

RECENT POSTINGS TO THE CANADIAN FIREARMS DIGEST

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POSTS FROM CANADA

LIFETIME FIREARM BAN PART OF SENTENCE FOR GUN STORE OWNER CHARGED IN PROJECT

FORSETI - A Melfort-area gun store owner is now banned from possessing firearms for the rest of his life after pleading guilty to trafficking a prohibited weapon. BY BRE MCADAM, SASKATOON STARPHOENIX - January 13, 2017

<http://thestarphenix.com/news/local-news/lifetime-firearm-ban-part-of-sentence-for-gun-store-owner-charged-in-project-forseti>

FOUR OF 12 FIREARMS STOLEN FROM CALGARY CABELA'S RECOVERED

Calgary police have recovered three of the stolen weapons and arrested and charged three people, and Edmonton police have recovered one stolen weapon. By: Lucie Edwardson Metro Published on Thu Jan 12 2017

<http://www.metronews.ca/news/calgary/2017/01/13/four-of-12-firearms-stolen-from-calgary-cabelas-recovered-.html>

HAMILTON STUDIES FIREARM DISCHARGE BYLAW AREAS

Hamilton will be hosting at least four public meetings in March to discuss updating the current firearms discharge bylaw. One area that could see changes is in Elfrida, at Upper Centennial and Rymal Road.

By Kevin Werner, HCN - Stoney Creek News - January 12, 2017

<http://www.flamboroughreview.com/opinion-story/7063504-on-target-for-hamilton-s-firearms-bylaw/>

HOUSE ARREST ISSUED TO MAN WHO STORED ILLEGAL FIREARMS

A 56-year-old Prince George man was sentenced Thursday to two years less a day of house arrest for storing a trove of illegal firearms on behalf of an alleged criminal. BY Mark NIELSEN / Prince George Citizen - JANUARY 12, 2017

<http://www.princegeorgecitizen.com/news/local-news/house-arrest-issued-to-man-who-stored-illegal-firearms-1.7214845>

CTV - INCREASING USE OF GUNS IN HOMICIDES HAS POLICE CONCERNED

According to a report from the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, there were 572 homicides in Canada in 2015.

Stabbing was the main cause of death in nearly 37 per cent of those homicides, the report says, while shooting was to blame for slightly more than 30 per cent. Ryan Flanagan, CTV Kitchener - Last Updated Wednesday, January 11, 2017

<http://kitchener.ctvnews.ca/increasing-use-of-guns-in-homicides-has-police-concerned-1.3237299>

GLOBAL NEWS - TSA FINDS RECORD 3,391 GUNS IN U.S. CARRY-ON BAGS IN 2016

To put that number into better context, an average of nine firearms were found in carry-on baggage per day. Of the 3,391 guns found, 83 per cent of them were loaded.

By Nicole Bogart, National Online Journalist, Breaking News, Global News - January 13, 2017 8:22 am

<http://globalnews.ca/news/3179244/tsa-carry-on-baggage-guns-weapons-2016/>

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CANADIAN FORCES LOOKING TO REPLACE SECOND WORLD WAR-ERA PISTOLS BUT IT COULD TAKE ANOTHER 10 YEARS

Replacing the 1940s-era Browning handguns has been on the Department of National Defence's procurement list for years. By David Pugliese, Ottawa Citizen | January 11, 2017 6:43 PM ET

<http://news.nationalpost.com/news/canada/canadian-forces-looking-to-replace-second-world-war-era-pistols-but-it-could-take-another-10-years>

OUTDOOR CANADA'S DAVE ANDERSON APPRAISES YOUR RARE FIREARMS

Whether you have a question about antique guns, modern firearms, ammunition or reloading, expert Dave Anderson is here with the answer. Please send your detailed questions and applicable, high-resolution photos to editorial@outdoorcanada.ca By Dave Anderson - Jan 11, 2017

<http://www.outdoorcanada.ca/Straight-shooter-Outdoor-Canadas-Dave-Anderson-appraises-your-rare-firearms-Winter-2017>

THE CANADA PENSION PLAN INVESTMENT BOARD CUTS POSITION IN STURM RUGER & CO. (RGR)

Canada Pension Plan Investment Board's holdings in Sturm Ruger & Co. were worth \$7,151,000 as of its most recent SEC filing. By Mark Robinson - January 10, 2017

<http://dailyquint.com/2017-01-10-canada-pension-plan-investment-board-cuts-position-in-sturm-ruger-co-rgr/>

REBEL MEDIA - THE RCMP IS BANNING THE CZ858 RIFLE: SIGN THE PETITION TO STOP THIS GUN

GRAB! The RCMP has just arbitrarily prohibited a firearm because it has the words "Molon Labe" and a Maple Leaf etched on it. By FAITH GOLDY, REBEL HOST - January 10, 2017 - I describe this foolish decision in the video below:

<http://www.therebel.media/come-and-take-them>

MP BOB ZIMMER EXPRESSES CONCERN WITH RCMP DECISION ON FIREARMS

The justification that is given for this particular prohibition is that there are markings on the receiver, stock, pistol grip and handguard that make it a special edition. Given that this "special edition" isn't specifically named as an exemption they have decided to label it as prohibited. January 10, 2017 Jessica Fedigan, News

<http://energeticcity.ca/2017/01/mp-bob-zimmer-expresses-concern-rcmp-decision-firearms/>

ANDREW SCHEER REQUESTS ETHICS COMMISSIONER INVESTIGATE TRUDEAU'S PRIVATE ISLAND VACATION

Section 14.1 of the Conflict of Interest Act is very clear. "Neither a Member nor any member of a Member's family shall accept, directly or indirectly, any gift or other benefit, except compensation authorized by law, that might reasonably be seen to have been given to influence the Member in the exercise of a duty or function of his or her office." - January 08, 2017

http://www.andrewscheer.com/andrew_scheer_requests_ethics_commissioner_investigate_trudeau_s_private_island_vacation

CZ858 "SPARTAN" DECLARED PROHIBITED

The RCMP FRT entry also states that the "'CZ858 Tactical-2P' firearm proofed 2007 can be converted to a fully automatic firearm in a relatively short period of time with relative ease". January 9, 2017 Brian News 1

<https://canadianfirearmsblog.ca/cz858-spartan-declared-prohibited/>

NO SELFIES WITH GUNS, HALIFAX POLICE SAY. YOU KNOW WHAT WE SAY

Police have to treat these investigations as if they were firearms which could potentially lead to dangerous situations. It also ties up police resources and could result in various charges for the person posting the pictures."

Monday 09 January 2017

<https://thegunblog.ca/2017/01/09/no-selfies-with-guns-halifax-police-say-you-know-what-we-say/>

CBC - FLORIDA AIRPORT SHOOTING SPARKS CONCERNS ABOUT THE SAFETY OF FLYING WITH FIREARMS

Packing a gun in checked luggage on commercial flights is legal in Canada and the U.S.

By Shanifa Nasser, CBC News - ET Last Updated: Jan 08, 2017 11:38 AM ET

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/guns-luggage-canada-security-concerns-1.3926385>

CANADIAN RIGHT TO FIREARMS SEMINAR: MAY 6, 2017



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POSTS FROM THE UNITED STATES & OTHER COUNTRIES

USA TODAY - KEEP GUNS AWAY FROM THE MENTALLY ILL: OUR VIEW

Restraining orders can head off tragedies such as the one in Fort Lauderdale.

The Editorial Board , USA TODAY Published 5:58 p.m. ET Jan. 12, 2017

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/01/12/fort-lauderdale-airport-shooting-guns-mentally-ill-editorials-debates/96461964/>

PEW RESEARCH: BEHIND THE BADGE: 6. POLICE VIEWS, PUBLIC VIEWS

Police officers are considerably more likely than the general public to say it is more important to protect the rights of Americans to own guns than it is to control gun ownership (74% of officers vs. 53% of the public).

BY RICH MORIN, KIM PARKER, RENEE STEPLER AND ANDREW MERCER – January 11, 2017

<http://www.pewsocialtrends.org/2017/01/11/police-views-public-views/>

NATIONAL REVIEW - PSYCHIATRISTS CAN'T PREDICT MASS SHOOTINGS — MEANWHILE, LET THE PUBLIC DEFEND ITSELF

- In the Fort Lauderdale incident, the experts had failed to pick up on the shooter's warning signs. by JOHN R. LOTT JR. - January 11, 2017 4:00 AM

<http://crimeresearch.org/2017/01/cprc-national-review-psychiatrists-cant-predict-mass-shootings-meanwhile-let-public-defend/>

<http://www.nationalreview.com/article/443744/mass-public-shootings-estaban-santiago-ruiz-fort-lauderdale-airport-mental-illness-weapons>

GOVERNMENT CONTROL, NOT GUN CONTROL

All "gun-control" laws do is fight or obstruct the people from protecting themselves. This is why state leaders have an obligation to declare any and all federal gun-control laws to be null and void, and boldly declare to the people of their states that they will honor and protect the people's right and duty to defend themselves.

BY JAKE MACAULAY / ON JANUARY 11, 2017 AT 6:22 AM /

<http://www.americanclarion.com/2017/01/11/government-control-not-gun-control-47196/>

CHICAGO'S BLOODY MESS

Last year, Chicago had 762 homicides — more than New York and Los Angeles combined. This represents an astounding 57 percent increase from the 2015 murder rate. By John R. Lott, Jr. - January 07, 2017

<http://crimeresearch.org/2017/01/cprc-real-clear-policy-chicagos-bloody-mess/>

http://www.realclearpolicy.com/articles/2017/01/07/chicagos_bloody_mess_110133.html

NEW ZEALAND - POLICE COMMISSIONER WANTS AMNESTY ON ILLEGAL GUNS

"The police advice would be an amnesty, yes, but not a buy-back. I understand our Australian colleagues didn't have a lot of success with that, it was hugely expensive," he said. By Jacob McSweeney Reporter - January 10, 2017

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/news/national/322066/police-commissioner-wants-amnesty-on-illegal-guns>

NY TIMES - HOW TO PREVENT GUN DEATHS? WHERE EXPERTS AND THE PUBLIC AGREE

We conducted a survey on 29 gun control ideas, looking for the intersection of effectiveness and popularity.

By QUOCTRUNG BUI and MARGOT SANGER-KATZ - JAN. 10, 2017

http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/01/10/upshot/How-to-Prevent-Gun-Deaths-The-Views-of-Experts-and-the-Public.html?_r=0

MANY MASS SHOOTERS HAVE A HISTORY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. IT'S TIME TO PAY

ATTENTION - But while it's common to blame mental illness in the wake of a mass shooting, it's incredibly misguided, as Vox's German Lopez has explained. Mental illness just isn't a good predictor of who will perpetrate violent behavior

by Emily Crockett@emilycrockettemily@vox.com Jan 10, 2017, 8:30am EST

<http://www.vox.com/identities/2017/1/10/14213164/mass-shooters-gun-violence-domestic-violence>

IN ALASKA, A HIGH BAR FOR TAKING GUNS FROM THE MENTALLY ILL

Santiago was only hospitalized for four days and though he had a series of run-ins with police for domestic violence-related allegations, he did not have any felony criminal convictions in Alaska. By Michelle Theriault Boots - Jan 10, 2017

<https://www.adn.com/alaska-news/2017/01/09/in-alaska-a-high-bar-for-the-mentally-ill-to-part-with-their-guns/>

NATIONAL REVIEW - THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF CALIFORNIA'S GUN-CONTROL LAWS

Between July 2016, when Brown signed the bills into law, and December 2016, Californians rushed to gun stores to purchase the firearms that would be deemed illegal come the New Year. An astonishing 257,895 semi-automatic rifles were sold in the span of six months statewide. To put that into perspective, the entirety of 2016 saw 364,643 sales of semi-automatic rifles in California, and 2015 saw a mere 153,931. by AUSTIN YACK January 9, 2017 3:40 PM

<http://www.nationalreview.com/corner/443686/california-gun-control-legislation-guns-sales-skyrocket>

CANADIAN COLLEGE EVACUATES DORM WHEN STUDENT POSTS GUN PHOTO, BUT THERE'S A

TWIST - "You have to look at the world, it's a dangerous place," he added. "We couldn't tell looking at that picture if it was a real firearm or an artificial one or a toy. It looked real to me. We have to treat everything like that as if it's a real gun. By Tré Goins-Phillips Jan 9, 2017 11:18 am

<http://www.theblaze.com/news/2017/01/09/canadian-college-evacuates-dorm-when-student-posts-gun-photo-but-theres-a-twist/>

BBC - CARRYING GUNS

In 1994, most Americans said they owned their gun for sport or hunting. Fast forward twenty years and now most people say they have their gun for self protection. So what changed in this time; did crime increase? Actually, the data shows that crime has declined significantly over time. So what are people really scared of? And is it rational to respond in this way?

January 8, 2017 <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p04mws6h>

FORT LAUDERDALE SHOOTING SUSPECT'S GUN 'GIVEN BACK AFTER HEALTH TESTS'

A handgun taken from the suspect in Florida's deadly airport shooting during a mental health evaluation last year was returned to him a month later, police say. BBC - January 7, 2017 <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-38543183>

OTHER POSTS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

CBC - TRUDEAU'S 'PHASE OUT' OILSANDS COMMENTS SPARK OUTRAGE IN ALBERTA

'If [Trudeau] wants to shut down Alberta's oilsands ... he'll have to go through me,' says Wildrose leader

By Kyle Muzyka, CBC News - Last Updated: Jan 13, 2017 2:51 PM MT

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/justin-trudeau-oilsands-phase-out-1.3934701>

THE FEDERALIST - OBAMA'S LEGACY WILL BE FAILURE AT HOME AND WAR ABROAD

In Obama's farewell address Tuesday night, he proclaimed his tenure a success. But his domestic achievements will be reversed, and his legacy will be war. By John Daniel Davidson - JANUARY 11, 2017

<https://thefederalist.com/2017/01/11/obamas-legacy-will-failure-home-war-abroad/>

FINANCIAL POST - ARE YOU A PROVINCE THAT DOESN'T WANT TO DEVELOP ITS RESOURCES? EQUALIZATION HAS A NICE, JUICY PAYOUT JUST FOR YOU

While all Canadians pay into equalization, the benefits are unequal. The Quebec government will collect \$11.1 billion from equalization next year and that means it's getting \$828 more per Quebecer than the amount average Quebecers pay into the program. BY Todd McKay, Special to Financial Post | January 10, 2017

<http://business.financialpost.com/fp-comment/are-you-a-province-that-doesnt-want-to-develop-its-resources-equalization-has-a-nice-juicy-payout-just-for-you>

TORONTO SUN - DON'T LET CLIMATE ALARMISTS MUZZLE YOUR SKEPTICISM

The two things these articles and sites will show is that there are plenty of credible scientists who disagree with the warming consensus. And at least some alarmists are doing all they can to keep them quiet.

BY LORNE GUNTER, EDMONTON SUN - FIRST POSTED: SATURDAY, JANUARY 07, 2017 06:00 PM EST

<http://www.torontosun.com/2017/01/07/dont-let-climate-alarmists-muzzle-your-skepticism>

TORONTO SUN - TRUDEAU'S 'UNICORNS AND RAINBOWS' BUDGETING COMES BACK TO BITE HIM

A recent paper by the federal department of finance has shocked political watchers. The report says our debt is on track to hit a whopping \$1 trillion within 15 years. It says the budget won't be balanced until 2055.

BY ANTHONY FUREY, POSTMEDIA NETWORK - FIRST POSTED: SATURDAY, JANUARY 07, 2017

<http://www.torontosun.com/2017/01/07/trudeaus-unicorns-and-rainbows-budgeting-comes-back-to-bite-him>

TORONTO SUN - NOT EVEN THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT KNOWS REAL COST OF CAP-AND-TRADE

Under cap-and-trade, while governments know, in theory, what their industrial greenhouse gas emission reductions will be since they set the targets, they don't know how much money it will generate for them.

BY LORRIE GOLDSTEIN, TORONTO SUN - UPDATED: SATURDAY, JANUARY 07, 2017 02:12 PM EST

<http://www.torontosun.com/2017/01/07/not-even-wynne-government-knows-real-cost-of-cap-and-trade>

NATIONAL POST - CHERISH YOUR SUFFERING, ONTARIO; PREMIER WYNNE'S GREEN GODS KNOW OF YOUR SACRIFICE

The carbon regime, tax hikes on gasoline, failed or failing long-term contracts, fear and trembling in the manufacturing sector, the gnashing of teeth in poorer (and now colder) households, Ontario Hydro's ever-swelling levies, the despoliation of rural vistas by towers of whirling, bird-bashing windmills: These, each in itself, and all in combination are the acknowledged costs of the Great Greening. By Rex Murphy | January 6, 2017 6:48 PM ET

<http://news.nationalpost.com/full-comment/rex-murphy-cherish-your-suffering-ontario-premier-wynnes-green-gods-know-of-your-sacrifice>

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