

Oblivious 16 Year-Old, Target Practicing with his .22 Rifle, Arrested by Police

Fictitious nightmare scene out of a movie depicting a future United States of America police state? Not even close. A real current event, not in the least unjustified, we might add, and a real possibility of happening anywhere in America.

The real headline in the recent California news article written by Bob Owens last week on March 9, 2015 was: [California Farmworker Shot Multiple Times By Irresponsible Target Shooter](#). Here's an excerpt from his article:

A farmworker picking blueberries near Road 148 and Avenue 208 was shot in the leg Friday morning by a teenager practicing his shooting about a half a mile away. ... [other pickers]... panicked and ducked for cover after one of them was shot multiple times Friday morning, and other bullets impacted around them.

They thought they were being intentionally targeted by a long-distance shooter, but it instead turned out that they were "merely" downrange from a very irresponsible teen who was target shooting without an adequate backstop [half a mile away](#).

Numerous Tulare County Sheriff deputies and California Highway Patrol officers responded to the area after receiving 9-1-1 calls from several farm workers that they were being fired upon.

Less than a mile away, there were children playing at recess at an elementary school which was placed on lockdown for time. *(Continued on page 2.)*

SJWF CLUB CALENDAR

MARCH

- Tues. Jan. 17 — **SJWF General Meeting 7:30 PM**
- Thur. Mar. 19 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Mar. 21 — Service Rifle/Pistol 10 AM;
4-H Air Rifle 11 AM; .22 rifle 3:30
- Sun. Mar. 22 — Cowboy Action 10 AM
- Thur. Mar. 26 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Mar. 28 — Cowboy Long Range 10 AM
- Sun. Mar. 29 — IDPA Pistol 9 AM

APRIL

- Thur. Apr. 2 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Apr. 4 — Hunter's Bench Rest/Varmint for Score 8AM;
4-H Air Rifle 11 AM; .22 rifle 3:30
- Tues. Apr. 7 — **SJWF Board Mtg. 7:00 PM**
Visitors Welcome
- Thur. Apr. 9 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Apr. 11 — IPSC Pistol 9 AM; ARA .22 12 PM;
.22 Benchrest Sil. 8 AM;
4-H Air Rifle 11 AM; .22 rifle 3:30

- Sun. Apr. 12 — Wild Bunch SASS 9:00 AM
- Mon. Apr. 13 — Youth Airgun Spring League 6:30 PM
- Thur. Apr. 16 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Apr. 18 — Service Rifle/Pistol 9 AM;
4-H Air Rifle 11 AM; .22 rifle 3:30; NM Game &
Fish classroom 7AM-Noon, Range 1PM-5PM
- Sun. Apr. 19 — NSSF Rimfire Challenge 9 AM
- Mon. Apr. 20 — Youth Airgun Spring League 6:30 PM
- Tues. Apr. 21 — **SJWF General Meeting 7:30 PM**
- Thur. Apr. 23 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM
- Sat. Apr. 25 — Cowboy Long Range 9 AM;
4-H Air Rifle 11 AM; .22 rifle 3:30
- Sun. Apr. 26 — Cowboy Action 9 AM
- Mon. Apr. 27 — Youth Airgun Spring League 6:30 PM
- Thur. Apr. 30 — Indoor .22 Bullseye 7:00 PM

In Addition—Weekly Shoots
Air Rifle League: Mondays (indoors) 6:30 PM—Steve White 320-3048
Shot Gun Range:
Trap & 5-Stand: Wednesdays 6:30 pm; Saturdays 9am -?
Skeet: Thursdays 1 pm-4 pm
(Shot Gun Range is Open Weather Permitting)
Indoor .22 Bullseye: Most Thursday Nites @ 7 P.M.

OUR PLEDGE

"I Pledge to Protect and Conserve the Natural Resources of America. I Promise to Educate Future Generations so They May Become Caretakers of Our Water, Air, Land, and Wildlife."

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No one considers such a thing as merely an accident. It was negligence that caused bodily harm and a high cost of a community's emergency response resources...no one was amused.

Lt. Rob Schimpf with the Tulare County Sheriff's Office was quoted, "Anybody that fires a firearm, regardless of their environment, regardless of it being in a rural area, they need to realize that they're responsible for the disposition of any round that they fire,"

Firearms in the teen's home was confiscated, and the teen may be very well be charged with assault with a deadly weapon, ending his right to ever touch a firearm again.

The San Juan Wildlife Federation advocates & stresses the **Four Rules for Handling Firearms**. That California teen violated Rule 3.

Each shooter is responsible for every round fired in any firearm, from air guns to artillery. No exceptions. No excuses.

1. **Treat every firearm as if it's loaded.**
2. **Never point a firearm at anything you are not willing to destroy.**
3. **Always be sure of your target and what is beyond it.**
4. **Keep your finger off the trigger until you are on target and ready to fire.**

You are responsible for making sure that every projectile that leaves your firearm will impact into a safe backstop capable of stopping it however big or small it is.

YOUTH Air Rifle MATCH Personnel Needed!

The SJWF Youth Air Rifle program has been a great success, as one can surmise looking at the standings printed above. Steve White has done a great job organizing, and leading the program.

It has grown beyond a one man job. Steve is looking for adults who would be able and willing to help at the matches and support the youth in this program. If you are interested in working with these great youth, and giving Steve a hand, please call Steve White @ 320-3048!

SHOTGUN RANGE

**~Trap-Skeet-5 Stand~
Summer Hours is Here!**

Trap & 5 Stand, Wednesdays 6:30 PM & Saturdays 9am -?. Skeet, Thursdays, 1pm -4pm.

During these hours, the public is welcome! (shotgun range only) Eye & ear protection is required.

Trap Questions? Call Jim Kennedy @ 801-1029. Skeet/5-Stand? Call John For-

SPRING TRAP LEAUGE HAS STARTED!

Still time to join but hurry!

Spring League will go until May 13th and the Spring League Awards Banquet will be held on May 20th.

In the mean time come out and practice Trap or 5 stand with us!!! Summer hours (finally) are Wednesdays 6:30 PM, & Saturday's starting at 9:00 AM till ?

Thanks,
Jim Kennedy
Shotgun Match Director

INDOOR .22 BULLS EYE! The Indoor Bulls Eye Shoot happens most Thursday nights for the rest of the fall and winter. Open to members and friends, the match requires a minimum of 90 .22 rounds. Additional rounds may be needed for duds and practice. Shooter's fee for each night, \$5.00.

Nine targets are shot in the match (three **Slow Fire**, three **Timed Fire**, & three **Rapid Fire**) (Plus one or two practice targets.) Shoot begins at 7 PM. Please arrive earlier to get setup. Important! This is a fun shoot. The only competition is with yourself. For all levels of ability, it's a good safe place to learn! — Charles Phelan

2015 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS — Complete, Clip and include with check

Name _____ Age _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____ Phone: _____

NRA Member (Individual/Family*)\$100
 NRA membership # _____ Expiration Date _____

NON-NRA Member (Individual/Family*).....\$200 (*Family includes wife and children under 18)

**To JOIN or renew NRA membership.....Attend a General Meeting
 NEWS, RANGE POLICIES, AND NOTICES**

NOTICE!

RANGE IS CLOSED 8 AM to 3 on the 3rd Thursday every month to maintain the range. We greatly look forward to and appreciate volunteers who come to help. Thank you!

“Range Closed” signs, are for the SAFETY OF RANGE WORKERS! Absolutely no shooting allowed when the signs are up. Ignoring this safety rule can cost your membership!

PLEASE... DRIVING ON RIFLE RANGES can’t be allowed when they are muddy. The resulting damage is frustrating to those who donate their time maintaining our range. Please don’t be the cause of hours of undeserved labor, and the expense of rented equipment to fix the damage.

Please send news, email, articles and information for the SJWF Web Site to: webmaster@sjwf.org

Lost Your Key card? —Call Karen Standley @ 330-7693 or Steve White @ 320-3048. Replacement requires a \$25 deposit & a current membership.
ADDRESS CHANGE? Miss your newsletter, send your new email to **SJWF, P.O. Box1411 Farmington, NM 87499.**

REWARD OFFERED!

\$250 reward for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of ANY-ONE who vandalizes and/or destroys club property.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

SJWF now has an outdoor bulletin board where the Newsletter is posted. A list of members whose memberships are within 60 days of lapsing is also posted. The bulletin board is mounted on the front exterior wall of the clubhouse. Members please send in your membership dues 30 days prior to the expiration date in order to avoid any interruption in your membership.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Members that provide their **email address** to the SJWF will receive the SJWF eNews Update each month. Members will be able to pay their annual dues; sign up and pay for SJWF events; and buy raffle tickets electronically via email, but ONLY if SJWF has their email address. — Steve White, SJWF Security Officer.

CONCEAL CARRY CLASSES

Conceal carry classes for a State of New Mexico Conceal Carry License, are offered on a continuing basis, in association with SJWF, by two instructors.

Interested potential students may call Mike Freestone (325-5355) or Bond Kinney (330-2475). Students can also sign up at East Main Trade. Fees: \$175. Class sizes varies, but usually average 6 students per class.

NRA COURSES

The following NRA Courses are offered by Bond Kinney: Basic Rifle; Basic Pistol; Basic Shotgun; Rifle/pistol Reloading; Shotgun Reloading; Personal Protection in the Home; and the Range Safety Officer Course. Classes of 1 to 5 students (kids and/or adults; at the SJWF clubhouse; Ages 10 thru adult; kids must have parents present. **Fees: \$40.**

NOTICE! The **.30-30 match** has been dropped from the range schedule for 2015 due to the lack of a match director. We hope that in the future those that are interested in this match will reorganize and it will be restored to the schedule.

LOST & FOUND We have the at the Clubhouse:

- **Black shooter’s cap**
- **Small binoculars**
- **Plastic canister with ammo inside**
- **Black/Dk Grey jacket**
- **Grey fleece jacket**
- **“Boonie” hat w/sunglasses**
- **Shooting muffs**
- **Target stapler**
- **Box of ammo**

Owners can call or email Steve White to claim articles by providing a description of their item.

—Steve White, Security Officer
security@sjwf.org 505-320-3048

FREE CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale, Trade or Want to Buy—Ads will run for 3 months unless extended. Extend anytime by phone or email. gstrad@msn.com or call 327-2816. —Greg **Email titles MUST include SJWF . I'm not likely to open an email without that, unless I know you.**

FOR SALE: Remington XP 100 221 Caliber Fireball with Simmons 2 X 6 Scope. Set of 221 Redding dies. 229 pieces of New unprimed brass. 106 pieces of primed used brass. 50 pieces of new primed brass. 145 loaded shells. \$1,000.00 for everything. Call Lewis at 505-609-0436 and I will meet you at the range.

FOR SALE: Springfield XDM 5.25 .40 S&W Box includes adjustable backstraps, pistol, 3x 16 round mags, pistol and mag holster, and pistol.

Pistol has been used, but upgraded with the following. Powder river precision trigger; PG Patriot Magwell Springer Precision guide rod; Springer Precision grip tape. Asking \$825.00 oboe. Email Joe jmbr@hotmail.com

FIREARMS TRAINING: Safer-U offers you “complete training packages” with classes in beginning handgun, concealed carry, refreshers/recertification’s, handgun skill builder classes and now hands on personal protection. Learn more at www.Safer-U.com or call the Safer-U hotline 505-320-7233.



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Event PhoneNumbers	Ken Griner 632-9712	Shot Gun Range:
IDPA Pistol	3030 Cowboy	Trap
Tom Maddox, 325-2889	Leah Ray, 947-6935	Jim Kennedy 801-1029
Service Rifle	Hunter Safety,	Skeet/5 Stand
Bond Kinney, 330-2475	Sportsfest, County Fair	John Formea 787-8297
22 Benchrest	& Gunshows	IPSC Pistol
Jim Brossman, 970-382-5392	Billy & Karen Stalcup	Larry Johnson, 325-1303
Cowboy Long Range	360-3334	Hunter Benchrest/
Leon Suydam, 632-8743	Indoor .22 Bullseye	Varmint for Score
Cowboy Action	Charles Phelan, 327-2029	Marty Steffan 334-6760; 793-9525
Ken Cline, 325-8261	Air Rifle	Ruger Rimfire
Wild Bunch	Steve White 320-3048	Charles Self 635-9469

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