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Hunter Safety

A number of Republican legislators are pressuring the Governor to reverse his order to cancel all Hunters Safety courses in the state, even if social distancing is used. Check to see if your legislators are signed on the letter, then call Gov. Evers at 608-266-1212 and let him know that safety training is important.



WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

P. O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

June 17, 2020

Governor Tony Evers
P.O. Box 7863
Madison, WI 53707
Hand Delivered

Dear Governor Evers,

It has come to our attention that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has temporarily suspended all in-person recreational safety classes, including Boating, Snowmobile, ATV, Hunting, Internet Field Days and Bowhunting courses. This is alarming news to the millions of sportsmen across our state and would be incredibly detrimental to participation in our outdoor recreational activities at a time when our citizens, visitors and tourism industry need it the most. In fact, the Department of Tourism says outdoor recreation was the top marketable driver of visits to Wisconsin in 2019.

When the DNR officials responded to a representative about this concern, they stated, "The Department of Natural Resources places a high priority on the safety education programs offered to Wisconsinites." It is great to see this is something we can all agree on.

If your administration agrees that these programs are a high priority, why have you ordered these courses to be suspended for the foreseeable future? We are reaching out in an earnest attempt to see what your reasoning is for this decision. It would appear, by all measures of your Badger Bounce Back program, there should be no problem with these classes occurring.

As part of your Badger Bounce Back program, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) was asked to create guidelines for re-opening the state. According to the recommendations regarding "Outdoor Gatherings", which includes outdoor educational programming, these instructional courses could resume with a maximum of 50 participants. Are your agencies following the same guidelines that you've asked Wisconsinites to follow, or do they have the privilege of playing by a different set of rules?

No one is arguing that caution should be thrown to the wind as we all work together to responsibly re-open. We are simply pointing out it is becoming impossible to comprehend what rules everyone needs to play by. The DNR is following the lead of the Department of Health Services (DHS), who is waiting on the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to come out with guidelines for in-person pupil instruction. Should the DNR not instead be working with local governments on outdoor recreation class guidelines?

Unfortunately, your administration continues to operate under the Public Health Emergency you declared in [Executive Order #72](#). As I'm sure you are aware, the Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down your [Executive](#)

[Order #28](#), which declared bureaucratic overreach by your administration. As supporters of local control, we would encourage you to follow the court's ruling and continue to operate under the advisement of local officials, who we believe can make the best decisions for their region.

We are asking that your administration allows for these in-person safety classes to resume immediately. Business owners around Wisconsin have made adjustments to safely re-open and operate their businesses; we have full confidence that our local instructors can institute the necessary safety precautions to allow for these courses to proceed.

Last week, you encouraged Wisconsinites to "go outside and exercise your rights." We agree with that message and look forward to working with your administration to resolve this situation. Thank you for taking the time to consider our request on behalf of sportsmen, the tourism industry and Wisconsinites across the state.

Respectfully,



Representative Rob Swearingen
34th Assembly District



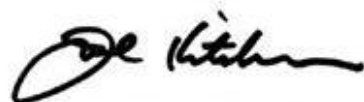
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cc: Preston D. Cole
Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Emily Ferguson, a one-eyed trap shooter, is the 2020 Commercial Appeal Courage Award winner

Story by: Khari Thompson Memphis Commercial Appeal



The first day Emily Ferguson tried out for the trap team at St. Mary's, coach Bill Quinlen was testing her for eye dominance like he would any other first-time shooter.

Eye dominance is an important variable in trap shooting because it can flip from one eye to the other.

But this particular participant didn't have to worry about that.

"She stopped us and said, 'Well, I'm left-eye dominant,'" Quinlen said. "We said, 'How do you know that?' And she said, 'Well I don't have a right eye.'"

WHO WON? [Meet the 2020 Commercial Appeal Sports Awards Winners](#)

Ferguson was diagnosed with a rare eye cancer called retinoblastoma when she was 18 months old. Her parents decided to have her eye removed to reduce the risk of having the cancer spread.

Last year, she became the first female to win the Rudy Cup, which honors the best high school trap shooter in the state, hitting a personal-record of 199 out of 200 targets.

She was named the 2020 Courage Award winner on Thursday at the fourth annual [Commercial Appeal Sports Awards](#) presented by Farm Bureau Health Plans.

"I've never seen anyone quite like this," Quinlen said. "I'm sure they're out there, but usually, if there's somebody who's sick or disabled they get in at the end of the game and shoot a three or something. But to actually compete and dominate and bring home the hardware is different. She's not in the Special Olympics, she's in the regular lineup with everybody else."



When she was 11, Ferguson was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma, a cancerous tumor that caused her to lose part of a lung and some of her ribs. At 16, the cancer returned, but she has been in remission for a little over a year after eight months of chemotherapy treatments at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: [The late Jim Heinz, who won 7 state titles, is Commercial Appeal Lifetime Achievement Award winner](#)

"The toughest moments would have to be watching the people that I love not knowing how to help me," Ferguson said. "I could do it again if I had to, but the hardest part would be watching the people around me suffer because they don't know how to make it better."

She stumbled upon trap shooting at a school activity fair and decided to give it a chance because it sounded fun. She was a natural from day one, hitting the first target she ever shot and making varsity by the end of her freshman year.

"I never thought I'd be the greatest at this sport," Ferguson said. "I did it because it was fun and I could do it with my dad because he's a doctor and he has to ration his time. I was like 'Yes, I can do this with dad!' I guess I'm here now, but I never thought that to begin with." The sport gave her an outlet, a chance to be part of a team, and something to keep her mind off of the treatments and surgeries. She said being out on the range brings a focus out of her unlike anything she's ever experienced.

"It's almost like TV static, it's very relaxing," Ferguson said. "I'm very focused, and for someone who has brain fog as a side effect of chemotherapy it makes it hard to think sometimes, but without fail whenever I get in what I call the zone nothing can break it."



The 18-year old's message to younger patients is to find the strength to persevere because she found that there's a lot to look forward to outside of treatments.

"When you get out of treatment and you start feeling good, for some of these kids it's the first time you've felt good in a very long time," Ferguson said. "It's going to get better no matter what. It can't be rock bottom forever. So when you get out the most important thing in life is to be happy."

She plans to take a gap year to train for the National Junior Olympics and compete in events across the country. She

works as a COVID screener and plans to attend college after her gap year. She dreams of becoming the No. 1 trap shooter in the world.

"I was such an awkward and shy and easily intimidated person. Now I know that I am much stronger," Ferguson said. "I feel confident in myself and more confident holding conversations and I feel that I have something that I can control. It's really given me a new breath of life. It's really empowering."

Wisconsin Firearm Owners Upcoming Events and News

Upcoming Events

Check us out on our web site at: <https://www.wisconsinfirearmowners.org>

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<p>Green Bay 80 shot 200 yd reduced July 18, 2020</p> <p>Bristol 200 yard 50 shot July 19, 2020</p> <p>Eau Claire 30 shot Wisconsin's Elite Match July 24, 2020</p> <p>Eau Claire Wisconsin State Service Rifle Championships July 25, 2020</p> <p>Eau Claire 4 Person 80 shot team match. These two (July 25 and 26) matches are CMP and can qualify you for the White Oak 1600 match July 26, 2020</p> <p>Lodi-Palma July 25, 2020 Individual (am); 2-Man Team yd (pm) July 26, 2020 Three yd Individual matches</p>	<p>Beloit 80 Round Regional Course 100 yard reduced August 2, 2020</p> <p>Bristol 200 yard 50 shot August 2, 2020</p> <p>Bristol 200 yard 50 shot August 9, 2020</p> <p>Green Bay 80 shot 200 yd reduced August 15, 2020</p> <p>Neguane Coyote 300 yd match August 19, 2020</p> <p>Hubertus Reduced Course State Championship August 29, 2020</p> <p>LaCrosse Mid-Range, 4-Gun 600 yd August 29-30, 2020</p>
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- We are the **only NRA** State Chartered Association in Wisconsin.
- **WFO** and the **NRA** led the lobbying efforts for Right to Carry and The Shooting Ranges Protection Act.
- **WFO** provides Club and Range support for those looking to expand and improve their ranges.
- As your **NRA** and **CMP** State Association, **WFO** sanctions State Championships for multiple shooting disciplines.
- Our lobbying efforts have helped to clean up Wisconsin's handgun restrictions.
- Advancing hunter rights and mentored hunting in Wisconsin.

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Wisconsin Firearm Owners (WFO)

Mission

To promote and support the purpose and objectives of the National Rifle Association, while protecting and defending the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Wisconsin.

Securing Our Rights

The assaults on the rights of today's firearms owner have never been stronger. These attacks on our civil rights come from anti-hunting, anti-gun, and anti-civil rights organizations. We must stand together to preserve the rights guaranteed to all free citizens under the Second Amendment, the U.S. Constitution, and the Wisconsin Right to Keep and Bear Arms. WFO has a constant presence in Madison helping to ensure your voice is heard. Whether it is the right to self-defense, micro stamping or hunting regulations, we are involved. Combine your voice with that of thousands like you in Wisconsin; our united voice cannot be ignored.

Club and Range Support

We are the experts in the State advising the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, clubs, and businesses in upgrading, improving, and the design of ranges.

Competitions

Matches and events are listed on our calendar. Match Directors can also utilize our on-line registration. NRA discipline championships are authorized and promoted by WFO. **Please join us today!**

Wisconsin State Open OTC Championship

The Wisconsin Over the Course State Championship was held over the Fourth of July weekend at Eau Claire National Rifle Club.



Congratulations go out to former junior Brad S for repeating as WI State Champion with his 792-38x. Not bad for not shooting that gun since he won the State Championship last year. Former junior and team helper Josh H. took second. He edged out Thomas by x's with a 786-33x. Team Coach Mike "6" S. took home the trophy for top master and team helper Bob "Words Oldest Junior" B. took home the trophy for top marksman.

On Saturday was the leg match. Thomas M. started out hot with a 99 in standing. He followed it up with a 100-6 sitting and 100-9 rapid prone. Thomas finished with a 495-29x to win the match.

Also shooting well was James L. with a 478-16x. He took the 8 point leg and puts him another step closer to the distinguished badge. James now has 22 points and is hoping to go out by the end of the year. Sam C. also shot well and was only a better rapid string away from claiming the 6 point leg.



Team helper Josh H. took second place and Team coach Jim S. Shot a nice 490-18x to take third place. Monday we held our second junior practice of the year. It was hot again. We fired a 50 shot coached match followed by an individual 30 shot match. Everyone shot well with Thomas M. Leading the way with an impressive 497 with a perfect 100 standing. James L and Sam C shot a 479, Andrew "Bobby" B. Shot a 472, his sister Anna B. shot a 454 and Dominic W shot a 420. It was a personal best for Thomas, Andrew, Anna and Dominic.



We want to thank every who came out to help pull targets and coach. It's because of your support our juniors are able to succeed.

We would also like to thank Bartlein Barrels for donating a barrel and to Holub Machine and Repair for donating a Wisconsin Trigger Co. trigger to raffle off.

Congratulations to all!

The Wisconsin juniors shot well with Thomas M. leading the way with a 786-30x to win high Junior and high Service rifle. If it wasn't for a cross fire at 600, Sweet Baby James L. would have shot the same score. He finished with a high-master score of 776-25x to win high expert. Sam C. also shot well finishing with a solid master score of 763-11x.





WI State Highpower Championship at Eau Claire National Rifle Club Range July 4th. Good representation from current All Guard shooters, a retired All Guard shooter and an Army Reserve shooter.

Watch out, Russia creates new 7km-range sniper rifle

SCIENCE & TECH JUNE 30 2020 NIKOLAI LITOVKIN



Sergey Sevostyanov/TASS

It is set to be the longest-range special forces weapon in the world firing hypersonic bullets, and will serve all branches of the military.

A couple of hours by car from Moscow lies the little town of Tarusa, where a small one-storey building displays a sign reading Lobaev Arms. At first glance, it seems unremarkable, but behind its doors is a factory that manufactures some of the most powerful sniper rifles in the world.

Here, in early June 2020, production began on

the world's first sniper rifle able to hit targets at a distance of 6-7 km (the current record of 4.217 km also belongs to the Lobaev Arms company with its SVLK-14 *Sumrak* rifle). The development, designated DXL-5, will be the only weapon allowing operatives to destroy an enemy beyond the horizon line of a standing shooter.

The developer, Vlad Lobaev, explains that from the vantage point of a hillock or the second or third floor of an apartment building (an elevation of roughly 10 m), the field of vision is greater than 11 km.

The higher the viewpoint, naturally, the farther the horizon line.

What we know about the DXL-5

The DXL-5 is an ideological and technological advancement of the SVLK-14S rifle, which was nicknamed the *Sumrak* (Twilight) due to its ghoulish power.

“The *Sumrak* is custom-made, like a Ferrari or Porsche, for connoisseurs of high-precision guns and professional shooters who compete at long range,” Yuri Sinichkin, chief engineer of Lobaev Arms, told *Russia Beyond*.

The *Sumrak* was built for .408 CheyTac cartridges (10.3x77 mm), which exit the barrel at a speed of over 900 m/s. Moreover, a new type of powder-charge ammunition is being developed for the DXL-5, which will enable the bullet to fly at five or more times the speed of sound (greater than 1,500 m/s).

This is needed because a bullet flying at 900 m/s arrives at the target after eight seconds, giving the enemy time to escape and make a cup of coffee. Therefore, to ensure the coffee never gets drunk, the new high-precision rifle needs ammunition that flies at no less than 1.5 km/s.

“Such a projectile can pierce 3cm-thick metal. Imagine what would happen if it hit a human being? No body armor would help,” noted the engineer.



SVLK-14S Sumrak Lobaev Arms

The future cartridge is intended to destroy an enemy wearing sixth-class protection body armor (the most

resistant). Such armor can be breached only by a WWII anti-tank rifle (such as the 14.5mm Simonov anti-tank semiautomatic) or something similar in terms of power, not range or accuracy.

The DXL-5 set to break the world record is being developed as a one-off collector’s item, similar to a luxury car. The standard model will also operate at ultra-long distances of approximately 5 km.

“Training operatives to take out terrorists at a range of 2-2.5 km will require at least 2-3 years. Our rifle will turn the long-range elimination of enemies into a routine task, and simplify it in the extreme. That was indeed the purpose: to make professional operations more efficient and easier,” added Lobaev. Due to the COVID-19 lockdown, he explains, factory trials of the new DXL-5 are being moved from the fall to winter 2020. As soon as the new rifle proves its effectiveness and technical capabilities, a special commission will be invited to the trials to witness the world record attempt.

At the same time, Lobaev Arms’ developments are not classified as top-secret and, unlike the AK-12, can be purchased individually and put into service with any unit. As for what the army version of the DXL-5 will look like, and how much it will cost for foreign buyers, all will become clear in early 2021 following technical and military tests.

Giffords Applauds New Legislation to Ban Machines Used to Build Dangerous, Untraceable, Unlicensed Weapons

JULY 2, 2020 [Ghost Guns](#), [Jamie Raskin](#)

Bill is part of a growing push in Congress to confront the threat ghost guns pose

July 2, 2020 — [Giffords](#), the gun violence prevention group started by former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, welcomes the new bill introduced by Rep. Jamie Raskin (D-MD) aimed at stopping the spread of machines used to build ghost guns. The Stop Home Manufacture of Ghost Guns Act bans milling machines specifically designed to convert unfinished frames and receivers into fully-functional, untraceable weapons. This legislation complements the [Untraceable Firearms Act](#), sponsored by Rep. David Cicilline (D-RI), which prohibits the manufacture and sale of firearms that do not have serial numbers.

Ghost guns, also known as DIY guns, can be built at home without a manufacturer’s license. Readily available online, ghost gun kits include an unfinished version of the gun component that holds the firing mechanism, called a receiver or a frame, which can be easily completed using simple tools available at any hardware store. Programmable milling machines that are specially designed to turn 80% frames and receivers into functioning firearms make the process even easier, allowing for mass completion of operational weapons. The Stop Home Manufacture of Ghost Guns Act would prohibit anyone who is not a licensed firearms manufacturer from having such a machine.

[Adzi Vokhiwa, Giffords Federal Affairs Director:](#)

“People prohibited from possessing firearms frequently turn to ghost guns when they want a lethal weapon. We must stop the proliferation of these easy to make, untraceable guns that can be obtained with no background check. Clamping down on the milling machines that make it virtually effortless to create an arsenal of untraceable weapons from a basement or garage is a good place to start. Rep.

Raskin's bill will unquestionably help protect Americans from gun violence. We urge Congress to act on it quickly."

In some areas of California, as many as [40% of crime guns](#) recovered by ATF agents are ghost guns. Criminals have also used ghost guns with devastating consequences recently, including high-profile tragedies in [California](#) and [Washington](#) and the [murder of two California law enforcement officers](#) by a member of the "Boogaloo" movement. Giffords recently launched an initiative with several resources exploring the dangers of ghost guns.

This is a copy of the bill HR 7468. Please call you congress person to make sure this does not go anyplace.

116TH CONGRESS

2D SESSION **H. R.**

To amend title 18, United States Code, to impose prohibitions relating to machines designed for the manufacturing of frames or receivers for firearms.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. RASKIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee

A BILL

To amend title 18, United States Code, to impose prohibitions relating to machines designed for the manufacturing of frames or receivers for firearms.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Stop Home Manufac5 ture of Ghost Guns Act of 2020".

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO FIREARM MANUFAC-** 2 **TURING MACHINES.**

3 (a) PROHIBITIONS.—Section 922 of title 18, United

4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol5 lowing:

6 "(aa)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person, in or
7 affecting interstate or foreign commerce, to transfer or
8 offer to transfer to any person other than a licensed manu9 facturer a firearm manufacturing machine.

10 "(2)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), it
11 shall be unlawful for any person other than a licensed
12 manufacturer, in or affecting interstate or foreign com13 merce, to possess or purchase a firearm
14 manufacturing 14 machine.

15 "(B) Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to a person
16 who is engaged in the business of selling manufacturing
17 equipment to a licensed manufacturer, and who possesses
18 a firearm manufacturing machine with the intent to trans19 fer the machine to a licensed manufacturer.".

20 (b) DEFINITION OF FIREARM MANUFACTURING MA-

21 CHINE.—Section 921(a) of such title is amended by add22 ing at the end the following:

23 "(36) The term 'firearm manufacturing machine' 24 means—

25 “(A) a device designed or redesigned, made or
26 remade, and intended to be used primarily to make,
1 or convert a product into, a frame or receiver for a
2 firearm; and
3 “(B) any combination of parts designed or in-
4 tended for use in making a device described in sub5 paragraph (A) and from which such a device may be 6
readily assembled.”.

7 (c) PENALTIES.—Section 924 of such title is amend-
8 ed—

9 (1) in subsection (a)(1)(B), by striking “or (q)”
10 and inserting “(q), or (aa)”;

11 (2) in subsection (d)(1)—

12 (A) by inserting “and any firearm manu-
13 facturing machine involved in any knowing vio-
14 lation of section 922(aa),” before “shall be sub-
15 ject”; and

16 (B) by striking “firearms or ammunition”
17 each place it appears and inserting “firearms,
18 ammunition, or firearm manufacturing ma-
19 chine”; and

20 (3) in subsection (d)(2)—

21 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “fire22 arms or ammunition” and inserting “firearms,
23 ammunition, and firearm manufacturing ma-
24 chines”; and

1 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “fire-
2 arms or quantities of ammunition” and insert3 ing “firearms, quantities of ammunition, or 4
firearm manufacturing machines”.

5 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
6 this section shall apply to conduct engaged in on or after 7 January 1, 2022.