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Guns, Guns, Guns...

Last month, I updated you on the trials and tribulations encountered in building a couple of AR-10s or more accurately a couple of LR-308s. I'm happy to report that I've worked out all the bugs in these home-built rifles, and now it is a matter of learning how to shoot them. So, August was a busy month for guns at Im4Rights. There were four new additions to the collection; three were home-built, and two of those were "personal use only" guns (if you get my drift). The final addition was an EAA Windicator in .357 magnum. The only other "wheel gun" I own is a black powder replica by F. LLI Pietta of an 1851 Navy Sherriff in .44 caliber. I have always wanted a .357 magnum revolver, and I've been looking for a 2 inch Windicator for a long time. I was hoping for a blued version, but I spotted a nickel-plated version, the only one at the Tampa Gun Show last weekend. I immediately said I'd take it after he gave me a \$20 discount... never pay full price at a gun show! Luckily, I made the deal right away, as soon as I decided to purchase it, someone who had seen it before came back for it. Sorry dude! You snooze, you lose! It is a little heavy, and the trigger is not the best, but dollar for dollar, I think this German made pistol is a great value. I took it to the range to run a few rounds through it, and predictably, it was a little snappy with .357 magnum loads.





LR-308, 16" barrel, red/green dot, back up sights (above) EAA Windicator .357 mag/.38 special (below)



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"Ghost Guns" = Dodo Birds...

On August 24, 2022, the ATF's (or is it AFT's?) Definition of "Frame or Receiver" and Identification of Firearms rule took effect, eliminating our ability to make our own guns for our own use without the government's knowledge or having to jump through various hoops. Now, if you want to buy a so called "80% lower," it will be serialized and the transaction will need to go through an FFL with all the associated transfer and background check fees. To be clear this new rule mostly affects FFL holders and does not prohibit the possession of "ghost guns" at the Federal level, but your jurisdiction may vary. According to my understanding of the rule, if you've made your own firearm from an "80% lower," you need not do anything; however, if you take it to a gunsmith or other FFL, for any work that cannot be done in your presence, it will need to serialized, and depending on your jurisdiction a background check completed before returning it to your possession. (I suggest you contact an attorney for clarification of the new rule's requirements.)

Gone are the days of an "80% lower" showing up on your doorstep, waiting to be made into a working firearm that the government does not know about or has not charged you a fee to own. The words "shall not be infringed" have no meaning to the government, and Der Fuehrer Biden has declared he will outlaw, "Assault Weapons" if the Democrats manage to hold on to the House and gain a couple seats in the Senate. All gun owners, must ban together to ensure this does not happen. The 2nd Amendment is not about hunting, or competitive shooting, it's about defending against a tyrannical government, which is coming just around the corner. There is a coordinated attack underway against Freedom, Liberty, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. Don't believe the "narrative" espoused by the Government and their Media and Big Tech lackeys! Buy all the guns and ammo you can before they are declared illegal. When the government is armed and the citizens are not, freedom will wither.

Bubba Still Not Done...

When I was writing this newsletter last month, I had been told Bubba would be "done this week," but I said, "I'm not holding my breath..." It turns out my intuition was right. It's a month later, and he's still not finished. The shop owner is bound and determined to get the job done, and will not give up, even though I offered to let him throw in the towel and pay him for the work he has done. For now, the saga continues, but one of these days the



truck will either be done, or I'll take it to another shop. Of course, with gas prices the way they are, I'm saving money by not being able to drive ol' Bubba! On the flipside, I'm holding off on several projects until I get him back.

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More on Preparedness...

Back in January, I listed my top five categories for basic preparedness - Food, Shelter, Water, Mobility, and Defense, with Medical a close sixth. There are many more aspects to preparedness, and whole books have been devoted to the topic; however, as stated previously, if you have made preparations in the topics listed above, you will be way ahead of the average person. This month I want to talk about operational security (OpSec Bro!) and the philosophy of sharing. When "Shit Hits the Fan," "The Balloon Goes Up," or a "World without Rule of Law" occurs, things will be a lot different than you have probably ever known.

You should encourage your friends and neighbors to prepare for these eventualities, but you should not divulge the extent of your preparations to others. If it is well known that you have stocks of food, medicine, guns, ammunition, etc., you may be targeted by those who are less prepared, but are more ruthless. Better to keep quiet about the types and extents of your preparations. This is part of operational security or OpSec. The fewer people who know what you have and where it is located, the better off you will be in the long run. Try not to put all of your eggs in one basket so you don't risk everything at one location, in case your preparations are discovered and plundered.

You should determine ahead of time your "philosophy of sharing." To whom will you provide assistance with respect to your stocks of food, medicine, guns, and ammunition? There are very real limitations on your supplies; will you give of these freely, or will you place conditions on them? For example, will you give stocks to family, friends, neighbors, strangers, and under what conditions? Will you give out of the goodness of your heart, or will there be compensation of some sort required? How will you decide? These are all questions you will need to think about in advance.

The prioritization of resources in troubled times can be the difference between the survival of your group, or its demise. The rules under which you operate can extend the survival or accelerate the elimination of your tribe. Decisions about who may share in your stocks have both short and long term ramifications. For example, if word gets out that you will feed anyone who shows up, you will soon be overrun with mouths to feed. Setting parameters for sharing ahead of time will help you when the time comes to provide assistance or not. Most of us, left to our own decisions, would chose to help anyone we could, but taking food out of the mouths of our own people, may not be in our best interest. Choose wisely!

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