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A NRA affiliated non-profit organization for the preservation and promotion of the shooting sports through firearms training and safety education.



June 2017

NEWSLETTER



Florida concealed weapons permit holders exposed in computer hack

Monday, May 23, 2017

More than 16,000 concealed weapons permit holders in Florida may have had their names accidentally made public because of a data breach at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The agency released a statement saying concealed weapons licensees who renewed online may have had their names accessed, and 469 other customers were notified that their Social Security numbers may have been hacked as part of the breach.

“Other information possibly accessed per the data breach is all public information and poses no risk of identity theft,” the agency said.

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POLK COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE NOW PROCESSING CONCEALED WEAPONS LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Appointments Are Now Available For License Applications and Renewals

May 19, 2017

Joe G. Tedder, Tax Collector, announces the Tax Collector's Office is now providing Concealed Weapon License application and renewal services on an appointment only basis at its Lakeland and Lake Wales Service Centers. Appointments are made at the Tax Collector's Office official website, PolkTaxes.com.

Upon announcing the new service offerings, Tedder stated, “I am grateful for all that Commissioner Putnam and his staff have done to help our office bring these state services to the citizens of Polk County. Previously, our constituents had to travel outside Polk County to get these services.”

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Meeting
June 13th

Location

**150 Southeast Plaza Road
Winter Haven**

(One block south of Cypress Gardens Blvd., across the street from Publix, next to Papa John's Pizza)

General Meeting: **7:00 pm**

Guest Speaker

Christopher Rudolph
Polk County Tax Collector's Office



Topic:
**Polk County's
NEW**

Concealed Carry License Application Processing

- The development
- The process
- The locations



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“The breach occurred through the online payment system, although the hackers were unsuccessful in obtaining any financial information. The department takes cybersecurity seriously and acted quickly to mitigate the effects of this breach. The privacy of the department’s customers is a top priority and will remain so.”

Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam, who's running for governor in 2018, has ordered a comprehensive review of the department’s cybersecurity measures. The 16,000 concealed weapons permit holders represent less than 1 percent of the total number of concealed weapons licensees. Permit holders who may have been affected by the data breach are being instructed to call 800-350-1119 for more information. Putnam's office emphasized that the data breach did not involve any transactions that took place in a county tax collector's office. Tax collectors accept concealed weapons license applications.

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Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam partnered with Tedder and tax collectors throughout Florida to pass legislation allowing selected tax collector offices to accept concealed weapon license applications and renewals

Tedder continued, “We are fortunate Commissioner Putnam and Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services recognized Polk’s unique geography and population when approving our office to provide application and renewal services at two locations.”

Citizens of Florida who are interested in obtaining or renewing a concealed weapons license in Polk County should visit PolkTaxes.com to get the information they need to complete a license application, conduct a renewal transaction, and make an appointment.

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Monthly Meeting

The Club meets the **2nd Tuesday** of every month.
 Attendance is for members only.
 Two, first-time, guests per member, per meeting, welcomed.



One of Our Own Is A Winner



List of 2017 Florida Friends of NRA Calendar winners

- 1/2/17- Melanie F. - [Lakeland](#), FL Ticket #6837
- 1/5/17 - Terry G. - Clewiston, FL Ticket #3668
- 1/9/17 - Todd M. - [Winter Haven](#), FL Ticket #5691
- 1/12/17 - Jonathon C. - LaBelle, FL Ticket #3614
- 1/16/17 - Ken H. - Warminster, PA Ticket #2341
- 1/19/17 - Kristin M. - LaBelle, FL Ticket #2210
- 1/23/17 - Doug S. - Hudson, FL Ticket #5057
- 1/26/17 - Harriet P. - [Plant City](#), FL Ticket #4050
- 1/30/17 - Sam L. - Lithia, FL Ticket #1961
- 2/2/17 - Kevin S. - Williston, FL Ticket #4851
- 2/6 /17 - Tracy D. - Bradenton, FL Ticket #5237
- 2/9/17 - Albert H. - Port Charlotte, FL Ticket #2429
- 2/13/17 - Jacob C. - Keystone Heights, FL Ticket #4798
- 2/16/17 - Mel K. - Ft. Denaud, FL Ticket #3618

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June 2016 Club Calendar

JUNE 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	CCW 101 9:00 AM 3
4	5	6	CCW 200 9:00AM 7	8	9	CCW 101 9:00 AM 10
11	12	CLUB MEETING 13	 14	15	16	17
<i>Happy Father's Day</i> 18	19	20	21	22	23	CCW 101 9:00 AM 24
25	26	27	CCW 200 9:00AM 28	29	30	

Texas Campus Concealed Carry Student Stops Slaughter at UT Austin

By Scott Osborn | May 2, 2017

A student at University of Texas at Austin stopped what could have been a very grave situation when **he pulled out his concealed weapon and stopped a man stabbing students** with a knife.

Multiple people sustained potentially serious injuries, and one person died after the stabbing attack that seemed to target fraternity members at the Texas school.

Eyewitnesses reported that a student pulled out a concealed handgun on the suspect and made him back down, stopping what was heading towards a slaughter!

The Tab Austin Texas reports: Multiple people have sustained potentially serious injuries, and one has died after a stabbing attack on the University of Texas at Austin campus.

UT Austin Student Body Kim President Binna reportedly also sent out through social media that a concealed carry holder had stopped the attack before it got worse.

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NRA Carry Guard: 21st Century Training

by America's 1st Freedom Staff
May 23, 2017

This feature appears in the June '17 issue of NRA America's 1st Freedom, one of the official journals of the National Rifle Association.

The National Rifle Association introduced its new NRA Carry Guard program at April's NRA Annual Meetings & Exhibits. To learn more about the program, we sat down with Lt. Cmdr. George Severence, a retired U.S. Navy SEAL and national director of NRA Carry Guard.

America's 1st Freedom: Thanks for taking time out to give us a look at where NRA Training is headed. How did you get yourself on this particular hot seat?

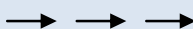
George Severence: I expect the origins aren't that different from many others who choose to wear our country's uniform: Family tradition. My grandfather was a Marine aviator in World War II, killed in May of 1945 off Okinawa.

I grew up in a family where shooting well and safely was a priority. When I got to college, I was fortunate enough to cross paths with a professor who was a Ph.D. student in criminal justice and former Special Forces soldier (Project Delta in Vietnam). He gave me a solid foundation in both the mechanical skills of shooting proficiently as well as the lessons he and his teammates learned in blood in the jungles of southeast Asia. As soon as I turned 21, I qualified for a concealed-carry permit. Soon after college, I pursued my dream of becoming a Navy SEAL. My background in tactical shooting provided me with a solid foundation on which to build.

A1F: In light of the recent hoopla around "Blended Training" (combined online and in-person), what will be the variations from the established curricula?

GS: There's still a solid place for much of the NRA's current training, but NRA Carry Guard acknowledges that the conflict space continues to evolve. Our training needs to evolve, too, and meet the demands of that changing environment

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21st Century Training

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I think it was Jeff Cooper who suggested the most likely engagement distance was "the length of a pick-up truck." And when he said it, he was correct. Assailants were most likely to be small in number, their intent being assault and/or robbery. But the conflict space has changed to the point where our responsibilities and training as armed citizens must change as well. We want to provide citizens with the skills necessary to responsibly carry a concealed weapon for self-defense, defense of family and defense of innocent third parties in a new and arguably more dangerous environment.

A1F: Would you elaborate there?

GS: Sure. Legal considerations are extremely important. Castle Doctrine and "Stand Your Ground" laws have ramifications that may seem easy to understand on the surface but can get exceedingly complex under the stress of a lethal force engagement. Shooting needs to be a last resort. Just because one can exercise lethal force does not necessarily mean one should. In the aftermath of an encounter, you will be held accountable to the law, which is not necessarily the same thing as justice. Legal is about procedure. Justice is about substance. This is where judgment comes into play.

NRA Carry Guard acknowledges that the conflict space continues to evolve. Our training needs to evolve, too. Situational awareness, avoidance and de-escalation are skills that will be emphasized in our courses. When there is no other option than a firearm to stop a threat, we want our students to know their levels of competency and proficiency as well as their limitations.

Naturally, this has some implications not only about what we'll teach, but how we'll teach it. We are very fortunate to have serious students of the gun involved in vetting our content. We did not want to plan in a bubble. Our goal was to provide the gold standard in CCW training, and we therefore welcomed the evaluations and critiques of industry leaders with law enforcement and military backgrounds, as well as citizens with varying life experiences.

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2/23/17 - Cliff W. - Sarasota, FL Ticket #6151
2/27/17 - Timothy P. - LaBelle, FL Ticket #2720
3/2/17- Fred C. - Okeechobee, FL Ticket #6066
3/6/17 - Bill S. - Cape Coral, FL Ticket #6008
3/9/17 - Alyson H. - [Winter Haven](#), FL Ticket #5124
3/13/17 - Joe M. - North Fort Myers, FL Ticket #3532
3/16/17 - Michael F. - Punta Gorda, FL Ticket #3542
3/20/17 - Tony H. - North Port, FL Ticket #2253
3/23/17 - Ronald L. - Myakka City, FL Ticket #5718
3/27/17 - Jacqueline S. - Orlando, FL Ticket #2356
3/30/17 - Cliff W. - Sarasota, FL Ticket #6151
4/3/17 - John O. - Cape Coral, FL Ticket #5297
4/6/17 - Robert W. - Wellington, FL Ticket #6460
4/10/17 - Deborah B. - [Plant City](#), FL Ticket #6832
4/13/17 - Duane W. - Lebanon, PA Ticket #2343
4/17/17 - Hayden F. - Kennesaw, GA Ticket #1549
4/20/17 - Allan S. - [Plant City](#), FL Ticket #4020
4/24/17 - Mary T. - LaBelle, FL Ticket#2271
4/27/17 - Frank R. - Ruskin, FL Ticket#6605
5/1/17 - Leslie B. - Oak Harbor, OH Ticket #2610
5/4/17 - Todd S. - Ruskin, FL Ticket #6259
5/8/17 - Jim T. - Bradenton, FL Ticket #5734
5/11/17 - Dave A. - New Providence, PA Ticket #2321
5/15/17 - Kristin M. - LaBelle, FL Ticket #2237
5/18/17 - Robert D. - [Lake Wales](#), FL Ticket #6955
5/22/17 - Betty B. - Moore Haven, FL Ticket #2533
5/25/17 - Brian O. - Sarasota, FL Ticket #6508
5/29/17 - Dave S. - Largo, FL Ticket #1000

Smith & Wesson (SWHC) also reported a dramatic sales and profit increase in its most recent quarter, which it attributed to the rising popularity of handguns for personal protection.

The End



Regular Gun Maintenance Can Help Produce Longer-Running, Safer Firearms

by Jason J. Brown



Most (if not every) gun owner who uses their firearm with any degree of regularity knows that despite the multitude of differences amongst guns, there is a universal constant for all of them: shoot them enough, and they're eventually going to get dirty. Even guns with coated parts that promise enhanced lubricity and easier cleaning need to be properly serviced to ensure they continue to function reliably.

Routine maintenance on firearms is a lot like regularly servicing your vehicle: it not only extends the service life of the machine, but helps keep the operator safe, as well.

Without getting into a physics lesson to explain how firearms work – here's a great infographic explaining it! – the action of a gun will result in a variety of particulate residue left over in the internals following the firing of a cartridge, including gunpowder, metals and other materials that build up over time.

Nearly all projectiles, whether rimfire or centerfire ammo, are composed of a lead core with a copper or bi-metal jacket. The combination of carbon residue resulting from the burning powder in a cartridge and the leftover copper, lead and plastic residue is collectively called fouling. The more fouling that accumulates within the gun's action, chamber, fire control group and elsewhere there are moving parts, the higher the likelihood becomes the gun could malfunction, or worse.

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The best place to start in cleaning your firearm is to consult your owner's manual, which should have come with the gun when you purchased it. This manual contains all the relevant safety, operation, maintenance and other important info about your gun, and you should always read it before using the gun for the first time. If you purchased a pre-owned firearm that comes without a manual, you can contact the manufacturer to request an owner's manual.



A field stripped Heckler & Koch pistol.

Depending on what type of firearm you own, the takedown, or disassembly, and reassembly procedures will vary greatly, and the manual will detail how to properly break down the gun. Once you have read the manual and procured your desired cleaning supplies, including solvents, lubricants, brushes, wipes and other effects, you'll need to ensure the firearm is unloaded before performing any maintenance whatsoever. Visually and physically ensure your gun is unloaded. Some firearm instructor suggest building a routine, such as spoken phrasing announcing when the firearm is loaded or unloaded, to help you reassure what condition the firearm is in. It's also a prudent idea to remove all ammunition from the area or room where you're servicing the firearm in order to reduce the likelihood of accidents.

Prepare your work area where you plan to clean your firearm. Choose a location that is well lit and well ventilated, as the solvents used to clean firearms can be toxic, and should be handled with care. Once you've ensured the firearm is unloaded and all ammunition is away from the gun and work area, engage the firearm safeties (if applicable), and field strip the gun. Your owner's manual will provide instructions on how to do this on your particular model.

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This is also training that will continue to evolve. Just as adapting to the enemy on the battlefield was and continues to be an important component of successful military operations, we do not want to stagnate. We'll continue to study and evolve our programs to incorporate case studies and best practices.

A1F: That sounds like it's going to get well beyond the traditional classroom and "x shots in y seconds at z yards."

GS: Definitely. There will be pre-course work that lays out the intellectual foundation for taking on the responsibility of carrying a concealed weapon. A module titled "Lethal Force: Rights and Responsibilities" will cover this in detail. Level I will combine live fire with classwork on other concealed-carry considerations, including suspect control, low-light live fire, and Airsoft scenario, judgment-based training.

If people choose to "off-ramp" after Level I, they will understand the limits of their skills as well as their obligations before the law. Their evaluations will come from a precise scoring system, too; a student will know if they passed with a 97.5 percent, or if they squeaked by with a 75. As in life, not everyone gets a trophy. Students will get honest, constructive feedback so they are aware of their limitations and have a clear understanding of what they need to do in order to improve.

A1F: This anticipates a Level II and beyond?

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Next, clean the bore of the barrel, as the interior of the barrel is where most of the action takes and the resulting debris accumulates. Typically, it's best to clean from the action forward to the muzzle, in the direction the bullet travels. After you've cleaned the bore, move on to the frame and other components, like the lower receiver of the frame of a semi-auto handgun.

Even though the firing action doesn't occur in these areas, the particulate leftovers work their way into nearly every nook and cranny in a firearm. When paired with lubricant, it spreads even further, getting down into the fire control group, along the slide rails, and other spots away from the chamber.

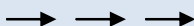
Once you've cleaned the gun, be sure to lubricate it! Anywhere the firearm has moving parts will require lubrication to allow those parts to move smoothly without encountering friction, which can wear down parts prematurely and lead to malfunctions and potentially breakage. Not to sound like a broken record, but your owner's manual will likely detail points in the firearm you should apply lubricant. Your firearm should be well lubricated before you store it, as well.

Applying lubricating oils to your firearm not only help moving parts run smoothly, but will stave off rusting. Rusting is one of the most dangerous enemies to a gun, with severe rust damage leading to corrosion and compromising the integrity of the metal. Rust damage can also impact the rifling in your barrel, leading to pits that destroy the accuracy of the gun. In a worst-case scenario, extreme rust in a firearm can lead to the gun becoming weak at stress points, making it unsafe to shoot.



A Smith & Wesson M&P40C pistol showing surface rust.)

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Gun Maintenance

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At the end of every field strip and cleaning session, you should function-check your gun to ensure that it was reassembled correctly and is in proper working order. As always, consult your owner's manual to confirm the reassembly process.

While there's no one absolutely right schedule for cleaning and maintenance when it comes to firearms, the best way for you to ensure your gun keeps running round after round, year after year is to get to know it, inspect it often, and build habits for good maintenance. Routine inspections and cleanings can also help you identify problems or issues that could lead to malfunctions, such as excessive wear or cracks, that if not addressed that you might not otherwise notice during shooting.

The demands of every shooter are different; many recreational users may not need to clean their firearms after every trip to the range, while competitive shooters and tactical users who train with high round counts or corrosive ammo should service their guns thoroughly and often. Most firearms instructors suggest that users who carry a gun for defensive purposes, such a concealed carry pistol, apply extra diligence in keeping that firearm clean and serviceable at all times to ensure it is ready in an instant should you need to use it.

The most important thing is to find the routine that works for you, keep your firearms clean and serviceable, and always follow firearm safety rules at all times.

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Five Pocket Holsters For Your Concealed Carry Pistol

by Jason J. Brown - May 2017



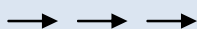
The concealed carry trend has exploded across America, with more and more Americans purchasing and carrying firearms for self-defense. The firearm options available are as diverse as gun owners themselves, and the ways in which users carry and conceal those firearms are even more varied.

Depending on the size and model of your firearm, how and where you intend to carry, what orientation you draw and shoot from, and various other considerations, there are numerous holster types and options to fit these needs.

Many gun owners start out with large pistols and determine after time that a smaller pistol may be a more suitable option for situations in which a larger gun may be inconvenient or uncomfortable. Pocket pistols are generally small in size, lightweight, designed with rounded edges and have very few external controls, which helps prevent snagging during presentation. As such, they are comfortable to carry and easy to conceal.

Pocket holsters allow users to carry these smaller pistols without having to wear on their hip, which may be more comfortable than traditional inside-the-waistband carry and may provide even deeper concealment. A gun carried in a pocket without a holster may rotate so that its butt is downward when you go to access it, making presentation more difficult. Also, even the smallest pistols will tend to print through clothing and may alarm a reasonably observant person.

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Pocket Holsters

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Pocket holsters that fit inside the pocket and hold a small pistol serve both to orient the gun in a consistent position and break up the gun's outline through clothing. The main strength of a pocket holster is that they allow concealment of a pocket pistol with virtually any type of clothing. They are extremely convenient and comparably inexpensive, which may encourage people to carry a defensive pistol more frequently.

The convenience and ease of concealment comes at a cost, though. Only a small pistol can be carried concealed in a pocket, and shouldn't be carried with keys, loose change or other effects in the same pocket. Additionally, it could be difficult to draw from a pocket holster while seated.

Ready to look into a pocket holster for your concealed carry pistol? There are a huge variety of choices available for the growing lines of small-framed guns on the market. We take a look at five options that might work for your pocket pistol needs:



DeSantis Nemesis

The DeSantis Nemesis packs a lot of engineering into a small package. The Nemesis features an aggressive exterior that is designed to grab the inside of your pocket and remain there when you draw. A smooth inside lining ensures your compact revolver or semi-automatic draws easily and quickly when you need it.

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TUFF Products Pocket Roo

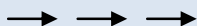
TUFF Products' Pocket Roo offers a solution to those who want to carry low profile, but also want to carry spare ammo as well. The Pocket Roo allows the user to pack a spare magazine with the gun. Available for a range of small revolvers and semi-autos, the Pocket Roo has an integral pocket for a mag or QuickStrip of ammunition.



Versacarry Water Buffalo Pocket Holster

Designed for small .25 to .380 ACP semi-automatic pistols, the handmade Pocket Holster from Versacarry is offered in water buffalo leather.

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Versacarry claims the break-in period is reduced by 80 percent over a traditional leather unit, and the color changes when pressure is applied. The ambidextrous holster is available in distressed brown, black or antique brown colors and for pistols both with and without lasers equipped.



Blackhawk Inside-the-Pocket Holster

The Blackhawk Inside-the-Pocket Holster is simple, basic, adaptable and affordable, a perfect choice for the practical carrier. This synthetic holster is fully ambidextrous and available for nearly all small semi-autos and revolvers. It features a soft laminate suede-like outer material and has a non-slip band around its body to keep the holster in your pocket as you draw.



Crossbreed Pocket Rocket

Built nearly exclusively for small .380 ACP semi-autos, the Crossbreed Pocket Rocket is ready for minimalist carry. Available in right- and left-hand versions, the holster's leather backer hides the shape of the gun in your pocket, resulting in a wallet-shaped print that will not attract any undue attention. **- The End -**

4 Weird Things People Ask Women Who Carry Guns (and How to Answer)

by Wendy LaFever - May 2017

If you're a woman who chooses to carry concealed, chances are quite good that sooner or later someone will question you about your decision. Most of the time, anyone with whom you're close enough to have shared that information will be respectful towards you, but let's face it: There's a lot of misinformation out there about guns, gun owners, the laws about armed self-defense and carrying concealed. We responsible gun owners are usually facing an uphill battle trying to gently and respectfully correct those misperceptions.

For some reason, the conversation tends to be even more difficult when the subject is a woman who carries a firearm for self-defense. The reasons why are both beyond the scope of this article and this writer's qualifications—although a tentative guess might be cultural expectations of women as nurturers—but it's a fact that the questions directed at women who carry concealed tend to be a bit more *pointed*, shall we say, than those directed at men. It can be frustrating. That said, it remains important that we serve as good ambassadors for our beliefs, and that we do our best to be respectful towards people who (however clumsily) are at least trying to understand. One key to success is to keep your initial reaction *on the inside*...and have some polite replies ready to go. Here's what that might look like.

Weird Question #1: "Aren't you scared the gun will go off?"

Snarky reaction that you keep inside your head:
"No."

Actual reply: "Firearms don't really work that way. The only way to get my gun to discharge is to grip it securely in both hands, releasing the grip safety, then to deliberately squeeze the trigger. It's not something that can happen on its own, or if the gun gets jostled or dropped." (Of course, different kinds of guns have different safety mechanisms, from passive to active (or both), so you'll want to tailor your response. Just keep it simple and try to avoid using specific firearms terms that people unfamiliar with guns may not know.)

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4 Weird Things People Ask

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Weird Question #2: "Aren't you worried the 'bad guy' will just take the gun away from you and use it against you?"

Snarky reaction that you keep inside your head:
"No."

Actual reply: "The only reason I would ever even let the 'bad guy' know I had a gun is if my life were *already* in immediate danger. It's an absolute last resort. What's more, I've undergone extensive training to learn how to draw the gun from concealment and fire it quickly and accurately to stop the threat." (*Of course, you have had the training, right?*)

Weird Question #3: "Can't you just carry pepper spray/get a whistle/learn martial arts?"

Snarky reaction that you keep inside your head:
"No."

Actual reply: "Some people do choose 'less lethal' methods of self-defense, and that's entirely up to them. The problem is that they're generally not as effective at stopping a person who is determined to harm or kill. Even martial-arts experts can be overpowered physically by someone who takes them by surprise or is much bigger and stronger. Whistles won't help unless there's someone around to hear it...and they're willing to intervene. Finally, although pepper spray can be quite incapacitating, it doesn't work the same way on everyone. Some aggressors who are intoxicated or just very determined are able to power through it. It's not a risk I choose to take."

(Of course, "less lethal" self-defense tools can certainly be a part of your overall strategy, depending on your circumstances.)

Weird Question #4: "So...can I see it?"

Snarky reaction that you keep inside your head:
"No."

Actual reply: "No. It's irresponsible and, in some areas, illegal for me to display my concealed-carry firearm in public unless I am actively using it to lawfully defend myself. But if you'd like to go to the range with me and let me teach you the rules of gun safety, not only will I let you see it, I'll let you *shoot* it." **- The End -**

In Reference To The Answer To Question # 2 Appearing
In *4 Weird Things People Ask* On Page 10

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GS: A “pass” at Level I will prepare a student to move on to a future Level II, yes. Here, the manipulations will get more demanding, as will the scenarios—longer shots, as well as what to do when opposing long guns and other asymmetrical factors. We’ll be trying to expand the range of decision-making tools people have, and also how to make that correct call in compressed timeframes.

Again, the goal is to give students the tools to more effectively meet the demands of that evolving conflict space.

Any other levels will follow suit. Students will continue to build all their skills while being tested on their time/distance courses of fire and suspect control, and through more complex scenario-based training.

There’s one other point that it is worthwhile to make, or perhaps reiterate. While we’re being careful not to create any confusion or problematic expectations, it is important for NRA members and potential students to understand that NRA Carry Guard will have cross-endorsement by other training organizations both inside and outside the NRA. We won’t be doing rifle, shotgun, combatives or vehicle training as part of our curriculum, but we’re in no way opposed to them—in fact, quite the opposite. Cross-endorsed partners will be vetted carefully, and when their standards meet ours (and vice versa), we’ll encourage our students to seek out those instructors and schools as they continue their training and evolution both as shooters and responsible citizens.

We do, however, think our curriculum will be an unparalleled place to start.

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A Few Home Concealment Ideas



New Product For Your Person

Ranger Bag

