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RMR Weekly E-News

Hello RMR Fans!!

We got our first real blast of winter on Wednesday, and it was more than we thought we would get as far as snow goes. It was enough wet snow to rip a hole in the pens, but they were able to fix it yesterday. The snow will melt and give you some awesome scenting conditions with the cover the way it is now. What a wonderful time to hunt at your club!

We have a fund raiser for the Pikes Peak Firearms Coalition at the club on Saturday and as most of you know, when the corporate events take place at the club, there are a lot of extra birds in the field afterwards. Look at your schedule and plan to come and take advantage of the weather and cover.

One of our great hunting dogs at the RMR kennel passed away last Friday. Onyx was a super little black lab that was 8 years old and ended up getting diabetes. We will miss her and I know those of you who had the opportunity to hunt with her will miss her too. That was a sad day for the RMR guides....she was a go-getter for certain.

RMR MEMBER NEWS

Members Joel and Chris Catlin have had a very rough year so far. They lost their mother a couple of months ago and last week they lost their sister. Please keep that family in your prayers.

HOAX WITH THE EMAILS ABOUT SB-2099

Many of you are getting emails about the possibility of the government making you list your guns on your tax return and other bogus things. I get 3-5 emails a day asking me if this is true. It is not....read below. This is from the Rocky Mountain Gun Owners group.

Daily, we've being deluged by well-meaning gun owners who are scared that a bill called "SB-2099" has passed Congress secretly, and that you must now list your firearms on your IRS 1040 forms. If you fell prey to this e-mail hoax, you need to join a real gun rights group you trust.

There are a great number of indicators in this e-mail that prove the sender is not to be trusted.

"This bill will become public knowledge 30 days after it is voted into law." Baloney. I don't trust the scumbuckets in Washington, D.C. either.

But a bill can't become law without "public knowledge" or without a vote. If this were possible, is there any doubt the liberals would use it to immediately enact their gun control fantasies? The only thing stopping them is...well, frankly, you.

Another thing that tells you this isn't accurate is that the US Senate doesn't list them as "SB 2099" or "SB-2099". It would be "S. 2099".

The third glaring indication that it isn't real is that when you do a search of "S. 2099" or even "2099" from the US Senate website, it returns nothing.

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I'm a former US Senate employee (Sen. Bill Armstrong's staff), and still have a lot of contacts on the Hill. So I've got a good handle on federal legislation -- we track federal legislation here:

<http://www.nationalgunrights.org/billwatch.shtml>

The one thing they did get right is that 2099 was, at one time, a bill in the U.S. Senate... in 2000. And yes, it was a gun control disaster.

It didn't get anywhere, but 9 years later it's not still alive.

However, this illustrates why we exist: There's a lot of misinformation out there -- especially on the internet -- and gun owners need someone they trust take the time to decipher it. They want to know what's happening without being scammed, so they become members of groups they trust.

If you are sent this e-mail, forward our above reply, with a note from you to the sender and all the recipients:

"I asked a gun lobbyist I trust about the legislation you referenced, "SB-2099". And, as you can see from this 15-year veteran of the wars to save our freedoms, the referenced legislation isn't as advertised.

There are plenty of real threats to our right to keep and bear arms. Let's put our energy into fighting them, not ghosts.

That's why I'm a member of Rocky Mountain Gun Owners: I trust them to know what's happening and alert me when my help is needed.

If you live in Colorado, you need to be a member. There is no other group in Colorado who truly defends our rights without compromise.

POCKET KNIVES ARE SAFE FOR THE MOMENT

October 21, 2009 (Washington, DC) - The United States Senate approved Tuesday the FY2010 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill Conference Report, which includes an amendment to protect the use of pocketknives.

"We have been working hard to defeat this reclassification of assisted-opening knives since the potential rule change was proposed and we are very pleased that the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus won this fight to protect the millions of law abiding knife owners, manufacturers and ancillary industries from overzealous regulation," said Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation President Jeff Crane.

The amendment, inserted into the bill in July by Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus Sens. John Cornyn, R-Texas, Mark Pryor, D-Ark., and Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, successfully blocked the attempt by the Office of Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) to alter their interpretation of the definition of switchblade knives to include spring-assisted or one-handed-opening knives as defined under the 1958 Switchblade Knife Act.

The U.S House of Representatives passed the conference report last week, and now it goes to President Obama for signature into law.

"In these perilous economic times, the last thing the federal government should do is take any action that will adversely affect job creation. This legislation ensures thousands of Texans and tens of thousands of Americans in the sporting goods manufacturing and retail industry will not lose their jobs. It will also ensure that the 35 million Americans who own pocketknives are free to continue using them without the threat of federal agency intrusion. I'm hopeful that President Obama will sign this important measure into law without delay," said Sen. Cornyn.

Earlier this year, the CBP proposed amending and expanding the Switchblade Knife Act of 1958 to include spring-assisted or one-handed-opening knives. The amendment clarifies that assisted-opening pocketknives are exempt from regulation.

"Customs and Border Patrol missed the mark with their interpretation, inadvertently banning ordinary pocketknives. In Arkansas, I heard from firemen, construction workers, farmers, policemen, electricians, hunters and fishermen who all took notice. A pocketknife for many people can serve as an entire toolbox, and the government really has no business taking that away from them. I'm pleased we could prevent this unreasonable ban from advancing," said Sen. Pryor.

"Without this amendment, there was a real danger that 80 percent of the pocketknives sold in the U.S. would have been reclassified as illegal switchblades, which would not only hurt knife and tool manufacturers across the nation but infringe on American's knife-carrying rights," said Sen. Hatch. "I am very pleased to see the amendment sponsored by myself and Senators Pryor and Cornyn was accepted by the DHS appropriations conference to ensure that knives used every day by men and women who are craftsmen, sportsmen and tradesmen are not wrongly categorized as a switchblade."

CELL PHONE NUMBERS TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Cell phone numbers go public this month. REMINDER..... All cell phone numbers are being released to tele-marketing companies and you will start to receive sales calls..... **YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THESE CALLS**

To prevent this, call the following number from your cell phone: 1-888-382-1222 It is the National DO NOT CALL list. It will only take a minute of your time.. It blocks your number for five (5) years. You must call from the cell phone number you want to have blocked. You cannot call from a different phone number. You can do this on any number you want blocked from telemarketers.

HELP OTHERS BY PASSING THIS ON.

TWO FOR THE ROAD

Visiting the modern art museum, a lady turned to an attendant standing nearby.

“This,” she said, “I suppose, is one of those hideous representations you call modern art?” “No, madam,” replied the attendant. “That one’s called a mirror.”

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At a Catholic school, there was a "meet the teacher" open house for the 2nd graders. After the meeting, a Nun announced that there would be a small reception afterwards in the cafeteria. All the children and parents filed in, and saw on a table a plate of apples, a plate of cookies, and some water bottles and juice. As the children went through the line, one boy saw that there was a sign on the plate of apples that said, "Take only one. God is watching." So, the boy took an apple and moved on to the cookies. He helped himself, and then took a small piece of paper, and wrote: "Take all you want". God is watching the apples."