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Bang, POP, Boom. Typical sounds you would here on a crisp and dewy Saturday morning at the “Geese Fields” in concord. 150 feet off of rt. 2 right next to the Concord rotary. Gun control plays a big part in hunting. I was raised in such a way that guns are not for violence. I go hunting in the fall every saturday morning less than 150 feet away from a major Massachusetts highway. All together we fire over 200 shotgun shells, and no one is killed. This is because every person I go hunting with is overtly safe with their guns. I was raised with the belief that people are violent, guns are not. Knowing when to shoot, knowing where you can be, and understanding how dangerous guns are. Every saturday morning I could simply turn around and open fire onto route 2 traffic, but I choose not to and that is because of the way I was trained and the amount of respect I have for guns. We as a country need more in depth background checks to make sure guns don't fall into the wrong hands, instead of Unintelligent laws restraining accessories or some types of guns because they look scary.

Whenever you hear about guns being Scary or used in crimes. The People immediately think, well we should just ban guns, make the Purchasing of guns so scarce no one could buy one, or (i personally heard this one)” Let's just take everyone's guns, they can't mean that much to someone.” All of these sayings above are just Ignorant, whether your life has been changed because of gun violence or you just want to express your personal feelings about guns. No one knows the facts. What if I told you 93% of all gun involved crimes used an illegally owned gun. What if i told you buying a unregistered gun online is simpler than signing up for an email account on GMAIL. Well it is my friends, very simple to build an AR15 with no registration or a “Ghost Gun”. I'm not going to get into detail on how to buy one but they are the easiest thing to get a hold of on the internet it seems like.

When I was 7 or 8 years old, I found a certain liking to a BB gun. I used to collect them, I had 3 or 4 bb hand guns and several long rifle bb guns. I would shoot everyday after school or on the weekends for countless hours. One week I even went through a 2500 count of bb’s before the school week was over. But like anything I would screw up what i was doing and shoot some stuff i wasn't supposed to like windows and sides of the house. But as soon as my father found out it relayed into a immediate taking away of all my bb guns and locking them up in my safe. I wouldn't see the light of day for hours on end. Weeks would go by and I wouldn't be able to even look at my guns. But i thank him solely for this action. Even Though it was only a BB gun it taught me the resect I have now for guns, and showed me how guns can kill people and damage lives. As a person who has been through the legal classroom hours of getting a real gun license and also seeing how at a young age my father would take my guns away and punish me for not acting with safety, i feel the classrooms do no justice for how much I learned with a $27 dollar BB gun and a dad that cared about gun safety.

Although I do bash the State of Massachusetts gun training courses. I do think they have a sufficient, and a good start, but could be much better with training people. The Training course I went to trained me how to hunt and own a gun safely. It consisted of two nights after school in the winter. Both 6 hour classes 3-9 and one full 10 hour day on saturday. This was sufficient time to talk about it all but we went in depth with hunting and kind of rushed gun safety at the end of the saturday right before the test. Most people there cared more about gaining their gun license than the Hunters Safety Course.

I personally own 2 real guns as of right now. I am legally able to own Long rifles as a 16 year old with permission from my parents to have a FID (Firearms Identification Card) card. I have a Single shot .22 rifle that my Great Grandfather handed down to me when he passed away. My Great Grandfather passed away late september and that December around christmas time i was given that single shot .22 rifle. As a family my dad is into guns and so is my Grandfather, Uncles, and all my Cousins, so out of everyone to be given that gun on christmas this was one of the best gifts that ever happened to me. That is how deeply ingrained guns are into our family.

I truly believe that there is no bad side to having and owning guns. I can only think of upsides. I may be this way because of how deeply guns are engraved and scripted into my family that I have known no other way. Like I said in the beginning, guns cannot kill people, people kill people, whether it is with a gun or or a plastic bag. It is the person's intent not the guns.