10th of an inch in height. So those clever folks at Walther simply mated a PP frame with a PPK slide and barrel and Bingo! the PPK/S was born...and it was perfectly acceptable.

The next phase of the PP/PPK/PPK/S saga gets a bit involved. It deals with licensed copies made here in the US, as the guns were very, very popular. First, in 1979, Interarms (a gun trade giant for many years) licensed manufacture of the PPK/S and built a plant via the Ranger Manufacturing Company in Gadsden, Alabama. Then in 1986 it began building the standard PPK at Ranger.

The Interarms/Ranger license was canceled in 1999 and Walther USA of Springfield, Massachusetts briefly made the PPK and PPK/S directly through Black Creek Manufacturing from 1999 to 2001.

In 2002, Smith & Wesson began manufacturing the PPK and PPK/S under license at their plant in Houlton, Maine until 2013.

Then in 2018 Walther Arms began producing them again at their new US manufacturing plant in Fort Smith, Arkansas. This version was the one modified by Smith & Wesson and incorporating a longer grip tang/extended beaver tail to better protect the shooter from slide bite.

There is considerable opinion about the quality, functioning, and general acceptance of all these different versions of these guns. It is highly recommended that anyone interested in purchasing one of 'em do their research first. All PPs, PPKs, PPK/Ss are not the same. *Caveat Emptor*.



**FEG-made PP clone**

### **Conclusion**

There are a ton more 32's than there is room to discuss here. And there is a great debate over its suitability as a legitimate self-defense round.

I ain't gonna start the caliber wars here.

Suffice it to say there are good ballistically-sound arguments for the use of the .32 ACP for carry and self-defense. As there are good ballistically-sound arguments for the use of the .380 for carry and self-defense. And there are ballistically-sound arguments that say there is little difference, in the real world, between the 32 and 380 for carry and self defense.

Of course there are ballistically-sound arguments that say both are insufficient for carry and self defense and one should only *start* thinking of a carry and self defense round at 9mm. (Note: I carry either a S&W CS9, Shield .45, S&W 4513, or a 9mm PX4. I'm looking for a .40 carry piece, either a S&W4013 or .40 PX4 compact to add to my rotation, which shows you what I think. Your opinion may be different.)

For the collector the .32 ACP offers great history, manly glamour, almost-infinite choice and superb shootability. Ammo is readily available and won't break the bank. Price points on used guns range from quite reasonable to as much as you can(n't) afford. And, in a pinch, slipping a Colt 1903, KelTec P32, or Beretta Tomcat in your pocket won't leave you under-gunned. Okay, sure, packing a .454 Casull might give you a slight advantage when it comes to stopping power, but ain't near as cool as that PPK shoulder-holstered under your tux.

**Don't hesitate to email Tom with your questions and suggestions on column topics:  
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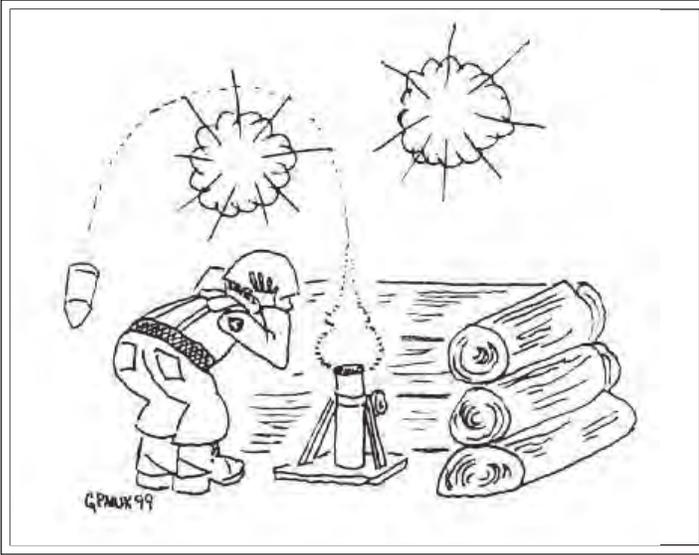
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## SHORT ROUNDS

Joseph Tartaro,  
March 17, 1931 to June 13, 2020

*Dave Workman informs us of the passing on June 13 of Joseph Tartaro, President of the Second Amendment Foundation and retired executive editor of TheGunMag.com—formerly Gun Week. The following excerpts are from Dave Workmans obituary for Mr. Tartaro:*

- “Alan Gottlieb, SAF founder and executive vice president, is recalling Mr. Tartaro as “a very great man and mentor.” Gottlieb worked with Tartaro for decades, and continued to co-author the monthly Gottlieb-Tartaro Report, a newsletter discussing current events in the firearms community.”
- “Mr. Tartaro is remembered as an architect of what has come to be known as “The Cincinnati Revolt” in 1977, when gun rights activists calling themselves the Federation for NRA transformed the National Rifle Association from a traditional hunting and shooting organization into a political powerhouse defending and advancing the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms. Working with like-minded fellow members from throughout the country—in the pre-technology age—the reformers forced leadership change in NRA, prevented the group’s planned move from the DC area, and helped solidify and shape its political agenda. He served on NRA’s Public Affairs Committee, which helped craft the “I’m the NRA” campaign.”
- “Mr. Tartaro authored “Revolt in Cincinnati,” and even now, four decades later, people still seek copies of the book, which has been out of print for many years. It was an expanded collection of his writings about the members’ movement, in 1989.”
- “I don’t know of anyone who did more than Joe to promote grass-roots activism at the state and community level on gun owner’s rights and self-defense issues,” (Massad) Ayoub wrote. “We have lost one of our strongest voices.”
- “Mr. Tartaro and Mr. Gottlieb created the annual Gun Rights Policy Conference, a joint event sponsored by SAF and its sister organization, the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms.”
- “He was described by the sociologist Bryan Anse Patrick as a “Patriarch of the gun rights movement,” in Patrick’s book on the NRA.”



## Mystery Rifle

Last month we published photos of an unknown mystery rifle. Several members responded directly to Bob MacKenzie and here is his latest update: “*Jospeh Govednick, Director of the Cowltiz County Historical Museum, took the extra effort to transport the rifle down to varied experts...he arrived at the following conclusion: It’s a Arisaka Type 38 Training rifle, probably for a junior officer school (still running down the oak leaves symbol to identify which school). It has a unique .22 Cal barrel that served as a gas escape for a blank 6.5mm cartridge. Its sling was also different...probably used for ceremony by the cadets. This weapon certainly never saw combat, but likely was used as a training rifle and drill weapon for the Japanese Army officer candidate training programs. We are still trying to get translation of Japanese characters found on the inside of the upper guard.*”

**The Primary election ballots will arrive shortly—Your vote is  
important...VOTE**

**WAC candidate recommendations are in this issue.**

## Sadly, Show Cancellations New Show Date—Make a Note

As of our go-to-print date, this is the show schedule for the next few months:

- **July 18-19, Elma, Grays Harbor Fairgrounds—Canceled**
- **July 25-26, Monroe—canceled**
- **October 10-11, Monroe—new show dates**

Re-opening of public events is on a day-by-day basis and even in Phase 4, the restrictions may not make a show practical. **WAC members must check the website for closure notices or call the office to reserve tables and confirm.** If we have your email we will do an email notification directly to you. If there is no cancellation by the fairgrounds then the WAC will hold the event. *Editor*

## Digital, Online GunNews Magazine

**From the Editor:** Not to worry—the print *GunNews* is still being mailed directly to you. But for those of you who prefer your magazine in digital format, the monthly magazine is now available in the Members section on our website. This means that you can read and save the magazine in your digital files; this is perhaps the biggest advantage of a digital magazine—the ability to archive back issues or articles that you want to save.

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Personally and no matter the subject, I prefer print magazines for their convenience, portability, and readability. If you're interrupted while reading an article it is so easy to set the magazine down and come back later; with online articles one may just forget to finish. It is also commonly known that online material is heavily visual and with less text—there's a reason for that—attention span is shorter with electronic media and articles often have less content. But print media has one big problem—the cost of postage.

In any case, if you want only the digital magazine, contact the office and they will remove you from the print mailing list. To view the online magazine go to: [washingtonarmscollectors.org](http://washingtonarmscollectors.org)

## Kid's Day at the Range—2020

### Renton Fish & Game & Pinto's Guns

Teaching new shooters to be safe and shoot straight  
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**May—canceled, June 28 (possible), July 19, Aug 23,  
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### ANNUAL GRAND PRIZE DRAWING

RFGC & Pinto's Guns will be donating a new 22 rimfire rifle to one luck kid, drawing on Sept. 30

## High Power Matches Wildlife Committee of WA

**Kenmore Range, 1031 228th SW, Bothell, WA  
Dec 8 – CMP Game Course A or B**

More information can be found for the event on the club's calendar: [www.wcwi.org/calendar/](http://www.wcwi.org/calendar/)

## Central Whidbey Sportsmen's

Pistol, rifle and charity matches, firearm safety, women's firearms, and hunter ed are all available. Join us at: [cwsaonline.org](http://cwsaonline.org)

## Women's Pistol Classes—2020,

### Black Diamond

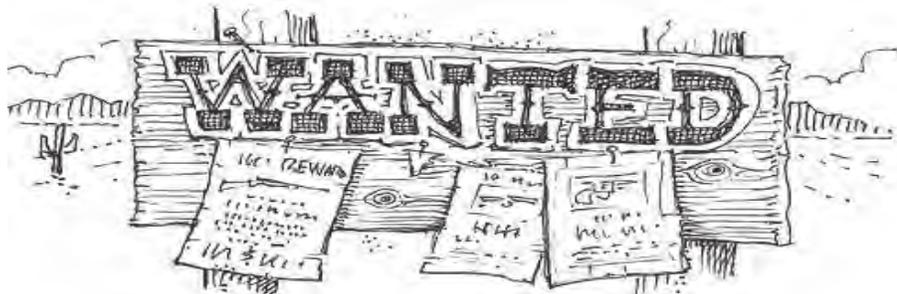
The Black Diamond Gun Club presents their schedule of popular basic pistol classes for women only. Any (or no) experience is fine for these 8 hour classes, This is a fun, relaxed, comprehensive class limited to eight students. Everything is provided for \$125. More info at: [BlackDiamondGunClub.org](http://BlackDiamondGunClub.org)

**Most classes have filled, reserve now for July 19,  
September 20, October 18, November 15**

**Note: Most gun clubs are open with restrictions due to the virus so please check with any club website before traveling or planning to attend.**

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## WANTED: DEAD OR ALIVE



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**FREE:** Most all WAC Gun News from February 2011-present and most all NRA American Rifleman from January 2017-present. Hate to just toss these in the recycle bin but that's where they're going if no one claims them. Pick up in Everett. David, email: [zep11@comcast.net](mailto:zep11@comcast.net)

**FOR SALE:** Ruger American 45 ACP, safe queen maybe 20 rounds, comes with all factory new case and 2 mags—\$400. Kimber Solo a few more rounds but probably under 100, Kimber bag and 1 mag—\$400 or trade both toward Kimber EVO Custom Shop. Mark 360-202-3268.

**FOR SALE:** Remington BDL 700 308 Bench Rifle in .308, turned neck .3370-.3365, heavy after-market stainless steel barrel, Leupold Vari-X-III 6.5x20 scope—\$700. This is a

more than a fair price. Ruger Redhawk Alaskan .454 Casull / .45 Colt Long, excellent condition—\$900 or best offer. Also for sale, Marlin Model 80 S-L-LR .22—\$150. Email Dana at [Dwherron@outlook.com](mailto:Dwherron@outlook.com), T. 253-970-5814.

**FOR SALE:** FN Herstal FS2000 (Black) like new in box, 5.56/.223 very clean in excellent condition, MIL-STD-1913 top mounting rail with Sight Mark red dot optics and backup iron sights, 18" bbl Bullpup, Tri-rail with pistol grip by AIM, original fore grip included, the thumb hole

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**FOR SALE:** Stock for 1960's vintage Mossberg 346KA 22LR, bolt action-tubular magazine, excellent condition, all hardware—\$35. Greg 425-306-2370, [greg410@centurylink.net](mailto:greg410@centurylink.net).

**FOR SALE:** Swiss Schmidt Ruben K31 rifle, VG-EX condition—\$550 (Will include separate S&K Instamount scout mount with 1" rings). **Both rifles are C&R eligible.** RCBS case tumbler lightly used—\$20. Two boxes of vintage .22 WRF ammunition, one box Remington, one box Winchester—\$15 each. Contact Paul, [pandsv@aol.com](mailto:pandsv@aol.com) or 360-631-6520.

**FOR SALE:** Afghan War Rug, hand made, all wool, size: 3'8"X 6'11", excellent condition, beautiful brown, blue and tan colors; the field is made up of helicopters, tanks, hand grenades and rifles all surrounded by a border of flower designs; the replacement value was appraised at \$500—Yours for \$95. Call for photos, 360 378-7119.

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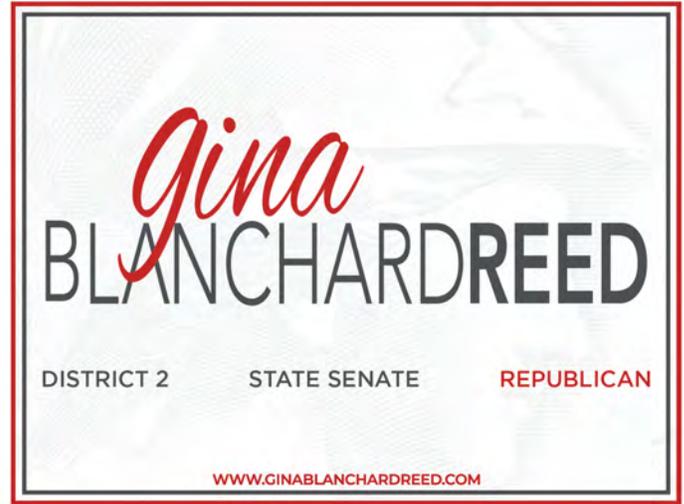
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**WANTED:** Services of an established FFL holder to assist with the disposal of a 50 firearm collection. This collection includes airguns, 13 AK and 3 AR firearms, and 10 NFA items including silencers, short barrel rifles, any other weapons, and submachine guns (located in Oregon). These firearms will not be sold to the public but will be given to friends throughout the United States. The transactions will take place towards the end of my life (I'm 70+) which could be years away. This announcement is to help me estimate the cost of this disposal (actual costs such as shipping, transfer fees...plus the FFL's service fee) so that enough money is set aside to cover these costs. If interested please contact me at: G. Liu, PO Box 95313, Seattle, WA. 98145. This is not a formal bid solicitation; that will happen in the future.



**FOR SALE:** When I was 70, I bought a NIB Remington in .223 and took a couple of trips to Wyoming shooting prairie dogs. When I was 80 I had both knees replaced and put it away. At 84 it comes in an airline quality case and a full ammo box of reloads. Meet me at Tacoma Rifle gun club to inspect and make a reasonable offer. Don, 253-566-8488.

**WANTED:** Walnut stock and handguard and bolt for GI M1 Carbine. Fred at (253)531-9529 or Tejano95@aol.com.

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WANTED: Looking to buy Kimber of Oregon, rimfire rifles, nice wood a big plus, also any accessories like rings, magazines etc. Also looking to buy quality small bore shotguns. Call Daniel Dillman 541-670-9940.

FOR SALE: 308 Ammo, approx 660 total rds of the following: 250 rds of 168 gr Nosler match HPBT; 150 rds 175 gr Sierra match HPBT; 20 rds 168 gr Barnes Vortex TSX; 40 rds 150 gr Nosler Accubond; 20 rds 149 gr Federal FMJ; 180 rds 147 gr PMC FMJ-BT, good plinking ammo—All for \$600. That's less than a buck a round. Call or text Doug @ 425 280 0768.

FOR SALE: Hunting bolt and lever action rifles for sale. Too many to list. No Pre-64s but Classics available. Email Glen at kalenas@comcast.net w/requests and I will answer if I have them. Inspection/sale can be at the next WAC show or at South Sound Guns in Lacey.

FOR SALE: "Rebuilt/Re-arsenaled" Service Grade M1D (according to WAC Garand collectors), has original serial numbered scope (on GI mount) but the rubber eye piece and a turret cap is missing, also has 5 prong flash hider and GI leather cheek piece—\$2400. Email Glen at kalenas@comcast.net Inspection/sale can be at next WAC show or South Sound Guns in Lacey.

WANTED: Reasonably priced 38 ACP ammo. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net

WANTED: Reasonably priced 375 Ruger ammo. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net

WANTED: Reasonably priced 50 BMG press and dies. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net

FOR SALE: NIB Kestral 5700 w/Hornady 4DOF Ballistic Calculator—\$450 or possible trade for a NIB Glock 357 Sig or 10 mm. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Ruger P95 handgun, 4" Barrel, excellent condition, 4 mags, holster and case—\$300 firm. Keltec Su16 rifle, .223 caliber, black, 18.5" barrel, excellent condition, 3 Mags—\$395 firm. Alan, 425-941-7155 or hiker454@comcast.net.

HELP WANTED: I had a teepee made by Nomadic Tipi, makers in Bend Oregon. Bought extras with it and had lodge pole pine 26 foot poles shipped from Montana. For personal reasons I've not been able to set it up. This is a Sioux design. I need someone, maybe one of the folks that does mountain man rendezvous, to help me set it up. I'm looking for someone who knows how and has set

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them up before. I can pay a reasonable amount for your time, and would like to talk to anyone who might be interested, and discuss this project. I paid \$2000 to have it made and would really like someone's help to get the teepee up. Joe, email, gatacat24@gmail and phone, 360-569-2428.

FOR SALE: Russian Mosin Nagant, with Bayonet, Model 9130, 1942, all matching numbers, Very Good Condition, stripper clips, ammo. pouches, tin of 440 rounds Ball ammo, 10 boxes Ball ammo, 3 boxes Hunting Ball ammo—\$450. Chinese SKS "Paratrooper", 16" barrel carbine, Very Good condition—\$450. Don 360-301-6019.

WANTED: H & R model 700 .22 mag. Also wanted, Winchester model 54 .22 Hornet. Dan, 206-510-3363 or email, ridinghides@gmail.com.

FOR SALE: Nightforce NXS 3.5—15X50 mm F1 Zerostop, .250 MOA, LV-5 (C356)—\$1500. New in Box Nightforce NXS 2.5—10X32, .250 MOA LV-NVD with PTL Zerostop (C475)—\$1100. New in Box Leupold Mark 4 3.5-10X40 mm M2 Dark Earth Illum, TMR—\$1100. New in Box Diana RWS 350 Magnum with 3-12X44 Accushot Swat IE scope by UTG—\$350. Mike 253 838-5839.

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FOR SALE: Ruger 10/22 (model 1103) .22, less than 300 rounds through it—\$250. Ruger mini-14 Target Model (5845)—.223—\$700. Winchester semi-automatic .22 model 77 (clip) (**C & R eligible**)—\$200. Winchester semi-automatic .22 model 77 (tube), (**C & R eligible**)—\$230. Allen: email, allen@amichler.com or call 253-631-1004.

FOR SALE: 245 Rounds of 45-70 Govt., new condition—\$199. Fred, 253-347-0398.

FOR SALE: Mosin Nagant Rifle Collection, all 7.62x54R cal: 1925 Tula M91-30 with early octagonal receiver, 29" bbl, canvas sling/bayonet/cleaning rod, excellent/restored, numbers matching—\$475. 1942 Izhevsk M38 carbine, 20" bbl, canvas sling/cleaning rod, mostly restored, numbers matching—\$475. 1945 M44 carbine, 20" bbl, canvas sling/cleaning rod/folding bayonet, clean original look, numbers matching except bolt—\$350. 1942 Finnish SAKO modified M39 rifle with early octagonal receiver,

27" bbl, leather sling/cleaning rod, very nice, all numbers match—\$650. Two rare Finnish M39 SkY bayonets, nice one with brown sheath—\$575 and excellent one with green sheath and display box—\$650. M91/30 bayonet—\$30. **I have a C&R for these rifles.** Randy, 253-858-2120 or matt42mtq@comcast.net.

FOR SALE: Ammo, all in old vintage boxes: 7mm mauser in Winchester, Remington, and Federal brands, 7 boxes—\$50 each; 30.06 in Remington, super x silvertip and Winchester brands, 3 boxes—\$50 each; 30-30, super x 170 grain boattail, 1 box—\$50. Call Dave 206-962-7952

FOR SALE: Ruger Mini-14 Ranch Model Blue, 95% cond, .223cal, one 5 rd mag, four 30 rd mags, 4-9x Pine Ridge (Cabela's) scope—\$700. S&W M&P-15OR 5.56Nato, Nikon 3x P223 scope—\$400. Remington Model 1894AE, 16ga, blued steel, DT, SF, 28"bbl, VG Cond—\$2000. Walther PPK/S .380 stainless, US mfg—\$500. Colt AR-15 Pre-Ban Sporter Lightweight .223—\$1800. Detonics Mark V Combat Master .45ACP—\$900. Pro Ordnance Carbon-15 Type 97 .223 7 1/4" fluted SS bbl—\$700. Intratec TEC-DC9 9mm Para 2mags—\$350. Tom, 206-619-1300 slomertm@icloud.com.

FOR SALE: Mannlicher Model of 1950, .270 w/ period scope, a classic rifle in good condition, slick action—\$900. Call Rich: 360 459 5134.

Belgian Browning A-5 12 gauge mag, 3 inch. 1961 mfg. NIB, never assembled. \$2,800. 509-422-1599 or 425-453-1456.

WANTED: German Luger magazine loading tools: DWM, Erfurt, Simson, Police, Krieghoff and early Mauser. Also Weimar era tools and the navy marked M over an anchor. If you are not sure what you have, contact me; they can be identified. I will buy or trade for your Luger magazine loading tools. I also sell them. Klaus Merzbach's Luger magazine loading tool article is still available free of charge. As well as the Long Neck Luger Loading Tool article. Email me and ask for it. I have a few P.08 Luger magazines, springs/parts etc. that are for sale. Dave, phone: 208-365-5268 or Email: davidolindsay5@gmail.com.

FOR SALE: Several M-1 Garands, M-1 Carbines, Jungle Carbines, M-1A Rifles. Also, military Ammo in .30 cal, .30 Carbine, .303 British. Pistols in Japanese Nambu & P-38s. Firearms require **C&R** or FFL. Ray at 360-941-6823.

WANTED: Remington model 34, .22 rifle, in at least good working condition. I don't want one that has been modified, such as a tapped barrel for a scope. Ordie at [ordiedb@gmail.com](mailto:ordiedb@gmail.com). Or text 253 266 2105. **-GN-**

## Official Board Minutes—W.A.C.

By Secretary Forbes Freeburg

### Board minutes for May 2020

#### Pre-meeting business:

May 09 - Email motion by Secretary Freeburg to accept the April 2020 Board minutes

Second by Director Hubbard

Votes for: Directors Bramhall, Hubbard, Palmer, Ripley, Rodabaugh, Weaver, Wegner

Votes against: none

Abstain: none

Motion passed

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The Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 19 in the WAC Business Office conference room was cancelled as a result of the continuing Covid-19 restrictions on public gatherings.

Online activities were conducted by the Board in lieu of an in-person meeting.

#### Financial Report

Revenue for April 2020 is down when compared to April 2019 because of show cancellations caused by Covid-19 restrictions. The WAC is also carrying approximately \$10K in prepaid table liabilities (caused by the receipt of prepaid table rents from tableholders for future WAC events that were later cancelled).

Revenue from Membership renewals is also down at this time. A number of members have expressed concerns that they will renew when we return to hosting shows, and some are holding off because of personal monetary situations.

WAC office hours are being reduced, and some temporary labor deferred to help limit office labor expenses.

#### WAC Membership

The WAC membership count for May is at 6705.

Membership renewals continue to be received, although at a much slower rate with the March/April/May show cancellations.

#### WAC Office Space

The WAC has some empty office space as a result of cutbacks in office personnel. An analysis is in work to determine if the WAC has space that can be consolidated and offered as additional rental office space.

#### Board appointments for BoD vacancies

There are currently two vacancies on the WAC BoD as the result of resignations. President Burris is in the process of filling the vacancies. Appointments to the Board vacancies will require WAC BoD approval, and the June, 2020 BoD meeting has been set as the target date for a vote on Board appointments.

**Disciplinary Actions:** No disciplinary items.

By Forbes L Freeburg, WAC Secretary

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## Board Meetings

Due to the Covid-19 virus, recent Board meetings have been either canceled or held via electronic means. The June meeting will be the first in some time and will be closed to members due to social distancing requirements. When open meetings are once again allowed we'll begin publishing meeting dates.

## *Straight From the Holster*

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whatever. Guess what, you've gone hunting and forgot to take ammo. Guess what calibers can be found in almost every little store and at about 1/5 the price of that bore eating stuff you just had to have.

Sure, I've got some modern "hot" calibers taken in trade but for a modern rifle season if I choose to leave the muzzle loader at home, I take a rolling block in 7mm, or if it's needed, a Sharps in 45-70, a 135 year old caliber. If I need a multi-shooter, a lever action .35 Remington, also a 100 year old plus caliber or maybe a 30/06 repeater, also 125+ years old caliber. Plus, all my stuff is C&R eligible, meaning no paperwork. Woo Hoo!

But, as I've written, my favorite hunting is for the explosive grouse, with a handgun. Plus, they are a lot easier to pack out or eat right there. Yum Yum! Don't need multiple trips to get it all out, many late into the night. Don't need to leave it for the bears, if coming back at daylight.

Nuff for now, it's raining so I'll just stay in and maybe load up some .45 shot loads, with grouse season opening September first, don't want to be cut short. See you at the next Show, whenever that may be. Oh, and a thanks to Ed, for his nice e-mail—nice to hear from you. Yup, Wauconda area, some of the nicest in the state.

PS—Oh, while up in the woods, I heard what was obviously a Briggs & Stratton motor. Getting nearer, was an older fella who had modified his riding mower into an off road rig. Cutting off the rear fenders for clearance for a couple of full sized car wheels with wide agricultural tires for higher top speed and ground clearance. He also extended the frame and widened the front axle for steering clearance for similar tires. Of course he eliminated the mower deck and added an axe mount on the hood, as well as a leather scabbard for a rifle (missing). Plus a tin can holder for his "cold one", also missing. He claimed a top speed near 25 mph. The kind of thing from our past when we "made-do" with what we had. (He made sure the back tires were taller than the front so he was always going downhill, knowing you can always go faster going downhill.)

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# Membership Page

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1. There will be no loaded firearms, magazines, or speedloaders in the building, either on the tables or on one's person, with the exception of law enforcement officers with valid agency credentials, and officers under contract with WAC.
2. There will be no bulk gunpowder or explosive bullets in the building. There will be no loose cartridges or loaded clips of any description near the firearms for which they are intended. Chemicals used to make explosives and irritant sprays such as O.C. or Mace are prohibited.
3. All firearms will have their actions tied open. Where that is impractical due to design considerations the arm will have its action tied to make it inoperable. All detachable magazines, including rimfire tubular feeding devices, will be removed from a firearm. Flintlock, wheel lock and matchlock arms need not be tied. Percussion or cartridge firearms for display only contained in a separate secured display case may remain untied.
4. Fully automatic firearms other than those displayed by law enforcement or military organizations, or parts to convert semiautomatic arms to fully-automatic are prohibited. Dummy or replica firearms must be accompanied by a sign stating that the item in question is not a machinegun.
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6. Firearm sales to – or purchases from – persons prohibited by law from firearms ownership/possession are totally forbidden. Violation will lead to expulsion from the event, and possible further disciplinary action. Firearms transactions in the parking lot are prohibited.
7. Members may not loan their badges to anyone, whether a member or not. Membership badges will be worn above the waist with the name clearly visible. The alteration of WAC membership badges in any manner is strictly prohibited; the display at WAC gatherings of altered WAC badges or of badges purporting to be insignia of current WAC membership other than those issued by the WAC shall be cause for immediate expulsion from the gathering and may subject the bearer, if a member, to further discipline by the WAC Board of Directors.
8. There shall be no promotion of, or soliciting for, commercial gun shows on WAC leased premises, including the parking lot. Any other solicitations, display or distribution of non-arms related material at WAC shows must have prior approval of the Event Manager.
9. There will be no parking on the Puyallup Fairgrounds except for those individuals with approved parking permits. All others will be towed at owner's expense.
10. No smoking is allowed on the event premises, except in those areas outside the building specifically designated for smoking.
11. Taking of photographs, video or audio taping is prohibited without permission from either the Board of Directors, Executive Director or the Event Manager.
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13. In the event of disciplinary action taken against a member or members which leads to the revocation, cancellation, or suspension of membership in the Washington Arms Collectors, all monetary balances and credits with the Club shall be forfeited to the Washington Arms Collectors.
14. No person under 18 years of age will be admitted to WAC shows unless accompanied and supervised by an adult, parent or guardian or unless such person is a member of a group authorized by the Board or Event Manager such as Scouts, Civil Air Patrol Cadets, etc.
15. Any member who becomes disqualified from membership must immediately report the disqualification and the circumstances thereof to any Director, Officer or the WAC Office and must surrender his or her badge to the WAC.
16. Any member who learns that another member has become disqualified from membership must report the circumstances to any Director, Officer or the WAC Office. Failure to report such knowledge may be cause for disciplinary action.
17. Any member who is required to conduct a NICS background check on a sale of a firearm to a member at a gathering of members and who receives a denial, must IMMEDIATELY report said denial and the identity of the prospective purchaser to the Event Manager or his designee. Failure to report such information may be cause for disciplinary action.
18. Any member whose attempted purchase of a firearm at a gathering of members is denied by NICS is immediately suspended and must surrender his or her badge forthwith. The suspension of such member shall terminate upon reversal of the NICS denial.
19. Failure to appear before the WAC Board of Directors upon issuance of a written notification signed by the President or his designee may be cause for disciplinary action. Members may be disciplined by the BoD for misconduct or persistent trouble making. The Event Manager, Director of Operations or a majority of the Board present may expel a member or guest from a gathering for violating these Rules of the Road, WAC Bylaws, or other published Board-approved policies and procedures. The Event Manager, Executive Director or a majority of the Board present may, at their discretion, refuse the entry or continued presence of a guest at a gathering.
20. Any person using loud or abusive or obscene language towards another member, attendee or WAC employee may be removed from any WAC activity. Any person engaging in such conduct may be removed immediately from any WAC activity and, if a member, shall be subject to a WAC disciplinary hearing.
21. Additional rules and related policies apply to all members and table holders. Copies may be obtained from the Event Manager.
22. The sale or trade of items known to be stolen, counterfeit or falsely represented is prohibited.

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- JUL 25-26—Monroe, WA, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, WAC—**Canceled**
- Jul 26—Portland, OR, 6255 NE Cornfoot Rd, Oregon Arms Collectors
- Aug 22-23—Portland, OR, Holiday Inn Airport, Oregon Arms Collectors
- Sept 19-20—Monroe, WA, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, WAC—**Canceled**

•WAC Shows not on the annual schedule—As new shows are added in 2020 they will be posted on the website and in the magazine.

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 **2020** Gun Show Schedule

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**SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

•OCT 10-11—Monroe, **NEW DATE**  
check the website for updates on event cancellations and additions

Oct. - Nov.	31 & 01	Puy. Pav.
Dec.	05 & 06	Monroe
Dec.	12 & 13	Puyallup

**SHOW LOCATIONS**

Monroe Show - Evergreen State Fairgrounds  
Puyallup Show - WA State Fair & Events Center

Show Times: Saturday 9AM-5PM & Sunday 9AM-3PM

VERIFY ALL SHOW DATES BEFORE TRAVELING

*Membership in WAC gives you free entrance to events, free ads in the GunNews, the monthly magazine either mailed to you or online and the ability to rent tables at WAC events.*

**Tables**—Call the office to reserve, Saturday only, Sat/Sun or Sunday only. Puyallup—\$60; Monroe—\$50. Discounts for multiple tables. Members only.

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