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## Greetings From the Folks At Austin's TN Firearms

You are viewing and reading the inaugural edition of Bullet Points, the ezine from Austin's Tennessee Firearms School and our newest division, or our "pro Shop" as it were, Austin's Tennessee Firearms.

This electronic publication will be coming to you twice a month with news and shooting tips that we are sure that you will find helpful.

## Our New "Pro Shop" is Open!



The new gun shop at Austin's Tennessee Firearms School is Anderson County's only full service location for firearms of all types, accessories, gunsmithing and firearms training needs. Whether your interest is hunting, competition, self-defense, or just plinking, we're your spot.

Unlike the big box stores like "Goose Mountain", "Fish Go Shop" and others, firearms, firearms accessories, training and gunsmithing is ALL we do.

Yeah, we're a small shop so our inventory on hand is somewhat small but that just means we don't have to charge for stocking 1000's and 1000's of items and THAT SAVES YOU MONEY. We offer serious product knowledge, exceptional customer service, and outstanding product selection. With over 100,000 items from all over the world available via our catalogs, super low prices (we don't have to pay to stock thousands of items, you order it and it's here in 24 to 48 hours) and friendly customer service, there is no reason to buy anywhere else!

**Our Pledge:** To bring to our customers superb products at affordable prices. Our firearms, gear and other products deliver first rate quality fully appreciated by serious shooters and sportsmen.

**Our Quest:** To discover new sources for products which meet our customer's requirements and stringent standards, and make them available at the lowest possible prices. When it comes to buying firearms and accessories, we want to be your first choice.

We are Authorized Dealers of Henry Repeating Arms, L.W. Seecamp, Rock River arms, Remington, Mossberg, CZ-USA, Smith and Wesson, Colt, Marlin, Beretta, Savage, Taurus, Springfield Armory, and Winchester just to name a few. We also deal in: Anschutz, Armalite, Armscor, Bursa, Browning, Bushmaster, Charles Daly, Charter Arms, Cimarron, CVA, Dan Wesson, DPMS Panther Arms, EAA, FNH USA, Firestorm, Glock, Hastings, Heckler and Koch, Heritage, High-Point, KelTec, Khar, Kimber, Knight, Magnum Research, New England Firearms, North American Arms, Para-Ordnance, Phoenix Arms, Rock Island Armory, Russian American Armory, Sako, SigArms, Stag Arms, Taylor's

### Contributors Wanted:

Bullet Points is dedicated to bringing you information on topics regarding firearms safety, self defense and sport. We are always seeking new input on these topics and welcome all intelligent correspondence regarding these matters. If you would like to share ideas with the shooting community please submit your article to:

[admin@tngunshop.com](mailto:admin@tngunshop.com)

We'll review it and contact you if we think it is useful. Thank you for your time in reading our ezine.

**When firearms go, all goes- we need them every hour.**

-President George Washington

and Company, Tennessee Guns, Thompson, Thompson Center, Uberti, Walther, Weatherby and Wilson. Don't see what you are looking for? Call us at 865.272.1023

## Latest Addition to Our Course Offerings



After over a year of working on this special project our instructor cadre and a group of outside advisors made up of law enforcement, members of the legal community and former US military have wrapped up the course development work for the Defensive Shotgun Home Protection Course. The first "live" class was held on 24 May and the students loved it. The reviews from them included comments like: "I was tired and sweaty, so it was a good

*day. I'm much more comfortable with tactical reloading and basically not acting like a clay shooter."* & "I recommend anyone in East TN who needs shotgun training to head to Oak Ridge and Austin's. The instructors have extensive experience and are great!"

It is our opinion that the shotgun is the absolute best CQB firearm in existence today. As far as home defense is concerned, handguns are to keep 'em off of you until you can get to your shotgun. This dynamic course provides you, the student a reality based, aggressive, close quarters method for using the shotgun in the defense of your home. If you rely on a shotgun for self-protection and the protection of your family at home, this course is essential for you.

Visit our website and take a look at the syllabus for the [Defensive Shotgun](#) course and join us for the next one. You'll be glad you did.

## Free Clinic Days

Hey, don't forget about our Free Clinic days at the range. They are always on the Sunday after the second Saturday of the month. They are open to all students and are a good opportunity to get in a little practice with your firearms whether they be pistols, rifles or shotguns. Unless there is a weather problem such as lightning, torrential down-pour or severe cold and/or blowing snow the range opens at 1:00 pm and will remain open until 5:00 pm. If the weather is "iffy" and you are unsure, call the school line at 865.483.1108 to be sure.

## Some Alarming Statistics

### **40% of Bad Guys Carry a Back-up Weapon & Other Scary New Facts.**

Believe it or not, 40% of bad guys carry a back-up weapon. Wrap your brain around that and you will instantly see that this is not only a very important piece of information to be aware of but its just plain darned scary.

Where in the world did this statistic come from? Well, recently the FBI released the third in a series of long investigations into nonfatal and fatal attacks on Peace Officers. This huge volume of work was produced by the FBI team from the FBI's Behavioral Science Unit, the clinical forensic psychologist, Dr. Anthony Pinizzotto, and a bureau criminal investigative instructor, Ed Davis. They worked in conjunction with Charles Miller who is the coordinator of a program known as the LEOs Killed and Assaulted. "Violent Encounters: A

Arms in the hands of citizens (may) be used at individual discretion ... in private self-defense.

-John Adams,  
A defense of the  
Constitutions of the  
Government of the  
United States of America  
(1778)

Oppressors can tyrannize only when they achieve a standing army, an enslaved press and a disarmed populace.

-James Madison

Study of Felonious Assaults on Our Nation's Law Enforcement Officers" is the result of their collaboration in years of research. Though this study concerns LEO's, we believe that the Law abiding citizen with a carry permit in this state or any other for that matter has valuable lessons to learn here.

The research of Davis, Miller and Pinizzotto is based on a study of 40 randomly selected cases out of a pool of 800. The selected cases included 50 officers and 43 bad guys, nearly 25% of which were proud to cop to being drug running gang members.

Here are some other highlights of what they learned about weapon selection, familiarity, transport and use- a small portion of the overall research:

#### **WEAPON CHOICE**

Predominately handguns were used in the assaults and all but one were obtained illegally, usually in street transactions or in thefts. In contrast to media myth, none of the firearms in the study was obtained from gun shows. What was available "was the overriding factor in weapon choice," the report says. Only 1 offender hand-picked a particular gun "because he felt it would do the most damage to a human being."

Researcher Davis, in a presentation and discussion for the International Assn. of Chiefs of Police, noted that none of the attackers interviewed was "hindered by any law--federal, state or local--that has ever been established to prevent gun ownership. They just laughed at gun laws."

#### **FAMILIARITY**

Several of the offenders began regularly to carry weapons when they were 9 to 12 years old, although the average age was 17 when they first started packing "most of the time." Gang members especially started young.

Nearly 40% of the offenders had some type of formal firearms training, primarily from the military. More than 80% "regularly practiced with handguns, averaging 23 practice sessions a year," the study reports, usually in informal settings like trash dumps, rural woods, back yards and "street corners in known drug-trafficking areas."

One spoke of being motivated to improve his gun skills by his belief that police officers "go to the range two, three times a week [and] practice arms so they can hit anything." With that in mind ask yourself just how many times you have been to the range lately. You really ought to try and go at least once a month and run through 50 rounds to keep your muscle memory tuned up and maintain familiarity with your firearm.

#### **CONCEALMENT**

The offenders said they most often hid guns on their person in the front waistband, with the groin area and the small of the back nearly tied for second place. Some occasionally gave their weapons to another person to carry, "most often a female companion." None regularly used a holster, and about 40% at least sometimes carried a backup weapon.

In motor vehicles, they most often kept their firearm readily available on their person, or, less often, under the seat. In residences, most stashed their weapon under a pillow, on a nightstand, under the mattress--somewhere within immediate reach while in bed.

Almost all carried when on the move and strong majorities did so when socializing, committing crimes or being at home. About one-third brought weapons with them to work. Interestingly, the offenders in this study more commonly admitted having guns under all these circumstances than did

The best we can hope for concerning the people at large is that they be properly armed.

-Alexander Hamilton,  
The Federalist Papers

Accuracy is the product of consistency.

(Unknown)

God is not on the side of the big battalions, but on the side of those who shoot best.

-Voltaire

offenders interviewed in the researchers' earlier 2 surveys, conducted in the 1980s and '90s.

Folks, to borrow a phrase from a pop song of the 60's "the times they are a changin'." That is why our company slogan is Be safe, be confident, be trained!

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## A Little Humor to Knock the Edge Off

### Boom

A tough old Montana cowboy once told his grandson that, if he wanted to live a long life, the secret was to sprinkle a little gunpowder on his oatmeal every morning. The grandson did this religiously, and he lived to the age of 93. When he died he left 14 children, 28 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren ... and a 15-foot hole in the wall of the crematorium.

### Time!

An old Italian Mafia Don is dying and he calls his grandson to his bed. "You lissin-a me. I wanna for you to taka my chrome plated 38 revolver so you will always remember me." "But grandpa, I really don't like guns. Howzabout you leava me your Rolex watch instead." "Shuddup an lissin. Somma day you gonna runna da business, you gonna have a beautifula wife, lotsa money, a biga home and maybe a couple a bambinos. Somma day you gonna coma home and maybe find you wife inna bed with another man. Whadda you gonna do then.....pointa to you watch and a say, Times Up?"

### Watch What Ya Say

At the police station, Bubba explained to the police officer why his cousins shot him. "Well," Bubba began, "We wuz havin' a good time drinking, when my cousin Jed picked up his shotgun and said, 'Hey, you fellers wanna go a huntin'?" "And then what happened?" the officer interrupted. "From what I remember," Bubba said, "I stood up and said, 'Sure, I'm game."

### Results

First man : why do you go hunting without bullets? Second man: Because it is cheaper and the results are the same.

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## In Closing

We hope that you have enjoyed this first issue of **Bullet Points**. The next issue will appear in your inbox in the first week of August. We'll be back in the first week and the third week of every month with helpful shooting tips, news you can use and a joke or two. Until then, stay safe.

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