Gun owners here?

Posted by MichaelCraft - 30 Dec 2012 00:29

Hi All,

Any thoughts about what I have heard termed as firemageddon? More specifically, the tripling of prices, the crazy ban bill that Feinmann introduced, etc.? Did anyone participate in the buying frenzy? I am a life member of the NRA and obviously don't support the bill, I did NOT participate because I couldn't afford to and I have what I need. I lived through the last one in 93, but this one is crazy even compared to that one, and worse than the 2008 frenzy IMO. In addition to the many uncomfortably firm items in the bill (www.nraila.org/legislation/federal-legis...ew-gun-ban-bill.aspx), the lack of a grandfather clause in the new bill has me worried. I cannot leave anything "on the list" to an heir if I choose(or sell, to ANYONE), and this includes my highly valued (to me) M1 Garand that is a piece of US history :/. It instead gets confiscated by the govt without compensation

My hunting rifle is ALSO on the list
, well one of them, the FNAR subMOA .308. I have a 30-06 Tikka T3 Hunter (fantastic bolt action for the $ IMO, free floated with Sako parts for half the price, paid $579 for mine new, and $80 for the 3x9-40 Nikon glass with BDC that is normally over $200) that I love as well, but I can't do 600 yds with it near as easily as with an FNAR with my Millet TRS-1 4x16-50
I also cheat a bit
with a laser range finder to for BDC, a Bushnell GForce ARC 1300, AWESOME little piece o gear. But then maybe I uncheat by only taking the few hundred yd shots that I KNOW I can take (i.e. make the shot and be safe and humane), only down hill (BDC harder, but safer as I know where the bullet is gonna end up regardless, although I haven't missed my mark yet, clean kills every time, they drop where they stand).

P.S. This is just my opinion, and I don't want to start any fights, so I tried to leave political commentary out of it, just curious of others thoughts and activities in the last weeks...

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Re: Gun owners here?

Posted by mr.cheapguy - 31 Dec 2012 23:25

I didn't worry in 2008. In 93 I did get an M1a, and 10 additional 20 rnd mags for it, but it is still packed in its original grease.

I would like to get a few mags for my carbine, and a coupla boxes of ammo for my pistol.

frankly, I would like to go get some Ruger extended mags for my 10/22, a holosight and a few bricks of .22 ammo, but that is just so I can put down Zombies...

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by PhilipPasteur - 31 Dec 2012 23:50

You are right to be scared

If the gun ban folks can take advantage of a horrible occurance... you won't get any more clips over some arbitrary capacity...

You may find yourself being a criminal just for having your guns.

Join the NRA. Make sure your representitives understand how you feel.

In other words, do something about the things that you believe in..

Phil

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by Mikedoh - 31 Dec 2012 23:59

It would be nice if instead of political grand standing, politicians would do something about the horrible state of mental health care in this nation.

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by Billabong - 01 Jan 2013 01:55

If this is not a sensitive subject for a knife sharpening forum then I must be crazy.

I had many of my guns sold back to the govt. here in Australia, years ago.

I now believe it is a better place because of it.

Definitely didn't at the time, was a very keen shooter with many guns.

Hunting was a big part of my life, like my father before me.

Time heals.

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by razoredgeknives - 01 Jan 2013 07:28

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by MichaelCraft - 01 Jan 2013 12:33

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Actually, most shootings (that are successful) that I can think of recently are in Free-Fire zones. I cannot think of one in a Police Station, a gun show (even though they are technically no carry zones, but there is plenty of guns and ammo), etc. Good point!

"An armed society is a polite society. Manners are good when one may have to back up his acts with his life." - Robert A. Heinlein

And my fav, from the birth of the core of the US (the BofR):

Laws that forbid the carrying of arms, disarm only those who are neither inclined, nor determined to commit crimes. Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants. They serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man.

-- Thomas Jefferson, 1764

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Re: Gun owners here?

Posted by PhilipPasteur - 01 Jan 2013 13:47

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The problem is that the national polls that they have done in the last week or two do not show that there is a clear majority that wants more gun control. They have shown that 52 to 55% (depending on the poll) do not want new laws restricting any type of gun. Even the incorrectly labled "assault" weapons (I am sure our guys on the ground would not be very successful at assualting anything if all they could use would be AR-15s). The gun control advocates seem to just wait for some kind of tragedy so they can pounce. Within hours of the tradgedy Fienstien and her buddies were screaming for more laws. If they can scare some of our representitives , or shame them into changing their stance, and it will not take many of them, then we get screwed. Pressure from vocal minorities have caused many changes that do not benefit the majority of us.

As I said, join the NRA, they are our most powerful ally in this. They need the support. Write to your congressman and senators and let them know what you think. If you don't, then do not be surprised if we get run over on this. There are those who WILL take advantage of the shock and dismay caused by a single deranged young man to make many of us instant criminals.

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by MichaelCraft - 01 Jan 2013 14:27

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In my OP, I mentioned that I am an NRA Life member and contribute regularly, as well as of the OGA, and I write both my state and fed reps when bill like this (or other, like DCMA) come up. DELETED, too political.

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Re: Gun owners here?
Posted by cbwx34 - 01 Jan 2013 16:12

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How exactly is this conversation not politics.....

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