



THIS WEEKS POSTINGS TO THE CANADIAN FIREARMS DIGEST

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POSTS FROM CANADA

CSSA COMMENTARY: NZ PM CONFIRMS SHE WON'T BE COMING TO CANADA

New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern, the world leader Justin Trudeau admires most, will not be coming to Canada this year. In response to an email inquiry by the CSSA, Simone Gordon, Ardern's private secretary, said she doesn't know where these rumours came from, but she confirmed Ardern would not be coming to Canada. Team CSSA E-News | June 7, 2019 <https://cssa-cila.org/2019/06/team-cssa-e-news-june-7-2019/>

PARLIAMENTARY OUTDOOR CAUCUS HELD THEIR 8TH ANNUAL DAY AT THE RANGE

20 Photos · Updated about a day ago <https://cssa-cila.org/2019/06/team-cssa-e-news-june-7-2019/>

The Parliamentary Outdoor Caucus held their 8th Annual Day at the Range and it was a huge success. We had an amazing turnout of MP's and staff who all had a great time. The Conservative Party won the Zimmer Cup for the second year, the team of Bob Sopuck, Peter Kent, TJ Harvey and Anthony Rota won the Gudie Cup for best team average and Blaine Calkins once again won for best individual score taking home the Miller/Serre Cup.

https://www.facebook.com/pg/parliamentaryoutdoorcaucus/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2355870171101519&ref=page_internal

CBC - KINGS COUNTY RCMP INVESTIGATING THEFT OF OVER A DOZEN GUNS

RCMP say 12 to 15 guns were stolen from a home in Little Pond, P.E.I. CBC News · Posted: Jun 07, 2019

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/prince-edward-island/pei-kings-county-rcmp-stolen-firearms-1.5166762>

COMMENT: GUNS LOST AND STOLEN FROM POLICE AND MILITARY STILL NOT REPORTED BY CBC

MARCH 15, 2019 - FIREARMS REPORTED BY 'PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES' BY PROVINCE FOR 2016 AND 2017 - See detailed RCMP Access to Information Act response dated March 4, 2019 attached. Analysis by Dennis R. Young

- March 15, 2019 <https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/03/15/149-firearms-lost-by-stolen-from-police-provincial-agencies-in-2017/>

TOTAL FIREARMS LOST BY & STOLEN FROM PUBLIC AGENCIES IN 2016 = 79

. 57 lost by and 13 stolen from Police Agencies

. 8 lost by and 1 stolen from Provincial Agencies

TOTAL FIREARMS LOST BY & STOLEN FROM PUBLIC AGENCIES IN 2017 = 149

. 127 lost and 11 stolen from Police Agencies

. 10 lost by and 1 stolen from Provincial Agencies

MARCH 9, 2019 - GUNS IN FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

Summary of Attached RCMP Access to Information 68-page response dated February 27, 2019 Received March 6, 2019

Analysis March 9, 2019 by Dennis R. Young <https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/03/09/guns-in-federal-departments-agencies/>

. 106,342 FIREARMS OWNED BY 1,823 FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

. **296 FIREARMS LOST AND STOLEN**

. LIST OF IMPORTANT STATISTICS NOT KEPT BY THE RCMP FIREARMS PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 4, 2018 - NATIONAL DEFENCE REPORTS 559 LOST WEAPONS & 14 STOLEN WEAPONS

DND Response to Access request DND File: A-2018-00801 dated October 24, 2018 Analyzed by Dennis R. Young

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/11/04/national-defence-reports-559-lost-weapons-14-stolen-weapons/>

CHRIS SELLEY: THE LIBERALS' POLICE-STATE IMPAIRED DRIVING LAW HAS TO GO

With Canada's drunkest drivers continuing to cause carnage on our roads, the government is targeting asthmatics and people buying wine. The Liberals were warned that these two provisions in particular were engraved invitations to abuse. By Chris Selley, National Post - June 7, 2019

<https://nationalpost.com/opinion/chris-selley-the-liberals-police-state-impaired-driving-law-has-to-go>

LILLEY: LIBERAL GUN BAN LIKELY COMING SOON BUT WON'T IMPROVE SAFETY

“The national increase in homicides was driven by an increase in firearm-related and gang-related homicides,” the report said. “Almost 9 out of every 10 (87%) gang-related homicides were committed with a firearm, usually a handgun.” An AR-15 is not a handgun, it is a rifle — one rarely used in gun crimes in Canada. By Brian Lilley, Toronto Sun - June 7, 2019 <https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/lilley-liberal-gun-ban-likely-coming-soon>

CBC - YES, CITY COUNCIL WILL DEBATE A HANDGUN BAN. NO, IT DOESN'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT IT - City only has power to enforce location of gun ranges

By Philip Lee-Shanok · CBC News · Posted: Jun 07, 2019

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/toronto-presses-ahead-with-gun-ban-but-only-feds-can-implement-1.5165620>

SWIFT CURRENT TRAP CLUB HOSTS A SHOOT FOR YOUTH

PHOTO CAPTION: Sasha Hunt of the Swift Current Trap Club gives some advice to 14-year-old Nicole Clement on the shooting range, May 29. By Matthew Liebenberg Jun 6, 2019

https://www.prairiepost.com/online_features/swift-current-trap-club-hosts-a-shoot-for-youth/article_db293c86-888d-11e9-bf1a-07c536acba74.html

HERE'S HOW PM TRUDEAU COULD DITCH NEW GUN BANS: WILLIAM REES

TheGunBlog.ca — The following is a simulated policy statement by Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau drafted by Dr. William Rees, a reader of TheGunBlog.ca. JUNE 5, 2019

<https://thegunblog.ca/2019/06/05/heres-how-pm-trudeau-could-ditch-new-gun-bans-william-rees/>

COLD LAKE RCMP SEIZE HOMEMADE HANDGUN

During the patrol officers came across a black vehicle, later determined as being stolen, with a smashed-out rear window. Upon further inspection officers found a homemade pistol, two large knives and a passport inside the vehicle, said a news release Wednesday. By Dylan Short Updated: June 5, 2019

<https://edmontonjournal.com/news/crime/cold-lake-rcmp-seize-homemade-handgun>

DOCTORS FOR FIREARM SAFETY SAYS MEMBERS FACE WORKPLACE PRESSURE

TheGunBlog.ca — Canada's Doctors for Firearm Safety & Responsibility said its members face pressure from colleagues in what could be viewed as workplace harassment.

The group includes Gregory Mosdossy and Rida Mirza, who criticized a registered lobby group of doctors campaigning to criminalize safe and responsible firearm users and ban their guns. THEGUNBLOG.CA - JUNE 6, 2019

<https://thegunblog.ca/2019/06/06/doctors-for-firearm-safety-says-members-face-workplace-pressure/>

BILL C-71 SMALL PRINT ALLOWS PROHIBITED RIFLES AT SHOOTING RANGES, GUN CLUBS

A two-sentence clause in Liberal gun legislation set to become law will allow thousands of owners of newly prohibited semi-automatic rifles to do something thousands of other owners of prohibited rifles can't do — fire their prohibited guns at shooting ranges and gun clubs. By Tim Naumetz. Published on Jun 5, 2019

<https://ipolitics.ca/2019/06/05/bill-c-71-small-print-allows-prohibited-rifles-at-shooting-ranges-gun-clubs/>

GUNMAN OUT ON PAROLE KILLS 4 IN AUSTRALIAN CITY OF DARWIN

MELBOURNE, Australia — A man who was out on parole was arrested after fatally shooting four men and wounding a woman in an hour-long downtown rampage Tuesday in the northern Australian city of Darwin, police said.

Police did not reveal a motive for the shotgun attack, but ruled out terrorism. The Canadian Press - June 4, 2019

<https://www.msn.com/en-ca/news/world/gunman-out-on-parole-kills-4-in-australian-city-of-darwin/ar-AAcniBw?ocid=se#page=2>

RESIDENTS TURN IN 380% MORE GUNS THAN LAST YEAR DURING 2019 AMNESTY PROGRAM: PEEL

POLICE - The streets in Peel Region are a little safer, thanks to the results of a month-long gun amnesty program. Peel police announced in a press release on Tuesday that residents in the region turned in 129 guns and 269 pounds of ammunition during this year's spring gun amnesty program — a markup of 380 per cent from last year, which only saw residents turn in 34 guns and 80 pounds of ammunition. The guns, which were collected from 52 homes during this amnesty, will join the 121 guns already seized by Peel police this year. By Kayla McLean, Web Writer Global News -

June 4, 2019 <https://globalnews.ca/news/5350593/peel-region-gun-amnesty-program-380-per-cent-more-guns/>

HIGH RIVER FORCED ENTRIES 'LEGAL AUTHORITIES' PAPER – FOIP REQUEST FOR INQUIRY

PROCEEDING Correspondence from Alberta Information Commissioner Adjudication Branch dated June 4, 2019

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/06/07/update-high-river-forced-entries-legal-authorities-paper/>

- Alberta Justice Initial Submission Deadline: July 5, 2019
- Dennis R. Young Initial Submission Deadline: August 2, 2019
- Anticipated date for completion Date of the inquiry is now August 30, 2019

Original FOIP request filed with Alberta Justice on August 17, 2015

Original Request for Inquiry sent to the Alberta Office of the Information Commissioner October 24, 2017

RCMP SAYS NUMBER OF CZ 858, SWISS ARMS RIFLES IN CANADA UNKNOWN

TheGunBlog.ca — Canada's federal agency in charge of firearm prohibition said it doesn't know how many CZ 858 and SAN Swiss Arms rifles are in the hands of federally licensed owners since most of the guns don't require ownership registration. It had previously estimated 10,000 to 15,000. Owners will be required to register their guns with the federal police after Bill C-71 kicks in as a new law against Canada's 2.2 million hunters, farmers, ranchers, sport shooters and gun collectors. The CZ 858 and Swiss Arms models, some of which cost more than \$4,000, are popular among all of them. THEGUNBLOG- JUNE 4, 2019

<https://thegunblog.ca/2019/06/04/rcmp-says-number-of-cz-858-swiss-arms-rifles-in-canada-unknown/>

TORONTO HAS LITTLE AMMUNITION IN HANDGUN BAN DEBATE

Toronto on its own can't do much to reduce the number of guns in the city and might have to look to the province for help even if Ottawa lets municipalities ban some types of firearms. Those conclusions are in a city staff report going to Mayor John Tory's executive committee Thursday, raising the possibility of yet more friction between the city and Premier Doug Ford's Progressive Conservative government. By David RiderCity Hall Bureau Chief, Toronto Star - Tues., June 4, 2019

https://www.thestar.com/news/city_hall/2019/06/04/toronto-has-little-ammunition-in-handgun-ban-debate.html

THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF CANADA SURVEY

THE PURPOSE OF THIS SURVEY IS TO COLLECT INFORMATION TO EVALUATE THE ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS OF FISHING, HUNTING, TRAPPING AND SPORT SHOOTING ACROSS CANADA.

This survey is being administered by The Conference Board of Canada, an independent research organization, on behalf of the Canadian Sporting Arms and Ammunition Association and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.

We are interested in hearing from everyone who engages in these activities from the occasional participant to avid enthusiasts: [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE SURVEY: https://bit.ly/2HT1Xvl](https://bit.ly/2HT1Xvl)

Contact: The survey has been designed by The Conference Board of Canada. If you have any questions, please contact Alicia Macdonald at 613-526-3090 (ext 303) or at macdonald@conferenceboard.ca

AGAR: TACKLING GUN CRIME REQUIRES RESPONSIBLE SOLUTIONS, NOT FEAR MONGERING

he latest silly media entry is from Maclean's magazine entitled, "How to be a sensible parent in gun-crazed America." The sub headline reads, "Searching out firearm-free restaurants. Refusing play-dates at households with guns. In the Land of the Free, being the adult in the room isn't easy." Why run that article in Canada's news magazine? To whip up statistically irrelevant fear among the public, so they will support questionable gun control. By Jerry Agar, Toronto Sun - June 3, 2019 <https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/agar-tackling-gun-crime-requires-responsible-solutions-not-fear-mongering>

BLAIR SAYS ONTARIO IS YET TO SPEND BULK OF ANTI-GUNS-AND-GANGS MONEY

Premier Doug Ford's government has tapped Ottawa for only \$11 million or 17 per cent of an available pot of \$65 million that the federal government set aside for Ontario to combat illegal guns and gangs.

EXCERPT: In a much testier exchange, Conservative MP Glenn Motz challenged Blair to say whether the Liberal cabinet is set to ban handguns or assault style weapons, possibly as early as this week. Blair declined a direct answer. "We are looking at all the measures that we believe could help keep Canadians safe," he said. Motz grilled Blair to define what he means by the government is looking at assault weapons or assault style weapons. "I suspect you're referring to automatic rifles, automatic firearms which you know have been prohibited in this country since 1976,"

Motz said. There is no particular definition of an assault weapon. Blair said the concerns he's heard from Canadians and that he is worried about are "firearms that were designed for military purpose." "I don't know what that means, you're referring to, in reality, modern hunting rifles," Motz replied. "The very fact you make that statement I find it extremely offensive, I find it misguided, I find it misinformed and you're misleading the Canadian public with that. Canadian licensed firearms owners are offended."

"I'm sorry you're offended," retorted Blair, but went on to say he was thinking of the firearm used to kill three Mounties in Moncton, which he said was "designed for use by military, created and designed by the military."

"What was the firearm?" Motz shot back. "I believe it was the M14," replied Blair. Blair said he was also thinking about the weapons used to kill two officers and two private citizens in Fredericton, the weapon used to kill 14 women at the Ecole Polytechnique, and worshippers in a mosque in Quebec. "These are all weapons that were not designed as hunting weapons," said Blair. "They were designed for soldiers to kill enemy combatants." Motz and Blair argued over whether a crime had ever been committed in Canada with the weapon that Blair said was "used to kill a whole bunch of kids in Sandy Hook." by Tonda MacCharles Toronto Star - June 3, 20-19

<https://www.thestar.com/politics/federal/2019/06/03/blair-says-ontario-is-yet-to-spend-bulk-of-anti-guns-and-gangs-money.html>

PROTECTED: MINISTRY COMMENTS ON BILL C-71 ROYAL ASSENT, ORDERS IN COUNCIL

Exclusive Q&A for subscribers of TheGunBlog.ca.

TheGunBlog.ca — Following are comments by Canada’s Ministry of Public Safety on when Bill C-71 officially takes effect as a new law against federally licensed gun owners and businesses. Some parts come into force immediately following the Royal Assent ceremony that could happen at any time, and some parts will take effect later through a series of cabinet orders known as an “Order in Council.” Zarah Malik, a spokeswoman for the Ottawa-based Ministry of Public Safety, sent the comments by e-mail to TheGunBlog.ca today in response to our questions. THEGUNBLOG - JUNE 3, 2019 <https://thegunblog.ca/2019/06/03/ministry-comments-on-bill-c-71-royal-assent-orders-in-council/>

CHRIS SELLEY: MMIW REPORT'S NOTABLE OMISSIONS LEAD TO SOME BEWILDERING

RECOMMENDATIONS - From the moment they decided to exclude male Indigenous Canadians, we knew the result was going to be more ideological exercise than road map to change. By Chris Selley, National Post - June 3, 2019 https://nationalpost.com/opinion/chris-selley-mmiw-reports-notable-omissions-lead-to-some-bewildering-recommendations?video_autoplay=true

EXCERPT: But if Indigenous victims of violence even today can be said to be casualties of colonialist genocide, then the subset who are by far the most “especially targeted” — which is to say dead — are men. Between 2014 and 2017, Statistics Canada reports there were 139 Indigenous female homicide victims, and 428 Indigenous male victims — three times as many. (Similarly, non-Indigenous men were murdered two-and-a-half times more often than non-Indigenous women.) Statistics Canada’s analysis of the 2014 GSS data found that Indigenous identity wasn’t a risk factor for the overall Indigenous population. “Rather, the higher rates of victimization ... appeared to be related to the increased presence of other risk factors among this group — such as experiencing childhood maltreatment, perceiving social disorder in one’s neighbourhood, having been homeless, using drugs, or having fair or poor mental health.”

CBC - ALL-WOMEN HUNTING COURSE MAKES STUDENTS FEEL 'AT EASE'

This Saturday was the third time an all-women hunting permit course has been put on by the New Brunswick government. Gallant-Carter said the classes fill up fast and each course has had a full crew of around 25 students. 'As long as we have the positive feedback, we'll definitely continue,' says instructor CBC News · Posted: Jun 02, 2019 <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/all-women-hunting-course-1.5158848>

FUREY: 'NOTHING TO SEE HERE, FOLKS' – WHAT CANADIANS ARE INCREASINGLY TOLD ABOUT

SECURITY MATTERS - The problem’s getting worse and everyone – especially media professionals – have to do more to push back. While rampant speculation and conspiracy theories serve no one, there’s an easy solution: The truth. By Anthony Furey, Toronto Sun - June 1, 2019 <https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/furey-nothing-to-see-here-folks-what-canadians-are-increasingly-told-about-security-matters>

McGILL FACULTY OF MEDICINE ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

TAKING A STAND AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE - Dr. Najma Ahmed’s outspoken push for gun control has made her a target of Canada’s firearms lobby. Gun rights supporters made 70 complaints to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, arguing that her advocacy was an “abuse” of her position as a doctor. The college dismissed the complaints in March. “It was upsetting to me, but I wasn’t overly concerned,” Ahmed says. “This is not something I pulled out of thin air,” says Ahmed. She notes that a dozen Canadian medical groups have endorsed the CDPG call for more curbs on guns. They include the College of Family Physicians of Canada, the Canadian Association of General Surgeons, the Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians and the Ontario Medical Association.

By Sheldon Gordon, McGill News - SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2019 <https://publications.mcgill.ca/medenews/2019/05/29/taking-a-stand-against-gun-violence/>

FEDERAL MINISTER CASTS DOUBT ON MMIW COMMISSIONER'S PUSH FOR STIFFER SENTENCES FOR CRIMES AGAINST INDIGENOUS WOMEN - Carolyn Bennett says women's groups she's spoken to believe the commissioner's proposals are the wrong approach to curbing violence against Indigenous women.

By Maura Forrest, National Post - May 31, 2019 <https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/federal-minister-casts-doubt-on-mmiw-inquirys-push-for-stiffer-sentences-for-crimes-against-indigenous-women>

<https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/mmiw-chief-commissioner-recommends-automatic-first-degree-murder-charges-for-killings-of-indigenous-women>

HE WAS SHOT BY A HOMEOWNER IN A HAMILTON HOME INVASION. SHOULD HIS SENTENCED BE REDUCED? Should a jail sentence for a man who participated in several home invasion-style crimes in Niagara and Hamilton be reduced because he was shot by one of the homeowners he targeted? His lawyer says yes.

News May 30, 2019 by Alison Langley The Niagara Falls Review <https://www.thespec.com/news-story/9399811-he-was-shot-by-a-homeowner-in-a-hamilton-home-invasion-should-his-sentenced-be-reduced/>

CTV - WILD PIGS ARE RAPIDLY SPREADING ACROSS CANADA, AND RESEARCHERS SAY IT'S TIME TO WORRY - Hunting the feral swine may seem like a natural solution. But Aschim said firing a gun at the pigs would only make the problem worse. Instead, Aschim said Canada needs to follow the U.S. lead and implement an "aggressive and very targeted" plan that involves eradicating and managing the populations.

By Graham Slaughter, CTVNews.ca Writer - Published Wednesday, May 29, 2019 <https://www.ctvnews.ca/sci-tech/wild-pigs-are-rapidly-spreading-across-canada-and-researchers-say-it-s-time-to-worry-1.4443150>

POSTS FROM THE UNITED STATES & OTHER COUNTRIES

MAHER WARNS DEMS NOT TO MAKE GUN CONTROL A 2020 ISSUE: 'LIBERALS SHOULD LEARN MORE ABOUT GUNS' - "I don't like guns. Have some, don't like them, have it for [an] emergency, like an antibiotic," Maher told the panel, "but some people do. Lots of people do and their view is, 'Yes there is a violence problem with guns, but not me. And you're going after me.'" By Joseph A. Wulfsohn | Fox News - June 7, 2019

<https://www.foxnews.com/entertainment/maher-warns-dems-not-to-make-gun-control-a-2020-issue-liberals-should-learn-more-about-guns>

JOHN LOTT: AFTER VIRGINIA BEACH SHOOTING, DEMS SEEK BAN ON 'SILENCERS' THAT DON'T MAKE GUNS SILENT - However, as soon as it was clear that the Virginia Beach killer used a noise suppressor on one of his guns last Friday when he killed 12 people, Democrats called for suppressors to be banned. Virginia's Democratic Gov. Ralph Northam called for a special legislative session to pass a ban. By John R. Lott | Fox News -- June 7, 2019

<https://www.foxnews.com/opinion/john-lott-virginia-beach-suppressors>

BBC - MAN CAUGHT ILLEGALLY IMPORTING HANDGUNS AND AMMUNITION

Robert Lockhart was arrested in November last year after a large-scale firearms raid at his home in the village of Appin in Argyll and Bute. The 50-year-old was caught after a parcel sent from the Czech Republic containing a handgun was intercepted. A total of seven weapons were recovered from Lockhart's home. Appearing at Glasgow High Court, Lockhart pled guilty to 15 firearms offences and two customs offences. JUNE 7, 2019 <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-48559870>

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/crime/man-guilty-of-supplying-guns-1-6094820>

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SELF-DEFENSE, ANOTHER CASE OF ANTI-GUN SILENCE

U.S.A. --(Ammoland.com)- While Democrat Gov. Ralph Northam and fellow anti-gunners in Virginia are getting lots of mileage out of the tragic mass shooting in Virginia Beach, the gun control crowd is mute in the wake of a self-defense

shooting in Cincinnati early Thursday in which an armed mother of five used her legally-owned handgun to shoot an ex-boyfriend who was attempting to break into her home. According to WLWT and WTAE, a prosecutor's spokesperson "said the woman would not face any charges." Published reports say the unidentified mom had a protection order and a license to carry, but it was a remark from Prosecutor Joe Deters in a news release that almost certainly caused a case of massive lockjaw in the gun control community. Ammoland Inc. Posted on June 7, 2019 by Dave Workman

<https://www.ammoland.com/2019/06/another-successful-self-defense-another-case-of-anti-gun-silence/#axzz5qGbCYAWc>

HOW THE 'GOOD GUY WITH A GUN' BECAME A DEADLY AMERICAN FANTASY

In fact, research has shown that gun-toting independence unleashes much more chaos and carnage than heroism. A 2017 National Bureau of Economic Research study revealed that right-to-carry laws increase, rather than decrease, violent crime. Higher rates of gun ownership is correlated with higher homicide rates. Gun possession is correlated with increased road rage. There have been times when a civilian with a gun successfully intervened in a shooting, but these instances are rare. Those who carry guns often have their own guns used against them. And a civilian with a gun is more likely to be killed than to kill an attacker. Even in instances where a person is paid to stand guard with a gun, there's no guarantee that he'll fulfill this duty. By Susanna Lee, Professor of French and Comparative Literature, Georgetown University - June 7, 2019 <http://theconversation.com/how-the-good-guy-with-a-gun-became-a-deadly-american-fantasy-117367>

GUN SALES SOAR IN CANADA AND 4 OTHER THINGS TO KNOW IN BUSINESS TODAY

Gun owners are panic-buying: Gun stores and lobbyists are reporting a surge in sales of the AR-15 semi-automatic rifle in Canada after an independent MP asserted the Liberals are planning to ban the weapon, the Montreal Gazette reports. Tony Clement, a former member of the Conservative caucus, said last month Prime Minister Justin Trudeau would announce the ban on the type of gun used in the Christchurch mosque shootings at an event with New Zealand's prime minister in early June. That apparently led to some panic among Canadian gun enthusiasts. In a May 23 press release, the Canadian Shooting Sports Association declared, without evidence: "You have until June 2nd to buy your very own AR-15 before the Liberal government makes it impossible for ordinary Canadians to own a beautiful .22 calibre, 5-shot, semi-automatic target rifle of their very own." By Daniel Tencer - June 6, 2019

https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/entry/gun-sales-canada_ca_5cf5122ae4b0e8085e3d3d4e?utm_hp_ref=ca-business

JUNIOR ATHLETES: SIGN UP NOW FOR THE 2019 NATIONAL MATCHES SMALLBORE AND AIR RIFLE CAMP - CAMP PERRY, Ohio

– Are you a junior marksman looking to move your shooting career into college? Add sophisticated knowledge and hands-on training to your journey by signing up for the Civilian Marksmanship Program's (CMP) 2019 National Matches Junior Camp. Open to junior athletes who shoot both three-position smallbore and standing or international precision air rifle, the camp will be held at Petrarca Range and the Gary Anderson CMP Competition Center air range, both located on the grounds of Camp Perry in Ohio, July 17 through July 22, 2019. The evolving camp specializes in training intermediate and advanced athletes who are striving to improve their shooting skills towards future participation in collegiate programs. Participants must be between the ages of 12 to 20 and must currently be shooting in three-position smallbore competition matches and international air rifle. Students who have not reached their 18th birthday by July 17, 2019, must be accompanied by an adult (age 21 or older). By Ashley Brugnone, CMP Writer <http://thecmp.org/junior-athletes-sign-up-now-for-the-2019-national-matches-smallbore-and-air-rifle-camp/>

A WIN FOR GUN RIGHTS IN PENNSYLVANIA

The Pennsylvania supreme court rules that legal gun owners aren't second-class constitutional citizens. SCOTUS, take note. By David French - June 5, 2019 <https://www.nationalreview.com/2019/06/a-win-for-gun-rights-in-pennsylvania/>

DEADLY SHOOTING SHOCKS AUSTRALIA, KNOWN FOR TOUGH GUN CONTROL LAWS

Four people have died in Australia after a gunman opened fire in multiple locations in an urban business district, an attack that has shaken a country often touted for its strong gun control laws. The hourlong shooting happened Tuesday night in Darwin, the capital city in Australia's Northern Territory. It turned a park, bars and other locations into crime scenes. On Wednesday, Northern Territory Police Commissioner Reece Kershaw told reporters that the suspect had used a 12-gauge pump action shotgun, a banned firearm that he said might have been stolen as far back as 1997 — when Australia was beginning a tectonic shift to stricter gun legislation. By Sasha Ingber • Jun 5, 2019

<https://www.kvpr.org/post/deadly-shooting-shocks-australia-known-tough-gun-control-laws>

BARACK OBAMA WRONG ON LIMITS OF US GUN LAWS, MACHINE GUN SALES

"Anybody can buy any weapon, any time without much, if any, regulation. They buy it over the internet. They can buy machine guns." — Barack Obama on Thursday, May 30th, 2019 in an on stage interview in Brazil

By Jon Greenberg on Tuesday, June 4th, 2019

<https://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/statements/2019/jun/04/barack-obama/barack-obama-wrong-limits-us-gun-laws/>

WHY SO MANY MASS SHOOTINGS? ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS AND YOU MIGHT FIND OUT

Yet, America had plenty of guns when its mass murder rate was much lower. Grant Duwe, a Ph.D. in criminology and director of research and evaluation at the Minnesota Department of Corrections, gathered data going back 100 years in his 2007 book, "Mass Murder in the United States: A History." By Dennis Prager, Town Hall - Posted: Jun 04, 2019

<https://townhall.com/columnists/dennisprager/2019/06/04/why-so-many-mass-shootings-ask-the-right-questions-and-you-might-find-out-n2547380>

NATIONAL REVIEW: THE DUMBEST GUN-CONTROL PARAGRAPH

After the Virginia Beach shooting, the New York Times reran an essay on gun control by Nicholas Kristof, which contains this paragraph: "It is true that guns are occasionally used to stop violence. But contrary to what the National Rifle Association suggests, this is rare. One study by the Violence Policy Center found that in 2012 there were 259 justifiable homicides by a private citizen using a firearm." By Kevin D. Williamson, National Review - June 3, 2019

<https://www.nationalreview.com/corner/the-dumbest-gun-control-paragraph/>

NOTE TO SEATTLE: IT'S NOT THE GOOD GUYS WHO ARE SHOOTING UP YOUR CITY

Seattle's attempt to reduce gun-related crime by taxing gun and ammunition sales has been a failure.

Ammoland Inc. Posted on June 3, 2019 by Dave Workman

<https://www.ammoland.com/2019/06/note-to-seattle-its-not-the-good-guys-who-are-shooting-up-your-city/#ixzz5pszaOwiJ>

MASS SHOOTERS PICK TARGETS WHERE PEOPLE WON'T HAVE GUNS, SAYS GUN CRIME EXPERT

"Another mass public shooting, another place where the victims were banned from carrying guns," John R. Lott, president of the Crime Prevention Research Center, wrote after the shooting.

Only four percent of mass public shootings from 1998-2018 occurred in areas where guns are allowed, with 96 percent occurring in "gun-free zones," according to Lott's research. By Whitney Tipton, The Daily Caller June 3, 2019

<https://dailycaller.com/2019/06/03/mass-shooters-gun-free-zones/>

DATA MAY CALL INTO QUESTION DEMANDS FOR NEW GUN CONTROL LAWS

In a report published in November 2018, John Lott Jr., founder and president of the Crime Prevention Research Center (CPRC), said, "The U.S. is well below the world average in terms of the number of mass public shootings, and the global

increase over time has been much bigger than for the United States.” Lott analyzed data for 2,354 attacks and almost 5,000 shootings overseas between 1998 and 2015, then compared them to data for the 53 attacks and 57 shooters that occurred here during the same period. By Mark Tapscott
June 2, 2019 https://www.theepochtimes.com/data-call-into-question-demands-for-new-gun-control-laws_2947821.html

ARMED TEACHERS MAKE SCHOOLS SAFER

By **Tim Schmidt - USCCA Founder**. May 2019 - Issue No. 22, Concealed Carry Magazine Report
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ARE AR-15 RIFLES A PUBLIC SAFETY THREAT? HERE'S WHAT THE DATA SAY

Is it true that the AR-15, a popular firearm owned by millions of Americans, is a unique threat to public safety?
Foundation for Economic Education - Friday, January 11, 2019
<https://fee.org/articles/are-ar-15-rifles-a-public-safety-threat-heres-what-the-data-say/?fbclid=IwAR2VNNQ3Y88vWpUTlcz6tZz3GPWAziqG95oM7Q0q-BytFYIHdTbomyWT-1Y>

TESTING FOR THE EFFECTS OF CONCEALED WEAPONS LAWS: SPECIFICATION ERRORS AND ROBUSTNESS*

- By Carlisle E. Moody, College of William and Mary - Journal of Law and Economics Volume 44, Number S2 | October 2001 (Volume Supplement) <https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/abs/10.1086/323313>
ABSTRACT: In 1997, John Lott and David Mustard published an important paper in which they found that right-to-carry concealed weapons laws reduce violent crime. Although Lott and Mustard appear to do all possible variations of the analysis, a closer reading reveals that the study might suffer from several possibly important errors. I reestimate the model and check for incorrect functional form, omitted variables, and possible second-order bias in the t-ratios. Lott and Mustard's basic conclusions are generally robust with respect to these potential econometric problems. Overall, right-to-carry concealed weapons laws tend to reduce violent crime. The effect on property crime is more uncertain. I find evidence that these laws also reduce burglary.

OTHER ARTICLES ON ISSUES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

THE STAR: FEDERAL LIBERALS SOLICITED FUNDS FROM U.S. AND U.K. FACEBOOK AUDIENCES

“A limited set of grassroots fundraising ads on Facebook inadvertently ran briefly both inside and outside of Canada, when that wasn’t the intention here,” said Caley, a spokesperson for the Liberal party, in a statement to the Star.
By Alex Boutilier, Ottawa Bureau - Toronto Star - Fri., June 7, 2019 <https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2019/06/07/federal-liberals-solicited-funds-from-us-and-uk-facebook-audiences.html>
<https://www.spencerfernando.com/2019/06/07/breaking-trudeau-liberals-ran-ads-on-facebook-soliciting-donations-in-the-u-s-u-k-despite-it-being-illegal-to-accept-donations-from-foreign-citizens-reports-toronto-star/>

ROSS MCKITRICK: THIS SCIENTIST PROVED CLIMATE CHANGE ISN'T CAUSING EXTREME WEATHER — SO POLITICIANS ATTACKED

And so, many scientists who have the facts and know the truth remain silent. There’s no trend in U.S. tornado damage (in fact, 2012 to 2017 was below average). There’s no trend in global droughts. Cold snaps in the U.S. are down but, unexpectedly, so are heatwaves.
The bottom line is there’s no solid connection between climate change and the major indicators of extreme weather, despite Trudeau’s claims to the contrary. By Ross McKittrick, Special to the Financial Post - June 7, 2019
<https://business.financialpost.com/opinion/ross-mckitrick-this-scientist-proved-climate-change-isnt-causing-extreme-weather-so-politicians-attacked>

REX MURPHY: SCHEER BENEFITS AS TRUDEAU TAKES TUMBLE FROM SUNNY HEIGHTS

Andrew Scheer is not some grim harbinger of dark times ahead. He is not heading to Alabama to study and imitate its new abortion protocols. He is at least as decent and pleasant and “Canadian” as Trudeau, and attacks on his person in the vein the Liberals are trying out, should be rejected with contempt. Stay with his leadership and his policies. The main criticism I would offer is associated with his mildness and decency. He bends too quickly under attack. He seems to cater far too easily to the criticisms of his opponents. He fears a bold stand on any major issue. He seems to dread being caught in the caricature the Liberals are trying to build of him. He should dismiss it with scorn and not worthy of his intention. He has to put some fire into his leadership, show some genuine courage in a number of policy areas, and (for heaven’s sake) stop genuflecting to his more abandoned critics. By Rex Murphy, National Post - June 7, 2019

<https://nationalpost.com/opinion/rex-murphy-scheer-benefits-as-trudeau-takes-tumble-from-sunny-heights>

POLITICALLY CORRECT MPS MOVE CLOSER TO SHUTTING DOWN PUBLIC DEBATE

Despite having worked in Ottawa, on Parliament Hill in fact, a decade ago, it was an unrecognizable place this time around given the parallels between what I was seeing and what I’ve read in George Orwell’s dystopic Nineteen Eighty-Four. To say something is Orwellian is such a cliché now that I would hesitate to make the comparison here were it not so entirely apt. After all, members of the parliamentary justice committee voted to literally edit one of their former colleague’s words from the public record. June 6, 2019 - By Andrew Lawton

<https://looniepolitics.com/politically-correct-mps-move-closer-to-shutting-down-public-debate/>

TORONTO MUSLIM MAN ARGUES FOR EXECUTION OF GAYS, SAYS IT’S SHARIA LAW AND IT’S

COMING TO CANADA - Please imagine for a second how the entire mainstream media would respond if a Christian man publicly argued that homosexuals should be executed. There would be mass outrage, no? Yet when a Muslim man from Canada told an independent journalist over the weekend that he fervently supports executing homosexuals, there was nothing but crickets. By Vivek Saxena - June 6, 2019 <https://www.bizpacreview.com/2019/06/06/toronto-muslim-man-argues-for-execution-of-gays-says-its-sharia-law-and-its-coming-to-canada-762157>

ANDREW COYNE: WHAT MICHAEL COOPER SHOULD HAVE SAID

The conservative MP, rounded on a witness for suggesting terrorists like the one who murdered 51 Muslims at prayer in New Zealand, earlier this year had been influenced, not just by anti-immigrant and alt-right sites, but by 'conservative commentators' - By Andrew Coyne, National Post - June 5, 2019

<https://nationalpost.com/opinion/andrew-coyne-what-michael-cooper-should-have-said>

GUNTER: WHY CANADA'S HATE SPEECH PROVISIONS WERE WRONG THEN AND STILL WRONG

NOW - It is wrongheaded in the extreme to give a bunch of self-righteous, politically correct bureaucrats and academic grandees the authority to define what constitutes hateful speech, then determine whether someone is guilty of it. Consider that from the time the CHRC was given the power to go after hate speech (1977) until it overstepped its bounds and charged several journalists for complaining about Muslim extremism (2006-09), the CHRC had a 100% conviction rate.

By Lorne Gunter, Toronto Sun - June 4, 2019 <https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/gunter-why-canadas-hate-speech-provisions-were-wrong-then-and-still-wrong-now>

MPS – INCLUDING CONSERVATIVES – VOTE TO SHUT DOWN VIDEO FEED OF FREE SPEECH ADVOCATES TESTIFYING AT HOUSE COMMITTEE

- “All committee members, including the Conservatives, just voted to suspend television broadcast of testimony by @MarkSteynOnline @NewWorldHominin @thejohnrobson. Unbelievable.” Canadians deserve total openness from the government, not a bunch of politicians telling us what we can

and can't see. By Spencer Fernando - June 4, 2019 <https://www.spencerfernando.com/2019/06/04/mps-including-conservatives-vote-to-shut-down-video-feed-of-free-speech-advocates-testifying-at-house-committee/>

CARBON TAXERS KEEP SAYING IT'S A 'CONSERVATIVE IDEA.' EVERYTHING ELSE SAYS

OTHERWISE - Canada does not have a carbon tax policy anywhere that meets a proper market-oriented standard. Special to Financial Post by Peter Shawn Taylor - June 4, 2019 - Peter Shawn Taylor is a journalist, policy analyst and contributing writer to Canadians for Affordable Energy. <https://business.financialpost.com/opinion/carbon-taxers-keep-saying-its-a-conservative-idea-everything-else-says-otherwise>

JOHN ROBSON: CENSORING FREE SPEECH BREAKS FAITH WITH CANADIANS. DON'T GO THERE

The most fundamental reason for allowing dissent is that we might be wrong. We've been surprised before. The column below was adapted from John Robson's testimony before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights on June 4. By John Robson, National Post - June 4, 2019 https://nationalpost.com/opinion/john-robson-censoring-free-speech-breaks-faith-with-canadians-dont-go-there?mc_cid=a4482ec627&mc_eid=9d6fe17616

GOLDSTEIN: TORY MP MICHAEL COOPER HAS LITTLE TO APOLOGIZE FOR

Rather ironic given that when my Sun Media colleague, Tarek Fatah, testified before another Commons committee on the Liberals' "Islamophobia" motion in 2017, he was treated with contempt by Liberal and NDP MPs. None of them apologized. No one was demoted by their party leaders. It's fine for Scheer to keep denying Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's false allegation he's a white supremacist supporter. But he should be hitting back hard when Conservatives are falsely accused of racism, and conservative commentary of inspiring terrorism. By Lorrie Goldstein, Toronto Sun - June 3, 2019 <https://edmontonsun.com/opinion/columnists/goldstein-tory-mp-michael-cooper-has-little-to-apologize-for/wcm/ce1acace-04bb-4b73-8384-e940f2c2dae3>

by Ali Taghva, The Post Millennial - June 2, 2019

<https://www.thepostmillennial.com/maxime-berniers-ppc-release-global-warming-policy-rejecting-alarmism/>

The platform page then denies a connection between global catastrophes and global warming. "None of the cataclysmic predictions that have been made about the climate since the 1970s have come true." Following it with No new ice age. No steady warming in direct relation with increases in CO2 levels. No disappearance of polar ice caps. No exceptional rise in ocean levels. No abnormal increase in catastrophic weather events. No widespread crop failure and famine, ... Despite what global warming propaganda claims, CO2 is not a pollutant. It is an essential ingredient for life on Earth and needed for plant growth." In response to "climate change alarmism" the party plans to do the following:

- Withdraw from the Paris Accord and abandon unrealistic greenhouse gas emission reduction targets.
- Stop sending billions of dollars to developing countries to help them reduce their emissions.
- Abolish the Liberal government's carbon tax and leave it to provincial governments to adopt programs to reduce emissions if they want to.
- Abolish subsidies for green technology and let private players develop profitable and efficient alternatives.
- Invest in mitigation strategies if problems arise as a result of any natural climate change.
- Prioritize implementing practical solutions to make Canada's air, water and soil cleaner, including bringing clean drinking water to remote First Nations communities

You can read the party's full policy here.

https://www.peoplespartyofcanada.ca/global_warming_and_environment_rejecting_alarmism_and_focusing_on_concrete_improvements

THE REAL COST OF BAD HISTORY

Canadians are thus now bearing witness to the real impact of bad history, and it's not just about fewer statues of white political and military leaders in the public square. The full bill from Canada's inability to understand, appreciate and track its own history could end up costing taxpayers untold sums, and may ultimately sever our vital connection to the truth about who we are and what has gone before. By Robert MacBain and Peter Shawn Taylor - C2C JOURNAL - May 28, 2019 <https://www.c2cjournal.ca/2019/05/the-real-cost-of-bad-history/> Toronto author Robert MacBain has monitored Indigenous affairs for more than 58 years – as a newspaper reporter, consultant to the Department of Indian Affairs and the author of two books. www.RobertMacBainBooks.ca Peter Shawn Taylor is a contributing editor at Maclean's magazine. He lives in Waterloo, Ontario.

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