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As I write this (and three weeks before you read it), we are nine weeks into the 2021 regular legislative session, just past the half way point, with six weeks remaining. And a bizarre session it has been, with lockdowns continuing and “virtual” legislation being drafted and considered via camera. “Virtual government” at its finest!

Twenty gun-related bills were filed this year, a few of them good, a few neutral, and a baker’s dozen – 13 – bad. The good news is, half way through and after a major bill cut-off, most of the bad bills died. Along with the good ones. TWO “assault weapon” ban bills failed, along with TWO magazine bans. A ban on weapons in government buildings went down, and a big one – repeal of state preemption (the law that prohibits counties and cities from passing their own gun control laws – died.

Open carry has been State law since statehood 130 years ago; it has never been a problem and the citizens have never abused the right. Now some kind of official paranoia is motivating legislators to “solve” this non-existent problem. Still alive as I write this is a bill banning open carry of weapons at the capitol and at other public demonstrations (SB 5038) – don’t want to intimidate the snowflakes, don’t’cha know. Also a bill expanding the use and impact of so-called “red flag” protection orders (HB 1320). “Red flag” laws trash half of the bill of rights, seizing your personal property (firearms) before you even know there’s a complaint. Red flag orders violate the 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th and to wrap it up, the 14th Amendments, in my opinion. Two bills nominally focusing on law enforcement “reform” (HB 1054, SB 5263) could have spillover effects on private citizens and their exercise of self defense rights. They restrict use of certain weapons, even non-lethal weapons, and some tactics. By the time you read this there will be close to three weeks left in the 2021 legislative session. Go online to leg.wa.gov and check out the status of the bills mentioned above by clicking on “bill information” and

filling in the bill number. There is likely still time to stop these. Or as I mentioned last month, you can check out “Washington Legislative Action Group” on Facebook, or the Washington Civil Rights Association for current info. Curtis Bingham is doing a great job with both of these tools.

THE OTHER WASHINGTON

Well, they held off for sixty days, then the fun began. The House passed two gun control bills in early March, HR 8 and HR 1446. HR 8, by Rep. Mike Thompson (D-CA), is titled Universal Background Check Act. As with most gun control bills, titles can be very deceiving. “Universal background checks” sounds good, especially to non-gun owners. Unfortunately, the impact of the bill goes far beyond simple background checks. Loaning a firearm to a friend without going through a federally licensed gun dealer could get you a felony conviction. And “private sales,” sales between individual parties even if the buyer has a state concealed carry license – proof of already passing a background check – would be over.

Numerous studies have shown felons don’t buy their guns through dealers – they get them on the “black market” – illegal sources. Or they have a friend or relative with a clean background buy a gun for them, what is called a “straw purchase.” And straw purchases are already a federal felony.

What Universal Background Checks DOES accomplish is to create a de facto registry of all firearms transferred in the U.S. Gun registration. And no firearm confiscation program can be fully effective without a gun registry. Ask New Zealand. Universal gun registration has been the gun grabbers goal for decades.

Then there is HR 1446, by Rep. James Clyburn (D-SC). HR 1446 increases the delay in approving NICS background checks from three days to ten – plus. And that is not ten CALENDAR days, it is ten BUSINESS days – weekends and holidays don’t count. Under current law, if the FBI cannot come up with a reason to block a gun transfer, the dealer may deliver the firearm to the purchaser – subject to law enforcement retrieval if the buyer is later determined to be disqualified. HR 1446 expands the three day delay to ten days, and even after ten days, if the transfer does not have FBI clearance, the buyer must petition the FBI to get a go-ahead.

A right delayed is a right denied—Rev. Martin Luther King. You’d think Rep. Clyburn would know that. Or that he would understand the racist roots of gun control in this country.

HR 8 passed the House on a 227 to 203 vote, with eight Republicans joining the majority Democrats to vote “aye.” HR 1446 passed the House with a 219 to 210 vote, with two Republicans joining Democrats. As mid-term elections approach we need to take a hard look at all those legislators who voted for these bills, in particular those Republicans who now seem unable to see civil rights as a fundamental issue. The time to clean house is during the primary elections.

Don’t worry, these same bills passed the House last year and were blocked by the Republican-controlled Senate. No problemo. Oh, there IS a problem. The Republicans no longer control the Senate. The 2021 Senate is 50-50 Democrat and Republican, with Vice President Harris breaking any tie vote. That brought us Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY) as Majority Leader. And even before the two bills passed the House, Schumer announced the bills would be moved quickly in the Senate, already scheduling a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on them.

This is only the beginning. For the complete plan, visit <https://joebiden.com/gunsafety/>. One tiny, tiny glimmer of hope as we move forward. The mid-term elections are only eighteen months away. Yes, a lot of time to do even more damage. But with an even split in the Senate, and only a nine seat majority in the House (funny thing, that, how the Democrats won the presidential election but lost several seats in the House elections), the Democrats have to step cautiously. If they go overboard with their gun control agenda, they risk a major backlash in November 2022. And ultimately it’s all about seizing – and holding – power.

Not to be outdone by her San Francisco neighbor, Nancy Pelosi, Senator Dianne Feinstein is at it again too: She has filed the 2021 version of her favorite subject: A so-called “assault weapon” ban. As I write this in mid-March, no bill number has been assigned, nor is the complete text of the bill available. We can expect it to be an expansion of her 1994 bill, closing the “loopholes” left in that bill – like the ten year sunset clause.

The bill reportedly specifically names 205 different models, plus a generic description for anything she missed. Unlike the 1994 version, which allowed continued commerce in such firearms already possessed, this one bans the sale, transfer, manufacture and import of designated firearms/ firearm types. Yes, it does apparently “grandfather” (allow retention) firearms already possessed (the 4th Amendment loophole), so she adds “mandatory safe

storage” language. Depending on the specific language, it is likely to make any such firearm inaccessible when most needed. Classic “lock up your safety. The ban also includes “high capacity magazines.”

In order for the “grandfathering” to work, they’ll have to know who already owns prohibited firearms... AND magazines. Registration. And in their ignorance of guns, will the wording mistakenly (or intentionally) include the tens of millions of 10+ round magazines for many common semiautomatic pistols?

The few articles already out on it repeat the lies about how dangerous these “military-style assault weapons” are, and that they are only good for killing people. Or that they are the preferred weapon of mass shooters (not true: handguns invariably are). I suspect most of the owners of the 15 million such firearms in circulation today would disagree, but hey, we’re after media headlines. And if you haven’t caught on yet with media coverage of Covid-19, scaring the public into doing what IT wants done – like gun bans – is what the media does best.

Reportedly Senator Feinstein already has 34 co-sponsors, all Democrats. Don’t be surprised if a few squishy Republicans join in as well. There is reportedly a House version as well, filed by Rhode Island Democrat David Cicilline. Again, what are its chances of passage? I broke my crystal ball on election night last November (when at midnight it told me don’t worry, Donald Trump has it in the bag), so I won’t speculate. Beyond what I wrote just below.

An “assault weapon ban” or a “large capacity magazine ban” would likely trigger an electoral backlash. Do they dare risk it? They didn’t risk it in Olympia this year. And note I don’t even mention “gun confiscation.” Historically confiscation is off the table. We’re talking about private property here. You know, that Fourth Amendment thingy. Back in 1994, when the Clinton administration reclassified certain shotguns as “destructive devices” under the 1934 National Firearms Act, they made no attempt at confiscation. They required registration, per NFA, but no confiscation and no transfer stamp tax. Recall 248 years ago when the government of that period imposed a tax stamp on tea. They didn’t like the outcome (but they also didn’t believe there would be much reaction from their “subjects”).

It’s a brave new world.

INSURRECTION II

Up until 1933, due to slow manual vote counting, the incoming president was inaugurated on March 4th. (Relatively) modern technology allowed that date to be moved forward to January 20th, just ten weeks after the election. Earlier this year reports were circulating in the other Washington that there would be an Insurrection II, on March 4th, when supporters of Donald Trump and other radicals would rise up and install Trump for a second term. Most of these rumors were circulating in left wing circles, expressing their greatest fear – the return of The Donald.

Their (partial) solution? Keep Capitol Hill an armed camp, with thousands of National Guardsmen safeguarding them and fencing all around the building, a la the third world. And that National Guard presence was just extended. What happened in January wasn't an insurrection. It was a couple hundred protesters who got carried away and trespassed into the closed Capitol Building...albeit with most doors already open. Hundreds of thousands of protesters did NOT violate the law.

Right here in Olympia we have a Mini-Me version of the leftist paranoia—the Capitol Campus and surrounding neighborhoods are walled-off with concrete barricades and chain link (yes, still there as recently as 3-14-21). The jewel of the State is effectively off-limits to the citizens. This sorry state of affairs effectively makes the Capitol—the most sensible location for free speech protests—no longer a public place. Meanwhile the legislature does its work without true public hearings in a new secretive process. State Patrol spokesman Chris Loftis justified the campus closures: “It’s tragic that we have had to take such extraordinary actions to keep our democratic process safe and the people who work in it safe, but we are resolved that the democratic process will not be interfered with by those with illegal intentions.” Yes, it is tragic but the real tragedy is the unwillingness to deal with criminal acts, instead punishing all. Just like gun control—rather than deal with criminals, laws are passed that affect only the law-abiding.

Now they’re writing legislation to go after “domestic terrorists.” Fine, I have no problem with that. Terrorists deserve that. Protesters do not. And I wonder how their definition of “domestic terrorist” will read? Will it include extremists from the left as well as the right? Will those who support the Constitution be labeled extremists?

What are the Democrats afraid of? Their fellow citizens. And if they’re worried about insurrections, where were they all last summer? And even today in nearby Portland, OR? Seattle’s “CHAZ” can only be defined as an insurrection.

AG MERRICK GARLAND

Anti-gun federal judge and former Barack Obama Supreme Court nominee Merrick Garland was confirmed by the US Senate as our next Attorney General on a 70-30 vote, with 20 Republicans joining the Democrats. (Again, time to address those Republicans later.)

Apparently still smarting from the Republican Senate’s refusal to confirm his Supreme Court appointment in 2015, Garland said he would “adhere to norms” in running the Justice Department, alluding to alleged Justice Department politicization under President Trump. Uh, just for the record, it was the administration BEFORE President Trump’s that politicized and weaponized several federal agencies. It was the FBI that secured FISA warrants to illegally spy on the Trump campaign. It was politicized FBI and the CIA who built the “Russia collusion” fairy tale. If we’re going to point fingers, let’s point them in the right direction.

There have been reports that AG Garland will go after the January 6th “insurrectionists” in a big way. How big can you go with misdemeanor trespass charges. Or petty vandalism. Punish them, yes, as deserved and proportionately.

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The Next WAC Shows

It's looking like we might be allowed to have events in the near future. As the State slowly re-opens, we're seeing that the next two events in Puyallup and Elma might actually happen. Other gun shows are active but they "cheat" by masquerading as individual retail sales, so they are pretending to operate as does your legitimate local gun store or grocery outlet. As vaccinations ramp up, a safe future event should happen soon.

STRAIGHT FROM THE HOLSTER

J.T. HILSENDEER

I just got back from checking out the markdowns in the sporting goods/hunting department of Walmart. Yeah, there are bargains to be found all year 'round. Okay, so I've already got a few of the lightweight long sleeve camo tee shirts, but these today were a real bargain. Kinda like going to a gun show and buying another something—maybe a magnum rifle or pistol when you already have one for every day of the week. Right. (Kinda like me and black powder shooters). Yeah, a guy thing.

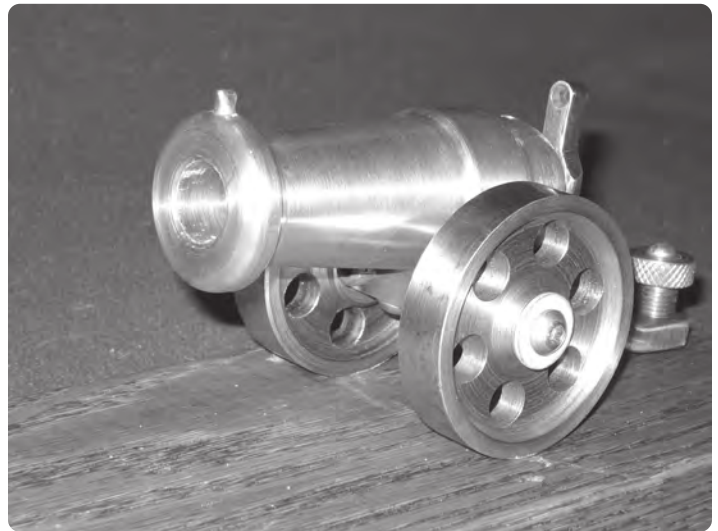
Also had to check out the footwear department for a pair of hunting boots, mine so old the leather is badly split. Some 30 years ago, I think, I found a nice lightweight pair of 6 inch high, canvas type material, camo of course, semi-hard lug sole boots. These were like putting on a pair of moccasins. The soles pliable enough they seldom broke branches, unlike most of the overpriced on the market having soles as stiff as boards.

Have you ever just sat in the woods and listened to the hunters “stomping” around in those hard soled boots? I don't doubt they'd even be noisy on a living room carpet. I admit they'd be okay walking a freshly graveled road, but I don't hunt those roads, instead seeking out the game trails or just plain brush busting, cross country not miles from my truck or roadway.

Anyway, at Walmart I ran into one of our members and after exchanging pleasantries, he started quizzing me about my “wheres, whens, and hows” of hunting and just overnights. First off, I don't care if I get an animal or not, my reason for being in the outdoors was to “be outdoors”, enjoying nature.

I keep reading about the 300, 400, 500, 600 yard shots on game and that irritates the heck out of me. That ain't hunting, but long range target shooting. Hunting to me is being able to sneak up on the animal, within 40-50 yards, at least close enough to hit with a rock before a shot is taken or just passed up, which is normal for me.

'Nuff about that, time for a bit of gun stuff. Browsing on YouTube, I was looking at the miniature/model cannons, whipped out in home workshops. Then I looked at commercially available kits and prices, for mostly die cast stuff. From a recent estate project, I



got a bunch of brass shafting, perfect for a little cannon. Hey, I can do that. An old friend sometime back got a set of plans to build a scale model, offering them to me. Nah, I'd just as soon “wing it” and see what happens. My end result is not a copy of anything, it's .69 bore, but “whimsical,” just for fun. Oh yeah, already a “gotta have one” from a neighbor.

Didn't take long—only a couple hours on the lathe, a couple more on the milling machine, some drilling and tapping of holes, then a bit of redoing because I screwed up, a bit of sanding and assembly. Then I lathe-turned a lightweight projectile and with a very light charge of one-fg black powder, a short cannon fuse, Boom! (One-fg is the proper granulation for cannons).

I know a lot of guys will have suggestions or critiques on my project. Well—make one yourself or buy the die cast kit.

A neighbor asked if I could rescue a rifle for him, the stock broken from a horse taking a tumble with the rifle in a saddle scabbard. This was an 1893 Marlin lever action in thutty-thutty, 1902 vintage. It had been wrapped with black electrical tape for years and it literally cooked itself on that wood. Also, there was a 3 inch by 5/8 area of rot on the side opposite the cheek piece. It had been filled with some kind of household wood filler, turning yellow over the years.

Easy fix – scrape all the finish and tape crap off, clamp real hard where the split ended, then using wedges, spread the splintered wood (where it joins the receiver) and inject "Gorilla Glue" as far as I can into the splits. Then, clamp the heck out of it all and allow to cure for a couple days. This glue is fantastic, waterproof, but being an expanding glue it must be clamped as it will swell up. A friend of mine sometime back, made up a real nice little oak machinist tool box, but did not clamp it and used an expanding glue. Yup, screwed up. Any woodworker knows, or should, that to re-glue, all old glue must be removed as glue does not adhere to old glue. (Of course, somebody will correct me.)

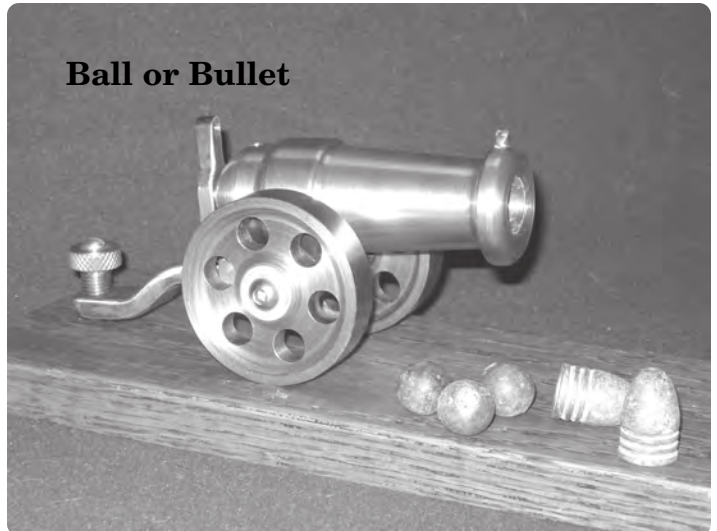
I cut out all the old rot in the stock, deepening the edges for a good non-tapering filler-to-wood joint, sunk 3 or 4 small wood screws in the deepest part of the repair, (about 7/16 inch). Then filled with an indoor-outdoor wood filler that would accept stain. Everything was restained, a couple coats of rubbed in oil finish and it was returned to the neighbor, a very happy guy. (Neighbor's choice in opting\ for wood filler instead of wood.)

As is usual, he came back with another project, a garage sale revolver, all seized up. His was an 1851 Colt style, .36 Navy, the brand Army San Palo, no longer in business. I literally had to use a soft mallet and beat it apart, the old lube having glued it together. I noted it to be loaded, the lead balls having been forced in so hard, the powder now like cured cement. Years ago I made a ball puller for this type situation and even at that, I had to bore out the center then collapse the balls. (Of course I had used a solvent solution to "kill" the powder before I started). Each chamber had to be scraped clean, the powder cemented to the chamber walls. The whole gun had to be scraped, residue so cruddy. After a thorough takedown and cleaning it was apparent sometime in the past, somebody had replaced parts from a "rebuild" kit, that didn't fit so cylinder/barrel timing was off, making it unsafe to shoot.

The important thing to remember on any of this gun work: Pistol, rifle, black powder or modern, "that ought to be close enough" isn't good enough. Oh, the gun had also been loaded to the max with 4 fg powder, which is recommended for flintlock pans; this will develop too high chamber pressures in pistols. Sure, it'll work, but why push it. Knothead loads!

In the last couple of years the revolver conversion cylinders have gotten popular. Important to remember, these will fit brass frame revolvers but are meant for steel frame guns only, and to use

Ball or Bullet



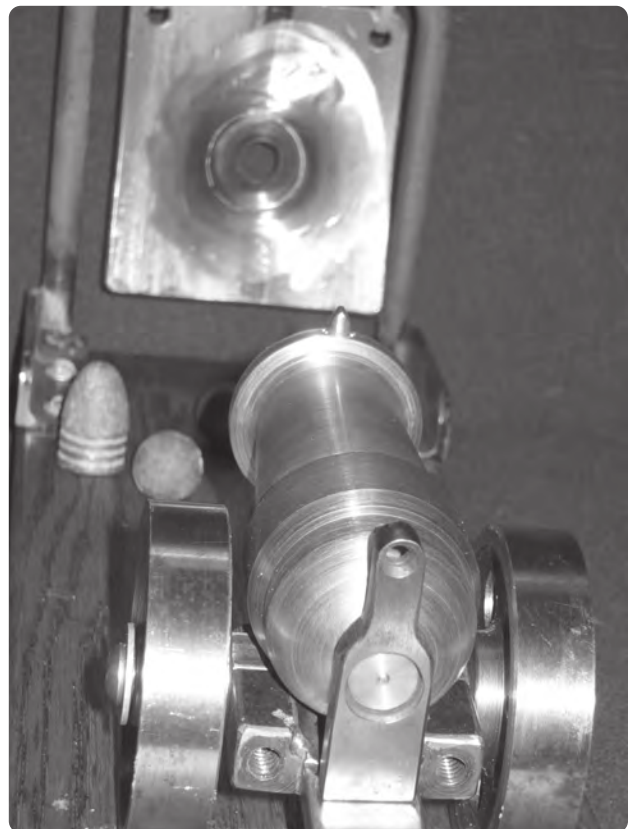
"Cowboy" loadings if you reload, or commercially loaded "Cowboy" loads.

Just a couple of thoughts before wrapping this up. Next couple of weeks are prime for hitting the woods, for spotting wildlife, but take a butt pad for extended sitting and listening/watching. (I'll sneak up on you).

Was just looking at my iron stock rack, seeing some very heavy wall, 1/2 inch thick, 2-1/4 & 2-1/2 tubing. Hm, would make some neat artillery barrels. Nuff for now, see you at our next show.

Oh, now is an excellent time to clean guns, even if they haven't been used.

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The S&W “.44 MAGNUM” Out of the PAST...and into the WAC

By Larry Schlotterbeck, WAC



Photos by Rick Verzal

Before the Model 29 Smith & Wesson there was the first, the original, S&W .44 Magnum revolver.

The "pre-29's" as they are known by collectors are now quite rare. Larry Schlotterbeck's example is an un-restored original.

His story follows on pages 10-11.

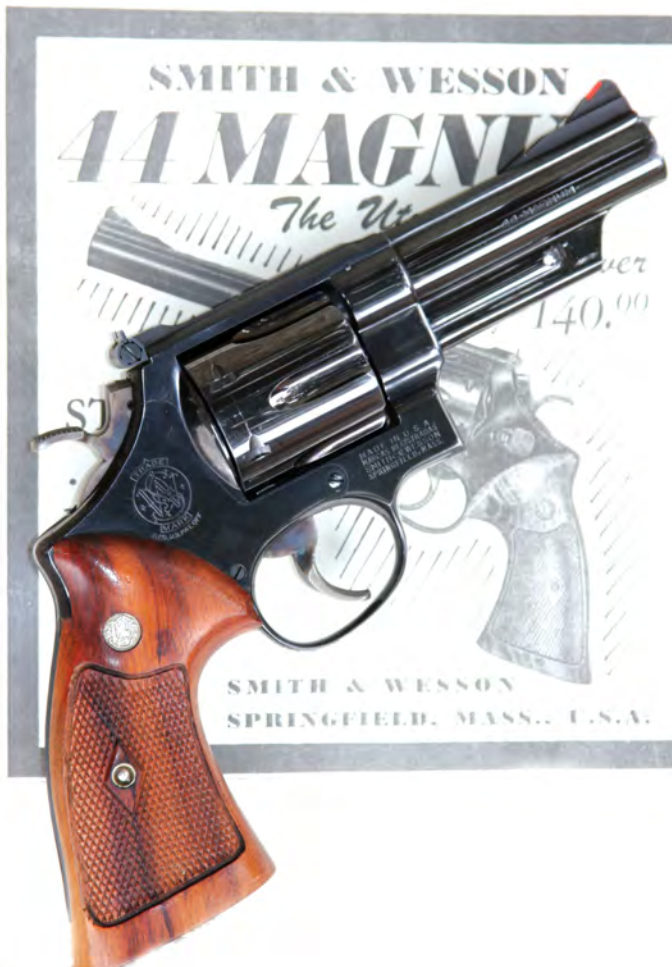
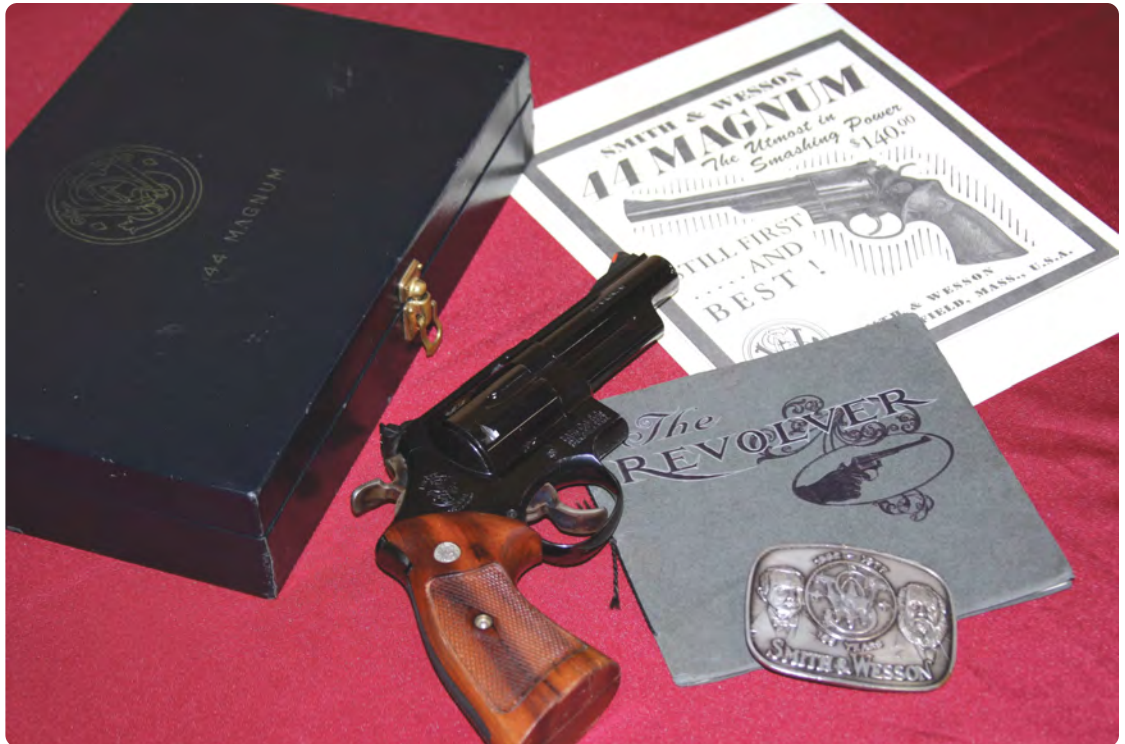


Rick Verzal took the excellent photos on these pages and on our cover this month.

If you've stopped at Larry Schlotterbeck's tables at WAC annual display shows, you know that his displays usually feature as much related paraphernalia and original pieces as possible.

At right is the .44 Magnum revolver with a case, ad page, 100-year commemorative belt buckle and pamphlet.

Note the ad price of \$140.



Previous Page—The first .44 Magnums were deluxe handguns and were delivered in a dark blue leatherette case lined in light blue satin. The blue satin had deteriorated and replaced with the green material shown on page 8.

Above—Here's a close-up of the S&W Monogram and 44 Magnum gold lettering on the case lid.

Left—The revolver is displayed on a period ad that claims, "The utmost in smashing power."

Note that the sideplate is missing the 1956 upper screw—this screw was not present from 1957 on so is not found on this 1958 gun. This example is a 4" barrel version.

The S&W “44 MAGNUM”

By Larry Schlotterbeck, WAC
With Photos By Rick Verzal

Looking back more than 65 years, can you imagine the excitement in the shooting community when Smith & Wesson announced a big new revolver in December 1955 / January 1956. For more than a year, S&W had teamed up with Remington Arms Co. to finalize the design of the new .44 Magnum cartridge and the new .44 Magnum handgun. Encouraged by big-bore handgunner Elmer Keith and others who had been overloading .44 Special ammo for increased performance, S&W could now claim the .44 Magnum to be “the Most Powerful Handgun in the World!”

Not a Model 29

Prior to its “Model 29” designation in late 1957 (serial #S179000 was the first 29), and years before Clint Eastwood memorialized it in the “Dirty Harry” movie, this new high-power offering was known at S&W as the NT-430, and to the general public simply as the “.44 MAGNUM.” The NT-430 stood for N-frame, Target, and .430 bore diameter. Built on the large S&W N-frame, the gun was not only designed to handle the explosive power of the new Magnum round, but to comfortably shoot the milder .44 Special as well. Initially offered at \$140, it was available with blued or nickel finish and 4 inch or 6-1/2 inch barrel lengths. No 8-3/8 inch barrel guns were produced prior to December 1958. Several hundred blued or nickel finish guns with 5 inch barrels were produced in early 1958 and are quite rare. With a 6 round cylinder, heavy steel frame and barrel, and large target grips, the new revolver was not only an imposing handful, but a typical S&W work of art as well.

Today, those early .44 Magnums are known as “Pre-Model 29” guns and have become quite collectible. One example, the subject of this article, was purchased by the author from a fellow WAC member and S&W revolver enthusiast. The piece is in very good condition and includes the original black vinyl covered wood case. Condition of the case is fair, as it does show some chips and scratches, and the original blue satin lining has been replaced with a green velvet. None of the S&W paperwork remains, but the proper blue steel knurled-handle screwdriver is still with the gun. The case also

clearly shows the gold imprinted factory S&W logo and 44 MAGNUM on the lid.

This WAC-Owned .44 Magnum

As for the gun itself, it's the blued, 4 screw, 4 inch barrel model shipped to San Francisco, California on January 24, 1958 according to the factory letter of authenticity. It retains the Goncalo Alves (a South American wood) diamond checkered “Coke Bottle” style target grips as issued, as well as the correct target hammer, trigger, and sights. “Coke Bottle” is a collector term describing a slight swelling shape in the palm area of the grips when they are viewed from the rear. Of course, it's always a plus when these grips have not been replaced by after market soft rubber comfort items. A little holster wear on the barrel, and a drag-line on the cylinder are slight evidence of very minimal use but exceptional care by the previous owners of this legendary beauty.

Competitors Enter the Fray

A note on the competition to be the first with the .44 Magnum: Prior to the first early 1956 shipments of the big S&W handgun, considerable test firing had been conducted. An alert Sturm Ruger employee picked up some of the strange empty .44 Magnum cases at a local metal scrap yard and brought them to William Ruger. Ruger went to Remington and learned Remington was making the new ammo for the soon to be available S&W product. Then, so not to be outgunned in the big-bore department, the Ruger company quickly designed and produced their own, now famous, single-action Blackhawk model .44 Magnum which went on sale late in 1956. Like the S&W gun, the Ruger was also very popular, and proved to be a strong competitor. Additionally, the Great Western Arms Co. was shipping their own version of .44 Magnums, the Frontier model, in July 1956, according to various company documents.

The S&W “Pre-Model 29” information contained in this article was obtained from “The Standard Catalog of Smith & Wesson”, 3rd Edition by Jim Supica & Richard Nahas. Ship date and model details were provided by S&W historian, Roy Jinks, in his factory letter of authenticity.

The information on the Ruger .44 Magnum is from the book “Ruger Pistols & Revolvers” by John C. Dougan.

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Frankenguns: The Horror! The Horror?

The World of Collecting By Tom Burke

In the movies Frankenstein's monster was a stitched-together horror made of miscellaneous body parts with the brain of a murderer. The creature ("It's Alive!! It's Alive!!") was primitive, could barely speak, and had to be destroyed. (Since watching the original 1931 flick I've always been vaguely averse to crowds of shouting townspeople brandishing pitchforks and carrying burning torches.)

But in Mary Shelly's original novel (penned in 1818) the creature was highly intelligent, articulate, quoted Plutarch, and only turns "monster" when its creator, Doctor Victor Frankenstein, (re-named Henry Frankenstein in the movie) refuses to make him a mate. The monster (he's never given a name) dies in the end, but in the novel it is a suicide in the Arctic where he's fled.

Like the two very different creations of the "Frankenstein" by author and screen writers, there are two very different versions of "Frankenguns"—those firearms assembled-from-parts-from-here-there-and-anywhere. There are those created by insightful, curiously-ambitious gunsmiths (both amateur and professional) and then there are the second type cobbled together by the gun world's own version of Freddie-from-Friday-the-13th-monster—Bubba.

Now for me, there's a significant difference between a Bubba'ed Frankengun and guns that are adapted or modified in pursuit of enhanced performance. The former are sometimes referred to as (well, journalistic standards prevent me from using the actual, definitely non-complimentary word) while the others are well-regarded as "Custom Builds," where the mating of high-quality parts to other high quality parts produces



Lee Perry's .45 Colt Snubbie

a firearm with the precise set of qualities desired by the builder.

An example of such a custom build was undertaken by S&W forum member Lee Perry (Grayfox on that board) of Bartlett, TN. Over a two-and-a-half-year period he created a 3 1/4" .45 Colt Snubbie from the frame of a Smith & Wesson model 28-2 (a .357); with a cylinder from a Smith model 25-5 (.45 Colt from 1978); a standard Smith hammer; a .312 smooth combat trigger; and a C&S Extreme Duty rear sight and a composite number of internal parts from Colt and S&W. And he got just what he wanted, but couldn't find in his Local Gun Store.

And there are countless other "custom builds": ARs with disparate uppers and lowers; long-range tack drivers in specialized calibers; military customizations for hunting; pistols for competition; and carry guns combining capacity and concealment.

Fitz Specials

One of my favorite Frankenguns is the Fitz Special, typically a snub-nosed .38 (or .45) that looks like it got caught in a wood chipper. It was created by John Henry Fitzgerald (an early 20th century Colt salesman, gunsmith, New York state trooper, marksman, and author) by taking a standard-size Colt revolver, shortening the barrel to two inches, shortening the ejector rod, bobbing the hammer spur, rounding the butt, and removing the front half of the trigger guard; then reshaping the hammer and the butt allowing the gun to be drawn quickly with little risk of the weapon snagging on clothing. According to some light research, John "Fitz" made between 40 and 200 of 'em at



The Fitz Special

the Colt factory starting in 1925 and his creation was the forerunner of the Colt Detective Special, the first modern snub-nosed revolver. Scores of other gunsmiths, both professional and Bubba, have emulated his concept resulting in a small herd of the things floating around, with folks as diverse as Col. Rex Applegate, Charles Lindberg, and Clyde Barrow carrying them.

Today, I'm not sure something like the Fitz is needed. Colt, Ruger, Walther, Sig, and most other makers offer an easy-to-carry, slick to unholster, wheelgun or semi. My S&W Performance Center 642 seems to give me all that Fitz offered in a smaller-size J-frame revolver capable of +P power: Concealability (fits nicely in a pants pocket), shrouded hammer (so it doesn't get hung up on drawing), smoooooth trigger (the Performance Center did a nice job), and total reliability. I did add a slightly longer Hogue grip to give me a bit more purchase than the diminutive stock grips. I'm not sure I'd be comfortable with Fitz's hacked-up trigger guard giving what I think is somewhat risky access to the gas pedal; so I'd pass on it as a carry gun. But it might be interesting in a collection if I collected small carry guns (which I don't except some .32 ACP's by Beretta, Colt, Walther via FEG, and CZ; and another couple of .38 S&Ws by H&R and Smith).

Military Frankenguns

The only other "Frankenguns" I own are my Finnish Mosins. Way back in the 1920's (and forward through WWII) the Finns took some standard

Russian Mosin Nagants and arsenal rebuilt them with new barrels (from a number of different sources), new stocks (to ameliorate their cracking in the extreme cold of Finland's winters), improved triggers (most anything would be an improvement over a stock Mosin trigger), different sights, and a bunch of new rollmarks. I've written about Finnish Mosins and the Winter War here in Gun News before, and while many might not think of them as classic "Frankenguns" they pretty much fit the definition.

Now ARs are a different story. I'd imagine there are almost as many home-built black rifles (errr...modern sporting rifles?) around as those



Above-Franken-AR? But it is missing a few things: It still needs a grenade launcher, stock bandolier, laser, radio, range-finder, anemometer, bayonet, beer-can holder?

Below-The "Legislative" Frankengun



made by traditional manufactures. I'll confess that I'm not all that into that platform and when folks begin talking about mating this upper with that lower, adding so-and-so's barrel and what's his name's folding stock, and a handguard, and glass, and sling attachments, and triggers—well, my eyes kinda glaze over. I half-hear what they are saying; and visions of my Springfield .30-40 Krag begin to flash before my eyes, or I start thinking about doing something really, really radical to my .40 S&W Browning HiPower, like changing the grips.

Unfortunately, there's another AR-platform Frankengun lurking in the shadows, the so-called "Compliant" AR that was built to get around all the goofy, useless restrictions put on those deadly "assault" rifles in some states. (So some research on the last time a bayonet was ill-used on anyone, on any rifle, anywhere in the US, then ask yourself why the bayonet lug was considered a no-no and banned.)

Anyway, the original design, which in my opinion was starkly handsome, has been bent and twisted and futzed-with to create a silly-looking and almost near-parody of a legislator's intent—to effectually ban the platform. I know some are forced to buy such abominations, but I somehow think if one landed in my safe, all the other guns in there would die of shame or grab pitchforks and burning torches and drive the monster out and into a some dark corner of the garage.

The 'Smith Smiths

Around 1980, Jovino's, a New York City gunshop, chopped a Smith & Wesson .45ACP 25-2 down to 2 ¾ or 3 inches, the square butt was rounded, a ball detent was added to the yoke, the trigger narrowed and smoothed, the hammer spur was narrowed, the gun reblued, and they called it the "Effector."

At the time Smith had nothing like it on offer, and a bunch were sold. But in subsequent years both S&W and Lew Horton took the hint and produced 3" versions of their bigger bore revolvers with the result that snubbies in about every caliber can be found.

(If ya wanna stir up a bunch of internet chatter, posit that anything larger than +P .38 Special in a snub size is a waste of time, money, and powder. The short barrel does nothing to extract the real oomph of the bigger bullets, the recoil is more than off-putting, there ain't a lot of difference,

ballistically, between .357-plus sizes and +P .38, and they don't carry as easily as a J-frame. But some folks like 'em, the gun makers make 'em, and really, why not? As for the 4" versions of the big bore pistols, that seems to me to be a solid idea; and one of my boys carries a 4" .44 mag [that used to live in my gun safe but grew legs when we were doing some stowage rearrangement] when he's hiking in bear country.)

The Really Ugly Stuff—Not

When I began thinking about this column, I was planning to fill it with pictures of Bubba's best. But much to my surprise, there are a lot more really practical, carefully-considered, great looking examples of the genre than I would have imagined.

I asked on a couple of my better gun forums for examples of the good, the bad, and the disasters and received 99% good. Who'd a thunk?

So builds like the following were some of the responses: Putting a Beretta 92 slide on a 96 frame, mating S&W 6906 frames to 4 inch 915 barrels and slides, rechambering a Swiss K11 to 6.5 Swede by screwing a Carl Gustav Mauser barrel onto it, turning a Winchester Model 1895 in 30 Government into one shooting 405 WCF, or 'smithing a 1942 '98 Oberndorf Mauser with a Remington .243 heavy barrel, chambered to 6mm with a Fajen-reject Deluxe H&R stock.

Whew! That's a lotta good guns.

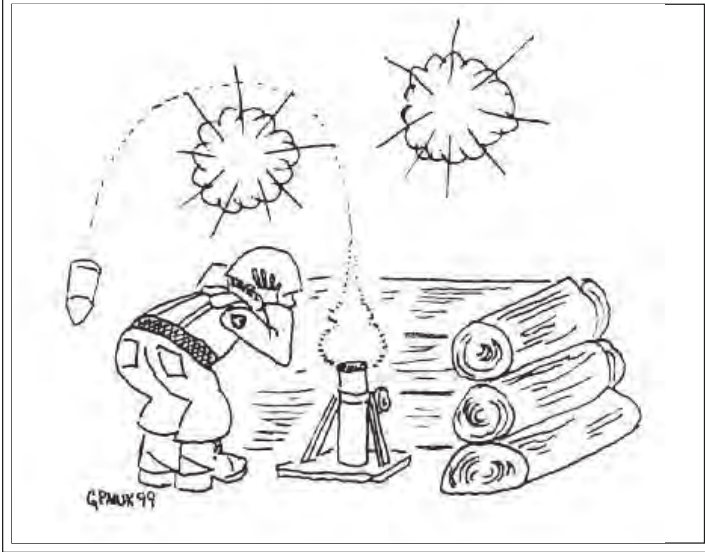
For the collector, guns like the Fitz Special or Finn Mosin hold some attraction. For the hunter, competitor, or just for the satisfaction of creating a whole out of parts, the Frankengun gives folks the chance to showcase skills, stretch the imagination, and get just what they need, when they need it. I guess, as Mary Shelly said, "Invention, it must be humbly admitted, does not consist in creating out of void, but out of chaos." And heaven knows, there's certainly plenty of chaos in the gun world today to go around.

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SHORT ROUNDS



WA Appeals Court Unanimously Upholds Preemption In SAF Lawsuit

BELLEVUE, WA – A Washington State Appeals Court panel has unanimously held that a so-called “safe storage” ordinance adopted by the City of Edmonds and challenged by the Second Amendment Foundation, National Rifle Association and three private citizens violates the state’s 36-year-old model preemption law.

The ruling is a “significant victory for Evergreen State gun and privacy rights,” said SAF founder and Executive Vice President Alan M. Gottlieb. The case is known as *Bass v. City of Edmonds*.

“Washington lawmakers wisely adopted state preemption more than 35 years ago, Gottlieb observed. “The language is clear and unambiguous. Local governments cannot adopt or enforce their own firearms regulations that are more restrictive than state statute. The City of Edmonds knew this when the council adopted the storage requirement.” The unanimous ruling was written by Acting Chief Judge Beth Andrus, with Judges Bill Bowman and Lori Kay Smith concurring. Writing for the court, Judge Andrus explained, “We...conclude that the legislature’s express preemption of ‘the entire field

of firearms regulation’ is unambiguous and necessarily extends to regulations of the storage of firearms.”

“Let’s be clear about something,” Gottlieb emphasized. “Edmonds didn’t adopt this safe storage mandate in the interest of safety, but rather to challenge and erode, if not irreparably dismantle the state preemption law. The city has no business dictating to citizens how they should store firearms in their own homes.

“State preemption is the most common sense approach to firearms regulation there is,” he added. “It provides uniformity on gun laws from one state border to the other. Whether you live in Edmonds or Ephrata, the gun laws are the same.”

SAF and NRA are currently challenging a nearly identical storage ordinance adopted by the City of Seattle prior to time Edmonds adopted its illegal ordinance. The same appellate court last year ruled the Seattle lawsuit can continue.

From the Second Amendment Foundation

U.S. House passes gun control bills HR 8 and HR 1446

FAIRFAX, Va. - Jason Ouimet, executive director of the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action, released the following statement Thursday after the House passed gun control bills HR 8 and HR 1446:

“These bills are a transparent attempt by gun control advocates in Congress to restrict the rights of law-abiding Americans under the guise of addressing the violent criminal culture in America.

The truth, however, is that neither of these bills will do anything to solve that problem. By giving full power to unelected government bureaucrats to indefinitely delay and prevent lawful firearm transfers, H.R. 1446 could ultimately destroy the Second Amendment rights guaranteed to every law-abiding American by turning it into a privilege enjoyed by a select few.

H.R. 8, so called “universal” background checks, cannot be enforced without a federal gun registry, will not prevent crime, and will turn otherwise law-

abiding citizens into criminals for simply loaning a firearm to friends or family members.

If Congress is serious about the safety of law-abiding citizens, it should have passed concealed carry reciprocity so that Americans can safeguard themselves and their families across state lines and throughout our country during these dangerous times."

A Note To Members— Be Heard

I encourage you to stay informed and in contact with your elected Representatives and Senators during the Legislative session.

For those who are connected to the internet, technology has made it easier than ever to track bills and give your opinion. Yes, it is, as always, your responsibility to tell your elected officials what you do and don't like.

TRACK BILLS IN THE WA LEGISLATURE:

This is one most functional, clearly organized websites ever constructed; it is easy to navigate.

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THE NRA/ILA-ALERTS & INFORMATION

Even if you are not an NRA member you can use this site to obtain pro-gun information on Washington State and Federal bills.

1. Go to **nraila.org**
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By the Editor

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The No-Shot Show Report—Part II

As was noted last month, there was no Shot Show this year. In spite of that there are a lot of new items to report and here is a continuation of our reporting with a few more firearm items of interest. Enjoy some armchair shopping or just stay abreast of what's new. *The Editor*



THE RUGER-57™ FUN TO SHOOT. COOL TO OWN.



Ruger 57. Maybe you've already seen the Ruger 57 in-person. The name is derived from the 5.7mm x28 cartridge, that hot little round that looks a lot more like a rifle round than a pistol caliber. The 57 is a full-size, polymer framed pistol with a 5" barrel, target sights and a "double action" trigger that is a lot like most other modern triggers. There is a hammer, internal, and an ambi safety that operates like a 1911. The slide is steel and optics can be added with an available mount. The magazine holds 20 rds of this amazing polymer-tipped ammo. Is this a recreational or defensive firearm? You decide. The huge advantage of the 5.7 is very low recoil and a quick follow-up shot. About \$800 retail.

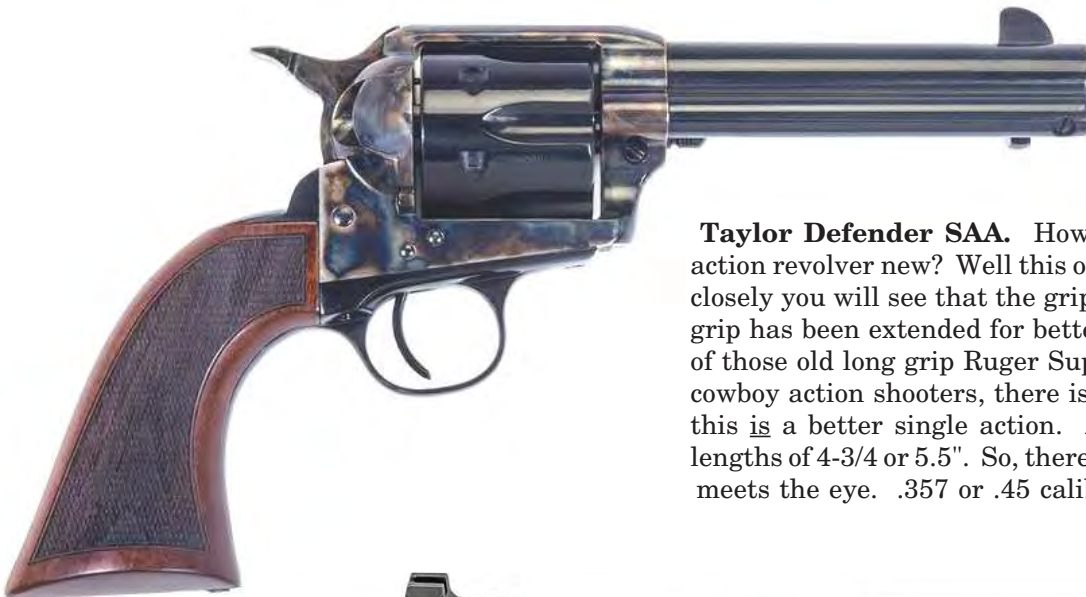
Savage 110 Ultralight. Light, powerful rifles are popular but if you've ever fired one of those 6 lb. magnums you know they hurt. Savage wisely limits their caliber options in this less-than-six-pound rifle—30-06 is the max. Claimed to be factory blueprinted and with a carbon-wrapped, stainless-steel Proof Research barrel everything here is state-of-the-art. Look at the lightened receiver and spiral fluted bolt. The reliable AccuTrigger is fitted and one can adjust both comb and length-of-pull. The muzzle is threaded for either brake or suppressor. The weatherproof finish is in camo or gray. About \$1500 retail.





A New Straight Pull Bolt Rifle!

Savage Impulse Rifles. When was the last time you saw a straight pull centerfire rifle? At a WAC show maybe. Look at the photo and you might be fooled as it looks like a regular bolt action. But Savage has designed a what they call a Hexlock straight-pull action that has a free-floating interchangeable bolt head. Of course the idea is to minimize off-target time and speed second round shots—pull and push without disrupting the sight picture. There are three different rifles in this 2021 line: On the receiver you'll find a 20 MOA rail for your scope. Steel barrel threaded for brakes, etc. The Predator is a 8 lb. long range varmint gun, box fed, in calibers up to .308. \$1300+.



Taylor Defender SAA. How can we call a vintage single action revolver new? Well this one is very pretty and if you look closely you will see that the grip frame shape is different. The grip has been extended for better recoil control (yes, like some of those old long grip Ruger Super Blackhawks). To appeal to cowboy action shooters, there is a low hammer spur. Perhaps this is a better single action. Available in traditional barrel lengths of 4-3/4 or 5.5". So, there is more here than immediately meets the eye. .357 or .45 calibers at \$675.



Springfield Armory Ronin. Yet another 1911 but this one is built for full power 10mm shooters only. The Ronin is classic full size 1911 in steel. Attractively built in two tone black-over-stainless with some nice wood stocks. Most of the custom features that shooters add later are built in: beavertail grip safety with bump, serrations front and rear on the slide and big visible sights. Almost a custom 1911 priced at \$850.



Davidson's Ruger Wrangler. Here is an exclusive take on the neat little .22 LR Wrangler. There is plum brown Cerakote on the frame and barrel. The cylinder is aluminum while the hammer and trigger are stainless. An attractive version of the standard Ruger revolver. You have to act quickly and these may be sold out, check with dealers to see if they ordered some.



G Force Arms AR 12. G Force Arms GF12AR—Shotgun. If the single minded anti-AR forces have their way, we not only won't be able to buy a semiauto rifle but also may have to turn in anything we own that fits their definition of an assault rifle (here in Washington that's any semiauto rifle). So, the GF12AR might be the new go-to home defense firearm, perhaps with some #4 Buck. Not a rifle, a smooth bore 12 gauge shotgun. While it looks like an AR, the action may be something else altogether; I can't tell from the pictures. Made of aluminum upper and lower. There's a rail with flip up sights, suitable for a red dot. The magazines are 5 round. This shotgun is made in Turkey, brand new and it's going to be hard to find.



Versa Carry Purse. For the ladies, this is a well-designed pistol carry purse. There is a zippered side access opening that allows quick access to the pistol carried inside. What I like is that the pistol pouch is separate from the rest of the purse so that the firearm will not be fouled by other items. There are several fabric choices—leather and canvas. The style is utilitarian but that might be okay for a lot of situations. Priced at \$100 and up.



FN 509 LS EDGE. FN calls this “the ultimate tactical pistol.” Maybe, you decide. The trigger is flat faced, the mag well is flared for quick reloads and the slide is an extended version. There is an optic mounting system. Caliber is 9mm and price for this competition-ready handgun is \$1350.

Polymer80 Subcompact Single Stack 80% Frame.

The PF9SS is a new 80% receiver—that is, unfinished and not a firearm—that is compatible with Glock 43 Gen4 components. There is aggressive texturing much like stippling, an extended beaver tail, undercut trigger guard, and an added thumb ledge. All these features should make for an even more effective shooting grip. 80% receivers are not serial numbered but this one has a metal plate on which you may engrave your own number. Our legislature has passed laws that have made it difficult for sellers to directly deliver 80% receivers to you but FFLs can still purchase them and since they are not firearms under either Federal or State law they are not registered. Federal law has always allowed private persons to build a firearm for their own use, not for re-sale.



Radical Firearms

Socom AR. Just another AR? Maybe. 16" barrel, MIL-STD upper and lower receivers, 15" free float rail system, MFT grip and MFT stock. Radical makes both parts and complete rifles. Check out all the Radical choices, reasonably priced, I'm guessing \$800 retail.



Ruger Custom Shop SR1911. Now Ruger has a custom shop. It seems that so many want a different combination of pieces or some special tuning and now Ruger has folks who will do that for you. Look at the Ruger Custom Shop SR1911 competition pistol. It is 9mm. Fitted with a precision-machined Koenig Shooting Sports low-mass hammer and competition sear. The trigger is one of those trendy flat face items but still the parts and fitting result in a match grade trigger pull. For accuracy, the slide is hand fitted. The popular and highly visible fiber optic front sight is combined with an adjustable rear sight. And to make you shoot better, the finish is black Nitride over stainless on this all stainless gun. \$2500, a custom price.

Athlon Optics- Ares ETR 1-10x24 UHD. There is increasing demand for low power variables—AR inspired of course. So whether you need no magnification or longer range 10X, the Athlon will serve it up. UHD means ultra high definition which is the Athlon way of saying good glass. Turrets have zero stop and a locking feature on the elevation turret. A true high end AR scope for those who need it. About \$1100.



Stag Arms 15 300 Blackout Pistol. The 8 inch barrel is a good choice for sub-sonic and super-sonic shooting. And if you add a suppressor it's not too unwieldy. Barrel is nitrided with a pistol-length gas system and A2 birdcage flash hider. The Stag Slimline 7" Handguard is a full-length picatinny and is free-floated. Mlok slots. Short enough for your backpack and with a SBA3 5-position Pistol Stabilizing Brace. \$1000. With an unusual transferable lifetime warranty.





Stoeger S8000 E Tac Air Rifle. This is an air rifle that has nearly the power of a .22 LR firearm. Hard to believe? How about 1200 FPS with the popular .177 caliber, or 1000 FPS in .22. Of course these pellets are lighter than rimfire bullets. This is a single shot, cock-on-opening action. The trigger is adjustable, the stock synthetic and the sighting is via an included 3-9X40 scope. Perhaps the most appealing feature is that this airgun is suppressed with a built-in baffle and chamber—they also use high tech to damp the typical spring gun vibration and noise—it's quiet. There are even Picatinny rails on the synthetic stock. \$250.

SAR 9C. This is the compact version of the SAR 9, designed for concealed carry. The Turkish firearm industry is quite competitive and we now see handguns, shotguns and rifles imported from Turkey—the SAR firearms are also Turkish manufacture. Only from what we hear, these are quality guns. Like everything else, the frames are polymer, the action is striker-fired and the caliber is 9mm. Just another black plastic pistol but I include it here because it is a very good deal at retail of \$425, meaning you can pick one up for well under \$400.



Zeta6 five shot J-Pak speedloader. For \$12 you can buy two new speedloaders made just for the J frame revolver. The loaders hold five rounds in a unique configuration. I can't tell you how well these will work compared to other loaders. Zeta6 also offers straight strips and J-Clips as options. I can see from the photos that the J-Pak will be bulkier than a flat strip but it may also speed up the loading process. Worth a look.



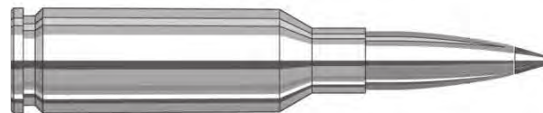
Foundation for a 10/22 custom build

Rival Arms Billet Aluminum R22 Rimfire Chassis. Well, the name just about says it all. This is a chassis, not a complete stock, for the Ruger 10/22 action. Consider this piece if you are building a custom 10/22 and would like to use AR style accessories. Yes, it accepts an AR Mil-Spec buffer tube and pistol grip. You can use aftermarket barrels up to one inch diameter. KG GunKote finishes in various colors. The rail accepts M-LOK accessories. For about \$250, plus all your 10/22 parts, one could build a pretty cool little rifle using this chassis.



Yes, a .22 pistol

CMGG Banshee 300 MK4, .22 LR. If you just looked at the photo here you'd think, "just another 5.56 AR." Not so, this is a .22 LR rimfire pistol. And you might think, "why?" I'm a fan of the little .22 cartridge and find almost all .22's interesting—pistols and rifles of all kinds. They are so pleasant, relatively quiet and one can shoot a lot without mortgaging the house. So, if you like the AR platform guns and want to practice a lot with an AR pistol then the Banshee pistol would make a good practice gun. This one comes with a pistol brace and all the other goodies you might expect. If you have a \$1000 for a somewhat frivolous firearm this could be a lot of fun.



Hornady 6mm ARC. Here is yet another cartridge made for the AR platform rifle but also suitable for short action bolt guns. The 6mm ARC starts with a big advantage—Department of Defense testing and selection for the multi-purpose combat rifle program. Think about this as a short, hot .243. The round is loaded with high BC bullets which will give long range performance not available from other AR cartridges. Recoil is much less than a .308. Second shots will be much quicker with reduced time off target. Several bullet styles available.


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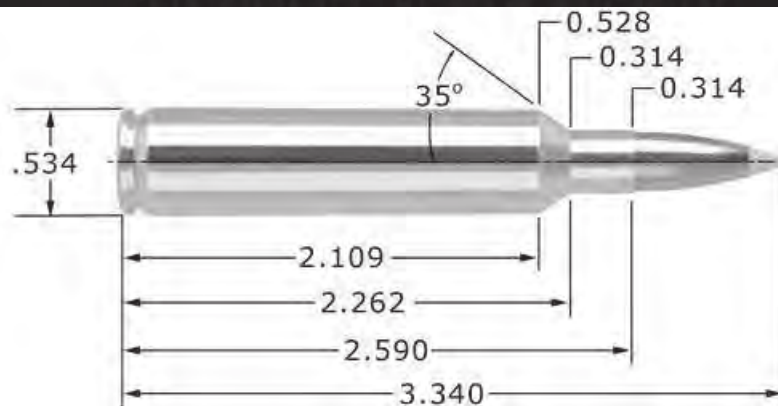


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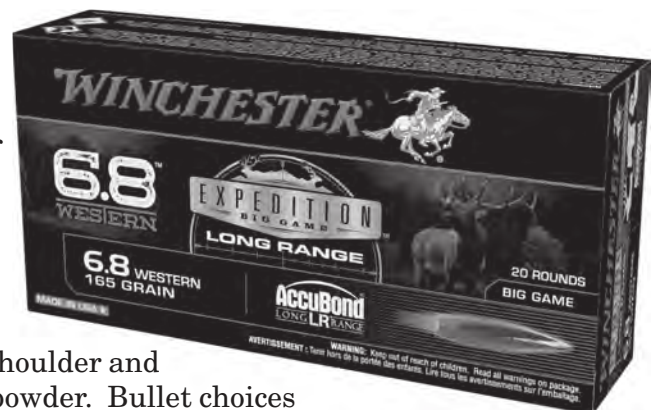
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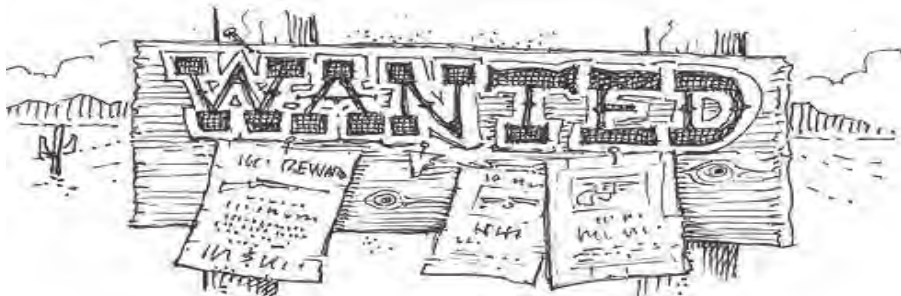


27 Nosler. Nosler admits that the new 27 Nosler is an homage to the 270. The case itself is based upon the 404 Jeffrey. Maybe you want 400 FPS more than can be wrung out of a .270? The 27 will do that. Expect 11 inches less drop than the .270 at 500 yards. Twist rate of barrels chambered in Nosler's latest cartridge is 1:8.5-inches for outstanding stability at longer distances. One bullet is the Trophy Grade 150 Grain AccuBond spitzer but I see that other bullets are available.

Winchester 6.8 Western. .270's, otherwise known as 6.8mm, are popular this year. These aren't the cartridges so much loved by Jack O'Connor. I suppose the advantages of the .270 bullet are about all that remains of the original Winchester round—that advantage is a long, ballistically excellent bullet. The latest .270 is called the 6.8 Western and was developed as a partnership of Winchester and Browning. This is a big game, long range cartridge. These days factory ballisticians are doing the wild-catting—just take a look at the oversize case, sharp shoulder and relatively short neck which all add up to a lot of room for powder. Bullet choices include a 168 gr. The 6.8 tops even the .270 WSM with a claimed 12% more energy at 500 yards. Winchester promises less recoil as well. Magic.



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FOR SALE: Palmetto Armory .223 Wylde, M-Loc Bi-Pod, 1)20, 1)30 rd. Mag—\$799. Ruger P345 Stainless Slide, .45ACP, 3) 8rd. Mags—\$550. Heritage Rough Rider 22/22mag, Special Edition Skull Grips—\$179. Ruger 22/45 Mark 3, Target Model—\$375. Kel Tec PMR 30 .22WMR 3)30rd Mags—\$475. Kel Tec CMR 30, 22WMR 1)30rd Mag—\$575. Ruger SR22 2)10rd Mags—\$325. Ruger LC9 With Lasermx—\$395. Smith Wesson 22-1 with 3)10rd Mags—\$260. Tactical Machining Custom Rifle .458 Socom on AR15 Platform—\$895. Glock 43x (M.O.S. Version) 2)10rd Mags—\$515. Glock 17 (5th Gen) 3) 17rd Mags—\$549. G Force Arms GF2P 12Gu. 3" Chamber 4+1—\$299. Ruger 57 2)20rd Mags—\$725. Kel Tec KSG 14+1 3" Chamber—\$749. E.A.A. P6P SAR 9mm—\$350. Chiappa M9

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FOR SALE: 45 cal. BP Thompson Center cap lock Seneca rifle Exc, as never fired, SN 98XX, 27" barrel, model does not have the Seneca written on bbl, rare, hard to find rifle—\$400. Larry, text 425.350.7184, inspiverson@yahoo.com

WANTED: Savage 1899 or 99's.
Email blimppy44@gmail.com or call 503 621 3766.

WANTED: O\U and S\S shotguns.
Email blimppy44@gmail.com or call 503 621 3766.

WANTED: .22 WRF aka .22 Remington Special ammunition, prefer Winchester but CCI okay. Will trade CCI .22 Stingers, CCI Standard Velocity, or cash. Call 360-485-5312.

FOR SALE: 6.5x55 Swedish ammo, factory loaded Fiocchi "Rifle Shooting Dynamics" line featuring 142 grain Sierra Match King HPBT bullets, 189 rounds—\$200. Call 206-853-1960 or email craig.warren@ihmail.com.

WANTED: .32 ACP ammo. Bought a sharp little Ortgies from an estate and found that the ammo cupboards are bare. I'm hoping a member might have a box or two gathering dust and would be willing to part with them. I have some misc. calibers available for trade. I live in the Tacoma area. Gary at sugarlarsons@me.com

FOR SALE: Bullets,brass, grips, pellet pistol for sale: 50 rds 35 Whelen brass, new—\$30. Also have 16 rds of once fired—\$5 more. 15 rds 35 Whelen 250 grain sp (remington brand)—\$30, plus 37 rds of reloads, \$20 more..Vintage Crossman C0-2 22 cal pistol, model 110—\$50.Hogue grips for Security Six, Police service six—\$10. Call Dave, 206-962-7952.

FOR SALE: Sellier & Bellot Large Rifle Primers—\$35 per thousand (have 8,000). Federal 9MM FMJ 115 grain 1,000 per case—\$425 per case (have 2 cases). I am in the Olympia area. Cell phone 360-970-3665.

FOR SALE: Ammunition for sale. .375, 10 + boxes total—\$660 for all. 2x box Rem 270 GR SP, 1x box Fed Prem Saf 250 BTSP, 5x box Fed 300 Gr SP, 2+ box Fed 270 gr SP—call/text for individual details. Single box/style prices are higher: Email sojerguy@aol.com, txt to 817-308-7844. Graham area.

FOR SALE: Firearms for sale: Remington-Lee in .30-40 Krag (.30 US), part of Michigan nat'l guard contract, original barrel comes with it, rebarreled for safety, copy of Myszowski's book & 2 of very scarce mags go with it (mags are NOT sold separately), C&R eligible—\$3200.

Argentinian (arsenal converted) FN-49 in 7.62 nato, with 5x (very scarce) 20 rd mags, and 1x converted 10x round mag & HB 'FN-49 last of the old world battle rifles,' no bayonet—\$4200 C&R eligible, otherwise transfer at your gun store, cost on you. Email sojerguy@aol.com, txt to 817-308-7844. Graham area.

WANTED: I will buy Kimber of Oregon Rimfire rifles and Accessories. Nice wood would be a big PLUS. Have cash in hand for collections and ESTATES. Call Daniel, 541-670-9940.

FOR SALE: 25 boxes PPU .22-250 Rem 55gr SP—\$390. .300 WIN ammo Fed/Rem/Win/PPU—\$25-\$30/box. .308 WIN Fed/Win—\$25-\$27/box. .38 Special: Rem HTP 110gr SJHP nickel—\$30/box. Fed AmEagle 130gr fmj—\$25/box. Savage FourTenner 12ga to .410 adapter in orig. box—\$70. Simmons 20x50mm spotting scope NIB w/soft case & bench tripod—\$70. Hornady 7mm & .30 Cal. Bullets—\$20-\$35.

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FOR SALE: Magazines only: Ruger Mini-30, have 5 new factory mags—\$35 each; FN-FAL .308 mags, have 3 like new—\$35 each; Remington Model 597 factory mags, hold 30 rounds of 22 LR, have 8—\$260 for all. H & K mags for P7, have 3 new—\$120 each. Phone Robert in Seattle at 206-909-7189.

FOR SALE: Savage Anschutz .22 target rifle, single shot, near new cond., with sling and glove—\$850. Belgian Browning A5 12 ga. Magnum in VG condition, rib and full choke—\$1100. Citori 12 ga. O/U Special Sporting Clays Edition w/ Graco recoil pad, near new cond.—\$1,800. Winchester Model 54 30-06 bolt action, a classic in good condition with Lyman 4x—\$500. Smith Carbine, worn but works—\$850. Phone Robert in Seattle 206-909-7189.

FOR SALE: Springfield rifle Model 1873 Trapdoor .45-70, 32.5" barrel original condition except taller front sight blade, with bayonet, scabbard, and some ammo—\$1400. Rock Island M1903 .30-06 serial #345XXX so no heat treat issue, in good condition with leather sling, shoots great—\$800. Zastava pistol M57 Yugoslavia 7.62x25mm with 2 magazines and 700 rounds, muzzle energy of .45 auto with less recoil—\$500. Enfield No.5 Mk1 Jungle Carbine .303 British with matching serial number magazine, original butt pad, 200+ rounds—\$700. Brad, 360-969-1211.

FOR SALE: Benchtop Metal Lathe with lots of tooling and steel base plate to add stability, Speedway series sold by Harbor freight, works great for small gunsmithing ,reloading, bushings, pins and projects, 2500 RPM, 4" chuck with 1" hole, cost \$700 new for lathe only, 7x12 Speedway series sold by Harbor freight—asking \$350. Brad, 360-969-1211.

WANTED: 45-120 brass, or ammo. ridinghides@gmail.com , 509-293-3510.

FOR SALE: Estate sale of firearms. Ruger, Number 1 rifle, 220 Swift with a Leupold Vari X III 6.5X20X40—\$1400. Ruger, M77 rifle, 22 LR with a Leupold Vari X II 6X18X40—\$1000. Call or text Terina at 253-604-4963 for a full 5-page list of items for sale. Or email, baint4@outlook.com.

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WANTED: Reproduction shoulder stock for 1860 army, 1851 navy or 3rd model dragoon, also reproduction blackpowder revolvers. Dan, 509-293-3510 email ridinghides@gmail.com.

WANTED: Rifle in EITHER .416 Rigby or .375 H&H Magnum. Good condition (pristine not necessary) w/ or w/o scope (I'll just be taking it off). Single shot preferred. Wayne, sojerguy@aol.com or 817-308-7844.

FOR SALE: Smith & Wesson Model 910 9mm, NIB, never fired—\$390. Ray, sopac@centurylink.net.

FOR SALE: Factory sealed boxes of collectible 40 S&W Remington Disintegrator ammo.

Frangible—\$35 per box of 50. Limit two boxes per family. S&B 6.5 CM—\$25 a box (limit of 5). 6.8 SPC \$25 a box (No limit). Glen at kalenas@comcast.net.

FOR SALE: NIB collectible Remington 1100 LT-20. Rem Chokes, impressed checking, used ones w/no box are going for over \$2000 on GB—I'm asking \$1800 for NIB. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Barrett 50 BMG single shot M99 w/ Pelican case, VG-Exc—\$3,999. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net.

FOR SALE: Plastic pistols. No beaters. Priced according to current market. All are Exc to ANIB: Kahrs, XD's/XDM's, MP9C's. MP40C's, Shield 380 EZ, G27's. Email me w/request and if I have it I will get back to you. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net.

FOR SALE: Still have almost 1/2 of rifle/riot gun collection to sell. My son is ranked #1 in med school thanks to you. Email me w/request and if I have it I will get back to you. Glen at kalenas@comcast.net.

FOR SALE: A brace of Crosman model 150 CO2 pellet pistols, .22 cal., re-sealed commercially—\$275 or \$150 each. Larry 206-285-8140.

WANTED: .41 short rimfire for Remington Arms Derringer. Luke, 206-953-7656.

FOR SALE: Time to spring clean the old nest. All items \$10. Hamm's extendable mono-pod shooting stick, Tipton graphite 36 inch cleaning rod, Gunslick 44 inch graphite cleaning rod, Diawa J-13 spinning reel. For sale: Just in time for fishing season, Watertender 9.4 dingy—\$175. Mikee, 425-836-8648.

FOR SALE: New brass: Rifle; 30-30 Win, 30-06, 338 Win Mag—40 cents each for standards & 50 cents each for magnum. Barnes cylindrical cases for 450 Lott, 450 Ackley Improved, 416 Rem Mag, etc.—\$1 each. New cartridges: 22 LR, \$5/box of 50. Hand loads rifle: 17 Rem Fireball in new

brass—18 rds—\$10; 257 Rob, 7mm Rem Mag—\$10/box. Winchester XX 12 gauge 2¾ inch magnum turkey loads, #5 copper plated shot, 7 rds—\$20. Winchester Super X 12 gauge 2¾ inch magnum, 00 buck, 5 rds—\$20. Winchester Super X 12 gauge 2¾ inch 00 buck, 9 rds—\$25. Two 5 rd boxes 2¾ inch rifled 1 oz. slugs—\$20 each. One 25 rd. box Remington Express 12 gauge 00 buck—\$60. Bore snake: 458 cal—\$5. Have box, will ship. Mikee, 425-836-8648.

FOR SALE: Model 88 Winchester, 243 caliber, post 64 basket weave stock that has been shortened for a young or small person and has a 1 inch long dent in the forearm and hunting scratches, shot very little but hunted with more—\$500. Model 34M Kimber 308 Win. Good condition—\$700. Traditions Silver Fox 54 caliber muzzle loader, broken stock and scratches on rifle—\$75. Mikee, 425-836-8648.

FOR SALE: Fired brass: 38 Sp., 9mm Luger, 380 Auto—5 cents each; 40 S&W —7 cents each; 45 ACP—8 cents each. 22 Hornet, 22-250 Imp, .25 auto, 399 Sav, .32 auto, 30 TC, 357 Sig, 38 S&W, 7.62T, 10mm, 308 Win, 30-06—12 cents each; 6.5 Swede, 7mm Rem Mag,—15 cents each. 43 Spanish—20 cents each; 340 Wby, 19 primed cases—\$6; 50 BMG—75 cents each. Have box, will ship. 17 ounces Alcan AL-5 shot shell & pistol powder—\$30; 6 ½ ounces Hercules (Alliant) Red Dot shotgun powder—\$20. Can't ship powder. Mikee, 425-836-8648.

FOR SALE: Loading die sets: RCBS; 338 Win Mag, 308 Win, 22-250, 25 ACP,—\$15 each. Lee Loader 270 Win—\$5. Sizers only; Forster 280 Rem, RCBS 22 Var (no de-capping spindal) —\$10. Belding & Mull Visable powder measure—

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FOR SALE: A few boxes of rifle bullets—various brands—\$10/100. Nosler partitions, 6mm & 6.5mm, 100 gr—\$15/50. Sabots: 45 cal.: T/C Shock Wave, 45 cal, 200 gr—\$5/box15. T/C Super 45 XR, 180 gr—\$5/box 30. Knight 45 cal 240 gr. Lead—\$5/18. 50 cal.: Knight 50 cal 310 gr. lead—\$5/20, T/C Maxi-hunter, 54 cal 10 pack 455 gr. lead—\$5. Have box, will ship. Mikee, 425-836-8648.

FOR SALE: American Rifleman magazines. 50 years - from early 70's to present. Complete. Also selected Handloader Magazine, Shooting Times, Gun World, and various others from the 70's. Good shape no mildew—\$100 OBO. Call Haney 206-618-4445.

WANTED: Firing Pin for Tanfoglio (Italian) Model TZ 75 (model with the safety in the slide). Call Haney ,206-618-4445.

FOR SALE: Cabela's "Hawken" percussion black powder rifle, .50 caliber, Made in Italy, left hand (hammer on left, small right side cheekpiece), very clean, attractive walnut stock, no rust, bore excellent, original box, manual, paperwork, also includes 300+ Speer balls, 2+lbs Hodgdon Pyrodex RS, some patches, percussion caps, ball starter, fiberglass ramrod, T/C #13 bore cleaner—\$450. Steve, 253-732-8753, sbhighpower@mytangledweb.com.

FOR SALE: Heizer PS1 single-shot pocket shotgun, new in box. Shoots 2 1/2" .410 or .45 Colt. Only 3/4" wide, weighs 21 oz. Black Isonite finish. Interesting little backup gun and easily concealable. For a full price offer of \$325 I'll cover the transfer fee at Sound Loan & Pawn in Everett plus I'll throw in five rounds of new brass .45 Colt. Other offers considered but then transfer fee will be on you and the ammo will not

be included. Check the usual internet gun sites, you won't find one cheaper than what I'm asking. Not looking for any trades right now. Email for pictures or questions. zep11@comcast.net

WANTED: I acquired an M16A1 parts kit and I need a barrel for it. Specifically a 20" barrel with a .625" gas block journal. I would like to fire the mid weight rounds I already have so I want one of those that has the twist rate faster than 1:12. With the craziness right now everyone I normally shop with is out. If anyone out in our club has one they would part with let me know. I have a perfectly nice surplus rifle that just needs a barrel to be happy. Seneca: 360-886-0228 or seneca_awake@yahoo.com , I'm usually easier to reach by email because of my schedule.

WANTED: Any Browning BSS S\S shotguns and Ithaca SKB 20 gauges in 200E or 280 E. Call 503 621 3766 or email blimppy44@gmail.com.

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Board minutes for February 2020

By Secretary Forbes Freeburg

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Board minutes for February 2021

Pre-meeting business:

January 28 - Motion by Director Ripley to accept the January, 2020 BoD minutes as presented
Second by Director Bramhall

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

Votes against: none

Abstain: none

Motion passed

The Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 23, was cancelled as a result of the continuing statewide restrictions on public gatherings.

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

Financial Report:

A Financial Report for December, 2020 is not yet available.

Disciplinary Actions:

There were no disciplinary items for Board action this month.

Forbes L Freeburg, WAC Secretary

Board Meeting Dates Proposed

Note that Covid-19 business meeting bans may prevent in-person meetings

- April 20
- May 18
- June 22
- July 20
- August 24
- September 21
- October 19
- November 23
- December 28

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WAC Board Considers the Creation of an Audit Group— Volunteers Needed

If you have experience as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) or have knowledge of proper accounting principles, can analyze and understand financial records, you may be able to assist the WAC with a review of our financials and reports. While knowledge of non-profit organizations is desirable, it is not required; any questions specific to our non-profit status can be addressed by the WAC Treasurer.

You would be able to review past audits to see previous audit recommendations.

The scope of work would include examination of accounts, tax returns, Board minutes, profit/loss statements. The work group would be small, perhaps two or three people working with our bookkeeper and Treasurer.

The expectation is NOT that this group would perform a formal audit, rather that it would ensure an objective review of financials that would be available to the Board and the membership. Note that the WAC maintains liability insurance that covers volunteers.

Some travel to the Sumner office would be required to review documents. Please send an email expressing interest, along with a brief statement of your qualifications and your contact information to:

Marcy Hinckley,
bookkeeper@washingtonarmscollectors.org

Member Renewal Info & Forms

- Renewal dates are no longer based on the calendar year—it depends upon when you joined or renewed last.
- However, many members DO expire in December.
- The WAC urges you to renew today.
- If you are unsure of your expiration date, please check your badge or call the office at 425-255-8410.
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<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Years - \$114	<input type="checkbox"/> Assoc. \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> Life \$600	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Donation				
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Years - \$171	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> Sr. Life \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Donation				
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** Read Carefully and Sign Below **

I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and rules of the Washington Arms Collectors. I also agree to obey all applicable local, State and Federal laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to firearms, ammunition and accessories; and accept full responsibility for maintaining a current awareness of the legal restrictions, proscriptions, and penalties applicable to firearms, ammunition, and accessories.

Additionally, I am a citizen of the United States of America or a legal resident. I authorize the Washington Arms Collectors to verify the accuracy of the statements and information I have provided on this confidential application for membership. I also waive any liability that might otherwise attach to those organizations and individuals who aid in the corroboration or refutation of the data on this application or the statements attested to by me. I authorize the release of all information whatsoever to the Washington Arms Collectors, and its presiding officers that will aid in judging the merits of this application.

By signing this application I agree not to sue and to indemnify and hold harmless the Evergreen State Fairgrounds (in Monroe), The Washington State Fair (in Puyallup), the Washington Arms Collectors and all other venues, persons and organizations participating in W.A.C. events.

My Dated Signature on this Application certifies that I am presently entitled to purchase and possess firearms as defined according to all Federal, State and local statutes, and I have read and understood the W.A.C. Rules of the Road.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Sept.	18 & 19	Monroe
Oct.	16 & 17	Puy. Pav.
Nov.	13 & 14	Monroe
Dec.	11 & 12	Puy. Pav.

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Monroe Show - Evergreen State Fairgrounds
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