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Hello Fellow CARGO Members,

The next meeting will be held at Napoli's on Thursday, May 16th.

We will meet at Napoli's in Wylie.

Napoli's

701 N Highway 78 # A

Wylie, TX 75098

For the dinner portion of the meeting, we will be in the meeting room between 5:45 and 7:00 for food and fellowship. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM and run until about 9:00.

Under the new Texas Open Carry Law, you could be committing an offense if you remove your pistol from its holster while open carrying. While at Napoli's DO NOT remove your pistol from its holster unless it is an emergency.

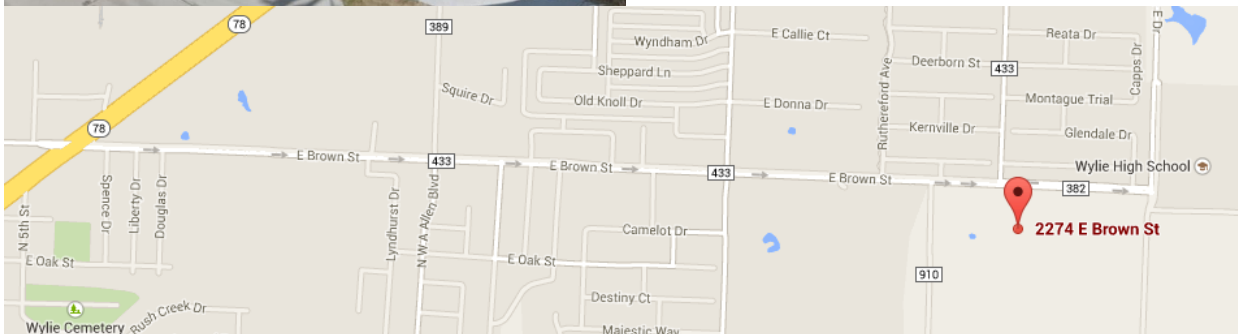
Member Don Bridges has volunteered his shop for the meeting. **There are a very limited number of chairs at the shop, so please bring a camp chair for the meeting.** We will meet there from 7:00 (ish) until 9:00 (ish)

The address is:

2274 EAST Brown Street in Wylie

While heading east on Brown Street, it is 1/2-mile past stop sign that's at the intersection of Brown Street and Kreymer Lane on the right-hand side.

The shop is behind a small white house with a picket fence around the front yard.



Gun topics for the spring and summer:

The next few months are going to be caliber specific.

April – all .3 caliber variants or 7.62mm to 10.13 mm

May – all .4 caliber variants or 10.14 mm to 12.69 mm

June – all .2 caliber variants or 5.06 mm to 7.61 mm

July – all .1 and .5 caliber variants 2 mm to 5.05 mm and 12.7 mm

August – all bores of shotgun

Gun topics for this month:

Please bring anything from your collection that is in the .4 caliber / 10.14 to 12.69 mm family.

As always, if you have any new or interesting knife, survival gear or firearms related item bring that as well.

This is hopefully a topic that you all can bring examples to share.

If you have any suggestions for future speakers or topics please send your feedback to CARGO@att.net.

When was the last time you visited our web site? Please take some time to go to the CARGO website at www.cargogunclub.org

HOUSTON MAN DEFENDS HOME, SHOOTS 5 ATTACKERS WITH AK-47

Posted by David Schlake February 7, 2019

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A home invasion ended in five people shot and three dead in the Magnolia Park neighborhood of Houston.

In what an unnamed, 20-year-old homeowner called "a shootout," five home invaders picked the wrong house to mess with.

According to a report from ABC13, at about 1 a.m. Jan. 19, 2019 in East Houston, Texas, two armed men wearing ski masks broke into a house on the 7000 block of Sherman Street. The invaders started demanding cash and jewelry, prompting the homeowner to reach for his fully loaded AK-47 assault rifle and begin shooting in self-defense.

Neighbors told ABC13 they heard several shots and looked outside to investigate, where one of them saw two men lying in the front yard.

The homeowner chased the attackers out into the front yard still firing his rifle, killing one of the attackers and wounding the other in the yard. The other three attempted to speed off in a car, which ended up crashing two blocks away.

Houston police found one of the men dead in the car and another dead at Capitol and 71st Street. The last suspect from the car was wounded and fled, ultimately receiving treatment at the hospital.

After dozens of shots were fired and the dust settled, there was a pile of brass in the front yard from multiple firearms. Now, there are at least 70 evidence markers covering the yard of the Harris County home.

From the GOA:

Contact Your State Senator to Fully Support HB 2286



Please click on the TAKE ACTION button to contact your state senator in support of both suppressor freedom and Constitutional Carry for disasters.

JOIN GOA FOR \$20

Not a GOA member yet? You can join Gun Owners of America for only \$20.

Nevarez' Gun Control Bill Shot Down

Last night you helped us score not one but **two victories for gun rights in Texas!**

As the Texas House raced through yesterday's agenda, it became clear that they were going to reach two important gun-related bills before their midnight deadline — one good, and one bad.



Thanks to all of your grassroots activism in reaching out to your legislators after my last email; **we killed the bad bill AND passed the good bill with a supermajority!**

Now I need your help to keep the good bill moving through the Senate. [Click here](#) to email your State Senator to ask them to fully support HB 2286, the Suppressor Freedom bill by Oliverson.

Keep reading for details...

Gun Control (HB 545) Killed By Its Own Author

HB 545 by Nevarez is the closest thing to a red flag law that has been moving this session. It's a terrible violation of due process. It purports to criminalize private sales of firearms to people deemed "mentally ill" — but some of the court processes in these "determinations" use very low standards of evidence and, in addition to containing other problems.

HB 545 died Thursday evening when its author, Rep. Nevarez, indicated on the House floor that he did not have the votes to pass it and moved to postpone consideration until 2021, effectively killing the bill.

Rep. Nevarez simply does not understand the basic concepts of due process and constitutional rights. He falsely represented our opposition, stating that *"there seems to be a taboo on not letting the mentally insane purchase guns."*

Actually, Representative, **there is a taboo on stripping away Constitutional, God-given rights without complete due process, including high standards of evidence!**

Of course, anything can happen in the next few weeks. I'll be watching to make sure this bad bill stays very dead and is not snuck back in through amendments to other legislation.

Supermajority Upholds Suppressor Freedom Bill

Only a couple hours after killing the gun control bill, we celebrated again when HB 2286 by Oliverson passed with a supermajority (101-33)! This "Suppressor Freedom" bill gets rid of the Texas penalties related to suppressors and says that Texas will not enforce Federal anti-suppressor regulations.

Although GOA is strongly committed to fighting to end the insidious NFA regulations, please note that this bill does not repeal Federal law or prevent Federal agents from enforcing their laws. But it is absolutely a great step forward for Texas to set our own state's policy and refuse to enforce bad Federal law. It's also a strong sign that Texans do not agree with the NFA regulations on suppressors and moves us closer to repealing the NFA's gun control regulations on a federal level.

See more about HB 2286 [on my video](#) or on this [factsheet](#).

After the House has its final passage vote of HB 2286 (called the 3rd reading), it will be sent to the Senate. We need to move quickly to push the bill all the way through the Senate so it can pass into law!

Please email your Senator today in support of this bill by [clicking here](#)!

Bonus Update: Hearing Monday on HB 1177, Constitutional Carry for Disasters

Along with these two victories, I'm also happy to let you know that another gun rights bill is moving forward: Constitutional Carry for Disasters (HB 1177).

This bill was passed in the House three weeks ago, and is now scheduled for a Senate hearing this coming Monday, May 13. If possible, please attend and register your opinion YES for HB 1177.

Although the bill applies only to evacuations from declared disaster areas for a limited amount of time, it is a positive step to recognize the ability of everyday Texans (even in this narrow circumstance) to carry their handguns without a license.

[See more about HB 1177 here.](#)

Senate Committee on State Affairs
Senate Chamber (2nd floor, East wing)
Monday, May 13
Start time: 9am

They'll break around 11 to hear bills on the floor; this can be short or take many hours. After they finish, they'll pick up where they left off.

[See the hearing notice here.](#)

- Sign up in FAVOR of HB 1177 on a paper card in the front of the Senate chamber.

- You may register anytime during the hearing — as long as they haven't heard HB 1177 yet.
- We will NOT know the order of bills ahead of time. HB 1177 could be first thing at 9am — or it could be in the afternoon or evening. There are [36 bills on the agenda](#).
- If possible, show up around 9am or a little earlier and register your opinion. You can leave right away or stay and watch.
- If you want to testify, you'll have 2 minutes to speak.
- You may also submit written testimony. Bring 20 copies with your name on them and hand them to the clerk along with your witness registration card. Dress professionally and conduct yourself respectfully.
- Park at the [Capitol Visitors Parking Garage](#), 1201 San Jacinto, Austin.

Summary

To recap, here are the bills that I've discussed:

- HB 545 (gun control) — *killed on the Senate floor*
- HB 2286 (suppressor freedom) — *passed 2nd reading in the House Thursday evening; next step is House 3rd reading, then the Senate. Be sure to contact your Senator to support HB 2286!*
- HB 1177 (Constitutional Carry for disasters) — *passed the House 3 weeks ago; scheduled for a Senate hearing on Monday. Show up and register your support!*

Again, please don't forget to contact your State Senator in support of HB 2286, the Suppressor Freedom bill. The session ends on May 27 and time is short — don't delay!

And thank you for helping us score these victories for liberty in the great state of Texas. I'm counting on you to keep us moving forward!

For liberty,

Rachel Malone

Texas Director, Gun Owners of America

<https://www.foxnews.com/opinion/john-lott-armed-teachers-can-save-student-lives-dont-leave-children-defenseless-against-school-shooters>

John Lott: Armed teachers can save student lives – Don't leave children defenseless against school shooters

By [John R. Lott](#) | Fox News



Video

[Student activists in Florida fight push to arm teachers](#)

March for Our Lives makes the trip to Tallahassee to stop a bill that would allow some teachers in Florida to carry guns in the classroom.

Twenty years after [Columbine High School shootings](#) in Colorado, in which 12 students and one teacher were killed by two students who then committed suicide, Americans are still looking for what actions to take to stop mass public shootings.

The rest of the world, where mass public [shootings](#) are actually much more common, is also looking for solutions. Russia, France, Finland and Norway are among the European countries that have experienced far more deaths per capita than the U.S. from mass public shooting attacks.

Change is slowly coming across America. For example, a growing number of states and school districts are coming to the commonsense conclusion that we should not leave our children unprotected and defenseless in their schools.

Florida and Texas are both on the verge of enacting major improvements to their laws that will increase the number of teachers with guns who undergo firearms training to protect their students against attackers as a last line of defense.

With the strong support of the Republican governors and passage already by the state Senates in Florida and Texas, both bills are expected to become law in the next few weeks.

Florida's bill removes a limitation that only allowed non-classroom-based staff (such as gym teachers, librarians and secretaries) to defend students.

We all hope and pray, of course, that our own children are never at the scene of a school shooting. But in the terrible eventuality that they are, we would all want them to come through the nightmare unhurt.

Texas' legislation would remove the cap on the number of school personnel allowed to carry firearms at schools if authorized by local school boards. The bill would allow them to carry concealed firearms at all times in school, enabling them to react quickly if needed to protect students.

No school employee would be required to carry a gun in either state. Only volunteers would participate in the initiative designed to make schools more secure in the event of an armed attack.

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It isn't by coincidence that all mass public shootings in Europe since at least 1990 – and many in other parts of the world – have occurred in areas where law-abiding citizens are banned from carrying firearms for protection.

This was the case, for example, in recent mass public shootings in New Zealand, Brazil and the Netherlands. That has also held true for 98 percent of mass public shootings in the U.S. since 1950.

Moms Demand Action, a gun-control advocacy group funded by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, argues that the bills in Texas and Florida “would make school a much more dangerous place for our children.”

By contrast, President Trump has proposed arming teachers and staff at schools, saying: “I’m telling you that would work.”

Currently, 20 states allow teachers and other school staff members to carry guns under a variety of rules on school property, so we don't need to guess about how safe these schools are. Some states have had these rules for decades.

The Crime Prevention Research Center, of which I am the president, has just released [a report](#) looking at school shootings of all types in the United States from 2000 through 2018.

Our study found that during these 18 years Utah, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and parts of Oregon allowed all permitted teachers and staff to carry guns without any additional training requirements. Other states leave it to the discretion of the local superintendent or school board.

As of last December, teachers were allowed to carry guns in more than 30 percent of Texas school districts. And as of last September, Ohio teachers were allowed to carry guns in over 200 school districts.

Roughly 5 percent of Utah teachers carry permitted concealed handguns at schools across the entire state, according to Clark Aposhian, the senior member of Utah's Concealed Firearm Review Board.

Support staff – including janitors, librarians, secretaries and lunch staff – carry firearms at a higher estimated rate of between 10 and 12 percent.

Carrying a gun in a school is no different than being armed in a grocery store, movie theater, or restaurant.

Some 17 million Americans have concealed handgun permits, amounting to 8.5 percent of the adult population outside of permit-unfriendly California and New York. Nobody knows whether the person next to them might have a gun, except in the rare cases it is needed.

We found 306 cases of gunshots on school property, 48 of which were suicides. Not counting suicides, 193 people died and 267 were injured in these incidents. Four cases were simply instances of accidental gunshots by police officers.

The rate of shootings and people killed by them has increased significantly since 2000. The yearly average number of people who died between 2001 and 2008 versus 2009 and 2018 has doubled (regardless of whether one excludes gang fights and suicides).

This increase has occurred entirely among schools that don't let teachers carry guns. Outside of suicides or gang violence in the wee hours of the morning, there has yet to be a single case of someone being wounded or killed from a shooting when armed teachers are around.

There haven't been any serious accidents. No student has ever got hold of his or her teacher's gun. And the one accidental firearms discharge by a teacher occurred outside of school hours. The teacher had only very minor injuries.

School insurance premiums haven't risen at all as a result of teachers being allowed to carry firearms.

“From what I’ve seen in Utah, (school insurance) rates have not gone up because of guns being allowed,” said Curt Oda, former president of the Utah Association of Independent Insurance Agents. Nor has a survey of six other states shown any increase in insurance costs.

Police are important, but they can't be everywhere at once. Even if an officer is stationed at the school, mass public shooters are most likely to target the officer first. We’ve seen this time and again at malls, nightclubs and schools.

Allowing school employees to carry concealed guns also makes the job of the police much safer. Concealed carry means that killers won't know who is armed. Even if they take an officer by surprise, they must worry that they are revealing their position to someone else who can stop them.

Not a single person has been injured or killed by a teacher’s gun. But even more amazing, not a single person has been shot during any time near school hours.

Gun control groups may paint fearful pictures of what might go wrong with teachers carrying guns, but that fear gets harder to push given these programs’ successes.

This research provides evidence that armed teachers and other school employees deter attacks. It is past time for us to do something that really works. Let’s stop leaving our children defenseless in school and enable school employees to give them the protection they need and deserve.

Stay in California Mag Limit Case Has Important Caveat

April 5, 2019 by [Dave Workman](#) [8 Comments](#)

While some gun activists are questioning the decision by U.S. District Judge Roger Benitez to [grant a stay](#) in the case of *Duncan v. Becerra*—the challenge to California’s magazine capacity limit—it may have been the best move for Golden State gun owners, and all it takes is a careful reading of the order to understand why.



In granting the stay, which has an important caveat, Judge Benitez noted up front that California Attorney General Xavier Becerra “has not made a strong showing, to this Court, that he is likely to succeed on the merits.” Judge Benitez ruled on March 29 that California’s ban on large capacity magazines, as approved by voters with the passage of Proposition 63 in 2016 is unconstitutional. The state quickly appealed.

In granting the stay, which has an important caveat, Judge Benitez noted up front that California Attorney General Xavier Becerra “has not made a strong showing, to this Court, that he is likely to succeed on the merits.” However, by granting the conditional stay, Judge Benitez effectively headed off an appeal to the Ninth Circuit Court [requesting an emergency stay](#) pending appeal of the Benitez ruling last Friday. You can read the stay order [here](#).

The Ninth Circuit could easily have granted the stay without the important condition that Judge Benitez included in his Thursday order.

And what is that important condition? Because Californians began immediately buying large capacity magazines (LCM), and sales have continued this week, Judge Benitez ruled that, “the State of California and the law enforcement agencies therein will remain enjoined (or prevented) from enforcing Calif. Penal Code § 32310 (c) and (d) which would have criminalized the simple possession of a firearm magazine able to hold more than 10 rounds and required disposing of such magazines. This will also continue until the appeal proceedings conclude or the stay is modified or lifted.”

Judge Benitez’ order also notes that “the permanent injunction enjoining enforcement of California Penal Code § 32310 (a) and (b) shall remain in effect for those persons and business entities who have manufactured, imported, sold, or bought magazines able to hold more than 10 rounds between the entry of this Court’s injunction on March 29, 2019 and 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 5, 2019.”

Translation: The stay doesn’t take effect until 5 p.m. Friday, April 5, and magazines manufactured and sold between March 29 and that moment of the stay’s effectiveness appear to be protected.

As noted in an alert from the California Rifle & Pistol Association (CRPA), “(The) ruling stays enforcement of the injunction as applied to the restrictions against the manufacture, importation, sale, transfer, and receipt of so-called “large-capacity” magazines, as of 5 p.m. (Friday, April 5). In other words, those restrictions will once again be enforceable after that time. But the ruling also clarifies that the injunction against those restrictions will remain in effect ‘for those persons and business entities who have manufactured, imported, sold, or bought magazines able to hold more than 10 rounds between the entry of this Court’s injunction on March 29, 2019 and 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 5, 2019.’”

“Additionally,” according to the CRPA alert, “the ruling also makes clear that the preliminary injunction issued in July 2017, which prohibited the enforcement of the ‘possession’ restriction enacted by Proposition 63 and Senate Bill 1446 will remain in effect during the appeal. In other words, California residents who lawfully possess magazines capable of holding more than 10 rounds may continue to possess them while the case is appealed.”

The alert further advised “that anyone who possesses one of the magazines in California refuse to talk to law enforcement if asked about their magazine.”

That said, it may be a good idea for anyone who purchased one or more LCMs during the week to keep a dated sales slip.

A history of the court case can be found [here](#), courtesy of veteran California gun rights attorney Chuck Michel.

In a telephone interview, he told Liberty Park Press that CRPA has spearheaded this case and that the victory, despite the subsequent stay by Judge Benitez, is “big.”

Do you think gun owners will prevail, or will the stay amount to less than a temporary reprieve at best? Share your answers in the comment section.

Dave Workman is the Senior Editor at the [Liberty Park Press](#).

<https://www.firearmsnews.com/editorial/will-red-flag-laws-be-used-to-set-up-gun-owners/359548>

Will Red Flag Laws Be Used to Set up Gun Owners?

David Codrea - April 16, 2019

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“U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham supports laws to temporarily revoke guns from people who might harm themselves or others, and he’s working on legislation that would give grants to states that pass such statutes,” [The State reports](#). “It’s a controversial position among gun rights advocates, but the South Carolina Republican’s not worried about alienating his base.

“*Not my base,*” Graham fires back, calling those who oppose his proposed citizen disarmament scheme as “the fringe of the fringe,” adding:

“I think most Americans believe that multiple murderers shouldn’t have gun rights. Most Americans support background checks. The Second Amendment’s important to me, but it’s not a suicide pact.”

Like all gun-grabbers, he resorts to insults and lies. And stupid lies at that.

Assuming a person is a “multiple murderer,” it’s fair to ask what the hell he’s doing out of maximum security. It’s also fair to assume he received full due process before being sentenced there. And as for “most Americans” supporting any infringement, it’s fair to ask what they actually know about guns and “gun control,” and how many know that no less an “authority” than the National Institute of Justice admits [background checks require registration](#) to “work,” if by that they mean to come up with a list of those inclined to obey laws.

Leave it to a [“committed,” A-rated NRA endorsee](#) to refer to the one thing the Founders deemed “necessary to the security of a free State” as “a suicide pact” as his weasel-worded “out” for ignoring his clear “shall not be infringed” mandate. And while Association management has tried to give itself plausible deniability for [green-lighting “red flags”](#) by repeating phrase like “due process,” the bottom line is guns will be confiscated without charges being filed let alone convictions being obtained from citizens who are legally presumed “innocent.”

And this genius plan of funding state infringements means control of what comes out on the other end is being abdicated. Good luck objecting to how they drive once you’ve given them the keys and a gas card.

Lost in all this is the basic truth that anyone who can’t be trusted with a gun can’t be trusted without a custodian. That would be easy enough to prove by paroling a man-eating tiger and setting him loose.

We sure have come a long way from Republicans controlling the Presidency, the House and the Senate, when they had the majority to push for reciprocity and hearing protection, and their “leadership” intentionally sabotaged them. Now instead of being on the offensive, gun owners are not only in defense mode, the politicians they backed are the ones waving white flags and belittling the very people who put them in office. And that’s not surprising to those of us jaded by years of watching a preemptive surrender M.O.

Ever since Sandy Hook, there has been a push by some “gun rights leaders” and industry lobbyists insisting “our” politicians have to give the constituents “something” on guns in order to win elections. I was invited to be part of a conference call some years back with some of the types

moving in that direction, and brought along some backup in the form of two former “dissident” NRA directors, and the head of a “no compromise” state “gun rights” organization. We let them know we’d make noise if appeasement was offered and that appeared to quiet things down for a bit, although we never did get invited back for more calls.

The Republican establishment doesn’t seem to care that Donald Trump was elected because of his platform. They can’t seem to understand that Republican midterm losses were not because the candidates were too much like Trump. They lost because they were RINOs incapable of igniting fire in the bellies of Americans sick and tired of poltroons who betray them on core principles.

As with “bump stocks,” they’ve gotten a green light from NRA. The Association’s paid management has flat out [advocated for disarming people](#) not found guilty, let alone charged with crimes, telling members [what they support](#) passes “due process” muster. It also leaves a person deemed too dangerous to be trusted with a gun with unencumbered access to whatever -- and whomever -- they want.

It’s fair to ask what protections will exist to prevent abuse and catch innocents up in a net that will strip them of rights and leave them on their own to fight a state with virtually unlimited resources?

What’s to stop false accusations, and incentives offered to make them?

“The petitioner must establish by a preponderance of the evidence that a person poses a significant risk to self or others by having a firearm in his or her custody or control or by possessing, purchasing, or receiving a firearm,” a Colorado bill [signed into law by Gov. Jared Polis](#) claims.

“The petitioner must submit an affidavit signed under oath and penalty of perjury that sets forth facts to support the issuance of a temporary ERPO [Extreme Risk Protection Order] and a reasonable basis for believing they exist.”

So it would be against the law to do that? Newsflash, so are all “gun crimes.” That hasn’t stopped them.

Plus it becomes awful difficult to prove someone is intentionally lying in a “he said/she said” situation. The target of the ERPO may or may not have the wherewithal and resolve to fight to the

end, and even if it looks like the accuser was manipulating things, they will still get full due process if charged with a crime. That's something prosecutors, with their own agendas, have discretion to make or not.

No less of an "authority" than Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser, a gun-grabber of the first order, has [admitted under testimony](#) about the bill:

"It will not be perfect ... Will every judicial decision made on a preliminary basis be correct? No."

As an aside, [Weiser says sheriffs cannot refuse to enforce such diktats](#), but has no problem with Colorado "sanctuary cities" subverting immigration law.

So what happens after the judge issues a warrant?

Pastor and commentator [Chuck Baldwin gives us a foretelling](#) on the edict being pushed by the like of "Republicans" Graham and Marco Rubio.

"If S.7 becomes law, NO gun owner (and that means YOU) will be protected from the seizure of their firearms. It will not matter that they have not committed a crime; it will not matter that they have not been charged with a crime; and it will not matter that they have never even threatened to commit a crime. And they won't even realize that it's happening until the SWAT team bangs on their door at 5am to seize their guns."

In the scenario that can unfold then, the gun owner can lose a lot more than his guns. We have seen what happens when [a police raid was mistaken for a home invasion](#). We've also seen [deliberate "swatting" with fatal results](#).

So who's to say ERPOs won't "evolve"? There are plenty of precedents to show us how they could.

When gun-grabbers succeed in getting a law passed, they press on for more, presenting what they couldn't pass the first time as a "loophole." Spouses, exes and other family members (who may or may not have agendas of their own) are not enough; we have to also give police the power to initiate confiscation orders. That's not enough, either, as that still doesn't close the so-called ["Boyfriend Loophole"](#), adding a new danger to "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

As for endangering gun owners, we've seen that too recently, from a Democrat activist and officer of the court. Calling them "terrorists," Maryland Democratic Party Secretary and attorney Robbie Leonard urged his followers to ["dox" gun owners](#) wearing "I will not comply" t-shirts to protest new infringements. (Doxing is posting private information about someone with malicious intent, for instance, publishing the address of someone so that people can harass him.)

We've seen what happens when domestic Marxists [target "conservatives"](#) for protests that can devolve into criminal acts. We've seen national Democrat "leaders" like [Maxine Waters](#) call for such targeting, and as unstable as she appears, it's fair to question the stability and commitment to nonviolence of her rabid followers. And we've seen prosecutions and convictions when such doxing is [combined with swatting](#).

New gun laws like these "red flag" abominations are simply used as beachheads from which to launch the next assault deeper into the interior. Another tactic of those who want it all is to set up "snitch" lines, where anonymous people of unknown motives can submit tips, and receive monetary rewards to boot. Case in point; consider the New York Police Department's ["Gun Stop" program](#), endorsed by none other than "the Reverend" Al Sharpton.

Does anyone really believe that once "red flag laws" are enacted at the federal and state level that those whose goal is to ban private ownership won't then "discover" another "loophole," and make the case that public safety demands expanding them to include such tips? Does anyone think the gun-grab groups, opportunistic politicians in "safe" districts and most of the media won't jump on that bandwagon?

There's already an army of [enthusiastic snitches trolling Facebook](#) and other social media sites with the express intent of getting pro-gun posts banned. And we've seen the motivation of one of that effort's ringleaders:

"It's time to take everyone's guns. It's PAST time."

With everything that's gone before, and with the elimination of the recognized right to keep and bear arms being the goal, it's not far-fetched to envision a time in the not-so-distant future when Second Amendment advocates become targets for "expanded" gun confiscation "justifications."

Hell, there are already those with significant influence who maintain just wanting a gun means you are too mentally suspect to own one, and there is a reason why [they call us “gun nuts” -- and then “terrorists.”](#) And leave it to agenda-driven “Scientific American” to imply the desire is [inherently racist](#), to boot. After all, if “hate speech is not free speech,” how much less should “racist white men” with guns be tolerated?

What might that targeting look like?

What’s to stop domestic enemies from reporting activist gun owners to the authorities, and who thinks the cops won’t follow up with their prime concern being “officer safety”?

As much as his apologists try to distance George Soros from some of the more easily- disprovable conspiracy theories about funding radicals, [there is evidence](#) his machine has done just that. Likewise, we see [Michael Bloomberg spending megabucks](#) to impose New York City-style disarmament measures on other states.

Why would they not be hailed as “philanthropists” for offering incentives to take more “guns off the streets” if it means the people being disarmed are those who have been smeared by the media as extremists, haters and violent lunatics?

By making individual targets, confiscators minimize the chance of organized physical resistance, and if there is any, all the better for the headlines. If a gun owner decides to make a stand, there will be no shortage of media-amplified voices exploiting that to “prove” they were right to go after a “proven danger.”

Will such examples be used to “chill” 2A activism? Will individuals stop being vocal, fearing their house might be next, and seeing no one is likely to come to their aid?

Will some of the anti-gun provocateurs go further and start physical confrontations that they can then use to smear individual activists as too violent to have a gun? [We’ve seen a case](#) where a woman who was defending herself is now in prison, the lesson being that the advantage apparently goes to the first person to call the police.

And we've seen a national anti-gun group urging its followers to [call police on open carriers](#). How many of those would it take before some gun owners reconsidered if their advocacy was being exploited to make them targets, and that they were on their own?

They say the road to hell is paved with good intentions, but in the case of citizen disarmament, it's paved by exploiting those whose intentions may be the same as ours but who go about achieving the goal manipulated by deceivers. No one wants to see people who are a provable threat to themselves and others free to stalk among us, hurting and killing at will. The question is how do we stop it and do so in a way that respects the rights of individuals, and provides full and actual due process?

If you have done something to prove you're a threat, just taking guns away will do nothing to stop you from being a continued danger to specific victims and/or to everyone around you. And that means authorities need to arrest, charge and try you, and if found you're found guilty, separate you from society. It also means you are presumed innocent until proven guilty, and that you have a right to confront your accusers.

Anything less and we're left with crap like these "Red Flag" Intolerable Acts that are affronts to the very concepts of liberty and unalienable rights. That in this case, Republicans like Lindsey Graham, presented to us as "pro-gun" are leading the charge, along with a supposedly "pro-gun" president who has said, "[Take the guns first. Go through due process second](#)," makes them all the more intolerable.



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Armed Good Guys: Goodbye Mr. Carjacker

April 29, 2019 by [David Dolbee](#)

News stories of civilian self-defense seldom receive adequate media coverage. After all, armed good guys stopping violent felons does not make headlines like the lives of innocents being taken. Bias and agendas play their part, but the media does not cover an event that did not happen, such as a case where a good guy stopped a violent event before it resulted in the loss of innocent life. However, these are exactly the type of stories we need to highlight to educate non gun owners before they head to the voting booth.

CCW Holder Tells Cops he Killed Alleged Armed Carjacker

Chicago IL – A man with a concealed carry permit [told police](#) he shot and killed another man who ran into the back of his BMW in the Loop and then demanded the keys to the car at gunpoint early Friday, authorities said.



Chicago police investigate after a man with a concealed carry permit told police he shot and killed another man who ran into the back of his BMW in the Loop and then demanded the keys to the car at gunpoint on April 26, 2019.

The owner of the 2015 BMW said his car was rear-ended by a Volkswagen near Ida B. Wells Drive and State Street around 4:30 a.m. The man said he got out to look at the damage and then went back to the BMW to get his cellphone.

The driver of the Volkswagen walked up with a gun and demanded the keys, pushing the other man into the BMW, police said. Both were inside the BMW when the owner grabbed his own gun and shot the other man, 22, in the head. The wounded man was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

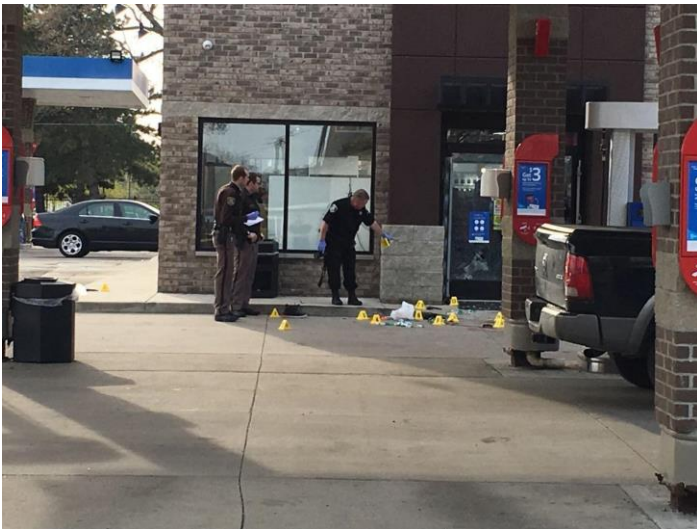
Two guns were found at the scene, one of them belonging to the driver of the BMW, 41. He has no criminal history and holds a valid concealed carry license, according to police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

“Detectives still have not made a determination as to whether charges are warranted,” Guglielmi said. “We have not found a link between the 41-year-old Chicago man and the offender, but we’re certainly looking at that to make sure that nothing could have precipitated this.”

The driver was being questioned by detectives at the Area Central police station.

Gas Station Clerk Shoots Gunman

Mount Clemens MI –A shootout at a downtown Mount Clemens gas station around the Wednesday evening rush hour left a suspected robber injured, according to the [Macomb County Sheriff’s Office](#).



Macomb County Sheriff’s deputies investigate a shooting reported at a Mobil gas station on Main Street in downtown Mount Clemens.

The incident took place about 5:10 p.m. at a Mobil gas station on South Main Street at Church Street when a masked gunman rushed into the gas station, Sheriff's Sgt. Renee Yax said in a news release.

The gunman demanded money from both the gas station clerk and at least two customers who were inside of the gas station's store at the time.

"The clerk, who was also armed, shot the suspect," Yax said in the release.

No one else was injured.

Investigators said the gunman was transported to an area hospital, where he is being treated for his injuries. His condition is not known.

Evidence technicians from the Sheriff's Office placed at least 12 markers over shell casings outside of the gas station.

Witnesses told The Macomb Daily the gunman was shot by the clerk just outside of the front door. A glass window was shattered, possibly by the gunfire.



At least 12 markers were placed over gunshot casings outside of the front door of the gas station.

Sheriff Anthony Wickersham said deputies found the gunman's weapon on the floor inside of the gas station. Both that gun and the clerk's handgun have been confiscated, he added.

The clerk was taken to the sheriff's office where he is being questioned. Wickersham said it's too early to say whether he will face any criminal charges, but it appears he acted in self defense and defending his customers.

The sheriff said it was unusual for gunfire to be reported in the city's downtown.

"We've had our share of armed robberies in and around the downtown, but I can't recall the last time we actually had gunfire take place," Wickersham said. "The downtown area is pretty safe."

Investigators said evidence collected at the scene, along with results of the interviews, will be presented to the Macomb County Prosecutor's Office on Thursday for the issuance of an arrest warrant.

<https://blog.tenthamentcenter.com/2019/04/texas-committee-passes-bill-to-decriminalize-firearms-silencers-and-end-support-for-federal-enforcement/>

Texas Committee Passes Bill to Decriminalize Firearm “Silencers” and End Support for Federal Enforcement

By: Mike Maharrey | Published on: Apr 23, 2019



AUSTIN, Texas (April 23, 2019) – Last week, a Texas House committee unanimously passed a bill that would decriminalize firearm sound suppressors under state law and end state enforcement of federal laws regulating them in the state.

Rep. Tom Oliverson (R-Houston), along with a bipartisan coalition of three cosponsors, introduced House Bill 2286 ([HB2286](#)) on Feb. 25. Under the proposed law, state agencies could not adopt any rule, order, ordinance, or policy to enforce a federal statute, order, rule, or regulation that purports to regulate a firearm suppressor that does not exist under the laws the state. It would also repeal a provision of state law making it an offense to possess, manufacture, transport, repair or sell a firearm suppressor unless it is registered by the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record.

On April 10, the House State Affairs Committee approved HB2286 by an 11-0 vote.

In effect, passage of HB2286 would end all state regulation of so-called firearm “silencers.”

Suppressors simply muffle the sound of a gun. They do not literally silence firearms. Nevertheless, the federal government heavily regulates silencers under the National Firearms Act. The feds charge a \$200 tax on the purchase of the devices. Buying one also requires months-long waits after filing extensive paperwork with the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

The repeal of state suppressor restrictions in Texas would not alter federal law, nor would it end federal enforcement, but it would remove a layer of law hindering access to these harmless devices. The widespread easing of suppressor regulation would subtly undermine federal efforts to unconstitutionally regulate firearms. As Texas activist Tom Glass put it, “It would not stop feds from attempting to enforce, but at least it would get Texas law right.”

As we've seen with marijuana and industrial hemp, a federal regulation becomes ineffective when states ignore it and pass laws encouraging the prohibited activity. Or when the state decriminalizes and people start ignoring the federal prohibition without any further state "permission" to do so.

Either way, the federal government lacks the enforcement power necessary to maintain its ban in such a climate, and people will increasingly take on the risk of federal sanctions if they know the state will not interfere. This increases when the state actively encourages "the market."

Less restrictive state gun laws such as HB2286 can have a similar impact on federal gun laws. It will make it that much more difficult for the feds to enforce federal gun control, should the people defy it, and increase the likelihood that states with few limits will simply refuse to cooperate with future federal enforcement efforts. State actions like HB2286 lower barriers for those wanting to the option of defending themselves with firearms and encourage a "gun-friendly" environment that would make federal efforts to limit firearms that much more difficult.

WHAT'S NEXT

HB2286 will now move to the House floor for further consideration.

FBI investigating armed rebellion plot after Antifa allegedly conspired with Mexican cartel

OAN Newsroom

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The FBI is unraveling an alleged plot, where Antifa members planned to provoke an armed rebellion at the U.S. border. That's according to an unclassified report obtained by the San Diego Union Tribune.

The paper trail appears to point to a plot hatched between Antifa activist Evan Duke III and a Mexican-based cartel associate known as "Cobra Commander."

The scheme involves left-wing activists buying guns and receiving militia training from cartel members in order to attack U.S. Border Patrol agents, and to disrupt their operations.

Duke is the founder of the "Asylum Seekers: Caravan Support Network." The group advocates the use of violence to abolish ICE and borders. It may come as no surprise that Duke has several convictions in the state of Washington for crimes, including harassment.

According to local media reports, Duke's alleged co-conspirator "Cobra Commander," whose real name is Ivan Riebeling, also has an extensive criminal history. His wrap sheet includes several arrests in Mexico and the U.S. for assaulting police officers and construction workers. He allegedly makes videos on YouTube, where he boasts about stealing tools used to build a wall at the border.

While the men say they have never met, both were flagged by U.S. Customs and Border Protection for their involvement at the Tijuana border when violence broke out between November of 2018 and January of this year. Hundreds of migrants rushed the border, some throwing rocks, forcing Border Patrol agents to respond with tear gas.

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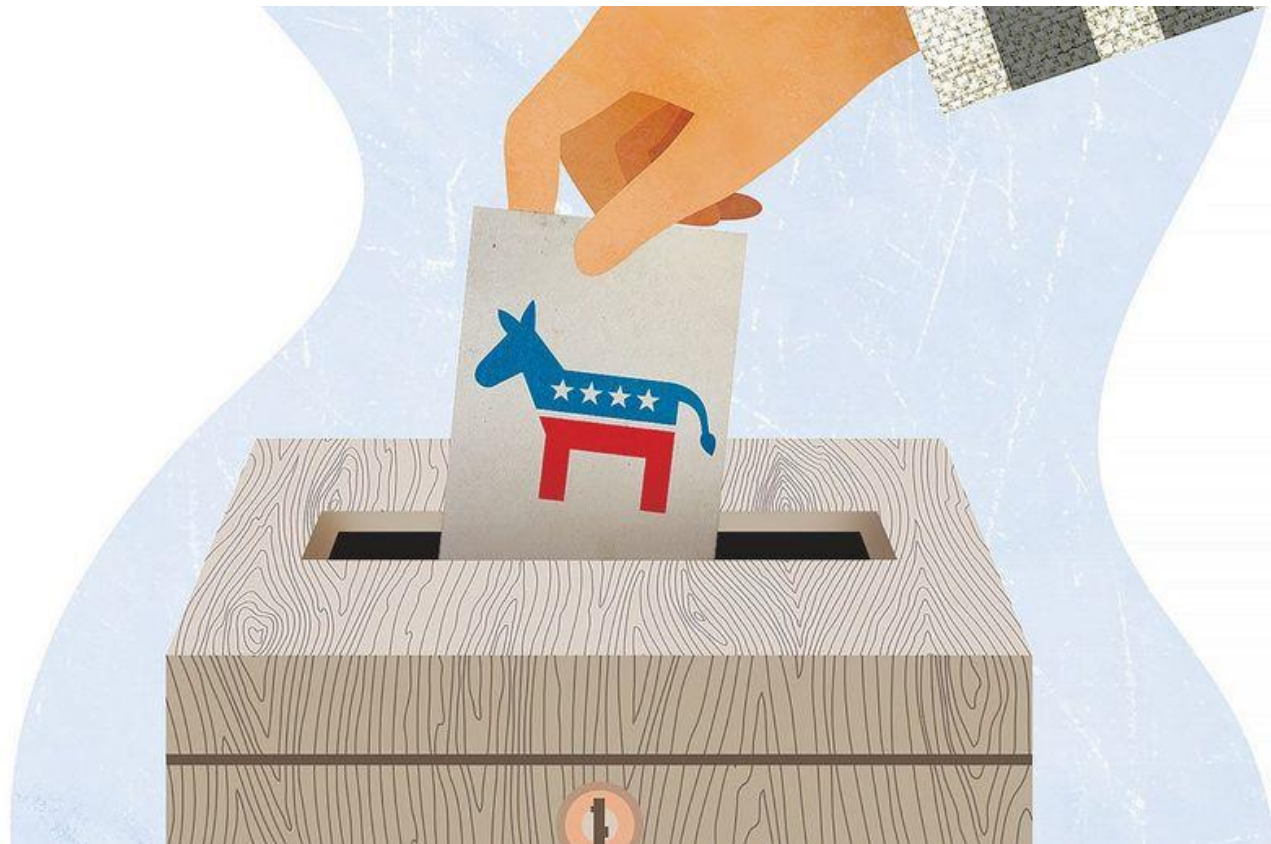
Migrants clash with Mexican police at the Mexico-U.S. border after getting past another line of Mexican police at the Chaparral crossing in Tijuana, Mexico, Sunday, Nov. 25, 2018, as they try to reach the U.S. (AP Photo/Rodrigo Abd)

Duke and Riebeling are denying the allegations made in the FBI's report. Instead, they are describing the plot as "absurd" and "illogical."

Despite their objections, the FBI has sent its report — labeled as priority — to several agencies for further investigation. This includes the Department of Homeland Security, ICE, and the CIA.

At the Washington Times: Felons and the Democratic vote

BY JOHN R. LOTT JR. - - SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019



Felons Vote for Democrats Illustration by Greg Groesch/The Washington Times [more >](#)

ANALYSIS/OPINION:

Democrats used to argue that once felons had served their time, they had paid their debt to society and should be able to vote. Leading presidential candidate Bernie Sanders now wants felons to never lose their right to vote, not even for those who have committed the most horrible crimes, not even while they're in prison.

Last week, at a town hall-style forum hosted by CNN, Sen. Sanders said that even convicted Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev should be able to vote.

Mr. Sanders and other Democrats would never argue that people should regain their right to own a gun after serving time for a felony, even a non-violent one. After all, they would argue we learn something about a person who commits a crime, especially serious ones such as rape and murder. Yet, we also learn about murderers and rapists in terms of how they care about their fellow citizens in other ways. The Boston Marathon bomber killed three people and wounded 260 others. How will someone who is willing to take many lives and maimed or disfigured for life many others vote on issues from law enforcement to health care policy? How will they vote on issues that depend on compassion?

Why is it in the interests of women that rapists should have a say in deciding who will win elections? Sexual offenders aren't going to support women's safety and health issues or education the way that other citizens will.

The push to enfranchise felons started after George W. Bush narrowly edged out Al Gore by 537 votes in the 2000 Florida presidential election. While felons weren't legally able to vote in that election, thousands still cast their ballots. It was clear that felon votes could make a decisive difference, and Democrats took notice.

Florida's 1.5 million felons constitute a substantial voting bloc. Even if felons would vote at rates of only 15 percent to 20 percent, they still represent 225,000 to 300,000 potential votes. In the 2018 Senate race, Republican Rick Scott received only 10,033 more votes than Democrat Bill Nelson. Republican Ron DeSantis beat Democrat Andrew Gillum in the governor's race by 32,463 votes. Felons could easily erase Republicans' razor-thin advantage in Florida.

In the last election, a ballot referendum did in fact enfranchise Florida felons who have left prison. Since that time, according to presidential adviser Jared Kushner, "We've had more ex-felons register as Republicans than Democrats." But his comments are likely based more on wishful thinking than on actual data. Florida doesn't provide a breakdown of registrations by criminal status.

University of Florida professor David Smith conducted a small survey of 61 Floridians who had identified themselves in the media as felons. Thirty-nine were registered: 25 as Democrats, 10 without a party affiliation, and four as Republicans.

A Public Opinion Strategies survey interviewed 602 adults in Washington State in May 2005; 102 respondents were felons who had their voting rights restored, while 500 were non-felons. I examined this survey and accounted for other differences that predict how people vote — race, gender, education level, religious habits, employment, age and county of residence. Felons were 37 percent more likely to be registered Democrats than were non-felons with the same characteristics. They were 36 percent more likely to have voted for John Kerry over George W. Bush. African-American and Asian felons in Washington State reported voting exclusively for Mr. Kerry. One academic study estimated that Bill Clinton pulled 74 percent of the felon vote in 1992 and a whopping 85 percent in 1996. The study based these estimates on the race, gender and income of felons. My analysis of the Washington State data — which, again, found that felons are more Democratic even after accounting for demographics — suggests that these estimates, as high as they are, are actually understated.

It looks as if almost all felons are Democrats. Felons are not just like everyone else — they are even more likely to vote Democratic than was previously believed. This guarantees that some Democratic supporters will continue in their efforts to get felons to the polls.

If Democrats fight for and achieve felon enfranchisement, they can count on having an even more loyal voting bloc. It isn't just state election results that could change. Prisons are often located in rural, low-population areas. The Louisiana State Penitentiary has 6,300 prisoners and is located in West Feliciana Parish, a county with only 12,888 non-prisoner adults. With 33 percent of potential voters easily located in one place, local candidates are going to spend a lot of time campaigning at the prison.

Democrats' desire to let felons vote is understandable. But criminals shouldn't cast deciding votes that overrule the policy preferences of law-abiding Americans.

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WIN THIS RIFLE! 6.5 CREEDMOOR LONG-RANGE PRECISION RIFLE

You've mastered the 25-yard line. The 50-yard line holds no challenge for you. Your ten round groups at the 100-yard line are the envy of your local bench rest club. You need a CHALLENGE. Some new arena to test your mettle as a marksman. It's time to reach out, but your little pea shooter of an AR-15 with your 1-6x scope isn't going to get you the silver dollar at a grand.

Well my friend, you are in luck. Below you'll find a list of hand-picked [parts and accessories](#), each one specifically chosen to help you put together a humdinger of a precision rifle that should easily get you to the 1,000-yard line and beyond! Now, as with any build, you can swap out the parts we're suggesting to meet your own personal needs, tastes, and budget. Unlike any other build though, you'll have a chance to win this exact rifle and entirely sidestep having to budget for anything but ammo! Check out the end of this article to find out how.



Now before we get into individual components we've chosen for this build, we should probably start with caliber. The AR platform can be built with a dizzying array of calibers, and the large frame [AR-308](#) and [AR-10](#) are best known for the very capable [.308 Winchester](#) or [7.62x51mm NATO](#) cartridges. The old .30 cal is absolutely capable of reaching that fabled 1,000-yard line, but in the 60+ years since it was developed the science of ballistics has advanced. In the long-range game, [6.5 Creedmoor](#) is the new hotness. Introduced originally in 2007, 6.5CM provides shooters with a round that offers similar trajectories and velocities to the powerful .300 Win Mag making for a very flat shooting cartridge that fits in the same short action receivers as .308 Win with the benefit of roughly 30% less felt recoil when compared to the old standby. As if that weren't enough, it makes full use of 6.5mm / .270 caliber bullets, well known for their almost preternatural ability to buck wind and stay on course. Additionally, 6.5 Creedmoor shares much of the same parts as a standard .308 AR-10 like the magazine and bolt face. All you need is an appropriate barrel and you will be ringing steel at the 1,000-yard line in no time. Superior ballistics and parts commonality make 6.5 Creedmoor an easy choice for a precision gas gun build. Check out our Primary Arms Blog if you'd like to see a more head-to-head breakdown of [.308 Winchester vs 6.5 Creedmoor](#).

PART NAME	SKU	RETAIL PRICE
Criterion Barrels 6.5 Creedmoor Hybrid Profile 22" Rifle Length	1022S65-HYR	\$301.74
FailZero .308 Bolt Carrier Group	FZ-AR10-01-NH-GEN3	249.99
Cross Machine Tool .308 Billet Receiver Set	CMT-UHP10-308	498.00
Cross Machine Tool 15" .308 High Profile UHPR MOD 2 M-LOK Rail	UHPR15-0MOD2-HP308	227.00
Odin Works Low Profile Adjustable Gas Block - .875"	GB-ADJ-875	84.55
Radian Raptor Ambidextrous AR-10/SR25 Charging Handle - Black	R0007	85.45
Luth AR Builder Lower Parts Kit For AR308 - No Grip / Fire Control Group	LRPK-BLDR-308	44.99
Timney Trigger AR-10 Competition - 4lb Single Stage .154"	670	257.36
VG6 Precision Gamma 65 Muzzle Brake - 5/8x24	APVG100016A	71.99
Luth-AR .308 Buffer Body Assembly	PKG-308	61.09
Magpul MOE Pistol Grip - Black	MAG415-BLK	18.95
Magpul PRS Gen 3 Precision Rifle Stock - Black	MAG672-BLK	242.20
Small Parts	APRH100107; APRH308185; XP-RLGT	18.00
Magpul Bipod for M-LOK - Black	MAG933-BLK	109.95
Primary Arms SLx6 3-18x50mm FFP Rifle Scope - Illuminated ACSS-Apollo-6.5CR/.224V Reticle	PA3-18X50FFP-APOLLO-6.5CM	499.99
American Defense Delta Quick Detach 30mm Scope Mount - Black	AD-DELTA-30	239.99
Total Build Cost		\$3,011.24

THE BARREL - THE HEART OF THE BUILD

Choosing the right caliber for your application is only half the battle. To make the most of it, you need an excellent [barrel](#) that will provide the consistency you need. [Criterion](#) has built their reputation on their excellent barrels, so they were an easy choice for this build! We settled on their [22" hybrid profile barrel](#) to balance optimal velocity performance of the 6.5 Creedmoor cartridge without adding unnecessary weight. This barrel is machined from 416R stainless steel which – without getting too deep into technical jargon – was engineered specifically for competition rifles with qualities that lend itself to great accuracy. This steel is much easier to machine, lap, and button rifle, allowing every dimension to be as precise as possible, while still being extremely hard and resistant to temperature changes. All these attributes combined make for a barrel that is consistently accurate and will last thousands of rounds. The stainless steel finish is sharp looking too. Pinging steel at 1,000 yards is even better when you can look good doing it.



THE RECEIVERS - THE BODY

Some people will tell you that your receivers don't really matter when it comes to building a rifle intended for precision accuracy. Bully to that, I say. Whether it does or doesn't is irrelevant, [upper receivers](#) and [lower receivers](#) that fit together PROPERLY just objectively feel better and subjectively shoot better. To that end, we went with the [Cross Machine Tool .308 billet receiver set](#). Precision cut from solid 7075-T6 billets, this set of receivers mate together fantastically, with a tensioning screw to take out any chance of rattle. To top it off, these receivers are built to accept DPMS-spec components, making it compatible with all of your favorite parts, accessories, and Magpul's legendary [.308 PMAGs](#).



THE HANDGUARD - THE... HAND? GUARD?

Okay, this metaphor is breaking down a little. On a precision rifle like this, you're likely going to be shooting from a bipod or other support, not using your hand to stabilize the rifle. At any rate, for accessories, sights, and bipod mounting we selected the [Cross Machine Tool 15" .308 UHPR Mod 2](#) handguard with [M-LOK](#) slots. [Free float handguards](#) offer excellent airflow to help keep your barrel cool, improve barrel harmonics, and drastically reduce Point of Aim / Point of Impact deflection when you load your [sling](#) or [bipod](#) for stability. Just for kicks, we've tossed in a [Magpul bipod](#).



THE TRIGGER - IT'S IMPORTANT

[Timney Triggers](#) are very well known for their quality and selection of fantastic triggers for seemingly almost any firearm on the market. This model, the [#670 AR-10 Competition Trigger](#), is a drop-in solution that installs super easily and offers an incredibly crisp and predictable 4lb break with short reset. This gives you full control to make your shots exactly when you want them. It also features a heavier spring than their standard

AR-15 model for reliable ignition with harder primers used in larger-frame rifles. The hybrid trigger shoe gives shooters the best of both worlds, combining the leverage of a straight trigger with the repeatable feel of a curved one.



THE BRAKE - KEEP ON TARGET

We don't want to lose sight of our target once the shot breaks and recoil starts moving the rifle. To that end, we've added the supremely effective [VG6 Precision Gamma 6.5 Muzzle brake](#). 6.5 Creedmoor already offers noticeably reduced felt recoil over .308 Winchester and when combined with the Gamma brake, calling your hits has never been easier, or more comfortable.



THE BCG - SHINY AND AWESOME

[The Fail Zero DPMS pattern bolt carrier group](#) is an excellent option for any large frame build. They're live-fire tested, and magnetic particle inspected to ensure each one meets their standards. It has also been treated with [Fail Zero's](#) super slick Nickel Boron EXO coating making cleaning and maintenance a breeze and dramatically reducing the necessity of oil or grease for your gun to function reliably. Oh, and it's 100% compatible with 6.5 Creedmoor straight from the box! We've coupled that with the AR-10 version of the [Radian Raptor ambidextrous charging handle](#), so you can rack the BCG with either hand.



THE STOCK - ADJUSTABLE STABILITY

The [Magpul Gen3 Precision Rifle Stock](#) offers a full range of adjustment for both length of pull and the cheek riser height without sacrificing one iota of stability. Adjusting the stock is easy thanks to the hardened steel adjustment system, allowing you to custom fit the stock to your shooting position and optic. If that wasn't enough, it also features multiple integrated [sling attachment](#) options, and bottom-mounted M-LOK slots to install a monopod at the stock's toe and ditch the [shooting bags](#) if you so choose.



THE OPTIC - YOU CAN'T HIT WHAT YOU CAN'T SEE

So you've got a mechanically excellent rifle, it's time to select the glass you're going to run to get the absolute most you can out of it. For this build, we're running our popular [SLx6 3-18x50mm first focal plane rifle scope with illuminated ACSS Apollo reticle](#) designed specifically for 6.5 Creedmoor and .224 Valkyrie. Like all our [ACSS reticles](#), the Apollo combines ranging, wind leads, and bullet drop compensation out to a full 1,000 yards in an incredibly intuitive and easy to use package. Our [Primary Arms 3-18x first focal plane scopes](#) feature locking, tactical style turrets so once you're zeroed you don't have to worry about bumping the turrets and losing it.

This fantastic scope is mounted in a tough [American Defense DELTA quick detach scope mount](#) with 20 MOA of built-in elevation to make reaching out to that thousand yard line even easier. The quick detach system is easily adjustable without tools and returns to zero every time (as long as you put the scope back in the same place every time, which is why those T-marks on the upper come in handy).

Another month, another rifle build in the books! Just like the last two, you've got a chance to win. Hopefully this breakdown of what parts and accessories we chose to make an excellent long-range precision rifle has inspired you for your next build. We had a lot of fun putting this rifle together and we know the winner will be very pleased. Go conquer that 1,000 yard mark! Here's how to win.

<https://www.ammoland.com/2018/01/franklin-armory-reformation-defeat-the-nfa-with-nrs-barrel-technology/#axzz5muccbvWm>

Franklin Armory Reformation – Defeat the NFA with NRS Barrel Technology

Ammoland Inc. Posted on January 24, 2018 by Mike Searson

The cat may or not be out of the bag on Franklin Armory's Reformation by now. We got to try it out first hand almost two weeks ago when people were speculating if it was a muzzleloader, 410 Shotgun, barrel permanently attached to the receiver, a trigger that fired on release or even a smooth bore. It turns out it was None of the Above.



How is the Reformation not classified as an SBR or SBS? The simple answer was the use of straight cut lands and grooves on the barrel.

U.S.A. --(Ammoland.com)- The simple answer was the use of straight cut lands and grooves, meaning that there were no spiral cut lands and grooves to impart spin on the rifle's projectile. Although it does retain a standard chamber.

Franklin Armory's NRS barrel technology stands for "Not a Rifle or Shotgun" and because the barrel does not impart any spin on the projectile, it does not meet the definition of "rifling" according to ATF's Technology Branch.

I tried not to make that too confusing.

Let's look back a little:

On August 3rd of 2017, the Chief of the Firearms Technology Division of the ATF confirmed that a firearm equipped with a stock and a barrel featuring straight cut lands and grooves is defined as a

“firearm,” and is not a rifle or a shotgun. It follows that since the Reformation cannot be a rifle or a shotgun, it also cannot be a short barreled rifle or a short barreled shotgun.



The ATF

confirmed that a firearm equipped with a stock and a barrel featuring straight cut lands and grooves is defined as a “firearm,” and is not a rifle or a shotgun.

We shot the Reformation at close range, a short-range pistol bay as a matter of fact, and while we were expecting to see tumbling rounds or keyholes on our target, we did not see any. Furthermore, our test firing was done with a Reformation chambered in 5.56 while the initial offering to the public will be 300 Blackout. For straight cut lands and grooves, these 11.5” barrelled rifles shoot within 4 MOA.

While we did not see any evidence of tumbling, we believe that the potential could be there. This is probably the only thing keeping us from a fuller endorsement as we think there will be a potential for damage to the one accessory the 300 Blackout is intended for: a silencer.



Franklin

Armory's NRS barrel technology stands for "Not a Rifle or Shotgun"

Hell, we have had end cap strikes with spiral cut rifled bores and thread on cans. It can happen when the circumstances are seemingly perfect, but Franklin may have a cure for this in the works.

Since an NRS bore has straight cut lands and grooves, Franklin Armory has engineered fin and flare stabilized projectiles and ammunition for near MOA performance. Yet the Reformation worked fine with the countless magazines of off the shelf factory ammunition that we tried over the weekend both in semi-automatic and binary modes of fire.

Here are the benefits:

- No NFA!
- No Tax Stamp!
- Not an SBR!
- Not an SBS!
- Not an AOW!
- No forms needed to travel out of state!

We have never had a problem with NFA paperwork. It is a single sided Federal Form that is filled out by a dealer in most cases and if that much typing or scribbling is too much work for you; well, there's always Barber College. The only thing that infuriates us is the waiting period as we find it an affront to the Second Amendment.

The matter of the \$200 tax stamp is another part that while not excessive, we still see as a tax on freedom, so anything that can avert these two travesties is great in our book.

Beyond the potentiality of keyholing on target or changes in velocity for the worse due to the straight cut lands and grooves which are actually nothing more than conjecture on our part, our only other concern is the placement of barrel threads under the factory rail that may preclude the use of certain QD mounts for a suppressor. Hopefully, Franklin will iron that one out soon.

Pricing is steep depending on options and ranges from \$1034 to \$2094. A little high for a truck gun, but probably makes for one of the coolest truck guns in town.



Franklin Armory's

Reformation

Franklin Armory's Reformation — Our Summary:

The Good

When we fired the Reformation we found it to be lightweight, reasonably accurate and trouble free with regard to stoppages or other failures.

Build quality is excellent and all of the components with a few exceptions were well thought out. The fact that some models will ship with the Franklin BFS is a bonus as it ups the fun factor by about 50!

The Bad

We still have our doubts about straight cut lands and grooves until we see more data in the form of live fire, chronograph results for velocity and bullet performance.

Our biggest concern has to do with non-stabilized bullets causing a baffle, end cap or front cap strike in a suppressor.

Which leads to our second concern having to do with the position of barrel threads beneath the rail: Some mounts or direct thread cans may not fit as easily.

Legality

This may be a gray area for some of the very people who need this the most. Chances are if your state of residence has restrictions on rifle length, barrel length, NFA acquisition etc. then they may have other assorted problems such as their definition of a rifle or firearm.



A little pricey for a truck gun, but probably makes for one of the coolest truck guns in town. For more information check out their website: <https://www.franklinarmory.com>

How To Select The Best Shooting Targets For Your Needs

By Gun Digest Editors - May 2, 2019

If you're planning some trigger time you need to consider what you'll pitch rounds toward. Here's everything you need to know about shooting targets and then some.

What You Need To Consider When Buying A Shooting Target:

- Material best suited to your style of shooting.
- Cost they'll run.
- Their longevity — are they one-time use or will you get years out of one.
- The type of target that will enhance your style of shooting.

If you don't enjoy target shooting, well ... there's something just plain wrong with you. No offense, but even if you live for elk season or were born to run and gun at a practical pistol match, an afternoon plugging away at the bullseye should still get your juice flowing. Especially nowadays ...



Never has there been a wider, more diverse and more useful selection of shooting targets available, no matter what gun or discipline happens to be your passion. From precision sight-in options to “dial your riflescope way up” options, to AR500 steel monsters made for the long haul, you have everything you need to satiate your itchy trigger finger and sharpen your skills. With the wealth of shooting targets out there today, the only question really is: Which one is right for you?

The answer, as always when it comes to guns and gear, is “It depends... .” If it’s purely pleasure principal, then nearly anything that turns your fancy will do. However, if you aim at something greater, such a skill improvement, well then picking your target requires some consideration.

Shooting Target Material

As most know, targets are made from different materials. The four most commonly used are:

- Paper or cardboard
- Steel
- Clay
- Polymer

As is usually the case with different materials, each excels at different tasks and flounder at others. In turn, what your target is made of should match up with what you plan to do when you go shooting. Here’s a brief rundown of what each material is good and bad at achieving.



WINGONE ULTIMATE DOUBLE CLAY THROWER

Paper: As the most familiar target material, paper continues as one of the most versatile. An excellent medium for tracking shot groups, it's a top choice if you need to adjust your sights or scope, or if you need to tally a score in a competitive shooting match. Plain paper targets, at distance, can prove difficult to inspect with the naked eye. However, modern reactive chip targets – where hits create vivid halos on their surface – make them easier to read. Only clays have less longevity than paper shooting targets; however, in most cases, neither will break the bank.

Steel: Gaining more popularity among everyday shooters in recent decades, steel targets are the most durable and longest lasting. With proper care, many AR500 steel targets last nearly a lifetime. Excellent for training, steel shooting targets provide instant auditory feedback when struck – a sound you'll grow to love. Furthermore, there are a variety of reactive targets made from steel that not only increase the enjoyment of shooting, but they also up the challenge. The drawback to steel targets is many of the larger ones are

fairly unwieldy and are a hassle to move around. What's more, steel costs more up front ... but don't let that make you think they're not economical over the long haul.

Clay: If you're a shotgun shooter, you know clay targets. Chances are good that you shoot them when you aren't shooting birds. While they're the dominant target in shotgun games, clays are sometimes found downrange from pistols and rifles, generally as a bit of fun. You definitely know when you hit these brittle targets because they break up or evaporate into a cloud of dust. And therein lies their drawback: Clays are absolutely one-time use.

Polymer: Designed to allow a bullet to pass through with minimal damage, polymer targets typically have a decent lifespan. However, they won't last forever. Predominantly, polymers are used in ground targets – three-dimensional targets that rest on the ground – because they require some sort of backstop. This style of target, however, proves great fun, since they'll jump like a frog in hot water when hit.

Types Of Shooting Targets

Given the variety of shooting target styles available today, it would take a multi-volume book to catalog them all. But that's alright, because many of them cater to specific shooters with specific interests and goals.

That said, it's safe to break down the types of shooting targets into a few different categories to get an idea what's available. By no means are these definitive: Many of the targets bleed over into other categories. But, in general, this gives you an idea of what you might look for to achieve certain goals the next time you're fixing to burn some ammo.



EZE-SCORER BULL'S-EYE TARGET

Accuracy Targets

Certainly, accuracy is always the top goal when you send a bullet flying ... otherwise, what's the challenge? And there are definitely shooting targets that are adept at improving and evaluating how well you hit the mark. Two of the most common are bullseye and sight-in. The former is perhaps the best-known shooting target and is excellent for new marksmen. It's ideal for refining a sight picture and learning where to hold, as well as honing the mechanics of making an accurate shot – breathing, trigger control, etc. As a staple of riflemen, the latter is a must-have for zeroing in a scope – as its “sight-in target” name suggests. With a grid laid out across its surface, the target gives you the ability to appraise your groups and adjust your optic's aim point.

Feedback Targets

Occasionally, immediate or specific feedback is required to drill down a shooting skill. In turn, a target that lets you know you're on the mark soon after the trigger is pulled is required. Steel shooting targets are the most familiar variety, with their sweet "Ping!" ringing out when you've made a hit. Ideal for rapid fire-training with a handgun or carbine, or for long-range shooting, a good piece of steel gives you the feedback you need.

Get On Target With These Posts:

- Why You Should Shoot [AR500 Targets](#)
- 5 Best [Steel Targets For Years Of Shooting Fun](#)
- Best [Pistol Targets To Sharpen Your Handgun Skills](#)

Although they're very much different from steel, modern game targets also fall into this category, though they deliver a different kind of data on how you're shooting. With the vital zones embossed on the game animal, this shooting target option familiarizes you with your particularly quarry's anatomy well enough to put meat on the table.

Skill-Based Targets

Skill-based targets are legion. In a certain respect, when talking trap and skeet, clays fall into this group. For rifle and pistol shooters, the silhouette is among the most utilized. If you own a handgun, there's a good chance you've stared one down and understand their importance to self-defense training. Deadly force isn't something to take lightly, and a shooting target such as a silhouette ensures you know how to wield it effectively.

Cost Of Shooting Targets

Economy is an issue any time you're shooting. In turn, it should play a role in your target selection. But don't fool yourself: A tiny price tag at the store doesn't necessarily mean you're saving money.



WORLD OF TARGETS DOUBLE HOLE AR500

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Without argument, paper targets are the cheapest, but, at best, you'll get an afternoon out of one ... and much less time than that if you're shooting a lot. More durable targets, such as steel, can last nearly a lifetime. Given this, they'll tend to cost less the more you shoot.

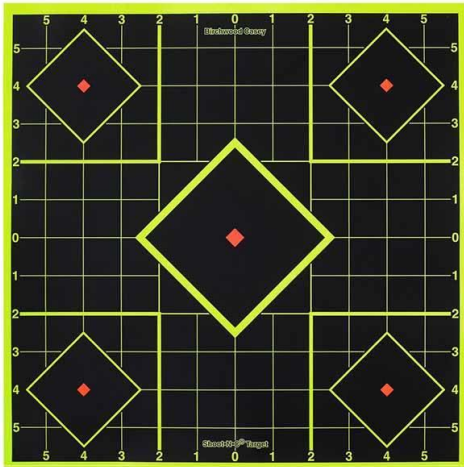
Again, it all comes down to personal habits when choosing which shooting target better fits your budget. If you head to the range once a month or less, paper most likely will prove a lighter burden on your pocketbook. But, if you're a once or twice weekly shooter, then steel should turn out to have greater value.

Parting Shot

Now that you know what shooting target options available to you, it should be a piece of cake getting one to fit your needs. But here's a final word of advice: Don't hem yourself in. Similar to finding the right ammo for your gun, you won't truly know what works until you pitch a few rounds at one. Besides, it will get you shooting more often.

Suggested Birchwood Casey Shooting Targets

Birchwood Casey Shoot-N-C Sight-In Targets



SHOOT•N•C SIGHT-IN TARGET

While there are many out there who aren't hot on sighting in their rifle, the right target can make it an enjoyable process. For hunters as a yearly tradition before deer season, it represents the calm before the storm. However, the biggest complaint most often heard is that bullet impact is difficult to see at 100 yards. Traditional paper sight-in targets do their job, but only with the aid of a spotting scope.

Life will get considerably easier if you consider making the jump to Birchwood Casey's Shoot-N-C Sight-In targets. As rifle targets, they're brilliant – both figuratively and literally. When hit, the bullet hole is replaced with a bright halo of fluorescent yellow or chartreuse in the case of black shooting targets, and black halos show impact on the white targets. Typically, your riflescope is enough to thoroughly evaluate your groups. Furthermore, the shooting targets have adhesive backing, eliminating the need for a staple gun. And each comes with a number of pasters to extend the use of each target.

MSRP: \$6.99 box of 6 — [Find Out More](#)

Birchwood Casey Pregame Turkey



PREGAME TURKEY TARGET

You've got to know your choke. You've got to know your ammo. You've got to know your gun's limit. Plainly put: To have success in the turkey woods you've got to know how your shotgun patterns. Birchwood Casey makes it easier than ever before with the Pregame Turkey Target.

More than simply a photo-realistic turkey with illustrated anatomy, the different target zones react with different colors when hit. Knock the gobbler in the brain or spine and a bright orange halo appears. Put shot on a non-vital area and a yellow halo. And if you deliver a plum miss, look for a white halo ... and then cuss.

Realistically, this makes the chore of walking the range to evaluate your pattern a thing of the past, and it's a boon for those zeroing a reflex sight. More importantly, the Pregame Turkey will add another fan to your wall.

MSRP: \$12 stack of 8 — [Find Out More](#)

Birchwood Casey Dirty Bird Silhouette



DIRTY BIRD SILHOUETTE TARGET

As pointed out above, Birchwood Casey has greatly improved sighting in with their easy-to-see Shoot-N-C line of shooting targets. Rifle marksmen, however, aren't the only ones who benefit from the company's splatter targets.

Bringing Birchwood Casey's high-visibility technology to self-defense training, Dirty Bird Silhouettes are downright amazing when working with your carry gun.

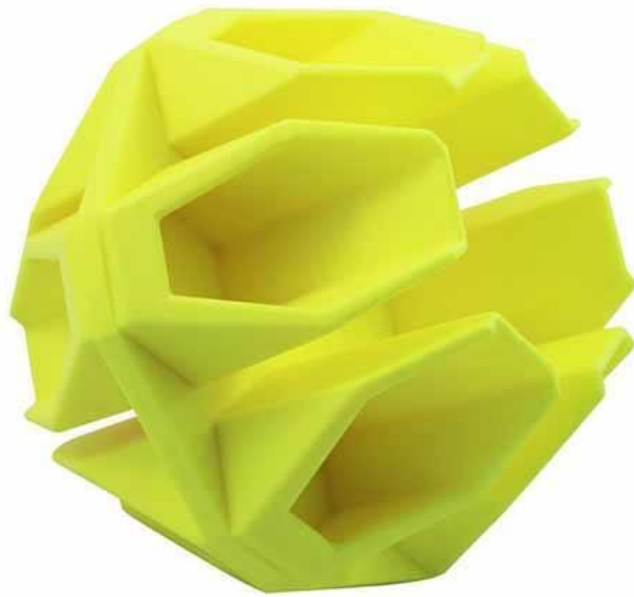
Logically, you might ask, "Why would you'd need a splatter target if you're shooting between, say, 7 and 20 yards?" Hang one up at your indoor range sometime and it'll make all kinds of sense in a big hurry.

With instant feedback of where you're hitting, the Dirty Bird Silhouette is invaluable, particularly during rapid-fire segments. It's a real gem on the Mozambique drill.

Furthermore, the silhouette is also excellently adept at close- to medium-range training with a carbine.

MSRP: \$11.99 box of eight — [**Find Out More**](#)

Birchwood Casey Ground Strike Hex



GROUND STRIKE HEX TARGET BALL

Due to poor action after being shot, some ground targets aren't fun to shoot. The Ground Strike Hex certainly doesn't fall into this category. This baby can plum fly when you connect, which gives a fella ideas ... such as, why not buy two and race your buddy down the range? Anything for bragging rights.

Made in the USA, the Hex is rated for all calibers and is made to take a beating. Its self-sealing rubber is engineered to take hundreds of rounds before it shows any wear. To boot, its vivid fluorescent yellow color makes it easy to see, though at 6 inches in diameter, it's not exactly easy to hit as the Hex gets moving and the distances increase.

MSRP: \$22.99 — [Find Out More](#)

Birchwood Casey World Of Targets Popper



WORLD OF TARGETS POPPER STEEL TARGET

As a simple, satisfying and practical way to sharpen your handgun skills, poppers are must-haves for serious shooters. Among the more affordable options is Birchwood Casey's.

The USA-made AR500 steel pistol target stands 22 inches tall and is engineered for portability and durability. Easily set up in minutes, the target provides an ample yet challenging 8-inch wide paddle to punish. Best of all, boasting a hefty actuating spring, the target resets itself in the blink of an eye and is ready for another go-round. Providing both visual and auditory feedback, there's perhaps no better or more enjoyable target to pepper.

MSRP: \$299 — [Find Out More](#)

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CZ-USA's New Shadow 2 Orange Pistol – NRA 2019

by LEVI SIM on MAY 5, 2019

CZ-USA introduced a couple of significant upgrades at the NRA Annual Meeting. First up is the Orange edition of the Shadow 2 pistol, bringing it up to competition standards. There's also the New Scorpion EVO3 S1 upgraded with Magpul furniture.



CZ Shadow 2 Orange



CZ reports that more than half of competition shooters worldwide use CZ 75's in some form, and the Shadow 2 Orange is a perfect evolution of the CZ 75 for competition. It's a got a better hand fit — and those orange grips feel really good in the hand — and the steel barrel and guide rod are polished to a high shine to for a tight lock



up and precise fit.



It's got a fiber optic front sight with blacked-out elevation and drift adjustable rear sights. The barrel is 4.89" long, guaranteeing it will meet competition standards by a full millimeter. It ships with 3 magazines with metal



baseplates.



But the best thing about the Shadow 2 Orange is the trigger. It comes from the factory with a terrific trigger with a very short reset and a crisp break. The double action pull is between 7 and 8 lbs, while the single action

pull is about 3lbs. It's the kind of trigger you'd expect to pay to upgrade to, so they've saved you the trouble.



The Shadow 2 Orange's MSRP is \$1999 and it's available now.





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Marlin's New Dark Series Ain't Your Grandpappy's Lever Gun – NRA 2019

by JORDAN MICHAELS on MAY 5, 2019



Marlin's new Dark rifles look like something out of a zombie flick. (Model 336, suppressor and scope not included.) Yeah, yeah. We get it. It's a suppressor-ready blacked-out lever gun with a pic rail and paracord loop. Your grandpappy is rolling in his grave.

But as much as we wanted to complain about the taticool bros ruining classic Americana, we got a chance to handle (or fondle, as the case may be) Marlin's new Dark [Model 336](#) and [Model 1895](#) at this year's NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits, and we gotta admit—these guns are cool.

The Model 336 is chambered in 30-30 WIN and the big-bore Model 1895 is chambered in 45-70 Govt. Otherwise, the two rifles differ only in the thread pitch on the muzzle. Both come with a paracord sling, a ghost ring rear sight, and a five-shot full-length tubular magazine.

Weighing in at 7.65 pounds with an overall length of 34.5 inches and a 16.25-inch barrel, Marlin's Dark Series rifles are maneuverable enough to handle whatever might come, even with a suppressor.

SEE ALSO: [Maximizing Your Marlin Lever Gun](#)



The beefy Model 1895 is chambered in 45-70. Both models come with a paracord sling.



The stock is covered with a black web paint.



Virtually any type of optic can be mounted on the full-length rail.

Remington Firearms, Marlin's parent company, wasn't shooting from the hip when they decided to tacticalize these classic rifles. Product Manager Eric Lundgren told GunsAmerica that his team spent time studying customer feedback on their current offerings and tracking the trends coming out of custom shops.

Turns out, gun enthusiasts have been tinkering with their cowboy sidekicks for years, and Marlin is hoping their new Dark series can be a turnkey solution for lever lovers wanting to modify a classic rifle.

The most noticeable difference between the Dark Series and Marlin's more traditional offerings is the finish. The Dark rifles feature a parkerized metal finish, which Lundgren said is more rust resistant and less shiny than standard bluing. (Less shiny, presumably for hiding from zombies, hogs, etc.) The stock is also blacked out with webbed paint.

SEE ALSO: [Marlin .45-70 1895GBL: Lever-Action Powerhouse—Full Review.](#)



The barrel can accept any style of muzzle device.



Torx head screws don't strip as easily as flathead screws.



The oversized loop is wrapped in paracord for added grip.

The threaded barrel departs from Marlin's more recent offerings as well, and the suppressor looks a bit odd hanging off the end. But Lundgren pointed out that Marlin barrels were threaded many years ago, so perhaps it's not as much of a departure as it seems.

The takedown screws have also been enhanced, or adulterated, depending on your perspective. Marlin replaced the traditional flathead screws with Torx screws, which are more reliable and less likely to strip. But they don't look as clean as flatheads, and they'll probably give your grandpappy another reason to shift positions six feet under.

Unlike the screws, the trigger doesn't appear to have been enhanced. It's not bad (no creep, clean break), but it's nothing to write home about.

Marlin set the MSRP at \$949, about \$200 more than the standard wooden stock models.

Sneak Peek! Bond Arms Developing Lightweight Aluminum-Frame Derringer – NRA 2019

by JORDAN MICHAELS on MAY 5, 2019



This sample is a prototype, but the size and weight will be the same in the final version.

Small, powerful, convenient, and maybe even stylish, [Bond Arms'](#) derringer handguns have been described using a wide variety of positive adjectives. But "lightweight" hasn't been one of them. At something around 22 ounces, all-steel derringers are hefty little guns for their profile, especially when compared to half-polymer semi-autos.

That's set to change in October, when Bond Arms plans to release an aluminum derringer that tips the scales at nearly half the weight of a standard model.

We caught up with Bond Arms' spokesman Dylan Hunsucker at this year's NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits, who gave us a sneak peek of their new offering.

The machined aluminum derringer weighs 12 ounces and measures 0.55 inches at its widest point. For context, a standard derringer with a 3.5-inch barrel weighs 22 ounces and is nearly an inch wide.

The aluminum derringer cuts price in half along with weight and width: Bond Arms plans to sell their new model for between \$299 and \$350. That's compared to their all-steel models, whose MSRP hovers just under \$700.

Hunsucker said that initial models will be chambered in 9mm, .38, and potentially .357.



The standard model almost looks overbuilt compared to the new lightweight model.

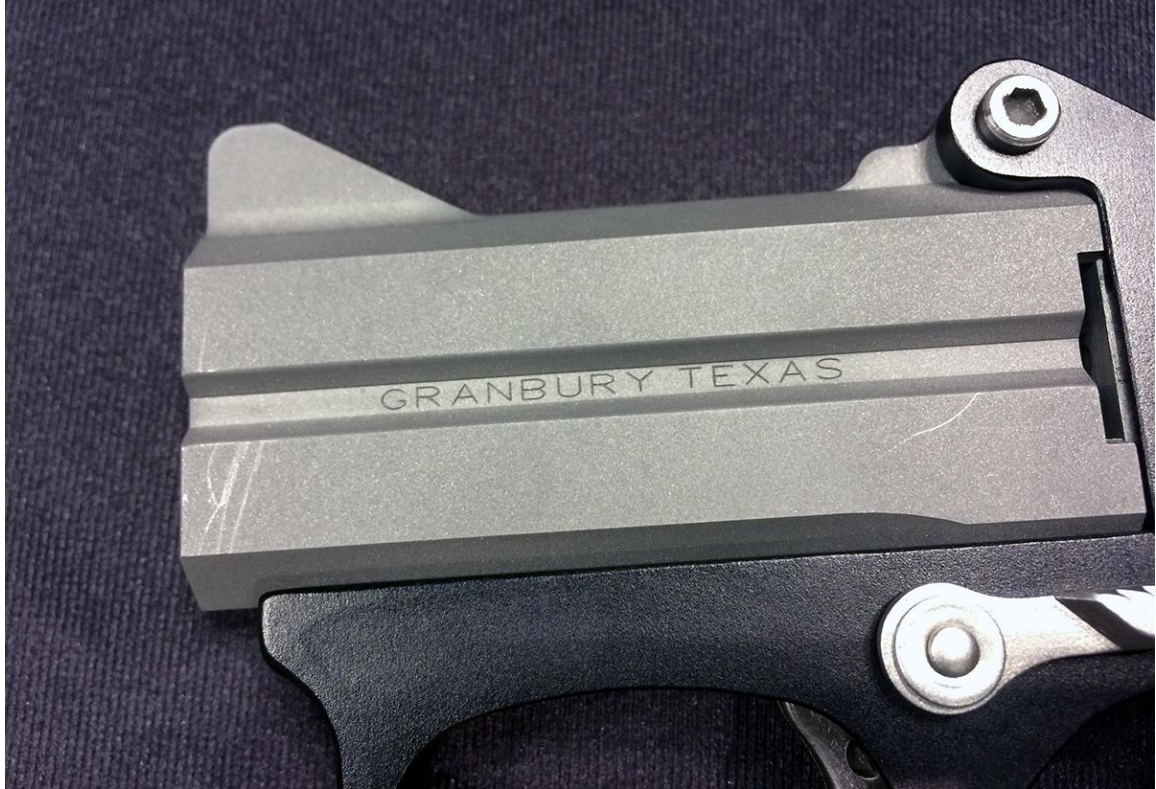


When asked whether an aluminum derringer will produce more felt recoil, Hunsucker pointed out that the smaller chamberings will mitigate that concern, and as with all derringers from Bond Arms, the gun's low bore axis forces felt recoil back rather than up, which reduces muzzle flip.

Customers shouldn't be worried about durability, either. While most of the handgun is constructed from aluminum, a steel firing pin plate absorbs the majority of the stress on the gun during firing.

As with all Bond Arms derringers, the new aluminum model has the capability to swap barrels within the aluminum line, allowing customers to use whichever barrel or chambering fits their specific need. In this line, for example, a user might want to practice with the 9mm barrels but carry the .357.

Standard steel barrels range between \$130 and \$235, so customers can expect aluminum barrels to be priced well below that.



All Bond Arms derringers are manufactured in Granbury, Texas.



On the right is one of the first aluminum-frame prototypes. The final production model will feature the matte finish like the model on the left.

Hunsucker stressed that their engineers are still perfecting their design, and the model they displayed at NRAAM was just a prototype.

Bond Arms began in 1995 with the idea that the Remington Model 95 over-under, single-action derringer could be converted from an Old West anachronism into a modern and reliable handgun. This new aluminum model might be the next evolution in that idea.

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