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**THIS WEEKS POSTINGS TO THE CANADIAN FIREARMS DIGEST
National and International Gun Control News for the week ending October 11, 2019**

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POSTS FROM CANADA

GUN LAWS 'ABOUT WHERE THEY SHOULD SIT'

Armoury owner Amanda Oley opposes move to ban AR-15s, variants in Canada.

By PJ Wilson, North Bay Nugget - October 12, 2019

<https://www.nugget.ca/news/local-news/gun-laws-about-where-they-should-sit>

JUSTICE DEPT ATIP RESPONSE: NO DEFINITION OF 'VARIANT'

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2015/10/07/justice-dept-atip-response-no-definition-of-variant/>

CSSA COMMENTARY: WHY IS THERE NO DEFINITION OF 'VARIANT' IN FIREARMS LAW?

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2016/01/14/cssa-commentary-why-is-there-no-definition-of-variant-in-firearms-law/>

**CBC - 'CRAZY OUT THERE': INCREASING VIOLENCE IN NORTH CENTRAL REGINA HAS RESIDENTS
LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS**

Fifteen years ago, the Regina SWAT team could go 18 months without being called out once. But as of June of this year, in response to a growing gang problem in the city, it had been called into action 29 times. At the same time, the city police force has also bought a \$375,000 armoured vehicle and decided to put semi-automatic rifles in every patrol car. Experts, however, tell The Fifth Estate there are other solutions. The approach does not involve adding to the police arsenal, and instead focuses on targeting the few individuals perpetrating the majority of crimes and offering them options: leave the gang, accept help in the form of education, jobs, social support and training or face the full weight of the law. By Timothy Sawa, Lisa Mayor · CBC · Posted: Oct 12, 2019

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/regina-gang-problem-solutions-1.5313437>

**ELLISTON GUN ENTHUSIAST SAYS FEDERAL LIBERALS' POSSIBLE MILITARY-STYLE ASSAULT
RIFLE BAN UNNECESSARY**

Neil Tucker, president of the Discovery Shooting Club in the Bonavista area, sent a letter to the editor on the topic — laying out reasons why he believes a ban on military-style assault rifles would be pointless and a waste of funds. By Jonathan Parsons, The Western Star - October 11, 2019

<https://www.thewesternstar.com/federal-election/elliston-gun-enthusiast-says-federal-liberals-possible-military-style-assault-rifle-ban-unnecessary-362983/>

<https://www.thechronicleherald.ca/federal-election/elliston-gun-enthusiast-says-possible-military-style-assault-rifle-ban-unnecessary-362983/>

MINISTER SPEAKS OUT ON RURAL CRIME LAWSUIT

OKOTOKS, Alta. — The Alberta government is talking about taking harder line in its fight against rural crime. Justice Minister Doug Schweitzer is touring the province talking to rural residents who say they are angry and want meaningful action to protect themselves against thefts and violence. He also took the unusual step of speaking out against a lawsuit launched against Okotoks-area rancher Edouard Maurice, who was accused of shooting at trespassers in February 2018.

By Barbara Duckworth, Western Producer Published: October 10, 2019

<https://www.producer.com/2019/10/minister-speaks-out-on-rural-crime-lawsuit/>

TRAVEL ADVISORY: GOVERNMENT OF CANADA WARNS OF ‘STATE OF EMERGENCY’ IN JAMAICA

The advisory states that, “violent crime, including armed robbery and murder, is a problem in large cities despite the presence of police to counter criminal activity. The availability of firearms is widespread, and most violent drug and gang-related crimes, especially murder, involve firearms. There is a risk of becoming the victim of crossfire in these areas.” By Elana Shepert - October 10, 2019 <https://www.vancouverisawesome.com/2019/10/10/jamaica-travel-advisory-canada/>

FIREARMS ACT (JAMAICA) From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The Firearms Act of Jamaica regulates the ownership and use of firearms and ammunition. It was first passed in 1967, and has been subsequently amended. The law requires gun licenses, with a yearly registration fee of JM\$12,000.00 (US\$ 93.78). There were about 65,000 licensed firearms in Jamaica in 2002, and approximately seven hundred licenses approved per year.[1] All crimes involving firearms are tried by a special Gun Court established in 1975.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Firearms_Act_\(Jamaica\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Firearms_Act_(Jamaica))

GUN LAW IN JAMAICA: Jamaican law allows firearm ownership on may-issue basis. With approximately eight civilian firearms per 100 people, Jamaica is the 92nd most armed country in the world.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gun_law_in_Jamaica

CBC - 'SHOW US THE MONEY' TO FIGHT GUNS AND GANGS, SAYS CHAIR OF THUNDER BAY POLICE BOARD

Drug-related shooting in city that sent southern Ont man to hospital sign gang violence increasing say police "It's unconscionable," said Celina Reitberger, the chair of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board. "It can't go on this way," she emphasized. In August, the Ontario government announced that the federal government was transferring \$65-million over five years to fund initiatives aimed at reducing gun violence and gang activity, but so far none of that money has been earmarked for Thunder Bay, although the Greater Toronto Area and the Ottawa region have been named as recipients. By Cathy Alex · CBC News · Posted: Oct 10, 2019 <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/thunder-bay/thunder-bay-police-guns-gangs-money-1.5316550>

YELLOWKNIFE HUNTER UP IN ARMS OVER LIBERAL GUN PLAN

‘It’s pandering to the misinformed,’ says owner on plan to ban military-style rifles.

By Brendan Burke - October 10, 2019 <https://nnsi.com/yellowknifer/yk-hunter-up-in-arms-over-liberal-gun-plan/>

EXCERPT: Incumbent Liberal MP Michael McLeod told Yellowknifer the definition of what “assault” firearms will be banned is still being worked out. “The intention is to look at assault rifles such as the AR-15,” said McLeod, adding “a lot of people are saying we should be looking at the rate of fire as a way of categorizing (what would be banned).” Rate of fire refers to the frequency at which a particular type of gun can fire bullets. McLeod said he doesn’t see the proposed ban impacting hunters in the North. “There’s not too many hunters that use semi-automatic guns to hunt,” he said. “There’s hunters that use semi-automatic shotguns — it doesn’t apply to that. There’s hunters that use semi-automatic .22s — it doesn’t apply to that.” “So the definition hasn’t been defined yet but it’s not going to apply to rimfire, it will apply to centerfire guns ...,” he added. Centerfire firearms are more powerful than rimfire guns. “We’re not sure on the other type of rifles that are going to be considered,” said McLeod. The definitions will be hammered out over a two-year consultation process if he’s re-elected, he said.

CANADIAN FIREARMS ADVOCATE SHELDON CLARE BLASTS LIBERAL PLAN TO BAN SO-CALLED

‘ASSAULT RIFLES’ - The Liberal platform states that “assault rifles” or “assault weapons” are “designed to inflict mass casualties and have no place in Canada”. But according to Clare, Liberals are employing a “false terminology intended to mislead people” when they use the terms “assault weapons” or “assault rifles”. Clare continued. “There should be no stigma attached to peaceful possession of firearms. Peaceful possession of firearms is not a crime, and should not be a crime.” By Carlito Pablo, The Straight on October 10th, 2019 <https://www.straight.com/news/1312726/canadian-firearms-advocate-sheldon-clare-blasts-liberal-plan-ban-so-called-assault>

PARTY PLATFORMS ON CRIME AND JUSTICE

CBA National summarizes the most relevant pledges affecting the legal profession.

By Gaylene Schellenberg and Brent Dowdall, Canadian Bar Association - 10 Oct 2019

<https://www.nationalmagazine.ca/en-ca/articles/law/rule-of-law/2019/party-platforms-on-crime-and-justice>

- Criminal Justice
- Access to justice and equality
- System Reform
- Civil Justice
- Business of Law

TOWHEY'S TWO CENTS: HANDGUNS AREN'T TO BLAME FOR THE MAJORITY OF CANADIAN DEATHS By Mark Towhey, Toronto Sun - October 10, 2019 https://youtu.be/cj_J36Mog7U

WATCH OUT FOR LIBERAL GUN PLAN AND HUNTING RIFLES, SPORT SHOOTER WARNS

"In his efforts to pander to 'progressive voters in the Toronto region, Justin Trudeau promised to ban 250,000 rifles," said the headline on executive director Tony Bernardo's letter, labelled "COMMENTARY" in boldface. "There are only 75,000 AR-15 target rifles registered with the RCMP," Bernardo's newsletter says. "So the obvious question for owners of 'Non-Restricted rifles is this: "How many of my guns is Trudeau going to confiscate?"' the letter says. A 2018 copy of the Canadian Firearms Registry obtained by iPolitics recorded a total of 78,028 restricted and prohibited rifles registered to individuals in Canada. READ THE REST: <https://ipolitics.ca/2019/10/10/watch-out-for-liberal-gun-plan-and-hunting-rifles-sport-shooter-warns/> By Tim Naumetz, iPolitics - Published on Oct 10, 2019

CBC - GREATER LIMITS ON IMITATION FIREARMS COULD REDUCE SUICIDES BY COP: JUDGE

Manitoba Justice Department to review recommendation, but no timeframe given. In two separate incidents during the fall of 2015, Haki Sefa and Mike DiCesare were killed in what's commonly called "suicide by cop" -- when someone tries to provoke police officers into shooting them. Sefa was believed to be suicidal and homicidal, and may have had a loaded gun. DiCesare was holding an imitation BB gun that looked like an Uzi, a military submachine gun. By Nicholas Frew · CBC News · Posted: Oct 09, 2019 <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/imitation-firearms-inquest-recommendation-manitoba-1.5314889>

TAKING THE SAFETY OFF FOR YOUR SAFETY

When you hear the words gun and safety in the same sentence, what do you think? Maybe a bit of panic? Fair enough. But, it doesn't have to be that way. The Algonquin Firearms Club, a new unofficial club, has been looking to become official after a similar club at Carleton recently got the ok. As of right now, the club isn't allowed to organize visits to firing ranges in an official manner, however, the founders are looking to change that soon. Now, is that such a problem? Is teaching students how to properly function a loaded weapon safely, in the right environment, an issue? October 10, 2019 By Bradley Legault, Algonquin College <http://algonquintimes.com/opinions/taking-the-safety-off-for-your-safety/>

ILLEGAL AND UNCLAIMED FIREARMS A RECURRING ISSUE IN NORTH PORTAL

In southern Saskatchewan in 2019, the CBSA has seized 44 undeclared firearms in 20 separate incidents, as of September 30. The vast majority (37 firearms) were intercepted at the North Portal port of entry. Of the 44 total firearms seized, 31 were handguns. Written by Dawson Brolund - Published: Wednesday, 09 October 2019

<https://discoverestevan.com/local/illegal-and-unclaimed-firearms-a-recurring-issue-in-north-portal>

THE STAR - THERE ARE BIG QUESTIONS IN TORONTO ABOUT SHOOTINGS AND GUN CONTROL.

WE'VE GOT ANSWERS - Handgun bans. Anti-gang crackdowns. Easy bail. In Toronto, as the number of people killed or injured in shootings continues to surge, such terms are often used by municipal leaders, politicians, police. But what do we really know about guns, gangs, and possible solutions to a growing violence problem? Over the next four weeks, the Star is aiming to find answers ... and to find out when we don't know the answers ... to some life-and-death questions. By Wendy Gillis, Crime Reporter and Peter Edwards, Staff Reporter - Wed., Oct. 9, 2019

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2019/10/09/there-are-big-questions-in-toronto-about-shootings-and-gun-control-weve-got-answers.html>

CBC - 'CAN'T GO BACK TO NORMAL': LANDOWNER ACCUSED OF SHOOTING TRESPASSER

DESCRIBES NEW REALITY - Eddie Maurice says he hopes others don't have to go through what his family experienced. And Eddie is hoping his family's experience, might make trespassers think twice. "I guess the biggest thing I would like at the end of this is, that no one has to go through this process that we have had to go through for the past almost two years." By David Bell · CBC News · Posted: Oct 09, 2019 <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/edouard-jessica-maurice-landowner-trespasser-lawsuit-ryan-watson-1.5315692>

FIREARMS PROGRAM 2017/2018 COST \$49.6 MILLION AND EMPLOYED 378.97

RCMP ATIP Response dated September 17, 2019 – Received October 8, 2019 by Dennis R. Young

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/10/09/firearms-program-2017-2018-cost-49-6-million-and-employed-378-97/>

NOTE #1: I will be filing a complaint with the Office of the Information Commissioner to try and obtain the missing financial and staffing information.

NOTE #2: Notice much of the missing information was provided in the RCMP ATIP response for fiscal year 2016/2017

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/01/29/rcmp-fiirearms-program-2016-2017-53-7-million-and-451-employees/>

CSSA COMMENTARY: THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF TRUDEAU'S GUN BANS - PART 1

TEAM CSSA E-NEWS | OCTOBER 8, 2019 <https://cssa-cila.org/team-cssa-e-news-october-8-2019/>

- How many of my guns is Trudeau going to confiscate?
- Bill C-71's Provisions
- The End of Canada's Dynamic Shooting Sports
- Canadian Firearm Retailers Driven Out Of Business
- Gun Club Range Closures
- Where Will Police Train When Gun Clubs No Longer Exist?
- The Failure of Governing By Opinion Poll

RCMP FIREARMS BUSINESS LICENSES 1979-2017

Firearms Businesses in 1979 = 16,420

Firearms Businesses in 2017 = 4,478

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/01/13/rcmp-firearms-business-licenses-1979-2017/>

RCMP IS SO SLOW TO ACT ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION REQUESTS, IT'S UNDER INVESTIGATION

INVESTIGATION: Force is increasingly ignoring legal requirements The Tyee has found. One professor fears a return to police secrecy. By Bryan Carney, TheTyee.ca - October 8, 2019

<https://thetyee.ca/News/2019/10/08/RCMP-Slow-To-Act-ATIP-Requests/>

EXCERPT: But the RCMP failed to notify people requesting information that it would miss deadlines in almost two-thirds of cases in 2017-18. Its failure rate has jumped from 15 per cent in 2014-15, to 64 per cent in 2017-18. And between 2014 and 2018, the RCMP went from completing three-quarters of its access to information requests on the

original 30-day deadline down to less than one-third. The formal complaints against the national police force top a list of 24 institutions. At 776 complaints, the RCMP total is greater than the combination of all remaining 71 institutions at 705.

MAN ARRESTED AT SFU CAMPUS HAD REPLICA GUN AND RCMP HAT, POLICE SAY

VANCOUVER - There were some tense moments at Simon Fraser University Tuesday as police responded to reports of a man carrying a gun on the Burnaby campus. RCMP officers swarmed the university at around 2 p.m., evacuating two residences in the area where the man was last seen before finally tracking a suspect to a classroom near the WAC Bennett library. Authorities said the 19-year-old man had a bag with a replica firearm, and was "wearing a ball cap with an RCMP logo on it" at the time of his arrest. By Andrew Weichel, Senior producer of digital content, CTV Vancouver - October 8, 2019 <https://bc.ctvnews.ca/man-arrested-at-sfu-campus-had-replica-gun-and-rcmp-hat-police-say-1.4630138>

MAXIME BERNIER SET FOR FIRST LEADERS DEBATE: HERE'S WHERE HE STANDS ON THE MAJOR ISSUES - GUNS:

The party says Canada's "exceptionally law abiding" gun enthusiasts are being unfairly targeted for vetting and are having their property rights trampled upon. The party says it would replace the "costly and burdensome" gun licensing system currently in place with a lifetime certification system propped up by vetting, training and testing. It would also require, "that all firearms categories be based on function, not on looks or arbitrary political whims." In addition, the PPC would move to ensure that any future firearms changes can only be done via Parliament, not via law authorities or Cabinet. National Post Staff - October 7, 2019 <https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/election-2019/maxime-bernier-set-for-first-leaders-debate-heres-where-he-stands-on-some-of-the-major-issues>

ACCUSED KILLER CHARGED IN PREVIOUS VIOLENT CRIMES SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN JAIL:

VICTIM GROUP - The man accused in Winnipeg's 29th homicide of 2019 was charged with multiple violent offences in the months leading up to the slaying, raising questions about why he was repeatedly released back onto the streets.

From February to September 2019, Jesse Jordan Gamblin was charged for two violent assaults and twice for breaching court orders. His last run-in with the law came 16 days before Andrews was found dead from "severe upper-body trauma." By Ryan Thorpe, Winnipeg Free Press - Posted: 10/7/2019 <https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/local/accused-killer-charged-in-previous-violent-crimes-should-have-been-in-jail-victim-group-562458082.html>

COHEN: MOST CANADIAN GUN DEATHS ARE SUICIDES. WE NEED TIGHTER CONTROLS

One might be surprised to learn that 75 per cent of Canadian gun deaths are suicides. This makes gun control an important mental health issue, something often absent from gun debates. To-date, the primary perspective on gun violence has been crime-focused. But we should be thinking about it primarily as a public health issue – and setting policy accordingly.

Dr. Michelle Cohen Updated: October 7, 2019 <https://ottawacitizen.com/opinion/columnists/cohen-most-canadian-gun-deaths-are-suicides-we-need-tighter-controls>

MY COMMENT: tighter controls on rope maybe.

NFA VIDEO: LIBERAL GUN CONTROL A FAILURE FOR CANADA

This is a pivotal moment in Canadian politics that will determine the future of gun ownership in this country.

Canada's National Firearms Association - Oct 7, 2019 - 128 subscribers - 809 views

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chRniIr5Dws>

CANADA ELECTION 2019: STOPPING GUN VIOLENCE SHOULDN'T BE A POPULARITY CONTEST

Unfortunately, many voters believe gun violence represents moral failure, the result of poor impulse control – it's easy to see it that way because it means society doesn't have to change

by Paul Salvatori October 7, 2019 <https://nowtoronto.com/news/canada-election-2019-gun-violence/>

JANAYA NICKERSON FIRST FEMALE SHOOTER TO WIN ATLANTIC PROVINCES TRAPSHOOTING HANDICAP TITLE - She learned to shoot and go duck hunting as a kid with her dad Herbie. Now, Janaya Nickerson, 24, has laid claim as the first female shooter to win the Atlantic Provinces ATA trapshooting handicap title. Nickerson and her dad, both from Cape Sable Island in Shelburne County, and both members of the Highland Gun Club in Yarmouth, were among the competitors at the 2019 Atlantic Provinces ATA Provincial Trapshooting Championships in Newfoundland on Labour Day weekend. By Kathy Johnson - Updated: Oct 07, 2019
<https://www.thevanguard.ca/sports/local-sports/janaya-nickerson-first-lady-shooter-to-win-atlantic-provinces-trapshooting-handicap-title-359609/>

EDITORIAL: SCHEER'S GANGS PLAN VS. TRUDEAU'S GUN BAN

Enter Andrew Scheer, who on Friday offered up a plan that seems closer to what the voters want. The Conservative leader pledged to end automatic bail for gang members who are awaiting trial and to revoke parole to gang members who associate with their former gang after they've been released. When Trudeau focuses on the AR-15, he's simply trying to piggyback off of the emotions in the United States gun debate. That's wrong. We are two different countries with two different sets of problems. Toronto Sun - Postmedia News - October 6, 2019
<https://torontosun.com/opinion/editorials/editorial-scheers-gangs-plan-vs-trudeaus-gun-ban>

THE POWER OF ONE CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEER

Just like every vote cast on Election Day, every campaign volunteer can make a difference in the weeks before the final ballot is counted. Vote to Save Your Guns - October 5, 2019 <https://voteguns.ca/volunteer/the-power-of-one-campaign-volunteer/>

LIBERAL CAMPAIGN MATERIALS CLAIM TORIES WANT TO KEEP ASSAULT WEAPONS ON STREETS - The Chinese-language campaign literature is being distributed in the Toronto-area.
By Zi-Ann Lum - October 5, 2019 https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/entry/canada-election-gun-control_ca_5d97ac93e4b0fc935ed9ea5a

TORONTO POLICE DENY MY REQUEST TO WAIVE \$300 FOIP FEE FOR 'CRIME GUN' STATS

Complaint filed with Ontario Information Commissioner dated October 4, 2019 by Dennis R. Young
<https://dennisryoung.ca/2019/10/06/toronto-police-deny-my-request-to-waive-300-foip-fee/>

EXCERPT: *"All I am requesting is the updated 'crime gun' statistics for the year 2018. If Mr. McGee has a case make that there is no public health and safety reasons that would justify releasing these statistics and his refusal to waive these fees, then he should provide me and you with his rationale. The federal government doesn't collect these data on crime guns I requested so the public has no where else to turn except to local police services for the information. The federal government no longer charges search and processing fees but that hardly matters if they don't collect the statistics the public needs regarding the sources of crime guns to make better decisions about how best to combat the criminal use of firearms and protect both public and police safety. **Given the problems expressed most recently by your Chief of Police, the Mayor and the Prime Minister regarding the criminal use of guns in Toronto, I believe the release of this information would be considered a most beneficial public service.**"*

SCHEER OFFERS TOUGH-ON-CRIME APPROACH TO GO AFTER GANGS WITH MANDATORY SENTENCING

- While any decision to provide a conditional release requires a judge to sign off, the Conservatives' plan would extend "reverse onus bail" hearings for all gang crime offences and those who have been previously convicted of gang-related offences. As it is currently used, that form a bail requires a defendant to prove why they should be allowed to re-enter the community if they were already on a release and violated bail conditions or face new, unrelated criminal

charges. Scheer also said the Conservatives would create a database labelling known gangs as criminal entities similar to the federal list of terrorist organizations. By Jolson Lim, iPolitics - Published on Oct 4, 2019

<https://ipolitics.ca/2019/10/04/scheer-offers-tough-on-crime-approach-to-go-after-gangs-with-mandatory-sentencing/>

CBC - SCHEER'S CLAIM ABOUT PENALTIES FOR VIOLENT GANG CRIME 'EXTREMELY MISLEADING,' SAYS LAWYER

- Suggestion that violent gang members get off with a fine is wrong, criminal lawyers say. By Lucas Powers · CBC News · Posted: Oct 04, 2019

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/conservative-scheer-gun-gang-violence-crime-fact-check-1.5309485>

CANADIAN OUTDOOR RECREATION TRADE ASSOCIATIONS FORM NEW COALITION

A group of Canadian outdoor industry leaders announced today the formation of the Canadian Outdoor Recreation Roundtable (CORR) to provide a strong voice for outdoor use across Canada. CORR will unite a wide range of Canada's leading industry stakeholders behind policies and legislative reforms needed to grow the outdoor economy, promote and expand outdoor opportunities, reasonably and responsibly conserve public lands and waterways, and enhance infrastructure to improve the experience of outdoor users from coast to coast. October 3, 2019

Trade associations of CORR include (please note this is not the entire recreation industry and membership will continue to expand):

- Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO)
- Canadian Off-Highway Vehicle Distributors Council (COHV)
- Canadian Camping and RV Council (CCRVC)
- Canadian Recreational Vehicle Association (CRVA)
- **Canadian Shooting Sports Association (CSSA)**
- Canadian Ski Council
- Canadian Sportfishing Industry Association (CSIA) & Canadian National Sportfishing Foundation (CNSF)
- International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA)
- **Fur Institute of Canada**
- Motorcycle & Moped Industry Council (MMIC)
- National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) Canada
- Recreation Vehicle Dealers Association (RVDA)
- **Safari Club International Safari Club International – First For Hunters**

Click here for more information on CORR's member.

<https://boatingindustry.com/news/2019/10/03/canadian-outdoor-recreation-trade-associations-form-new-coalition/>

ANGLING, HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND SPORT SHOOTING: LEAVING A LARGE ECONOMIC FOOTPRINT

In 2018, Canadians spent \$18.9 billion on fishing, hunting, trapping, and sport shooting. This spending has a ripple effect on the economy and helps a broad range of industries. It contributes \$13.2 billion to Canada's GDP, supports 107,000 jobs, and generates \$6.1 billion in government revenues. The Conference Board of Canada <https://view.ceros.com/conference-board-of-canada/economic-impact-of-fishing-hunting-trapping-and-sport-shooting-1-1/p/1>

FISHING: 3 million anglers in Canada. \$10 billion spent on fishing in 2018

HUNTING: 1.3 million hunters in Canada. \$5.9 billion spent on hunting in 2018

SHOOTING: 1.4 million Canadians participate in shooting sports. \$2.6 billion spent on sport shooting in 2018

TRAPPING: 45,000 trappers in Canada. \$131 million spent on trapping in 2018

POSTS FROM THE UNITED STATES & OTHER COUNTRIES

NZ - GANGS PROMISE TO SIGN UP TO FIREARM REGISTRY

The Council of Licenced Firearms Owners (COLFO) is calling on New Zealand's growing gangland community to front up and tell police how many firearms they possess and how many of their members are licenced to own and use them.

Press Release: NZ Council Of Licensed Firearms Owners Saturday, 12 October 2019

<http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/PO1910/S00131/gangs-promise-to-sign-up-to-firearm-registry.htm>

REPORT OF TOTAL GUN CONTROL FAIL: LESS THAN 1% OF 500,000 BUMP STOCKS SURRENDERED

If Democrats want a sneak preview of how any attempted "mandatory gun buyback" in America will go down, all they need to do is take a look at the total failure of the recent bump stock ban. The Trump administration estimated that there were up to 520,000 bump stocks in the United States before the ban. The devices handed over to the feds accounts for a minuscule portion of that — only a fraction of a percentage point. Although some bump stocks held by companies were destroyed in large numbers, it appears those in civilian hands are largely remaining there. By Jared Harris, The Western Journal - Published October 12, 2019 <https://www.westernjournal.com/report-total-gun-control-fail-less-1-500000-bump-stocks-surrendered/>

WASH. POST - THE ATTACK ON A GERMAN SYNAGOGUE HIGHLIGHTS THE THREAT POSED BY DO-IT-YOURSELF GUNS

- Improvised, homemade weapons are an increasingly popular alternative for criminals and extremists worldwide as information about how to build these guns proliferates online. By Miriam Berger Oct. 11, 2019

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2019/10/11/attack-german-synagogue-highlights-threat-posed-by-do-it-yourself-guns/>

CNN - HE SOLD ILLEGAL AR-15s. FEDS AGREED TO LET HIM GO FREE TO AVOID HURTING GUN CONTROL EFFORTS

- For more than a year, Joseph Roh illegally manufactured AR-15-style rifles in a warehouse south of Los Angeles. His customers, more than two dozen of whom were legally prohibited from possessing a firearm, could push a button, pull a lever, and walk away a short time later with a fully assembled, untraceable semi-automatic weapon for about \$1,000, according to court records. Roh continued his black-market operation despite being warned in person by agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives that he was breaking the law. But five years after raiding his business and indicting him, federal authorities quietly cut a deal with Roh earlier this year and agreed to drop the charges. Why? By Scott Glover, CNN - Fri October 11, 2019 <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/11/us/ar-15-guns-law-atf-invs/index.html>

FEDS: STERLING HEIGHTS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO EXPORTING GUN PARTS HIDDEN IN TOY

MOTORCYCLES - According to court records, from March 2018 through January 2019, Camaj sent firearms parts — including pistol frames, firing pins, springs, ejectors, and magazines — **through the mail to cohorts in Australia.** To avoid detection by law enforcement, Camaj concealed the parts inside large motorized toy motorcycles, Schneider said. The parts were then assembled into operable firearms in Australia, which has some of the strictest gun laws in the world. In Australia, officials say black market handguns are worth more than \$15,000 each on the streets. WWJ News October 11, 2019 <https://wwjnewsradio.radio.com/articles/news/man-pleads-guilty-exporting-gun-parts-hidden-toys>

AFTER MASS SHOOTINGS, CALIFORNIA SETS NEW LIMITS ON GUN BUYERS, EXPANDS FIREARM

SEIZURE - Gov. Gavin Newsom on Friday toughened California's already strict gun control laws, signing a raft of bills of bills that included a major expansion of the state's "red flag" law and a ban on the purchase of more than one semi-automatic rifle per month. By Patrick McGreevy, Los Angeles Times Oct 11, 2019

http://www.newsbug.info/news/nation/after-mass-shootings-california-sets-new-limits-on-gun-buyers/article_9e411b68-103a-58c0-9401-616fd935f930.html

CA'S TOUGH GUN LAWS AREN'T TOUGH ENOUGH, IT TURNS OUT — AND GUESS WHO'S STEPPING IN - California police have been turning to federal authorities for help to prosecute gun crimes. The reason? Prisoners face longer sentences when tried by federal court. Under California law, felons caught in possession of a firearm could face up to three years in prison. Under federal law, however, they face 10 years in prison, and must serve at least 85% of that sentence. Author: Barbara Harvey, CalMatters - October 11, 2019

<https://www.abc10.com/article/news/politics/california-gun-laws/103-8669c149-7d27-43f7-b1d7-0ec43353ebb0>

WASH. TIMES - MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT CHARGED WITH FELONY AFTER POINTING FINGER GUN AT CLASSMATES - A Kansas middle school student is facing felony charges after she formed a gun with her fingers and pretended to shoot her classmates. The Sept. 18 incident at Westridge Middle School in Overland Park ended with a young girl, age 12 or 13, being led away in handcuffs, The Kansas City Star reported. The girl was asked by another classmate who'd she kill in the school, to which the girl responded by pointing her finger gun at four other classmates and then turning it on herself, a person familiar with the situation told The Star. An individual who felt threatened used the school's online anti-bullying app to alert administrators, an Overland Park police spokesperson told NBC News in a statement Friday. School officials conducted an investigation and the girl was arrested by a school resource officer and later released to her mother. The girl was charged with criminal threat, a felony offense, and is due in court Tuesday By Jessica Chasmar - The Washington Times - Friday, October 11, 2019

<https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/oct/11/middle-school-student-charged-with-felony-after-po/>

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2019/10/11/kansas-middle-school-girl-charged-felony-after-making-finger-guns/3944459002/>

THE HILL - GUN SUICIDES: AMERICA'S UNSEEN PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

The overall number of gun deaths is often in the news, but the stark surprise for many will be that 60 percent of those nearly 40,000 gun deaths were suicides, 23,854. By Dr. Jonathan Fielding - 10/11/19 Jonathan Fielding, M.D., is a professor of public health and pediatrics at University of California, Los Angeles.

<https://thehill.com/opinion/healthcare/465285-gun-suicides-americas-unseen-public-health-crisis>

NRA TROUBLES: A HUNTER TARGETS THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL GUN LOBBY

Why We Wrote This: What drives a passion for guns? For one man, it started in childhood and continues with loyalty to a cause – if not to the giant organization he's fighting to clean up. "I have told NRA directors that I can be one of the NRA's biggest advocates or worse nightmare, and Mr. LaPierre and his leadership team have chosen the latter," David Dell'aquila says he wrote to the National Rifle Association's board in a letter in July. By Simon Montlake Staff writer, Christian Science Monitor - Burkesville, Ky. - October 11, 2019 <https://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Politics/2019/1011/NRA-troubles-A-hunter-targets-the-world-s-most-powerful-gun-lobby>

FIVE PATTERNS OF GUN OWNERSHIP BY MOTIVATION, PRACTICES, OTHER FEATURES

Summary: A study of 429 firearm owners who answered the 2018 California Safety and Wellbeing Survey has identified five distinct types of firearm owners -- early work that may help assess risk and tailor injury prevention strategies to owners preferences and practices. More than 2,500 California adults answered questions on firearm ownership and exposure to violence and its consequences More than 2,500 California adults answered questions on firearm ownership and exposure to violence and its consequences. The categories consisted of two groups of single-firearm owners and three groups of multiple-firearm owners, including a small but unique group who own high-capacity magazines and assault-type weapons and carry a loaded handgun for protection against people. Limited prior research has linked these characteristics with higher risk of injury and crime. The UC Davis study is the first to identify nuanced patterns of gun ownership. University of California - Davis Health5 patterns of gun ownership - Science Daily - October 10, 2019

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2019/10/191010135704.htm>

FLORIDA BEGINS ARMING TEACHERS WITH GUNS TO TAKE ON SCHOOL SHOOTERS AS OTHER STATES CONSIDER DOING THE SAME - The decision to arm teachers will be implemented in seven county school district in the state of Florida. The law expands on a safety measure known as the "guardian" program, reported Fox32 News. By Nika Shakhnazarova, The Sun - 10 Oct 2019 <https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/10106014/florida-guns-teachers-schools-usa-mass-shooting/>

BBC - ON-THE-RUN WISBECH GUN SMUGGLER JAILED FOR 14 YEARS

The Lithuanian national came to the attention of police after border police stopped a van at the Channel Tunnel terminal in France on 20 June, 2014. Three handguns and ammunition were found hidden in a music speaker and TV. The guns had been adapted to fire live ammunition and the bullets found in his bedroom were identical to those seized from the delivery van in France. 10 October 2019 <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-cambridgeshire-49999093>

GERMANY'S JEWISH LEADERS CONDEMN POLICE RESPONSE TO HALLE ATTACK

Minister vows to permanently improve security at synagogues as **video shows homemade guns thwarted suspect.** By Philip Oltermann in Halle and Lois Beckett in New York - Thu 10 Oct 2019 <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/oct/10/halle-attack-homemade-guns-jammed-repeatedly-video-shows>

AUSTRALIA - WARRNAMBOOL MAN, 41 HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH MAKING HANDGUNS

He is charged with six offences, including manufacturing a handgun without a licence, possessing equipment to manufacture a firearm, possessing ammunition, possessing a handgun and failing to answer bail. Police attended the man's property last week after he failed to appear in court over unrelated charges of obtaining property by deception and making a false report to the police. He said inside Mr Butchmann's room was obvious signs of his attempts to manufacture firearms, including metal piping, firing pins, live shotgun ammunition, an angle grinder and a welder. By Andrew Thomson, Jessica Howard, The Standard - October 10, 2019 <https://www.standard.net.au/story/6429201/man-accused-of-making-his-own-handguns-released-on-bail/?cs=72>

GIFFORDS GUN CONTROL PAC BANKROLLS MISLEADING AD EFFORT AIMED AT VA REPUBLICANS

U.S.A. —(Ammoland.com)- The Washington Post is reporting that the Giffords PAC part of the gun control group has launched a \$300,000 advertising campaign blasting Virginia Republican lawmakers for opposing more restrictions on law-abiding citizens, but what the newspaper isn't saying is that the message may be misleading. Ammoland Inc. Posted on October 9, 2019 by Dave Workman <https://www.ammoland.com/2019/10/giffords-gun-control-group-bankrolls-misleading-ad-effort-aimed-at-va-republicans/#axzz62441Gik6>
https://www.newsadvance.com/news/state/giffords-gun-control-group-spends-on-ads-targeting-virginia-republicans/article_8731ee82-fc21-54bc-b560-fac72d8692ff.html

FOLLOW-UP: AUSTRALIA'S "METAL BLOBS" MUSEUM LEGISLATION

Back in March, I reported on a new regulation that would turn firearms held in Australian museums into "metal blobs." The impact this could have on the collection at the Lithgow Small Arms Factory Museum was at the heart of the discussion. On August 30th, the New South Wales government released an amendment to their 2017 Firearms Regulation regarding the handling of museum firearm permits. The amendment allows a Police Commissioner to grant a museum an exemption from having its pistols and prohibited firearms permanently deactivated ... but only under "certain circumstances." By Logan Metesh, THEFIREARMBLOG.COM with 45 Comments - October 9, 2019 <https://www.thefirearmblog.com/blog/2019/10/07/follow-up-australias-metal-blobs-museum-legislation/>

ABC NEWS - FEDS SEIZE NEARLY 400 GUNS FROM INDIANAPOLIS GUN DEALER

The investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives found evidence that G2 Sports "knowingly transferred handguns to an out-of-state resident, made false entries in records, failed to report multiple sales of handguns and knowingly transferred firearms to a prohibited person."

The business agreed to an enhanced surrender of its federal license, according to the US Attorney's Office, which means none of the owners will be eligible to reapply for their license or deal in firearms again. By WRTV Staff - October 9, 2019

<https://www.abcactionnews.com/news/national/feds-seize-nearly-400-guns-from-indianapolis-gun-dealer>

FORD DEALERSHIP GIVING AWAY GUNS, BIBLES TO LURE IN CUSTOMERS

Derrick Hughes and his team will do whatever it takes to sell trucks and cars during the slow months of deer hunting season, so they're giving away guns along with Bibles and flags at their Ford dealership in tiny Honea Path, South Carolina. "It's crazy," Hughes told the Detroit Free Press on Wednesday. "We've had multiple people take advantage of the promotion. You don't need to buy a \$50,000 truck. It's for anything on our lot, used or new. By Phoebe Wall Howard, Detroit Free Press Published Oct. 9, 2019 <https://www.freep.com/story/money/cars/ford/2019/10/09/ford-gun-giveaway-bible-south-carolina/3918632002/>

GUN CONTROL NEWS: DICK'S SPORTING GOODS DESTROYS \$5 MILLION WORTH OF ASSAULT

RIFLES AMID CONTROVERSY - Dick's Sporting Goods CEO Ed Stack said this week that the retailer has destroyed \$5 million worth of assault rifles in an attempt to prevent mass shootings. "If we really think these things should be off the street, we need to destroy them," Stack told CBS News in an interview Sunday, adding that the guns were turned to scrap metal. By Wesley Dockery - October 8, 2019

<https://www.ibtimes.com/gun-control-news-dicks-sporting-goods-destroys-5-million-worth-assault-rifles-amid-2841836>

[Dick's Sporting Goods CEO says company destroyed \\$5 million worth of guns instead of returning ...](#)

RESTRICTING GUNS WON'T SOLVE GUN VIOLENCE

Banning firearms and taking guns and ammunition off store shelves may have great virtue-signaling value, but they aren't serious solutions to gun violence. Even if American gun restrictions rivaled those of European countries, the U.S. would still lead the industrial world in gun-related homicides. Why? Because Americans are generally more inclined to commit murder. Posted to Politics October 08, 2019 by David Ridenour

<https://www.insidesources.com/restricting-guns-wont-solve-gun-violence/>

THE BEST HANDGUNS FOR DEER HUNTING

How to hunt whitetails with a handgun and why you should. There are lots of handgun options on the market for deer hunters, from single shot pistols in rifle calibers to a revolver that's been around for almost 60 years. Here, handgun-hunting expert Layne Simpson chooses the best pistols on the market for hunting whitetails, breaks down the specs for each, and provides a brief history of handgun hunting. The first two guns on the list are his favorites, the rest are in alphabetical order. By Layne Simpson, and Phil Bourjaily - Updated: October 8, 2019

<https://www.fieldandstream.com/best-handguns-deer-hunting/>

THE OUTDOOR WIRE - OCTOBER 8, 2019

NY STATE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB WILL GET THEIR DAY IN (SUPREME) COURT

On January 22 of this year, the United States Supreme Court agreed to hear its first 2nd Amendment case in nearly a decade. The case is New York State Rifle and Pistol Assn. vs. New York and it concerns the New York City ordinance that barred a legal handgun owner from taking it outside the city.

That odd bit of regulatory gymnastics centered on the fact the City has two types of handgun permits: carry permits (which are still nearly impossible to obtain) and “premises” permits- a permit to keep a handgun in a home. For New York City “keep” has a definite connotation: according to the NYPD, the owner of a “premises” permit may carry a pistol - unloaded- to a shooting range in the city -but not a range outside it. By Jim Shepherd

<https://www.theoutdoorwire.com/features/cf1b87b1-3877-4994-a705-03728733d6b1>

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/10/07/guns-supreme-court-keeps-gun-rights-case-docket/3857970002/>

OHIO-TO-CANADA GUN SMUGGLING RINGLEADER SENTENCED TO PRISON

A New York man was sentenced in Ohio in U.S. District Court to 36 months in prison and fined \$30,000 for conspiring to illegally purchase firearms. Benjamin C. Glassman, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and Jonathan McPherson, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), announced the sentence handed down by Chief U.S. District Judge Algenon L. Marbley. Jerome Watkins Jr., 33, of Niagara Falls, was one of four individuals charged in an Ohio-to-Canada gun smuggling conspiracy in August 2018. Jeremy Hearn, 40, and Mercedes Green, 28, both of Columbus, and Kristina DeLorenzo, 31, of Lewiston, N.Y., were also charged by a federal grand jury in Columbus. **According to allegations in court documents, from at least January 2018 until April 2018, they served as either straw purchasers, couriers or resellers of firearms purchased in Columbus and eventually resold in Canada.** Hearn would purchase the firearms from various federally-licensed firearms dealers in Central Ohio by providing false information on ATF Form 4473. He traveled to at least 12 different federal firearms licensee stores in Central Ohio. Hearn purchased at least 32 firearms and Green, with money provided by Hearn, assisted in the purchase of at least six of the firearms. Hearn, Watkins and DeLorenzo then acted as couriers or assisted in courier duties, regularly traveling between Columbus and Niagara Falls and/or across the Canadian border for resale. Department of Justice U.S. Attorney’s Office, Southern District of Ohio, Press Release - Tuesday October 8, 2019

<https://highlandcountypress.com/Content/In-The-News/Headlines/Article/Ohio-to-Canada-gun-smuggling-ringleader-sentenced-to-prison/2/73/53084>

OHIO GOVERNOR DECIDES AGAINST 'RED FLAG' LAW, PROPOSES OPTIONAL PRIVATE SALE

BACKGROUND CHECKS - Instead of a red flag or extreme risk protection order law that would remove guns from people deemed dangerous, DeWine proposed expanding the state's "pink slip" system, which places mentally ill Ohioans in hospitals for up to 72 hours. By Jessie Balmert and Jackie Borchardt, Cincinnati Enquirer - Oct. 7, 2019

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/10/07/dayton-shooting-gov-mike-dewine-decides-against-red-flag-gun-law/3902212002/>

NATIONWIDE CCW SPIKES UPWARD AS VIOLENT CRIME DECLINES

U.S.A. —(Ammoland.com)- Gun prohibition lobbying groups have been mute since the Crime Prevention Research Center (CPRC) reported a significant increase in the estimated number of concealed carry licenses and permits across the country in the past year. The report came coincidental to release of the FBI Uniform Crime Report for 2018 that shows violent crime, including homicides with firearms, declined last year, as earlier reported. **According to the CPRC, headed by author and researcher Dr. John Lott, there are now 18.66 million active carry permits/licenses.** From all indications, that number continues to climb. The CPRC says the new number represents about an 8% increase in concealed carry since last year’s report. By the numbers, that's more than 1.4 million more licenses/permits than one year ago. Ammoland Inc. Posted on October 7, 2019 by Dave Workman

<https://www.ammoland.com/2019/10/nationwide-ccw-spikes-upward-as-violent-crime-declines/#axzz61mYvGcq0>

<https://www.americas1stfreedom.org/articles/2019/10/7/concealed-carry-permits-skyrocket-since-2007-according-to-new-report/>

GUN SAFETY PROPOSALS: HERE IS OHIO GOVERNOR MIKE DEWINE'S STRONG OHIO BILL

by Associated Press and fox8 - October 7, 2019

<https://fox8.com/2019/10/07/gop-ohio-governor-set-to-detail-his-new-gun-safety-proposals/>

ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNOR, COMPONENTS OF THE BILL WILL:

- Create a process in Ohio law, similar to the current probate court process that directs those suffering from severe mental health conditions into court-ordered treatment, to give hospitals and courts a better ability to help those who are legally declared to be a danger to themselves or others due to drug dependency or chronic alcoholism;
- Ensure that citizens have full due process at all probate court hearings;
- Ensure that those legally declared by a judge to be a danger to themselves or others do not have access to firearms;
- Give family members of those who may be a danger to themselves or others because of drug dependency or chronic alcoholism the ability to more easily petition the probate court for court-ordered treatment;
- Mandate that law enforcement agencies and courts enter certain protection orders and arrest warrants for serious crimes into state and federal law enforcement databases to ensure more accurate background check results;
- Create a new private-sale background check process that will increase the number of background checks conducted in Ohio while also protecting the privacy of law-abiding gun owners;
- Create a legal safe harbor for firearms sellers who require private-sale background checks;
- Increase penalties for those who sell or provide a firearm to someone legally prohibited from possessing a gun;
- Give judges a range of sentences for felony cases in which a gun was either possessed, brandished, or used;
- Increase the penalty for those who are found with a gun while legally prohibited from possessing a firearm;
- Increase the penalty for selling a gun to a minor;
- Increase penalties for straw purchases and knowingly possessing a straw-purchased gun.

COLT ENDS PUBLIC SALES OF THE AR-15, BUT GUN-CONTROL ADVOCATES SHOULDN'T

CELEBRATE - Colt has said that it didn't act as a result of political or popular pressure, but rather because the company has so many contracts with military and police agencies that it doesn't have capacity to make rifles for the civilian market. In addition, a number of other companies make rifles similar to AR-15s and are selling plenty of them to the public. An industry trade group estimates that more than 16 million of them are owned by U.S. citizens. **THE CONVERSATION** - October 8, 2019 <https://theconversation.com/colt-ends-public-sales-of-the-ar-15-but-gun-control-advocates-shouldnt-celebrate-124116>

WHY IRAN LOVES NORTH KOREA'S DEADLY TYPE 73 MACHINE GUN

The Type 73 "probably one of the most unknown mass-produced automatic weapons in the world." The Type 73 is North Korean in origin and first appeared in the 1970s. The 23-pound, 7.62-millimeter weapon blends the basic layout of the Russian PKM machine gun with the feeding system from the Czech Vz.52. The weapon appears to be a staple of covert Iranian aid to armed groups. by David Axe - October 8, 2019 <https://nationalinterest.org/blog/buzz/why-iran-loves-north-koreas-deadly-type-73-machine-gun-86466>

NEWSWEEK- GUNS ARE THE SECOND BIGGEST KILLER OF KIDS IN AMERICA, YET WE SPEND JUST \$600 FOR EACH DEAD CHILD TO UNDERSTAND WHY

- In the U.S., enough children to fill a jumbo jet are shot dead every month. Yet for each child killed, just \$600 of federal funding will be spent on research into what led to the fatality. In comparison, the equivalent of \$26,000 is spent on each child to die in a motor vehicle crash, while \$195,500 will be spent on each childhood cancer death. By Hannah Osborne On 10/7/19 <https://www.newsweek.com/gun-death-spending-children-america-1463604>

10 GREAT RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, AND HANDGUNS FOR HUNTING RABBITS

Small game can give you challenges and memories as special as any giant buck. But the variety of guns to choose from is even more extensive than the animals there are to hunt. By Tyler Freel, and Doug Howlett - Updated: October 7, 2019 <https://www.outdoorlife.com/10-great-rifles-shotguns-and-handguns-hunting-rabbits/>

WASH. POST - D.C. IS AWASH IN ILLEGAL GUNS. HOW DO YOU THINK THEY GET THERE?

So far this bloody year, about 450 people have been hit by gunfire in the nation's capital. They were executed, injured or they killed themselves, according to the incidents gathered by the Gun Violence Archive.

By Petula Dvorak, Columnist - October 7, 2019 https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/dc-is-awash-in-illegal-guns-how-do-you-think-they-get-there/2019/10/07/01493180-e934-11e9-85c0-85a098e47b37_story.html

IN MINNESOTA, 4 OUT OF 5 GUN DEATHS ARE SUICIDES

Most Americans are unaware that suicides — not mass shootings, other murders or accidental gun discharges — account for the majority of gun deaths in the United States, according to a recent survey from APM Research Lab. As many as three-fifths of gun deaths in the U.S. are the result of people intentionally killing themselves. By Alisa Roth, Minneapolis October 7, 2019 <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2019/10/07/in-minnesota-4-out-of-5-gun-deaths-are-suicides>
<https://www.thehour.com/news/article/Colt-ends-public-sales-of-the-AR-15-but-14500497.php>

FOCUSING ON MENTAL ILLNESS WON'T SOLVE AMERICA'S GUN VIOLENCE PROBLEM: EXPERTS

There is an extensive body of research suggesting the link between mental illness and gun violence is far less pronounced than politicians and media figures have portrayed it to be. One 2010 study from researchers at Columbia University found the public safety contribution of state laws that restrict access to firearms among the mentally ill is likely to be minimal, as only three to five percent of all violent incidents are linked to serious mental illness and guns are not involved in most cases. By Alex Graf October 7, 2019 <https://theglobepost.com/2019/10/07/mental-illness-gun-violence/>

CHILLING NEW DETAILS OF CANADA MURDERS

Details filtered through slowly as Kam McLeod and Bryer Schmegelsky carried out their murder spree across Canada in July. Now, three months on, reporters who were given privileged access to the police investigation have revealed what police knew but could not say publicly. Nine News US Correspondent Alexis Daish was covering the story on the ground as the manhunt moved from the Alaska Highway in British Columbia across several provinces. She reports that she was allowed inside the Royal Canadian Mounted Police's BC headquarters as the investigation was unfolding but not allowed to tweet or publish anything until now. Among the information police shared were crime scene photographs of the vehicle driven by Sydney man Lucas Fowler and his American girlfriend Chynna Deese before they were murdered. by Rohan Smith - 6th Oct 2019 <https://m.cqnews.com.au/news/chilling-new-details-of-canada-murders/3847447/>

WASH. TIMES - BUMP STOCK BAN'S FLOP A BAD OMEN FOR DEMOCRATS' GUN BUYBACK PLAN

Hundreds of thousands still unaccounted for after ban. Between the issuance of the final rule banning the devices in December 2018 and April 4, 2019, shortly after the prohibition took effect in late March, 582 bump stocks were “abandoned” to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, according to Justice Department records, and 98 bump stocks were kept as evidence. The Times obtained the records through a Freedom of Information Act request. The administration cited estimates that 280,000 to 520,000 bump-stock-type devices were in circulation when it published the final rule in December. By David Sherfinski - The Washington Times - Sunday, October 6, 2019 <https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/oct/6/bump-stock-ban-failure-omen-gun-buyback-plan/>

THE GUN DEBATE IS OBSESSED WITH FORM, LARGELY IGNORING FUNCTION

The AR-15 has taken center stage in the American gun debate. But at its heart, the AR-15 is a rifle that has been modified to look and feel a certain way. The emphasis on its appearance, however, has shaped how the country regulates firearms, to the frustration of many gun owners and gun control advocates alike. By Jonathan Levinson, OPB Oct. 7, 2019

<https://www.opb.org/news/article/gun-design-form-function-ar-15-comparison-mini-14/>

LONG ISLAND MAN CAUGHT WITH CACHE OF 'GHOST GUNS', AMMUNITION IN HIS HOME

John Dejana, 47, is facing multiple weapons possession charges after 10 handguns without serial numbers or any other means of identification were found in his Port Washington home on Slocum Ave., and one was found inside his car, police said. Some marijuana, anabolic steroids and **kits on how to build ghost guns** were also found in the home, police said. By Thomas Tracy, New York Daily News - Oct 05, 2019 <https://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/nyc-crime/ny-long-island-man-busted-with-cache-of-weapons-20191005-g235plgud5bafpjp3emumycnm-story.html>

CBS NEWS - CORPORATIONS AND GUNS: HOW COMPANIES ARE RESHAPING THE GUN CONTROL DEBATE

- What he does know is that Dick's Sporting Goods is changing – and he's counting on the culture changing right along with it. "So many people say to me, you know, 'If we do what you want to do, it's not going to stop these mass shootings,'" said Stack. "And my response is, 'You're probably right, it won't. But if we do these things and it saves one life, don't you think it's worth it?'" Story produced by Michelle Kessel - October 6, 2019

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/corporations-and-guns-how-companies-are-reshaping-the-gun-control-debate/>

LA TIMES - GUNS FROM THE UNITED STATES ARE STOKING A HOMICIDE EPIDEMIC IN MEXICO

Today, millions of weapons are in private hands — in direct violation of Mexico's strict gun laws. Some of those firearms once belonged to the military or police and were sold into the underworld. But the vast majority were smuggled from the world's largest gun market: the United States. The arms buildup has helped fuel record levels of violence. Last year, Mexico saw 20,005 gun homicides — nearly seven times as many as in 2003 By Kate Linthicum, Staff Writer - Oct. 6, 2019 <https://www.latimes.com/world/mexico-americas/la-fg-mexico-guns-20190430-story.html>

CANADA PENSION PLAN INVESTMENT BOARD SELLS 28,600 SHARES OF STURM RUGER & COMPANY INC (NYSE:RGR)

- Canada Pension Plan Investment Board lowered its position in shares of Sturm Ruger & Company Inc (NYSE:RGR) by 13.0% during the second quarter, according to its most recent filing with the Securities & Exchange Commission. The fund owned 191,900 shares of the company's stock after selling 28,600 shares during the period. Canada Pension Plan Investment Board owned about 1.10% of Sturm Ruger & Company Inc worth \$10,455,000 at the end of the most recent reporting period. Posted by Cassie Grant on Oct 6th, 2019

<https://techknowbits.com/2019/10/06/sturm-ruger-company-inc-nysergr-shares-sold-by-canada-pension-plan-investment-board.html>

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES ON GUN CONTROL: MOST SUPPORT SOME MEASURES AS POLICY MOVES TO MATCH PUBLIC OPINION

- David Hogg, who survived last year's school shooting in Parkland, Fla., that killed 17 and co-founded the student-led gun-control movement March for Our Lives, chalked up the party's divide to a generational gap between candidates. But, he said, it's more significant that Democrats no longer see gun control as an impediment to winning an election. "What's important is there is not a divide on whether or not this is an issue any more," he said. By TAMSIN MCMAHON, U.S. CORRESPONDENT, LAS VEGAS - GLOBE AND MAIL - OCTOBER 4, 2019 <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/world/us-politics/article-divisions-appear-as-democratic-candidates-unveil-more-details-about/>

BBC - TEN CHARTS ON THE RISE OF KNIFE CRIME IN ENGLAND AND WALES

There were 43,516 knife crime offences in the 12 months ending March 2019. This is an 80% increase from the low-point in the year ending March 2014, when there were 23,945 offences, and is the highest number since comparable data was compiled. These statistics do not include those from Greater Manchester Police because of data recording issues. Out of the 44 police forces, 43 recorded a rise in knife crime since 2011. By Danny Shaw, Home affairs correspondent - July 18, 2019 <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-42749089>

OTHER ARTICLES ON ISSUES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

ELECTION QUOTABLE QUOTE: "The problem of power is how to achieve its responsible use rather than its irresponsible and indulgent use -- of how to get men of power to live for the public rather than off the public."

-- Robert F. Kennedy (1925-1968), US Senator, Attorney General Source: 'I Remember, I Believe,' The Pursuit of Justice, 1964 <http://libertytree.ca/quotes/Robert.Kennedy.Quote.08A1>

GUNTER: THE USELESSNESS OF CANADA'S CURRENT CLIMATE EXTREMISM

Do you honestly think shutting down major industries and radically altering our lifestyles to prevent the production of one-sixth of a thimbleful of CO2 is really going to save the Earth? Consider that China, the world's largest emitter, contributes somewhere between 10 and 15 times as much CO2 as Canada does. And it has added an amount equivalent to our entire production every three to four years. By Lorne Gunter, Toronto Sun - October 12, 2019

<https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/gunter-the-uselessness-of-canadas-current-climate-alarmism>

MALCOLM: TRUDEAU REFUSES TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT MYSTERIOUS YEARBOOK

MESSAGE - Justin Trudeau's campaign is not answering questions about the nature of the Prime Minister's relationship with a high school student during his time as a teacher in Vancouver. For days, True North has been asking questions of the Liberal campaign about a message in the 2001 West Point Grey Academy (WPGA) yearbook that may suggest a relationship outside the classroom between Justin Trudeau, his former roommate and convicted sex offender Christopher Ingvaldson and a female Grade 12 student at the school. By Candice Malcolm, True North - October 10, 2019

<https://tnc.news/2019/10/10/malcolm-trudeau-refuses-to-answer-questions-about-mysterious-yearbook-message/>

ROBSON: DEBATES AVOID GOVERNMENT'S FIRST PRIORITY... DEFENCE

Leftists think Andrew Scheer is plotting to take us backward to the Handmaid's Tale, rightists that Trudeau is cunningly steering us toward Venezuela or Globalia. They're not. For better or worse they know no more than they seem to know, which is why they prefer overstructured debates limited to carefully restricted topics on which they can run out the clock bickering and spouting focus-grouped pseudo-zingers. But we should not let them.

October 10, 2019 - By John Robson, Loonie Politics

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FORGET PRIME MINISTER, JUSTIN TRUDEAU IS UNFIT TO BE A TEACHER

It's no secret that The Post Millennial editorially is no fan of Justin Trudeau generally. We've pointed to his authoritarian tendencies—his corrupt attempt to let SNC-Lavalin off the hook, his firing of Jody Wilson-Raybould for refusing to go along with his will, his desires to censor and sanitize the internet, to shut down debate, to buy the media to the tune of \$600 million. We've also written about his blackface problem, and most recently, his banning of journalist Andrew Lawton from covering him. It should be well established by now that this man is unfit to serve as our Prime Minister. The antics of Justin Trudeau this time around are simply too clownish to ignore. This is a man who is unwell and unfit. by Barrett Wilson, The Post Millennial - October 10, 2019 <https://www.thepostmillennial.com/forget-prime-minister-justin-trudeau-is-unfit-to-be-a-teacher/>

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IF THE ECONOMY IS DOING GREAT, WHY IS JUSTIN TRUDEAU RUNNING DEFICITS?

Maxime Bernier is correct to say the budget could be balanced in two years. The problem is, there is no political will to do it. As for the others, the Conservatives and the Greens say they would balance the budget in five years, while the NDP and the Liberals talk only about keeping debt low relative to GDP. That's why I find the platforms of all the political parties so anxiety-inducing. We can't afford all the goodies they want to give us. BY DANIELLE SMITH, GLOBAL NEWS - Posted October 9, 2019 <https://globalnews.ca/news/6007053/canada-budget-deficit/>

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