

Bullseye Newsletter

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE AGAWAM REVOLVER CLUB, INC.

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Welcome, to the 2018 Bullseye.

This is Your Club

Your club is a non-profit corporation, member-owned, with a volunteer Board of Directors, which includes all club officers. Although we hire outside firms for most required services, such as cleaning and maintenance, there is always an opportunity to volunteer your time to assist with the operation of the club. If you have an idea that you think would make the club more efficient or safer, please contact one of your board members.

RECENT MEMBERSHIP TERMINATIONS!

Three club members have had their club memberships terminated, in just the last two months, as a result of the **sharing of their key fob** with a person that was not a club member.

This action is unacceptable since it adds risk for club members and is a huge liability concern for your club.

The Board of Directors communication last year, to all club members, was very clear that this action would result in immediate **termination of club membership, without any exceptions.**

Gun-Rights Debate

This is a National 'culture war'.

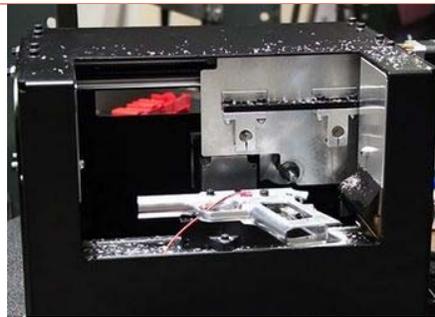
Massachusetts General Laws, with regards to firearms, start by making it illegal to possess a firearm without permission. Chapter 140, Section 129C, states: **'No person, other than a licensed dealer or one who has been issued a license to carry a pistol or revolver or an exempt person as hereinafter described, shall own or possess any firearm, rifle, shotgun or ammunition unless he has been issued a firearm identification card by the licensing authority pursu-**



ant to the provisions of section one hundred and twenty-nine B.' <https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXX/Chapter140/Section129C>

Massachusetts is unique and in the minority in this regard, according to: <https://www.americas1stfreedom.org/articles/2018/3/13/gun-carry-laws-don-t-invent-a-new-right/>

'Ghost GUNS'



The gun-banners have a single focus, but in the US we have a Constitution on our side, protected by the Supreme Court. Since the Heller and McDonald decisions, the Supreme Court has refused to hear any firearms-related cases, but that hopefully will change soon.

After 5 years and \$1M of legal fees, the Second Amendment Foundation <http://saf.org> (which also led the effort for the wins in the Heller and MacDonald cases before the Supreme Court) and Defense Distributed won their lawsuit against the US Department of Justice, regarding the distribution of on-line files for 3D-printing and electronic files for desktop milling of firearms and accessories. <https://www.saf.org/doj-saf-reach-settlement-in-defense-distributed-lawsuit/>

The latest is that a U.S. District Court Judge has temporarily blocked the settlement. Watch for more developments!

In his latest 'Down Range Radio' podcast, <http://www.outdoorchannel.com/down-range-radio>, Michael Bane says that this is

'fundamental change' and a 'disrupter' to the firearms industry, similar to electronic distribution of books and music. Michael also states that our government has admitted that semi-automatic rifles (such as the AR-15) are 'not inherently military weapons', which means that the gun-banners will now have difficulty using that phrase and the next case before the Supreme Court will have to take this into account.

'Virtue Signaling'

Virtue signaling has become popular as a way of indicating that one has virtue, merely by expressing disgust or favor for certain political ideas or culture.

The NRA has stated that, 'Bank of America and Citigroup [are] using their enormous market power to discriminate against customers based on lawful firearm-related business activities.'

<https://www.nraaila.org/articles/20180427/act-now-join-pro-gun-lawmakers-seeking-answers-and-accountability-from-anti-gun-banks>

According to GunsAmerica, 'Ride-sharing company Lyft is offering free transportation to anti-gun rallies.'

<https://www.gunsamerica.com/blog/ride-sharing-company-lyft-offering-free-transport-anti-gun-rallies/>

Dick's Sporting Goods has decided to destroy their stock of AR-15s. <http://www.thetruthaboutguns.com/2018/04/john-boch/dicks-has-trouble-filling-shelf-space-as-sales-sag/>

It has been reported that Facebook, Google and YouTube have also entered this debate by modifying search results or removing content that does not fit their agenda. If this information is new to you, or if you have not heard about the AMA's influence on your doctor and what firearms questions he or she might ask, do some searching on the web. Also, check out 'Doctors for Responsible Gun Ownership': <http://drgo.us>.

According to a recent Politico article (<https://www.politico.com/story/2018/06/25/liberals-attack-bondi-sanders-trump-667934?cid=apn>), Presidential historian Michael Beschloss has lamented that these flare-ups are “a new disheartening sign of a country that is becoming more divided by the hour. It is almost beginning to sound like some of the things that happened before the Civil War.”

DON'T GIVE UP YOUR GUN RIGHTS VOLUNTARILY!

VOTE!

It is almost mid-term election time. Primary voting is in August, in many areas.

Remember that ‘elections have consequences’, and one of the most important of which is the nomination of judges that support our Constitution in its entirety. As Tom Gresham says, “It is time to be part of the battle against the anti-gun rights agenda.”



Hour-long Interview with Texas Hero

This is an intimate interview with the person that stopped the church killer in Texas:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=248LN1TiB40>.

What the NRA Thinks About This Year's Elections

The NRA is the largest civil rights organization in the country. This is how Wayne LaPierre thinks this year's politics could affect your Second Amendment rights: <https://www.americas1stfreedom.org/articles/2018/3/12/gun-rights-could-be-affected-by-socialist-ideals/>

Legalization of Marijuana

As states push for legalization of Marijuana, some people are figuring out that this means they can no longer purchase a firearm.

As John Farnam (<http://defense-training.com/2018/marijuana/>) states in one of his latest Quips:

‘Marijuana use, medical or recreational, is a violation of federal law, even though some states, ..., have legalized it, at least within state boundaries. How a state can overrule federal law has yet to be explained to me in a way that makes any kind of sense. ... When you use marijuana, in any state and for any reason, forget about owning guns! For sure, don't attempt to purchase guns! BATF doesn't care what state you live in!’



Improvements Completed This Year

Indoor Range Lighting

All indoor range lighting has been updated to LEDs. This has not only reduced breakage, but also increased the brightness of both indoor ranges.

Switch-Sense

The power for our indoor ranges have been automated with the ability to sense when ranges are left running after hours and the ability to switch them off remotely. Members are still encouraged to responsibly shut off ranges if they are the last one out.

End of Service and An Opportunity

I have been your club Secretary for the last eight years, a board member for two years, and a club member for a total of forty-three years. In November, I will end my volunteer service to our club. While serving our club has obviously been an honor and a privilege, I look forward to remaining a club member for many years to come.

If you are interested in this position, please send an email with your qualifications or resume to the current Secretary, for presentation to the Board of Directors at their next monthly meeting. Thank you.



Other Useful Information

WINTER .22 BULLSEYE LEAGUE REMINDER

This year's season starts in October. Check our web site for the latest details. <http://www.agawamrevolverclub.com/leagues.html>

NRA FIREARMS INSURANCE

Unfortunately, **free** NRA firearms insurance is no longer offered as part of NRA membership.

\$600 NRA LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Use the NRA membership renewal link on our web site to check on this irregularly recurring offer. NRA Life membership normally costs \$1500.

The NRA Membership Recruiting Program reports that membership sales are, ‘...up 37% over last year. Even more amazing, recruiters are 23% ahead of the record shattering pace of 2016!’



LETHAL, SHARP, BRIGHT, and MEDICAL

Paul Markel of 'Student of the Gun' recommends that four categories of items should be carried by every armed citizen. For more information see: <https://www.studentofthegun.com/articles/4-items-every-armed-citizen-carry/>.

As Paul Markel says, ‘You are a beginner once and a student for life.’.

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