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#### **Home Defense Fundamentals Course**

This half-day course (4-5 hours) introduces students to the fundamentals of Home Defense. The course includes classroom instruction, range exercises, and scenario-based discussions. The students will learn the legal and ethical issues of home defense and how to safely incorporate a firearm as part of an overall personal protection plan. The goal of the course is to give the students



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important information on how to become better prepared to defend their home, expose them to different defensive firearms, and protect them from legal ramifications.

Pre-requisite: None Cost: \$125 per person

- \* Includes: All Firearms and Ammunition necessary for the course
- \* A copy of the USCCA Concealed Carry and Home Defense Course Manual (a \$27.95 value)

#### **Upcoming Class Dates:**

- \* October 12th
- \* November 15th
- \* December 14th

#### **Other Half-Day Course Options**

All of our other half-day courses are now just \$100.00, or you can take advantage of our Multi Course / Group Discounts and sign up for multiple courses or split the

courses among family members or friends and save even more. For example; you can sign up to take multiple courses or take one class for yourself and register a spouse, family member, or friend for the same class, or even another class on another date for \$87.50 per class!



#### MS Second Amendment Sales Tax Holiday

It's that time of year again! The annual MS 2nd Amendment Tax

Free Weekend kicks off Friday, August 31st. The tax free holiday will apply statewide to all consumer purchases of firearms, ammunition and hunting supplies. Boondocks FTA is also offering a 10% discount on all in stock firearms. The sale starts Friday, August 31st at 9:00 AM and lasts until Sunday at 5:00 PM. Visit our website for all the details.

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State,

IN THE NEWS the right of the people to keep

and bear Arms, shall not be infringed

#### **3D Printed Guns**

In recent days the debate over 3D printed guns has created a firestorm in the media. The debate heated up after the Justice Department settled a dispute with Defense Distributed about publishing the plans online to produce guns with 3D printers. The original Liberator gun produced by Defense Distributed is a single shot pistol that is



cumbersome to load and shoot, and hardly the type of firearm that a terrorist or anyone with ill intentions for a mass shooting would want to use. Still, the anti-gun groups are claiming people all over the world will now be able to print 3D "AR-15 Style Assault Rifles" and "Ghost Guns" that are untraceable and undetectable. However, the truth is much more complicated. The AR-15 style rifle is a modular gun that requires both a lower and upper receiver, and many other parts, in order to fire a cartridge. The lower receiver is the only part of the gun that is required to have a serial number. That serial number is used to trace the part from the manufacturer, to the distributor, to the gun store, and finally the customer who is required to get an approval in the form of a background check from the FBI before buying the lower receiver. The upper receiver and all of the other parts would still

have to be created or purchased before the gun would be functional, and these parts would have to be metal, therefore, they \*WOULD BE detectable by metal detectors. However, without a serial number on the lower receiver, that particular part would never be traceable by the ATF if it showed up in a crime. What the media doesn't tell you is that any gun produced before 1968 didn't require a serial number, so most of those guns are untraceable. Additionally, it wasn't until 1993 that the purchase of a firearm from a licensed dealer required a background check. Even in today's world, background checks are not required for Private Party sales or to pass a firearm down to a family member. So the majority of firearms in the United States are already not traceable back to the original owner. In order for the anti-gun groups theory of hundreds of 3D printed "AR-15 Style Assault Rifles" and "Ghost Guns" to be a reality, you would have to assume that terrorists, mass shooters or gang members would the extra time and money to print or create single shot guns or lower receivers that will likely not be reliable or function properly.



## **Gun Rights Support from the NINTH Circuit Court?**

The Ninth Circuit Court is arguably one of the most Anti-Gun courts in the country, but two recent decisions have gotten us wondering if they have had a change of heart. In Young Vs Hawaii, the court stated the 2nd Amendment does guarantee the right to openly carry a firearm for self defense. In another case, the court ruled

in favor of an injunction on new changes to magazine bans in California. Read more about these two important decisions on Gun Talk's News Page.

#### Cliff Cargill's sudden passing

The entire Boondocks family was saddened to hear the news of the passing of a friend and a former Boondocks staff member; Cliff Cargill. Cliff was Boondocks' first employee and responsible for selecting most of the current instructor staff. He was also an asset to the gun community and will be forever missed by many. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his family and to those lives he has touched along the way.





#### Be Ready for Anything!

I've taken a lot of firearms classes in the past, and I do my best to practice as often as I can. But does that mean I'm really ready for whatever life might throw at me? The truth is, there may be days that you simply cannot carry your handgun - you're going to the beach, or your place of business does not allow handguns on the property. What if the moment I need my gun the most just happens to be the day I don't have it. Do I have other skills that will make me less of a victim?



What if the emergency is not directly affecting me, but is happening to a loved one or another person around me? When my children were young, I always carried a little bit of everything with me in my purse for those what-if moments. What if they cut themselves? What if they get their hands dirty? I was always prepared. Nowadays, I don't carry a huge purse. But does that mean I shouldn't be prepared for those what-if moments? What-if a friend has a heart attack? What if your grandchild is choking? What if there is a shooting and someone is bleeding profusely? Would you be prepared to help render CPR/AED/First Aid? Boondocks' goal is to help you become better prepared to take action wherever you are and whatever the circumstances. That is why having self-defense skills such as those found in our Hand to Hand Combative or Weapons of Opportunity class is vitally important. Additionally, having the skills to respond to an Active Shooter or help someone else who may need CPR/AED or First Aid are all skills that can better prepare you for life!

I feel that it's my responsibility to myself to choose not to be a victim of violence. I choose not to stand helplessly by while someone I love or know is in need of emergency medical assistance. Do yourself, your family, and your community a favor, and add these hand to hand, Active Shooter and CPR/AED/First Aid skills to your toolbox.

By Jan A. Allinder



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The AR-15 style rifle is the most popular rifle in the United States partly because it it lightweight and fun to shoot. The Colt/Walther M4 chambered in 22lr is even more fun to shoot. This lightweight low recoiling plinker is perfect for target shooting, small game

hunting or introducing kids to the joy of shooting. Come by our Pro Shop to check it out.



#### **Effective vs. Efficient Training**

Last month I attended a new instructor course offered by the USCCA and the Rob Pincus group. The two-day course focused on defensive shooting fundamentals and how to incorporate them with the things your body does naturally. As a full time professional firearms instructor at one of the finest facilities in the Southeast, I have had the opportunity to take other defensive shooting courses from some well known firearms instructors, but the one thing that really stood out in this course was the emphasis on efficient training, especially for the most probable types of defensive firearms situations. Now, I have shot thousands of rounds in practice that have helped me to be more effective with my firearm, but it took those thousands of rounds to become effective. The tips I picked up in this class made defensive shooting not only effective, but more efficient.

The difference is that with an unlimited amount of time, money or resources, just about anyone can become effective at a task. In today's busy world, being able to learn a skill and apply it with the least amount of resources spent is much more preferable and efficient! While I may have not have walked away from the class a more effective shooter, I did walk away a more efficient shooter. As a more efficient shooter, I can save range time and ammo cost, and also help other people pick up skills quicker. To me, that is the biggest advantage to formal firearms training! Sure anyone can watch a video, or read an article and go practice what they learned on the range. Eventually, with enough time and ammo they will likely become effective with that drill. However, there is no substitute for a quality firearms course that

allows you and other students to ask questions and get immediate personal feedback on the application of those skills. It is those little "A-Ha" moments that can only be obtained by hands on training that make you an efficient shooter and will likely save you a lot of time and money over the long run.

By Chad J. Winkler

### COURSE SPOTLIGHT

#### **REMINDER**

## Green Ops Tactical Rifle Class - September 15-16, 2018

Mike Green from Green Ops Tacitcal will be here this September for a 2-day Tactical Rifle Class. Mike has an extensive training background including:



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- \* Army Special Forces (Green Beret) and Ranger qualified
- \* Advanced Marksmanship Instructor for an In-Extremis Assault Force
- \* Certified Federal Law Enforcement Instructor (FLETC-FITP)
- \* Lead Firearms Instructor for a US Government Advanced Covert Carry Program
- \* Former DCJS Firearms & Advanced Firearms Instructor
- \* Law Enforcement Tactical Shooting Instructor, NRA
- \* Special Forces Advanced Marksmanship & CQB Instructors (SFAUC)
- \* Anti-Terrorism Instructor
- \* Overseas experience conducting low-profile high-threat protection details for US Government Intelligence Agencies worldwide
- \* Host and co-producer of a national television show, Trigger Time TV (45 million potential viewers).
- \* NRA Counselor/Instructor (Pistol, Personal Protection in the Home, Rifle, Shotgun, CRSO, Home Safety)

#### Cost

\$425 (plus an additional \$60.00 Range Fee, payable the day of the course to Boondocks).

Click here to learn more and to register online.

#### **Boondocks' Concealed Carry Course**

Launched in January of 2018, the Concealed Carry course was specifically designed for those looking to get into the concealed carry lifestyle. This course exposes the student to the widest array of shooting techniques in the shortest amount of time and was tailor made for



smaller concealed carry handguns, pocket pistols, or revolvers. Students learn the fundamentals of safely carrying a handgun for personal protection, additional modes of carry, holsters for inside and outside the waistband, pocket, purse, appendix, ankle, cross draw carry and the advantages and disadvantages of each. The course also includes information on the concealed carry mindset, other essential carry gear and how to carry and draw your handgun from your preferred carry mode.

- \* Day 1 range exercises include drawing from concealment, malfunction drills, and shooting from cover and concealment.
- \* Day 2 range exercises include timed shooting and qualification drills, shooting on the move, engaging moving targets and force on force scenarios.

This two-day course is \$400.00, and we also offer a one-day version of this course called Intro 2 Concealed Carry for \$200.00.

#### What to bring:

- \* Concealed Carry Handgun, Pocket Pistol or Revolver
- \* Good quality Kydex, or other rigid inside or outside the waistband holster
- \* A Concealed Carry Purse, Pocket Holster, Belly Band or Ankle Holster is allowed (see websites for complete details)
- \* You will be drawing and re-holstering multiple times so the holster must be safe and relatively easy to re-holster. (The instructor has the final say on if the holster can be used in the course)
- \* 350 Rounds of ammunition
- \* Minimum 3 magazines or speed loaders for your firearm
- \* Eye protection, ear protection (electronic preferred), ball cap/sun visor, sunscreen, bug spray, etc.

#### Next Available Course Dates:

- \* August 18-19
- \* October 13-14
- \* December 1-2



#### The Perfect Deer Rifle for Young and Old!

The summer vacations are over, the kids are headed back to school, and many are looking forward to cooler temperatures. It won't be long before Labor Day and Dove season are in the books, and we have to start planning for deer camp workdays and getting our gear ready for the fall. We may even reflect on a missed shot or the "one that got away" in years past and wonder how we can ensure it doesn't happen again this year. Maybe a new rifle is on the wish list, or getting a new youth rifle for that up and coming hunter in your family. So what is the best option for the perfect deer rifle? Here are some thoughts.

The truth is, here in the South, most shots at whitetails will be well under 200 yards and the deer will likely weigh less than 200 lbs. For this type of hunting even a .22 Caliber center-fire rifle is perfectly adequate. A .223 Remington or a 22-250 with a premium bullet is capable of cleanly taking southern whitetails out to 200 yards. The .243 Winchester is even a better option for larger whitetails past the 200 yard mark, but my personal favorite is the 7mm-08 Remington. While many consider the 7mm-08 as a "youth round" the 7mm-08 is far more capable than many give it credit for, and may even be too much gun for young hunters. Read these excerpts from the Alaska Fish & Game website about selecting the right gear for hunting in Alaska!

"How accurately you shoot is far more important than the type of rifle, cartridge, and bullet you choose. Alaska has some very large game animals, including 1600-pound mature bull moose and 1500-pound coastal brown bears. Moose or brown bear hit in the gut with a large caliber magnum rifle such as the popular .338 Winchester® Magnum is wounded and just as likely to escape as if it had been hit with a small caliber rifle such as the .243 Winchester®. The bore size, bullet weight, and velocity are of secondary importance to precise bullet placement in the vital heart-lung area."

"If you presently own a rifle chambered for the .270 Winchester, 7mm-08, .308 Winchester or .30-06 and can place all of your shots in an 8-inch circle out to 200 yards from a sitting or kneeling position you can be a successful Alaska hunter."

"The rifle you bring hunting should be one with which you are comfortable. Because of the presence of brown and grizzly bears, many hunters have been convinced that a .300, .338, .375, or .416 magnum is needed for personal protection and to take large Alaska game. This is simply not true. The recoil and noise of these large cartridges is unpleasant at best and plainly painful to many shooters. It is very difficult to concentrate on shot placement when your brain and body remembers the unpleasant recoil and noise which occurs when you pull the trigger on one of the big magnums."

"For most hunters, the upper limit of recoil is the .30-06 or 7mm Remington Magnum®. A majority of hunters are more comfortable with a .308 or .270."

If the 7mm-08 is capable of taking moose in Alaska, it is certainly more than adequate for 150 lb southern whitetails. In addition, the 7mm-08 is simply the .308 Winchester necked down to .28 Caliber. The difference between a 140 grain 7mm-08 and a 150 grain .308 bullet is .022 ounces and .024 inches in diameter. The advantage of the 7mm-08 is that you can regularly find 120 grain bullets and reduced recoil rounds that put the felt recoil at or below 12 lbs. Comparably the 150 grain .308 is 15.8 lbs and the standard bullet weights for the .270 and 30-06 are all over 17 lbs of felt recoil.

My favorite all around rifle is a Ruger M77 Compact in 7mm-08. The shorter barrel and length of pull (LOP) stock make it ideal for moving around in box blinds, tree stands or carrying it through the woods, and comes in handy when you have an extra 5 layers of camo clothing on. However, lightweight, compact rifles with standard 7mm-08 can pack quite the punch for young hunters. The modifications reduce the weight of the rifle, which increases felt recoil, so it may not be the best option for kids under 12 unless paired with some reduced recoil rounds.

#### Comparing Family Trees .308 Vs 30-06

To often we get caught up in the debate of which caliber is better, but truth be told, most of the popular calibers are just variations of the 30-06 or .308 cartridge. Below is a table of both the .308 and 30-06 family trees.

#### The .308 Family Tree includes

- \* 243 Winchester
- \* 260 Remington
- \* 7mm-08 Remington
- \* 308 Winchester
- \* 338 Federal
- \* 358 Winchester

#### The 30-06 Family Tree includes

- \* 25-06 Remington
- \* 270 Winchester
- \* 280 Remington
- \* 30-06
- \* 338-06
- \* 35 Whelen

The bottom line is don't get so caught up on caliber selection because knock down power is a myth. Find a rifle that fits you and that you can shoot well, select a good premium hunting bullet, and practice! A light recoiling rifle in a short handy platform will make shooting and hunting more enjoyable, and that is what it is all about.

