

Minnesota Hunting Incident Report 2004

Run Date of 2/16/2005

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 63
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: OTHER
FAS: NO
COUNTY: WASHINGTON
DAY: 4/18/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 12
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: UNKNOWN
TYPE OF COVER: WOODED
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

WHILE PARTRIDGE HUNTING, VICTIM WAS STANDING BEHIND THE SHOOTER WHILE SHOOTER FIRED A SHOT UP INTO A TREE WHEN A RICOCHET BB OFF THE TREE STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE ARM.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 23
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: DOUBLE
ANIMAL: OTHER
FAS: YES
COUNTY: MARSHALL
DAY: 6/20/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 23
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OTHER
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: N/A

VICTIM/SHOOTER PICKED UP THE GUN BY THE END OF THE BARREL. THE SKIN WAS TORN AND THERE WERE SOME POWDER BURNS TO VICTIM/SHOOTER'S LEFT HAND.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 47
FIREARM: SMALL BORE RIFLE
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: OTHER
FAS: NO
COUNTY: HOUSTON
DAY: 6/27/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 47
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: DRAB
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OPEN FIELD
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: N/A

WHILE COYOTE HUNTING VICTIM/SHOOTER WAS WALKING IN THE RAIN WHILE CARRYING A RIFLE AND SLIPPED ON SOME WET GRASS, SLIDING DOWN AN EMBANKMENT. THE VICTIM/SHOOTER SLID TO THE BOTTOM OF THE EMBANKMENT WHERE THE FIREARM WENT OFF SHOOTING VICTIM/SHOOTER IN THE RIGHT FOOT, SECOND TOE.

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SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 52
FIREARM: HANDGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: OTHER
FAS: YES
COUNTY: MARTIN
DAY: 7/24/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 52
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: RED
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: STANDING
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM/SHOOTER FOLLOWED A COYOTE INTO A CORNFIELD. WHILE KNEELING TO LOOK DOWN A CORN ROW, VICTIM/SHOOTER HOLSTERED THE PISTOL. THE HOLSTER STRAP ENTERED THE TRIGGER GUARD AND THE PISTOL FIRED. A BULLET ENTERED AND EXITED THE VICTIM/SHOOTER'S RIGHT CALF.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 13
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: UNKNOWN
FAS: YES
COUNTY: PENNINGTON
DAY: 8/19/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 13
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OTHER
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

THE VICTIM WAS WALKING BEHIND THE SHOOTER WHILE HUNTING NUISANCE GAME IN THICK BRUSH WHEN A BRANCH OR TWIG MAY HAVE CAUGHT ON THE TRIGGER AND FIRED. THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE RIGHT GLUTEAL MASS AND INCLUDED A BROKEN PELVIS.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: UNKNOWN
FIREARM: SMALL BORE RIFLE
ACTION: UNKNOWN
ANIMAL: DEER
FAS: UNKNOWN
COUNTY: ANOKA
DAY: 9/25/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 25
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: DRAB
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 10-50 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: WOODED
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: NO

VICTIM WAS ARCHERY HUNTING DEER FROM A TREE STAND AND WAS STANDING ON THE PLATFORM PULLING BOW UP WHEN SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE LEG. IT IS UNKNOWN WHAT ANIMAL THE SHOOTER WAS HUNTING.

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SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 12
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: DUCK OR GEESE
FAS: YES
COUNTY: MEEKER
DAY: 9/26/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 48
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: MARSH
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE IN A BOAT. THE SHOOTER WAS FALLING OUT OF THE BOAT WHEN SHOOTER'S WEAPON FIRED, SHOOTING VICTIM IN THE LEG.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 21
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: DUCK OR GEESE
FAS: YES
COUNTY: MCLEOD
DAY: 10/16/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 21
CASUALTY: NONFATAL
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: STANDING
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: N/A

VICTIM HAD SHOTGUN PROPPED IN A DUCK BOAT. WHEN PLACING DOG IN THE BOAT, THE DOG STEPPED ON THE GUN TRIGGER. THE SAFETY WAS NOT ON. VICTIM RECEIVED SEVERE INJURIES TO THE RIGHT HAND.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 31
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: DUCK OR GEESE
FAS: YES
COUNTY: ANOKA
DAY: 10/28/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 31
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OPEN FIELD
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: N/A

WHILE VICTIM/SHOOTER WAS UNABLE TO CLEAR A ROUND THAT WAS CHAMBERED AND DECIDED TO DISCHARGE THE GUN. WHEN THE GUN WAS DISCHARGED, VICTIM/SHOOTER FELT A SHARP PRICKLE TO VICTIM/SHOOTER'S CHEST. INJURY REQUIRED MINOR SURGERY. ACCIDENT DUE TO POSSIBLE WEAPON OR AMMO MALFUNCTION.

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SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 14
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: PHEASANT
FAS: YES
COUNTY: SCOTT
DAY: 10/30/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 56
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: STANDING
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE HUNTING AT A GAME PRESERVE. THE VICTIM RECEIVED A SUPERFICIAL WOUND TO THE FOREHEAD CAUSED BY BBS SHOT FROM SHOOTER'S GUN.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 44
FIREARM: SHOTGUN SLUG
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: DEER
FAS: YES
COUNTY: REDWOOD
DAY: 11/6/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 12
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: ORANGE
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 100+ YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OTHER
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM WAS SITTING UP ON A HILL WHEN THE SHOOTER SHOT DOWNWARD AT A DEER. THE SLUG RICOCHETED AND GRAZED THE VICTIM ON THE INNER RIGHT CALF.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 14
FIREARM: LARGE BORE RIFLE
ACTION: LEVER
ANIMAL: DEER
FAS: YES
COUNTY: ST. LOUIS
DAY: 11/10/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 14
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: OTHER
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: WOODED
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: N/A

VICTIM/SHOOTER WAS STEPPING DOWN OFF OF A ROCK AND SLIPPED ON SOME MOSS. WHILE TRYING TO MAINTAIN BALANCE, THE VICTIM/SHOOTER WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT FOOT. THE SAFETY WAS NOT ENGAGED.

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SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 19
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: DUCK OR GEESE
FAS: YES
COUNTY: CROW WING
DAY: 11/14/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 18
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 0-10 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OTHER
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM WAS IN THE FRONT AND THE SHOOTER IN THE REAR OF A BOAT DUCK HUNTING. VICTIM BENT OVER TO STAY HIDDEN. SHOOTER PICKED UP HIS GUN AND IT DISCHARGED SHOOTING THE VICTIM JUST BELOW THE RIGHT BUTTOCK. IT IS UNKNOWN IF THE TRIGGER CAUGHT ON A SMALL PIECE OF WOOD AT THE REAR OF THE BOAT.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 42
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SEMI-AUTO
ANIMAL: PHEASANT
FAS: YES
COUNTY: MORRISON
DAY: 11/16/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 53
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 10-50 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OPEN FIELD
SELF-INFLICTED: YES
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: NO

VICTIM WAS ON POST FOR VICTIM'S HUNTING PARTY. ANOTHER HUNTING PARTY WAS WALKING PARALLEL WITH VICTIM'S PARTY. SHOOTER SHOT THREE TIMES AT A PHEASANT. THE THIRD SHOT WAS DIRECTLY TOWARD THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEG, FACE AND HAND.

SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 16
FIREARM: SHOTGUN SLUG
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: DEER
FAS: YES
COUNTY: GOODHUE
DAY: 11/20/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 49
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: ORANGE
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 10-50 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: WOODED
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM WAS IN A HUNTING PARTY DOING A DRIVE. A DEER RAN THROUGH AND A MEMBER OF THE PARTY SHOT AT IT. THE BULLET PASSED THROUGH THE DEER, STRUCK THE GROUND AND RICOCHETED TOWARD THE VICTIM STRIKING VICTIM ON THE FOREHEAD. THE INJURY WAS A NON-PENETRATING GUNSHOT WOUND.

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SHOOTER'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 20
FIREARM: SHOTGUN
ACTION: SLIDE
ANIMAL: RABBIT
FAS: YES
COUNTY: HOUSTON
DAY: 12/4/2004

VICTIM'S INFORMATION:

AGE: 17
CASUALTY: **NONFATAL**
COLOR OF CLOTHING: UNKNOWN
DISTANCE OF MUZZLE TO WOUND: 10-50 YARDS
TYPE OF COVER: OTHER
SELF-INFLICTED: NO
VICTIM AND SHOOTER IN SAME PARTY: YES

VICTIM WAS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT WHILE PARTY HUNTING. VICTIM RECEIVED MULTIPLE WOUNDS ON THE NECK AND FACE FROM A SHOT FIRED BY ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE HUNTING PARTY. SPECIFIC DETAILS WERE NOT PROVIDED.

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Number of Hunting Accidents

	2 party	Self-inflicted	Total
NONFATAL	9	7	16
TOTALS	9	7	16

Type of Firearm 2 Party Accidents

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
SHOTGUN		6	6
SHOTGUN SLUG		2	2
SMALL BORE RIFLE		1	1
TOTALS		9	9

Type of Firearm Self-inflicted Accidents

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
HANDGUN		1	1
LARGE BORE RIFLE		1	1
SHOTGUN		4	4
SMALL BORE RIFLE		1	1
TOTALS		7	7

Animal Hunted 2 Party Accidents

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
DEER		3	3
DUCK OR GEESE		2	2
OTHER		1	1
PHEASANT		1	1
RABBIT		1	1
UNKNOWN		1	1
TOTALS		9	9

Animal Hunted Self-inflicted Accidents

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
DEER		1	1
DUCK OR GEESE		2	2
OTHER		3	3
PHEASANT		1	1
TOTALS		7	7

Contributing Factors - 2 party Accident

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
RICOCHET		3	3
SHOOTER STUMBLED AND FELL		1	1
TRIGGER CAUGHT ON BRUSH OR OTHER OBJECT		2	2
VICTIM COVERED BY SHOOTER SWINGING ON GAME		2	2
VICTIM MISTAKEN FOR GAME		1	1
TOTALS		9	9

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Contributing Factors - Self-inflicted Accident

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
OTHER		1	1
REMOVING FIREARM FROM OR PLACING IN VEHICLE		1	1
SHOOTER STUMBLED AND FELL		2	2
TRIGGER CAUGHT ON BRUSH OR OTHER OBJECT		1	1
UNLOADING		1	1
VICTIM COVERED BY SHOOTER SWINGING ON GAME		1	1
TOTALS		7	7

Age of Shooter 2 Party

Firearm Safety Training	No	Yes	Total
Age 0-9			1
Age 10-19		5	5
Age 20-29		1	1
Age 40-49		1	1
Age 60-69	1		1
TOTALS	1	7	9

Age of Shooter - Self-inflicted

Firearm Safety Training	No	Yes	Total
Age 10-19		1	1
Age 20-29		2	2
Age 30-39		1	1
Age 40-49	1	1	2
Age 50-59		1	1
TOTALS	1	6	7

Color of Clothing the Victim was Wearing - 2 Party Accident

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
Drab		1	1
Orange		4	4
Orange camo		1	1
Other		2	2
Unknown		1	1
TOTALS		9	9

Age of Victim

Firearm Safety Training	No	Yes	Total
Age 10-19	1	5	6
Age 20-29		3	3
Age 30-39		1	1
Age 40-49	3		3
Age 50-59	1	2	3
TOTALS	5	11	16

Type of Terrain Where Accident Happened

	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total
MARSH		1	1
OPEN FIELD		3	3
OTHER		5	5
STANDING CROPS		3	3
WOODED		4	4
TOTALS		16	16