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Hunting Incident Report

All Incidents July 1, 1997 to June 30, 2021

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County	Date	Shooter Age	Victim Age	Device	Distance	Animal Hunted	Tree Stand	Self Injury	Fatal/ Non-Fatal
ACCOMACK	11/5/1997	68		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	F
VICTIM WAS POSSIBLY EXPERIENCING CHEST PAINS. FELL 7 FEET, LANDING ON THE TOP OF HIS HEAD.									
ACCOMACK	12/30/2000	28	35	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	F
THE SHOOTER & VICTIM WERE BOTH DUCK HUNTING ALONG WITH 2 OTHER FRIENDS, WHEN A PAIR OF BLACK DUCKS FLEW ACROSS THEIR POSITION. THE SHOOTER SWUNG ON THE DUCKS, AS HE PULLED THE TRIGGER THE VICTIM CAME INTO THE LINE OF SIGHT. THE VICTIM WAS HIT IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD FROM APPROXIMATELY 1-3 FEET WITH A FULL LOAD OF BB'S FROM A SHOTGUN.									
ACCOMACK	11/19/2001	66		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER FELL ASLEEP IN HIS STAND WITHOUT HAVING HIS SAFETY HARNESS ON & FELL 12 FEET, RESULTING IN A BROKEN LEFT WRIST & NECK PAIN.									
ACCOMACK	1/5/2007	52	49	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DUCK WHILE THE VICTIM WAS IN A BOAT PASSING IN FRONT OF THE HUNTING PARTY. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE BACK OF HIS RIGHT HAND WITH ONE PELLET.									
ACCOMACK	12/15/2012	51	33	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS STANDING ON THE EDGE OF THE WOODS. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DEER THAT WAS RUNNING DOWN THE EDGE OF THE WOODS, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE ABDOMEN WITH ONE PELLET.									
ACCOMACK	1/21/2013	28	28	SHOTGUN		DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
THREE HUNTERS WERE SITTING IN A DUCK BLIND COMPARING SHOTGUNS. ONE HUNTER HAD HIS GUN IN HIS LAP WITH THE BARREL POINTED AT THE VICTIM. THE GUN SLIPPED & DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH APPROXIMATELY 105 PELLETS, IN THE LEFT ARM, ACROSS HIS STOMACH & INTO HIS UPPER RIGHT ARM.									
ACCOMACK	11/14/2015		70	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	U	Y	N
The victim took a .270 rifle and .308 ammunition on a deer hunt. The .308 ammunition would fit into the .270 chamber but the bullet diameter was too large for the barrel. The rifle exploded and injured his face. His eardrums were also ruptured.									
ACCOMACK	12/31/2016		36					N	N
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ACCOMACK	1/10/2017	36		RIFLE				N	N
ALBEMARLE	11/27/1999	14		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
VICTIM WAS RESTING HIS SHOTGUN ON HIS LEFT FOOT WHEN IT DISCHARGED.									
ALBEMARLE	12/28/1999	41				DEER	Y	Y	N
HUNTER SUBSTITUTED PAD LOCKS FOR PINS TO SECURE THE SEAT IN THE TREESTAND. HE FAILED TO LOCK THEM BEFORE CLIMBING & FELL APPROXIMATELY 16 FEET.									
ALBEMARLE	1/3/2002	43	31	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
THE VICTIM WAS FORWARD AND IN A CROUCHING POSITION. THE VICTIM FIRED HIS WEAPON AND STOOD UP JUST AS THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD.									
ALBEMARLE	11/22/2005	45				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS USING A SCREW-IN SPIKE LADDER. AS HE WAS DESCENDING THE TREE, ONE OF THE SPIKES CAME OUT & HE FELL 11 FEET. HE RECEIVED TORN LIGAMENTS & MUSCLES IN HIS LEFT ANKLE.									
ALBEMARLE	11/6/2010	29		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SHOOTER STUMBLED & HIS FIREARM DISCHARGED, CAUSING A POWDER BURN TO HIS LOWER LEFT LEG.									
ALBEMARLE	11/3/2012	63		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS IN HIS CLIMBING TREESTAND, IN THE PROCESS OF SECURING ITEMS, WHEN THE STAND FELL. HIS SAFETY HARNESS CAUGHT HIM, THEN IT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 11 FEET. HE RECEIVED INJURIES TO THIS RIGHT ANKLE, LEFT WRIST & MINOR FACIAL LACERATIONS.									
ALBEMARLE	1/6/2018	24	43	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
The shooter and victim were in a hunting party using dogs to drive deer. The shooter fired at a deer that ran between him and the victim, striking the victim with two 00 buckshot pellets in the left arm at a distance of about 58 yards. One pellet entered and exited the victim's forearm, breaking the radius bone. Both hunters were wearing blaze orange, but each was unaware of the other's position.									
ALLEGHANY	1/6/2001	40	19	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER PLACED A LOADED & CAPPED MUZZLELOADER BEHIND THE SEAT OF A TRUCK ON THE DRIVERS SIDE. WHEN THE SHOOTER ADJUSTED HIS SEAT, THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THIGH.									

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ALLEGHANY	11/11/2002	61		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE TREESAND WAS TORN DOWN BEFORE THE GAME WARDEN COULD INVESTIGATE. THE VICTIM'S INJURIES WERE A CRACKED RIGHT AND LEFT HIP, THREE CRACKED RIBS, BROKEN TAILBONE AND A RUPTERED SPLEEN.</p>									
ALLEGHANY	11/19/2002	57		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WOUNDED A DEER WITH HIS RIFLE. THEN SHOT IT AGAIN WITH A .32 HANDGUN. HE PUT THE HANDGUN BACK INTO THE HOLSTER WITH THE SAFETY OFF. THE HANDGUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT BUTTOCKS AND EXITING HIS LEFT LEG.</p>									
ALLEGHANY	11/13/2010	47	27	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A BUCK, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHEST. THE VICTIM WAS NOT WEARING BLAZE ORANGE.</p>									
ALLEGHANY	5/7/2011	27	10	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER (UNCLE) FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM (NEPHEW) ON THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS BODY, FROM HIS HEAD TO HIS THIGH.</p>									
AMELIA	11/2/1998	27		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET FROM HOMEMADE TREESTAND.</p>									
AMELIA	11/20/1999	27	50	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DEER THAT WAS BETWEEN HE & THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT CALF.</p>									
AMELIA	11/22/2000	14		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>HUNTER WAS LEANING ON HIS FIREARM THAT WAS RESTING ON HIS FOOT. HE LOOKED TO SEE IF THE SAFETY WAS ON & ACCIDENTLY DISCHARGED THE FIREARM, REMOVING A PLUG OF FLESH BETWEEN THE FIRST & SECOND TOES.</p>									
AMELIA	12/2/2000	14	35	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM WERE TRAILING A DEER THAT HAD BEEN SHOT. THE SHOOTER WAS WALKING ALONG A PATH, WHILE THE VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS. THE SHOOTER SAW SOMETHING THAT LOOKED LIKE A DEER & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER CHEST.</p>									

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AMELIA	12/14/2001		38	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM PULLED THE 12 GAUGE SHOTGUN BY THE BARREL ACROSS THE TRUCK SEAT TOWARD HIMSELF AND IT DISCHARGED.									
AMELIA	12/15/2001	57		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS EXITING A TREESTAND WHEN HIS SHOTGUN HIT THE GROUND. HE PICKED IT UP, STARTED CLEANING THE MUD OFF AND IT DISCHARGED.									
AMELIA	11/4/2002	34		MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM REMOVED HIS SAFETY BELT TO ADJUST THE TREESTAND. THE TREESTAND AND VICTIM FELL TO THE GROUND. HE SUFFERED INJURY TO HIS KNEE CAPS, TENDONS AND LIGAMENTS AROUND THE KNEES.									
AMELIA	12/14/2002	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM LOWERED HIS SHOTGUN. IT SLIPPED AND DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN HIS TOE ON THE RIGHT FOOT.									
AMELIA	12/1/2004	45		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE FREE STANDING TREESTAND BLEW OVER (DUE TO HIGH WINDS) AS THE VICTIM WAS GETTING OUT OF IT. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN LEFT ANKLE.									
AMELIA	2/12/2005	59		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM'S FIREARM WAS LEANING AGAINST A TREE WHILE DOGS WERE RUNNING IN THE AREA. A DOG HIT THE GUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT HAND, FOREARM, KNEE & LEFT FOOT.									
AMELIA	5/7/2005	46	13	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER (FATHER) FIRED AT A GOBBLER, STRIKING THE VICTIM (SON) WITH NUMEROUS PELLETS ON THE RIGHT SIDE.									
AMELIA	1/3/2009	30		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM HEARD A DEER & WAS ADJUSTING HER STANCE. SHE LOST HER BALANCE & FELL, CAUSING THE FIREARM TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HER IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
AMELIA	12/8/2012		67	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING WITH A PARTY OF 20. A DEER JUMPED & NUMEROUS HUNTERS FIRED. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT HAND WITH ONE BUCKSHOT PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN SHOOTER.									

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AMELIA	11/15/2013	60		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS GETTING OFF OF HIS ATV & DROPPED HIS MUZZLELOADER, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER LEFT CHEST & EXITING THE CHEST JUST ABOVE THAT SPOT. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
AMELIA	12/4/2013	29		RIFLE		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT ATTEMPTED TO UNLOAD HIS RIFLE. WHEN HE FLIPPED THE SAFETY TO OFF IN ORDER TO OPEN THE ACTION, IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM ON THE OUTSIDE OF HIS RIGHT FOOT. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
AMELIA	11/20/2014		73		N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was ascending the tree in a climbing stand when the strap which holds the stand on the tree broke. The victim's feet caught in the foot straps of the lower portion of the stand, causing him to hang upside down for about 30 minutes. His son was able to help him down the tree. The victim suffered a broken leg. He was not using a fall restraint device.</p>									
AMELIA	11/18/2017	60	37	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter was positioned at the back end of a field. He shot a deer that crossed through a narrow patch of dense cover between him and the victim. One stray 00 Buckshot pellet struck the victim penetrating into the top of his right hand. The victim could not be seen through the dense cover and the shooter thought he was further away. The were about 35-40 yards apart. Both hunters were wearing blaze orange.</p>									
AMELIA	12/14/2017	14	89	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was not hunting. She was walking to her house and was shot in the shoulder. The shooter fired twice at a deer. The pellets from his 00 buckshot struck trees and the ground. A single pellet also struck the victim in the shoulder. She was walking into her house from the back door. The victim was beyond the deer that the shooter was attempting to take. He could not see the victim due to the thick woods, but could see the house.</p>									
AMELIA	11/18/2019	19	19	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>Victim was deer hunting in Amelia County. He shot a deer and the dogs bayed the deer up in a wooded area approximately 30 yards from an adjacent crop field. When the victim was walking out of the woods from the deer he tripped causing the gun to discharge. He suffered a non-fatal, self-inflicted, entry and exit gunshot wound to the right shoulder. Unsure at this time if victim was under the influence of narcotics at the time of the incident.</p>									
AMELIA	11/29/2019	27	28	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	U	N	N
<p>Shooter fired one time with 00 Buckshot at a deer. When the firearm discharged, the victim yelled. The victim was in thick cover making a deer drive. He was struck with a pellet in the right leg just above the knee.</p>									

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AMELIA	11/30/2019	47	47	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim suffered severe trauma to his left foot as a result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The victim stated that the muzzle of the rifle was resting on his left foot as he went to move from one elevated platform to another on a homemade tree stand. The victim stated that the weapon safety was off and during the movement the trigger was pulled.</p>									
AMELIA	4/16/2020	22	17	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>Three hunters entered the hunting area in the dark. The victim broke away and sat at the base of a tree 70 yards from the shooter. He was out of sight. The shooter killed a turkey and some of the shot struck the victim in the face.</p>									
AMELIA	10/3/2020		45	BOW		TURKEY	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was in a climbing stand. He lost his seat while attempting to shoot a turkey and was not able to pull himself back into the stand. The victim tried to jump to a nearby tree but was unsuccessful. He had multiple broken bones in both legs and his back. He was not attached with a fall arrest system.</p>									
AMHERST	11/21/1998	31		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>SHOOTER RETURNING PISTOL TO HOLSTER, WHEN IT CAUGHT ON HIS COVERALLS & DISCHARGED. SHOT OFF LEFT RING FINGER.</p>									
AMHERST	11/21/1998	12	16	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER SHOT DEER, THEN FOLLOWED IT INTO THICK BRUSH. HE SAW MOVEMENT & SHOT 2ND TIME, STRIKING A COMPANION IN THE CHEST WITH 7 PELLETS. SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY TARGET.</p>									
AMHERST	11/27/1998	36		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM CLIMBING INTO TREESTAND & DROPPED HIS GUN. IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT LEG, JUST BELOW THE KNEE.</p>									
AMHERST	11/22/2001	13		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS STANDING WITH THE MUZZLE RESTING ON HIS FOOT. HE PULLED THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE BIG TOE ON HIS RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
AMHERST	11/22/2003	60		RIFLE	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM LOST HIS GRIP ON THE TREESTAND & FLIPPED UPSIDE DOWN WITH HIS RIGHT FOOT STILL IN STRAP. HE SUFFERED PULLED/TORN LOWER CALF MUSCLES.</p>									

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AMHERST	11/26/2004	15	65	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT LEG.									
AMHERST	5/2/2005	54	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SHOULDER WITH ONE PELLET.									
AMHERST	11/11/2006	34		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT GOT TO THE BASE OF THE TREE WHERE HIS TREESTAND WAS LOCATED. AS HE REMOVED THE GUN FROM HIS SHOULDER, IT SLIPPED. HE GRABBED THE GUN BY THE TRIGGER MECHANISM & IT FIRED, STRIKING HIM IN THE TOP OF HIS RIGHT FOOT.									
AMHERST	11/20/2008	52	54	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER RUNNING UPHILL. HE MISSED THE DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM.									
AMHERST	11/12/2009	49		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS HUNTING FROM A SLANTED TREE WITHOUT USING A STAND. HE PLACED HIS RIGHT FOOT ON A BRANCH & IT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 27 1/2 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT ANKLE & CRACKING HIS HEEL.									
AMHERST	12/12/2009	35		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS HANGING HIS SHOTGUN BY THE TRIGGER GUARD ON EACH STEP AS HE CLIMBED. UPON HANGING IT ON ONE STEP, THE GUN FLIPPED AROUND. AS THE VICTIM REACHED FOR THE GUN, IT BEGAN FIRING. FOUR ROUNDS WERE DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM TWICE, ONCE IN THE STOMACH & ONCE IN THE RIGHT THIGH.									
AMHERST	11/16/2020		19	RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim was climbing a tree with a climbing stand. He was not using a fall arrest system. When he got up as high as he wanted to go, about 12 1/2 feet, he was unable to get the upper portion of the stand to lock/bite into the tree. It kept slipping and sliding down. After about 10 minutes of frustration and panic from being stuck in the tree, he decided to jump from the platform. He landed on both feet but immediately collapsed. He had a compound fracture in his lower right leg as well as other broken bones and a dislocated ankle. To get help, he had to crawl to the road.									
APPOMATTOX	4/24/1998	14	75	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH WOODS. SHOOTER FIRED MISTAKING VICTIM FOR A TURKEY. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE HEAD FACE & NECK.									

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APPOMATTOX	1/30/1999	15	17	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
RABBIT RAN BETWEEN SHOOTER & VICTIM. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN UPPER FOREHEAD.									
APPOMATTOX	11/23/2002	25	15	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS STANDING BY THE VEHICLE. THE SHOOTER SHOT IN THAT DIRECTION STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THIGH.									
APPOMATTOX	1/3/2009	49	61	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT TWO DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LOWER LEFT ABDOMEN, RESULTING IN A 4 INCH BRUISE.									
APPOMATTOX	11/26/2010	29		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT'S GUN WAS LEANING AGAINST A TREE & FELL, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT CALF.									
APPOMATTOX	11/26/2012	13	78	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER (GRANDSON) STOOD UP WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER (SAFETY OFF) & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM (GRANDFATHER) IN THE RIGHT THIGH.									
APPOMATTOX	11/11/2013	41		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS DESCENDING THE TREE IN A CLIMBING TREESTAND, WHEN A STRAP BROKE & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET, CAUSING TORN MUSCLES. REC'D CAD & FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***									
APPOMATTOX	12/31/2014		58	RIFLE	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
Victim was climbing the ladder of a homemade treestand at a height of 12-15 feet. His rifle was slung over his shoulder. The top rung of the ladder came loose and he fell on his back. The victim suffered two broken ribs and a punctured lung. He was not using a fall arrest system.									
APPOMATTOX	11/3/2018		39		N/A	UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
The victim was climbing down from a ladder stand after legal hunting hours when he fell from approximately 10 feet. He landed on the back of his head and neck. The reason for the fall is unknown. He suffered nausea, vomiting and blurred vision. While being transported to the hospital by the rescue squad, the victim stopped breathing but was successfully resuscitated. When he fell, he was not using a fall-restraint device.									

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APPOMATTOX	11/23/2019	34	27	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER		N	N
<p>The victim was in the process of field dressing a buck that he had shot when the shooter saw the movement of the dead deer. He did not see the victim and fired. The victim was struck with 2 pellets. One pellet passed completely through the right thigh and the other struck and broke the tibia in the upper ankle area.</p>									
AUGUSTA	4/18/1998	21	68	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM CALLING TURKEYS WITH HIS BACK TO TREE. SHOOTER THOUGHT HE SAW A TURKEY AND FIRED AT VICTIM, STRIKING HIM IN THE FACE & HEAD.</p>									
AUGUSTA	4/24/1998	54	27	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM CALLED TURKEY AND WALKED THROUGH WOODS. SHOOTER HEARD TURKEY CALLS AND THOUGHT IT WAS A TURKEY. VICTIM LAID DOWN BESIDE A FALLEN TREE. SHOOTER SAW THE BRIM OF THE VICTIM'S HAT AND FIRED.</p>									
AUGUSTA	10/31/2000	44		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM REACHED FOR HIS FIREARM THAT WAS LEANING AGAINST HIS VEHICLE. THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/22/2001	38		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CROSSING A FENCE & HIS GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER LEFT ABDOMEN.</p>									
AUGUSTA	12/23/2002	36	70	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
<p>A RABBIT RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM. THE SHOOTER WAS NOT AWARE THAT THE VICTIM HAD MOVED. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN RIGHT FOOT, ONE PELLET ENTERED THE OUTSIDE OF HIS LEFT LEG JUST ABOVE THE KNEE. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE RIGHT THIGH, AND RIGHT LEG. .</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/26/2003	28		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM SAW A DEER, STOOD UP & COCKED THE HAMMER, BUT DID NOT SHOOT. HE WAS LAYING THE RIFLE DOWN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM.</p>									
AUGUSTA	12/2/2004	50	29	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER LEFT ABDOMEN. BOTH PARTIES WERE HUNTING DURING CLOSED SEASON.</p>									

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AUGUSTA	12/4/2004	12		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM POINTED THE GUN TOWARDS THE GROUND TRYING TO ENGAGE THE SAFETY. HIS THUMB SLIPPED & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT WITH FIVE PELLETS.</p>									
AUGUSTA	10/17/2005	70		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM ATTEMPTED TO COCK HIS CROSSBOW WHILE NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS. THE CROSSBOW SLIPPED CAUSING HIM TO LOSE HIS BALANCE & HE FELL 17 FEET BREAKING HIS PELVIS.</p>									
AUGUSTA	10/21/2005	51		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>AS THE HUNTER WAS DESCENDING A HOMEMADE TREESTAND, SHE PULLED ON THE SEAT FOR SUPPORT & THE NAILS GAVE WAY. SHE FELL APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET, FRACTURING THE T-11 VERTEBRAE.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/23/2007	51		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM LAID HIS GUN ACROSS THE SEAT & ON A BRANCH OF THE BLIND THAT HE WAS HUNTING FROM. HE REACHED INTO HIS BACKPACK CAUSING THE GUN TO FALL & DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT TRICEP.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/14/2009	47				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUPPORT CABLE ON THE SEAT PART OF THE TREESTAND BROKE, CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET. HE RECEIVED TORN MUSCLES IN HIS LOWER LEFT BACK.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/14/2015		60	RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was using a homemade wooden treestand with rotten legs. It fell over and the victim made it back to his vehicle with three broken vertebrae. He had been in the stand several times during the season. No safety harness was used.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/20/2017		56				Y	Y	N
<p>Victim climbed into ladder stand and attempted to pull up his firearm with a haul line. It came untied and he began climbing down to retrieve it. He fell and his foot became entangled in the ratchet strap. His body was lying on the ground while his foot was still entangled above him on the stand. The terrain was rocky and he sustained several broken bones in his left shoulder. He tried to contact his partner by firing his gun and texting, but did not receive help until about three hours later.</p>									
AUGUSTA	11/27/2019		41			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was climbing into a metal ladder stand. He noticed the brace was not set against the tree and climbed up knowing this. When he got to the top he said the stand broke and he lost his balance and fell backward to the ground.</p>									

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AUGUSTA	11/7/2020		40	UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was using a climbing stand when the lower portion slipped and fell down to about 12 feet. The victim then fell, hitting the lower portion of the stand before continuing to the ground. He broke the tibia and fibula bones in his lower leg. He was not using a fall arrest system. The victim was able to contact Emergency Medical Services by cell phone.</p>									
BATH	10/11/1997	67		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>SHOOTER REACHED TO PUT HIS HAND IN FRONT OF THE TRIGGER GUARD & HIT THE TRIGGER, STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
BATH	11/15/1997	9	13	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>SUBJECT SHOT A BIRD & IT FELL TO THE GROUND. THE VICTIM WAS STOMPING ON THE BIRD TO KILL IT. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT IT AGAIN STRIKING VICTIM IN THE RIGHT BIG TOE.</p>									
BATH	1/2/1998	26	22	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SUBJECTS DRIVING VEHICLE DOWN ROAD. DRIVER ASKED PASSENGER TO POINT GUN TO THE FLOOR. WHILE MOVING THE GUN, IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING DRIVER IN LEFT FEMUR & HAND.</p>									
BATH	12/1/2001	33	27	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM & SHOOTER BOTH FIRED AT A DEER THAT RAN BETWEEN THEM. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER LEG.</p>									
BATH	12/3/2005	62				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE & THE STAND FELL TO THE SIDE OF THE TREE CAUSING A KNEE INJURY.</p>									
BATH	11/10/2007	52	36	MUZZLELOADER	11-50 YARDS	BOBCAT	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A BOBCAT, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ARM & EXITING THE RIGHT UPPER CHEST.</p>									
BATH	12/10/2011	52		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	BEAR	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT HEARD WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A BEAR COMING & COCKED HIS .357 MAGNUM REVOLVER. TWO DEER RAN BY HIM & HE WENT TO UNCOCK HIS REVOLVER WHEN HIS THUMB SLIPPED OFF THE HAMMER, SHOOTING HIMSELF THROUGH THE RIGHT BIG TOE.</p>									

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BATH	5/15/2013	72	52	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM (SON) WAS WALKING BACK TO LOCATE THE SHOOTER (DAD), WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 10 PELLETS IN THE UPPER BODY & HEAD.									
BEDFORD	11/26/1997	55	33	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN LOWER LEFT LEG WITH ONE PELLET.									
BEDFORD	1/17/1998	7	34	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
SHOOTER (SON, 7 YOA) TRIPPED & FELL CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE INTO THE GROUND. THE PELLETS RICOCHETED OFF OF THE GROUND, STRIKING HIS FATHER IN THE LEGS.									
BEDFORD	4/23/1998	27	55	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	F
SHOOTER WAS LOOKING FOR WOUNDED TURKEY. SAW SOMETHING BLACK AND FIRED STRIKING VICTIM IN THE CHEST.									
BEDFORD	10/15/1998	62		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
SUBJECT REACHED FOR STEP, WHILE DESCENDING FROM TREESTAND & MISSED THE STEP CAUSING HIM TO FALL 8 FEET TO THE ROCKS BELOW.									
BEDFORD	11/25/1998	31	37	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTERS RIFLE JAMMED. WHILE TRYING TO DISLodge THE BULLET, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT JAW.									
BEDFORD	11/28/1998	52		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM DESCENDING TREE WHEN RIFLE STARTED TO FALL OFF HIS SHOULDER. AS HE TRIED TO ADJUST HIS GEAR, HE LOST BALANCE & FELL 20 FEET, LANDING ON HIS BACK.									
BEDFORD	11/25/1999	44		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE (NO STAND) WHEN HIS FOOT GOT CAUGHT IN FORK OF TREE. HE PULLED IT LOOSE, & FELL 15 FEET, RECEIVING SOME ABRASIONS.									
BEDFORD	4/15/2000	29	51	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
VICTIM (FATHER) WAS SITTING BESIDE A TREE WITH A PUSH BUTTON BOX CALLER. THE SHOOTER (SON) FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS THE HEAD OF A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS FACE, ARM, SHOULDER, HAND, CHEST & LEG.									

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BEDFORD	11/23/2000	69		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
HUNTER WAS INSTALLING A TREESTAND WHEN HIS WEIGHT SHIFTED & HE FELL, CAUSING A NECK INJURY.									
BEDFORD	12/22/2001	52	18	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM (SON) WAS CALLING A TURKEY AND THE SHOOTER (FATHER) FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET. HE HEARD THE SOUND AND FIRED STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE ARMS AND BACK.									
BEDFORD	10/11/2003	38		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS IN A HOMEMADE STAND. HE WAS APPROXIMATELY 21' 9" INCHES FROM THE GROUND. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS. INJURIES INCLUDED FRACTURED VERTEBRA AND CONTUSIONS..									
BEDFORD	1/1/2004	50		MUZZLELOADER	N/A	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM FIRED AT A DEER & THE MUZZLELOADER EXPLODED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT HAND. POSSIBLE DOUBLE LOAD IN MUZZLELOADER.									
BEDFORD	1/7/2006	35	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
A RABBIT RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT CALF WITH ONE PELLET.									
BEDFORD	10/21/2006	20	55	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER & VICTIM WERE SPOTLIGHTING DEER. THE DRIVER GOT OUT TO SHOOT. AS HE WAS GETTING OUT OF THE VEHICLE, HE SHOT THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT LEG.									
BEDFORD	11/13/2006	42		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS LOADING HIS FIREARM WHEN IT SLIPPED & DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
BEDFORD	12/29/2006	10		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
THE JUVENILE WAS SITTING ON THE GROUND & ACCIDENTLY FIRED A ROUND FROM HIS SHOTGUN, WITH THE MUZZLE FOUR INCHES FROM HIS BOOT, SHOOTING OFF THE 4TH TOE ON HIS LEFT FOOT. (PARENT LEFT CHILD UNSUPERVISED.)									
BEDFORD	10/27/2007	25		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM STOOD UP IN THE TREESTAND TO PUT ON HIS SAFETY HARNESS WHEN THE PART THAT ATTACHED TO THE SEAT SNAPPED & HE FELL 20 FEET. HE RECEIVED BRUISES & CONTUSIONS ON HIS BACK & RIGHT ELBOW.									

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BEDFORD	9/22/2008	18		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	Y	N
TWO SUBJECTS WERE HUNTING WITH THE SAME GUN. ONE DROPPED THE SHOTGUN, CAUSING THE BARREL OF THE GUN TO BECOME OBSTRUCTED WITH MUD. THE OTHER HUNTER ATTEMPTED TO SHOOT THE GUN & IT EXPLODED NEAR THE MUZZLE END, CAUSING INJURY TO THE TOP OF HIS LEFT WRIST & RIGHT HIP.									
BEDFORD	11/13/2008	37		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS CLIMBING INTO HIS TREESTAND & MISSED THE RUNG OF THE LADDER WITH HIS HAND, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET. HE RECEIVE A SWOLLEN RIGHT KNEE & ANKLE.									
BEDFORD	3/31/2009	71		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	GROUNDHOG	N	Y	F
THE SUBJECT WAS CROSSING A FENCE WHEN THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE HEAD.									
BEDFORD	10/3/2009	60		CROSSBOW		BEAR	Y	Y	N
WHILE CLIMBING INTO THE TREESTAND IN THE DARK, THE VICTIM STEPPED ON A LIMB & IT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 23 FEET, RESULTING IN CONTUSIONS & FOUR BROKEN RIBS ON HIS LEFT SIDE.									
BEDFORD	11/23/2010	24		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS RESTING THE BARREL OF THE GUN ON HIS FOOT, WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER WHEN IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
BEDFORD	1/1/2011	28		CROSSBOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS INTOXICATED. HE CLIMBED INTO THE TREESTAND & FELL 14 FEET, 7 INCHES, CAUSING PARALYSIS FROM THE WAIST DOWN.									
BEDFORD	12/10/2011	45	37	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
A RABBIT RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LEGS WITH #6 SHOT.									
BEDFORD	11/16/2012	31				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT SAW A LARGE BUCK & LOST HIS BALANCE. HE FELL 25-30 FEET. HIS INJURIES ARE UNKNOW. ***PENDING FINAL***									

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BEDFORD	12/31/2013	60				DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE SUBJECT HAD JUST CLIMBED INTO THE TREESTAND WHEN THE BOTTOM FELL. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS & FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET. HE RECEIVED A RUPTURED SPLEEN, BROKEN RIBS & CONCUSSION, RESULTING IN HIS DEATH. REC'D SWAN & FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
BEDFORD	5/15/2014	40		RIFLE		RACCOON/OPOSSUM	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FIRED AT A RACCOON WHILE RUNNING BACKWARDS, STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE LEFT FOOT. REC'D FBR & FINAL.</p>									
BEDFORD	5/24/2014	14	16	PNEUMATIC		BLACKBIRDS	N	N	N
<p>THE HUNTERS WERE APPROXIMATELY 27 FEET APART, WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM UNDER THE RIGHT ARM. THE PELLET ENTERED THE CHEST CAVITY & PUNCTURED HIS LUNG. REC'D SWAN, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
BEDFORD	10/4/2014		54	CROSSBOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim left his house about 6 am and hunted from his ladder stand. He started to climb down at about 10 am. The stand shifted to one side and it fell with him. He was able to crawl back to his house with a broken ankle, where his daughter found him. He was transported to Roanoke Memorial Hospital. No safety harness was worn.</p>									
BEDFORD	11/15/2014	18	18	REVOLVER	0-10 YARDS	COYOTE	N	Y	N
<p>While camping on family property, a group of three heard a pack of coyotes nearby. Two of them decided to try to kill the coyotes. The shooter/victim brought a Uberti 1958 Conversion revolver down by his side and it discharged, resulting in a gunshot wound to his right leg. He was transported to the hospital in a personal vehicle.</p>									
BEDFORD	11/27/2014		27		N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was wearing a safety harness and believed it was attached to the tree. He leaned around the tree to shoot a deer, intending to use the harness to support his weight. When he felt that the harness was not holding him, it was too late and he fell about 20 feet to the ground. The factory-made ladder stand seemed to be in good condition and properly attached to the tree. It took the victim about 3 hours to walk the 400 yards necessary to get out of the woods. The victim was transported to Lynchburg General Hospital.</p>									
BEDFORD	11/18/2017		43	MUZZLELOADER			Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting with a muzzleloader in a homemade treestand that was made with thin plywood and 2 x 2's. He stated that he fell asleep and fell out of the stand. He fell about 10 feet and broke his leg when he landed. He was not attached with a safety harness.</p>									

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BEDFORD	11/30/2018		54	REVOLVER	0-10 YARDS	UNKNOWN	N	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting in a blind with a Ruger Blackhawk 44 Magnum Revolver. When he saw something dark moving in the distance, he raised the revolver up and was resting it on his left arm when the gun discharged. The bullet struck the top of his left foot, hitting his big toe.</p>									
BEDFORD	1/2/2019		15	CROSSBOW	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The victim apparently bumped his crossbow on a tree, knocking the safety to "off". It discharged, striking him in the foot.</p>									
BEDFORD	11/17/2019	25	26	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Firearm was aimed at deer and hit a rock that was in the line of fire, causing bullet fragments to ricochet and hit the victim in the face.</p>									
BEDFORD	12/12/2019		62			UNKNOWN	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was climbing into a hanging stand when he reached out for a branch he had used in the past to pull himself into the stand. The branch broke, which caused the victim to fall. He bruised his lower back and broke some ribs. He was not using a fall arrest system.</p>									
BLAND	10/22/1997	57		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM INSTALLING TREESTAND, REACHED FOR LIMB & IT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 16 FEET. BROKEN COLLAR BONE, RIBS & PUNCTURED LEFT LUNG.</p>									
BLAND	11/9/1998	69	43	MUZZLELOADER	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER & WAS RELOADING WHEN HE HEARD THE VICTIM MOANING. VICTIM HAD BEEN STRUCK IN THE RIGHT REAR SHOULDER.</p>									
BLAND	11/20/2000		30	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS LEAVING THE AREA, WHEN HE CAME ACROSS ANOTHER HUNTER. THE HUNTER ACKNOWLEDGED HIM & SAT DOWN. VICTIM CONTINUED FOR APPROX 20-30 YARDS AND WAS HIT IN THE RIGHT THIGH. THE SHOOTER RAN AWAY.</p>									
BLAND	1/1/2003	46	71	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING IN THE NATIONAL FOREST. THE SHOOTER SPOOKED A DEER 60 YARDS AWAY. THE DEER RAN UP THE HILL TOWARDS THE TRAIL. THE SHOOTER LOST SITE OF THE DEER. HE SAW MOVEMENT AND FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT REAR FLANK.</p>									

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BLAND	11/14/2009	40		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE LOWERING HIS EQUIPMENT FROM THE TREESTAND, THE VICTIM TOOK OFF HIS SAFETY HARNESS. HE BECAME LIGHT HEADED & FELL AGAINST THE RAIL. THE RAIL BROKE & HE FELL 19 FEET 3 INCHES, BREAKING HIS LEFT HIP & FRACTURING HIS PELVIS.</p>									
BLAND	10/5/2013	55					Y	Y	N
<p>THE RATCHET STRAP ON THE TREESTAND BROKE IN TWO PLACES, CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 21 FEET, SUFFERING A BROKEN LEFT HIP, POSSIBLE BROKEN ELBOW & POSSIBLE SPINAL INJURY. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS. REC'D CAD. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/26/1998	20		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM DESCENDING TREE WHEN LIMB BROKE. HE FELL 35 FEET. NO SAFETY BELT WAS USED.</p>									
BOTETOURT	12/26/1998	31		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM RESTED MUZZLE OF GUN ON HIS RIGHT FOOT & IT DISCHARGED, RESULTING IN A 1" WOUND TO RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
BOTETOURT	10/9/1999	28		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>VICTIM, NOT WEARING A SAFETY STRAP WHILE CLIMBING THE TREE WITH HIS STAND & BOW, LOST HIS GRIP. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 24 FEET ONTO AN ARROW. THE NOCK OF THE ARROW PENETRATED JUST ABOVE HIS RIGHT EYE.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/2/2000	31		SHOTGUN		TURKEY	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS ASCENDING THE TREE WITH A CLIMBING STAND. HE DROPPED BOTTOM PORTION OF STAND. HE RECEIVED A 3 INCH LACERATION WHEN HE SLID DOWN THE TREE & FELL ON A NEARBY STUMP.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/4/2000	36	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER HEARD A TURKEY CALL & SAW A GLIMPSE OF BLUE & MOVEMENT. HE FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE, NECK & CHEST.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/19/2001	39		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS ASCENDING THE TREE & HIS HARNESS STRAP BROKE LOOSE. HE FELL 8 FEET RESULTING IN A COMPOUND FRACTURE TO HIS RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
BOTETOURT	12/1/2001	53		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS LAYING THE GUN DOWN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM.</p>									

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BOTETOURT	11/7/2003	45				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE CLIMBING INTO TREESTAND, THE VICTIM'S FOOT SLIPPED & HE FELL 19 FEET LANDING ON HIS SIDE. HE IS PARALYZED FROM THE WAIST DOWN.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/10/2004	37		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD FALLEN ASLEEP & WAS AWAKENED BY A BLAST & FELT HIS LEG BURNING. HIS MUZZLELOADER HAD FALLEN FROM RESTING AGAINST THE TREE & DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT CALF.</p>									
BOTETOURT	12/29/2004	19	18	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER CLIMBED INTO A TREESTAND & DROPPED A HAUL LINE DOWN TO THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM TIED BOTH HIS & THE SHOOTERS GUNS TO THE LINE THROUGH THE TRIGGER GUARD. AS THE SHOOTER WAS PULLING THEM UP THE VICTIM'S GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE UPPER LEFT THIGH.</p>									
BOTETOURT	10/15/2005	37		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER TURNED IN HIS STAND & FELL 17 FEET, BECAUSE HE WAS NOT WEARING HIS SAFETY HARNESS. HE RECEIVED FRACTURED LEFT SCAPULA, FRACTURED LEFT CLAVICLE, FRACTURED LEFT RIBS, FRACTURED L3 VERTEBRAE, RUPTURED SPLEEN & COLLAPSED LUNG.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/21/2006	41		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT REPLACED A WORN STRAP THAT WAS NOT PROPERLY TIGHTENED. HE STOOD UP IN THE TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET, DISLOCATING HIS LEFT SHOULDER & BREAKING HIS LEFT ANKLE.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/28/2006	71		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STOOD UP TO EXIT HIS TREESTAND, LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET, CAUSING FRACUTRED RIBS, VERTEBRAE & SCAPULA.</p>									
BOTETOURT	4/21/2007	33		SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>WHILE HUNTING, THE VICTIM SLIPPED ON A ROCK & BROKE HIS LEFT LEG IN TWO PLACES.</p>									
BOTETOURT	10/5/2009	51		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING TO THE TREESTAND & ONE OF THE SCREW-IN STEPS FAILED, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 13 FEET, 6 INCHES. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN RIGHT TIBIA, DISLOCATED LEFT ANKLE & FRACTURED BONES IN HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									

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BOTETOURT	4/25/2011	13	18	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>WHILE HUNTING IN A HEAVILY WOODED AREA, THE SHOOTER SAW PART OF THE RED SHIRT THE VICTIM WAS WEARING UNDERNEATH HIS CAMO SHIRT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD, NECK, BACK & LEFT ARM.</p>									
BOTETOURT	11/17/2012	46	11	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
<p>FATHER & SON LEFT THE WOODS & PLACED THEIR RIFLES IN THE BACK OF A UTILITY TRUCK, WITH THE BARRELS FACING TOWARD THE SEAT & THREW THEIR COATS OVER THEM. THE FATHER WENT TO ADJUST HIS RIFLE & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT THIGH.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	1/1/1999	33		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>TREESTAND SEAT BOLT WAS TOO SMALL & BROKE FROM THE TREE, CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 32 1/2 FEET.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/12/1999	50		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>VICTIM WAS LOWERING HIS GUN FROM THE TREESTAND. WHEN IT HIT THE GROUND IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CHEEK & EXITING THE BACK OF THE NECK.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/10/2000	43		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>HUNTER WAS ATTEMPTING TO CLIMB TO HIS STAND IN THE TREE, WHEN ONE OF THE SCREWS BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET. HE SUFFERED A BROKEN LEFT LEG & BROKEN RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	12/8/2001	44		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS RESTING THE RIFLE ON HIS RIGHT BOOT WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED SHOOTING OFF HIS MIDDLE TOES.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	12/29/2001	15	67	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE TWO HUNTERS AND THE SHOOTER FIRED AT IT TWICE. THE PELLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM IN HIS KNEE.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/25/2004	18	14	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>IT WAS NEARING THE END OF HUNTING HOURS & THE SHOOTER FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING HIS COUSIN WITH 9 000 BUCKSHOT PELLETS IN THE RIGHT LEG, TORSO & BOTH ARMS.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/28/2008	26		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS RESTING THE BARREL OF THE GUN ON HER RIGHT BOOT & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HER BIG TOE.</p>									

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BRUNSWICK	12/23/2008	51		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL 25 FEET FROM HIS TREESTAND, RESULTING IN BROKEN BONES & MAJOR HEAD TRAUMA. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	12/4/2010	39	15	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER (UNCLE) FIRED AT A DEER THAT RAN BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM (NEPHEW). THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET EACH IN THE CHIN & IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	10/14/2012	58				NONE	Y	Y	N
<p>SUBJECT WAS NOT HUNTING. WHILE SETTING UP HIS TREESTAND, THE LADDER GAVE WAY, CAUSING HIM TO FALL. HE RECEIVED BROKEN RIBS & COLLAR BONE, & BACK & NECK INJURIES.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	12/31/2012	29				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING A LADDER STAND, WHEN THE BRACE MOVED, CAUSING THE TOP & BOTTOM TO SEPARATE. HE FELL APPROXIMATRELY 8 FEET & RECEIVED A SPRAINED RIGHT KNEE. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/2/2013					DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT FELL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET WHEN THE NYLON STRAPS ON HIS TREESTAND FAILED. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN LEG. REC'D CAD & FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
BRUNSWICK	10/4/2014		42	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim climbed a home-made ladder stand at 6 am and woke up on the ground at 6:30 am. He fell when the stand became detached from the tree. He was med-flighted to Norfolk General Hospital with injuries to the head and face.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	12/30/2017	45	37	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Two brothers were deer hunting in Brunswick County. The shooter's brother was standing near his truck about 70 yards south of the shooter. A deer ran across the road between them and the shooter shot twice down the roadway in the direction of his brother. His second shot struck the victim in the lower left leg with a OO buckshot pellet. The shooter stated that he could clearly see his brother's entire truck as well as his brother down the road, but still took two shots at the deer that ran between them.</p>									
BRUNSWICK	11/16/2018		61	N/A		UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
<p>When the victim stepped from his ladder sticks over to the tree stand, the strap for the ladder sticks broke and he fell. He stated that he had on a harness but had not secured himself before stepping onto the treestand. He was able to contact his friends and get help.</p>									

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BRUNSWICK	11/14/2020	20	19	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were posted along a trail, but out of sight of each other due to vegetation and a curve in the trail. The shooter killed a deer in the trail with buckshot. One of the pellets missed and continued toward his hunting companion, who was struck behind the ear. The pellet lodged in his jaw. They were about 130 yards apart.</p>									
BUCHANAN	10/29/1999	66	52	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED TWICE AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE UPPER RIGHT TORSO.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	11/21/1998	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM HEARD SOMETHING & STARTED TO BRING THE GUN UP AS HE TURNED AROUND. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	11/26/1998	18	46	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN RIGHT ELBOW.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	11/23/2001	70		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>A SUPPORT FOR THE TREESTAND PLATFORM CAME LOOSE CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 11 FEET 8 INCHES, RESULTING IN A BROKEN NECK.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/3/2005	20	35	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH THREE PELLETS IN THE ABDOMEN.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/3/2005	65		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER STUMBLED OVER AN OBSTACLE & BRUSHED THE TRIGGER, FIRING ALL 15 PELLETS INTO HIS UPPER LEFT CHEST.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	4/27/2006	50	50	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS FACE, ARM & BACK.</p>									

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BUCKINGHAM	10/29/2006	30	35	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS WALKING IN FRONT OF THE VICTIM WITH THE GUN OVER HIS SHOULDER. THE GUN DISCHARGED, FATALY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE ABDOMEN.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/21/2006	46				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING A HOMEMADE WOODEN TREESTAND WHEN A BOARD CAME LOOSE & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET. HE RECEIVED TWO BROKEN WRISTS; BROKEN BACK, NECK & SCAPULA; SEVERAL FRACTURED RIBS & A PUNCTURED LUNG.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	1/6/2007	44		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT THOUGHT HE HEARD DEER COMING SO HE REMOVED THE SAFETY & RAISED HIS GUN TO SHOOT. HE DID NOT SEE ANY DEER SO HE LOWERED HIS GUN, RESTING IT ON HIS FOOT & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE FOOT.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/12/2009	37	10	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>FATHER & SON WERE STANDING BESIDE A TRUCK LISTENING FOR DOGS, WHEN THEY HEARD A SHOT & BUCKSHOT 'ZINGING' NEAR THEM. THE VICTIM (SON) WAS STRUCK 2 INCHES ABOVE HIS LEFT KNEE WITH ONE PELLET THAT POSSIBLY RICOCHETED.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	1/2/2010	30	50	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT CHEEK, BELOW HIS EYE.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	11/5/2010	19		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FIRED AT A DEER WITH HIS MUZZLELOADER & SUFFERED SEVERE POWDER BURNS TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS FACE.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/29/2010	16	44	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>WHEN A DEER RAN BY THE SHOOTER (NIECE), SHE FIRED THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM (UNCLE) IN THE UPPER RIGHT CHEST WITH ONE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET.</p>									
BUCKINGHAM	12/30/2010	54				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS SITTING IN THE PLASTIC SEAT OF THE TREESTAND. HE STOOD UP & SLID ON ICE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL, INJURING HIS BACK. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									

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BUCKINGHAM	11/23/2012	65	41	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
GRANDFATHER, SON & GRANDSON WERE HUNTING TOGETHER. A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER (GRANDFATHER) & HIS GRANDSON. BOTH SHOT & THE VICTIM (SON) WAS STRUCK WITH 2 BUCKSHOT PELLETS IN THE LOWER LEFT ARM.									
BUCKINGHAM	12/1/2012	32	31	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE UPPER RIGHT LEG, SEVERING THE FEMORAL ARTERY.									
BUCKINGHAM	9/2/2013	59	64	SHOTGUN		DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
THE SUBJECT FIRED AT A LOW FLYING DOVE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH FOUR PELLETS; 1 IN THE LEFT EAR, 1 IN THE RIGHT HAND & 2 MARKS ON HIS STOMACH WHERE PELLETS HIT & BOUNCED OFF. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.									
BUCKINGHAM	11/23/2013	50	48	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER (HUSBAND) WAS RUNNING DOGS. A DEER JUMPED UP & HE FIRED AT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM (WIFE) IN THE LOWER LEFT CHEST WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.									
BUCKINGHAM	1/2/2017	12	34	RIFLE/SHOTGU	101+ YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON		N	N
BUCKINGHAM	10/28/2020		44	UNKNOWN		UNKNOWN	Y	Y	N
The victim had been sitting in his climbing stand for over hour at a height of 35-40 feet. The stand was old and the metal straps which connected to the tree had deteriorated. The straps for the upper and lower sections both broke and the victim fell to the ground. He had severe damage to his spine and had no feeling or movement below his knees. The victim was not attached with a fall arrest system.									
CAMPBELL	10/4/1997	27		BOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM DESCENDING TREE, UNHOOKED SAFETY BELT & FELL 15 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT FEMUR & LEFT WRIST.									
CAMPBELL	11/14/1998	42		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM CLIMBING LADDER TO TREESTAND. LADDER BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL NINE FEET. HE SUFFERED A BROKEN VERTEBRA.									
CAMPBELL	10/17/2000	31		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE WHEN A STEP BROKE & HE FELL APROXIMATELY 18 FEET. HE BROKE HIS RIGHT ANKLE & RECEIVED A 9-10 CM LACERATION IN HIS UPPER RIGHT CHEST.									

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CAMPBELL	12/23/2006	20	35	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET FROM THE SECOND SHOT IN THE LEFT HIP.									
CAMPBELL	11/24/2007	21		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS HUNTING IN A HOMEMADE TREESTAND & WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS. THE BOARD SUPPORTING THE PLATFORM BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 12 FEET, BREAKING HIS LEFT WRIST IN 3 PLACES.									
CAMPBELL	12/8/2007	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT HAD THE MUZZLE OF THE GUN RESTING ON HIS FOOT WITH THE HAMMER COCKED & NO OTHER SAFETY. HE ACCIDENTALLY PULLED THE TRIGGER STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
CAMPBELL	12/22/2007	45	13	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	Y	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A COYOTE & THE BULLET RICOCHETED, STRIKING THE VICTIM, WHO WAS APPROXIMATELY 239 FEET AWAY, IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS NECK.									
CAMPBELL	12/22/2007	12		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM THOUGHT HE HEARD SOMETHING & TOOK THE SAFETY OFF. AFTER NOT SEEING ANYTHING, HE RESTED THE GUN ON HIS FOOT. HE THEN ACCIDENTALLY PULLED THE TRIGGER CAUSING TISSUE DAMAGE TO THE 1ST & 2ND TOES ON HIS RIGHT FOOT.									
CAMPBELL	12/24/2007	18		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
WHILE TALKING ON A CELL PHONE, THE VICTIM WAS SITTING ON A STUMP. WHEN HE STOOD UP HIS GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
CAMPBELL	11/20/2008	52		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING FROM A HOMEMADE TREESTAND & DROPPED HIS FIREARM, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, FATALLY STRIKING HIM BETWEEN THE EYES.									
CAMPBELL	1/3/2009	18	28	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT EYE. THE VICTIM WAS IN DENSE COVER, 122 FEET AWAY.									

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CAMPBELL	11/23/2012	75	28	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIMS WERE STANDING BESIDE VEHICLES WHEN THE DOGS WERE CHASING A DEER. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT THE DEER, STRIKING BOTH VICTIMS IN THE LEG & ONE OF THEM IN THE THUMB.</p>									
CAMPBELL	1/2/2013	48	69	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER (ON THE ROADWAY) FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET ON THE TOP OF HIS RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
CAMPBELL	1/20/2014	55	62	SHOTGUN		RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT DOWNHILL FROM THE VICTIM, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE CHEEK. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
CAMPBELL	1/20/2018	47	26	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>The victim had positioned hunters around a thicket and then went in to work rabbit dogs. The dogs chased a rabbit out of the thicket and the shooter fired at it. At the same time, the victim was exiting the thicket into the shooter's line of fire. He was struck in the eye. The victim was not visible to the shooter when he fired.</p>									
CAMPBELL	9/2/2019	22	43	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>Shooter was shooting at low flying doves in a cut corn field and continued shooting without regard to what was beyond his target. Shooter claimed he did not see the victims until they stepped out of the corn, but they would have been visible from his position.</p>									
CAMPBELL	12/2/2020		37	RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim took his new climbing stand to a location about 300 yards from his house. He had trouble using the climbing stand so he decided to use his nearby permanent, homemade stand. He climbed the ladder and grabbed the rail to pull himself up. The rail gave way and he fell to the ground. The victim suffered a head injury and a broken hip/femur. He was not using a fall arrest system.</p>									
CAROLINE	10/7/1997	31		BOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM STOOD UP IN TREESTAND TO SHOOT, LEFT BRACE CAME LOOSE, HE GRABBED A ROTTEN LIMB & FELL 16 FEET. SUFFERED 2 JAMMED VERTABRAE, RUPTURED SPLEEN, BRUISED KIDNEY & BLADDER.</p>									
CAROLINE	11/27/1998	35		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM HEARD A NOISE, RAISED HIS SHOTGUN & TOOK SAFETY OFF. THEN HE REALIZED IT WAS NOT A DEER & LOWERED THE GUN. ATTEMPTING TO PUT SAFETY ON, HE PULLED THE TRIGGER & WAS STRUCK IN HIS RIGHT BIG TOE.</p>									

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CAROLINE	11/4/1999	37		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>HUNTER WAS DESCENDING THE TREE WHEN THE TOP STEP PULLED LOOSE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET, LANDING ON HIS FIREARM WHICH WAS STRAPPED TO HIS BACK. HE RECEIVED 3 COMPRESSED VERTEBRAE FRACTURES.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/24/1999	61		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>HUNTER WAS HOLDING ON TO THE SEAT ATTACHED TO THE STAND, WHEN IT CAME LOOSE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET.</p>									
CAROLINE	10/26/2002	31	24	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE SQUIRREL HUNTING. THE SHOOTER LOST SITE OF VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS WAVING HIS CAMO HAT AT THE SHOOTER. HE WAS MISTAKEN FOR GAME. THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN HIS RIGHT FOREARM.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/31/2002	19	35	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE LINED UP ON A DEER DRIVE. THE DEER RAN IN BETWEEN THEM. THE SHOOTER HIT THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT KNEE & TORSO.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/27/2003	34	30	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER HEARD A NOISE BEHIND HIM. HE TURNED & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT BICEP & THEN THE BULLET LODGED IN HIS CHEST OUTSIDE OF HIS RIB CAGE.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/29/2004	16	44	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED ONCE, KILLING ONE DEER & STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT REAR SHOULDER.</p>									
CAROLINE	1/28/2005	62		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS UNLOADING HIS SHOTGUN WITH HIS HAND OVER THE MUZZLE WHEN THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT HAND.</p>									
CAROLINE	11/9/2007	70				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS NOT USING A SAFETY HARNESS & THE TREESTAND WAS DETERIORATED CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 17 FEET, BREAKING HIS LEFT SHOULDER & 2 LEFT RIBS.</p>									

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CAROLINE	12/30/2008	26	23	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM UNDERNEATH HIS RIGHT EYE WITH ONE PELLET, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF VISION IN THAT EYE.</p>									
CAROLINE	11/25/2010	38	38	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SUBJECTS WERE IN THE WOODS HUNTING DEER ALONG THE TOP OF A STEEP RAVINE. THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A TURKEY THAT FLEW ACROSS THE RAVINE & ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER LEFT JAW.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/11/2010	44	53	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER THAT WAS BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK BY ONE PELLET ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS CHEST, LEAVING A RED MARK ON HIS SKIN.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/18/2010	21	46	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DEER THAT CROSSED HIS PATH, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH TWO PELLETS IN THE ABDOMEN, ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT HAND & ONE PELLET GRAZED HIS LEFT HAND.</p>									
CAROLINE	12/31/2011	61	52	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT BIG TOE.</p>									
CAROLINE	1/5/2013	27		SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT EXITED HIS VEHICLE WITH HIS SHOTGUN & RESTED IT ON HIS FOOT. THE GUN BEGAN TO FALL & HE SQUEEZED IT TIGHTER. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
CAROLINE	11/23/2013	41	32	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS WERE RUNNING A MAN DRIVE. WHEN ONE HUNTER JUMPED A DEER, THE OTHER FIRED AT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT LEG WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
CAROLINE	2/22/2014	46		SHOTGUN		RABBIT	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS ATTEMPTING TO UNLOAD HIS FIREARM. IT SLIPPED & HIS RIGHT THUMB HIT THE HAMMER, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT. REC'D SWAN, FBR & FINAL.</p>									

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CARROLL	12/1/2001	29		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS USING A HOMEMADE CLIMBING TREE STAND. HE DROPPED THE BOLT FROM HIS GUN. HE WAS CLIMBING DOWN TO RETRIEVE THE BOLT WHEN THE STAND BROKE. HE WAS NOT WEARING HIS SAFETY BELT.</p>									
CARROLL	1/17/2002		46	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM LEANED THE SHOTGUN AGAINST A TREE AND IT STARTED TO FALL. HE REACHED FOR THE GUN AND IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT HAND.</p>									
CARROLL	5/8/2004	61	57	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH TWO PELLETS IN THE UPPER LEFT ARM & ONE IN THE LOWER LEFT LIP.</p>									
CARROLL	12/3/2004	45		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM'S GUN WAS LEANING AGAINST A TREE. WHEN HE PICKED IT UP BY THE BARREL, IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE HAND & NECK. THE VICTIM IS A CONVICTED FELON.</p>									
CARROLL	10/31/2006	46				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS CLIMBING INTO HIS TREESTAND & GRABBED THE END OF THE LOOP CLOSEST TO THE TREE, RELEASING THE SAFETY BELT CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET. HE RECEIVED T-10 THRU T-12 SHATTERED VERTABRAE RESULTING IN PARALYSIS FROM THE WAIST DOWN.</p>									
CARROLL	11/22/2010	42		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS CHECKING THE SAFETY ON HIS RIFLE, WHEN HIS GLOVED FINGER HIT THE TRIGGER CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
CARROLL	11/25/2010		59	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SHOT BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER IN THE RIGHT KNEE & RIGHT RING FINGER, WHILE SITTING FULLY CONCEALED IN A CHAIR BLIND. THE SHOOTER LEFT THE SCENE.</p>									
CARROLL	1/1/2013	13	50	MUZZLELOADER		DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER (SON) SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, MISTAKING THE VICTIM (FATHER) FOR A DEER & FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE BUTTOCKS, SEVERING HIS ILIAC ARTERY.</p>									

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CARROLL	4/15/2017	53	22	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY		N	N
Bullet ricocheted off post and headed toward victim									
CARROLL	11/11/2019		28			DEER	Y	Y	N
Victim was climbing up ladder sticks to lock on stand just before dawn. On the last ladder section, but before stepping over to stand; the top strap on the stick broke. The climbing stick then fell down and victim fell to ground. Victim suffered compression fracture of L1 vertebrae and will be in back brace and out of work for a minimum of 8 weeks. The victim was wearing a safety harness, but had not yet attached it to the tree. The subject said he planned to have life lines on all his stands from now on.									
CHARLES CITY	11/27/1997	41		SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM CHANGING POSITION WHEN HIP BOOTS BECAME ENTANGLED IN RAILS ON TREE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 16 FEET, SUFFERING A BROKEN LEFT COLLAR BONE.									
CHARLES CITY	12/31/1997		47	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES. VICTIM STRUCK IN RIGHT FOREARM WITH 1 PELLET. STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION.									
CHARLES CITY	1/2/1999	16		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM DESCENDING TREESTAND, MISTOOK STEP & FELL. HE SHATTERED HIS RIGHT ANKLE & FRACTURED RIGHT LEG BELOW KNEE.									
CHARLES CITY	10/28/1999		30	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	N
VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT SMALL TOE WHILE HUNTING FROM A JONBOAT. SHOOTER UNKNOWN.									
CHARLES CITY	12/14/2000		18	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM HEARD A SHOT FIRED & WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT ELBOW. THE SHOOTER IS UNKNOWN.									
CHARLES CITY	11/22/2001	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS STANDING WITH HIS GUN RESTING ON HIS FOOT & SOMEHOW PULLED THE TRIGGER, SHOOTING OFF THREE TOES ON HIS RIGHT FOOT.									
CHARLES CITY	1/2/2003	87		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS LOADING HIS SHOTGUN. HE CLOSED THE ACTION AND THE SHOTGUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT. THE SHOTGUN RECOILED AND FELL DISCHARGING AGAIN STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT HEEL.									

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CHARLES CITY	11/5/2004	16	28	MUZZLELOADER	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS WITH A TREESTAND ON HIS BACK & WAS MISTAKEN FOR A DEER. HE WAS STRUCK FROM A DISTANCE OF 18 YARDS.</p>									
CHARLES CITY	11/19/2005	48		SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING IN A MARSH AREA WITH EXTREMELY LOW VISABILITY. HE HEARD THREE SHOTS & REALIZED HE HAD BEEN STRUCK IN THE LEFT FOOT WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.</p>									
CHARLES CITY	11/22/2008		63	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING WHEN A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE STAND LINE. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE LOWER STOMACH WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.</p>									
CHARLES CITY	11/21/2019	23	77	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Shooter shot at a buck running across a power line when it was crossing between the victim and the shooter. The victim would not have been visible to the shooter at the time he pulled the trigger due to overgrown brush on the power line. The victim was struck in the upper left thigh with one buckshot pellet.</p>									
CHARLES CITY	12/19/2020	38	38	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The victim was standing while resting the muzzle of his shotgun on his right foot. He observed a doe being chased by some dogs, approximately 20 yards away. As he was raising the shotgun to shoot, it discharged, hitting his foot and breaking one of his toes.</p>									
CHARLOTTE	11/15/1997	37		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM INSTALLING TREE STEPS. UPON ASCENDING, STEP BROKE & HE FELL 14 FEET, SUFFERING A LACERATION TO RIGHT FOREARM.</p>									
CHARLOTTE	11/21/1998		10	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM RETRIEVING DOGS, HEARD A SHOT & RAN TO VEHICLE. MOTHER NOTICED BLOOD ON BICEP & FOREHEAD, & TOOK HIM TO HOSPITAL.</p>									
CHARLOTTE	11/18/2004	46		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIMS SEAT CLIMBER CAME LOOSE WHILE HE WAS ACSENDING THE TREE. HE FELL BACKWARD WITH HIS FEET ATTACHED TO THE LOWER PORTION OF THE STAND & BROKE HIS LEG.</p>									

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CHARLOTTE	12/13/2006	15	29	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT MIDDLE FINGER WITH ONE PELLET.									
CHARLOTTE	11/24/2007	13	38	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED 4 TIMES. ON THE SECOND SHOT, HE STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT HIP WITH ONE PELLET.									
CHARLOTTE	11/17/2008	66		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS EXITING THE VEHICLE & THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, SHOOTING OFF THE SECOND TOE ON HIS LEFT FOOT.									
CHARLOTTE	12/30/2008	27	23	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
TWO DEER RAN BETWEEN THE HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT THE DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT THIGH WITH ONE PELLET.									
CHARLOTTE	12/22/2012	12	21	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO SUBJECTS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHIN & NECK WITH 2 PELLETS.									
CHARLOTTE	1/4/2014	19	52	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN A FATHER & SON WHILE HUNTING. THE SON FIRED, STRIKING THE FATHER IN THE RIGHT LEG WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.									
CHARLOTTE	11/24/2014	24	11	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
The shooter and the 11 year-old victim were participating in a man-drive for deer. The parties were separated by heavy brush. The victim had just harvested a doe and he called to the shooter while the shooter was walking toward him. The shooter jumped a buck and took a shot at it. The victim was struck by a single buckshot pellet in the left calf. Both hunters were wearing a blaze orange cap or hat.									
CHARLOTTE	12/2/2016	17	120	RIFLE/SHOTGU	101+ YARDS	DEER		N	F
CHESAPEAKE	10/31/1998	16		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
VICTIM SHOT A DEER & WAS WALKING TO IT WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER. HE STUMBLED OVER A LOG & SHOT HIMSELF IN THE LEFT FOOT.									

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CHESAPEAKE	10/9/1999	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM HAD THE MUZZLE OF HIS GUN RESTING ON HIS LEFT BOOT WITH THE SAFETY OFF. HE TOUCHED THE TRIGGER, CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE BIG TOE.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	11/16/2001	49	14	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING IN A BATH TUB IN THE EARLY MORNING AND WAS GRAZED BY A .22 BULLET.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	11/22/2007	26	16	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS RIDING AN ATV. THE SHOOTER, ABOUT 100 YARDS AWAY, FIRED AT A DEER MISSING IT & STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT INDEX FINGER WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	10/1/2009	24	44	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD MOVED INTO THE LINE OF FIRE WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE BUTTOCKS.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	12/1/2012	36	11	SHOTGUN		RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>THE SUBJECTS WERE HUNTING IN THICK BRUSH & WERE UNABLE TO SEE EACH OTHER. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT EYE WITH ONE PELLET & IN THE LEFT SHOULDER WITH TWO PELLETS.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	11/25/2017	38	18	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	Y	N	N
<p>Both hunters were involved in a legal hunt using deer dogs. Both hunters were in tree stands about 195 yards apart but not visible to each other. The dogs pushed out two deer and the shooter took a downward shot killing a doe. A pellet fragmented and ricocheted upwards toward the victim and embedded in his cheek.</p>									
CHESAPEAKE	10/23/2019		38			UNKNOWN	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim purchased a lock-on type tree stand. He installed it approx. 18ft off the ground. Once he finished hunting for the day, he began to exit the tree stand and climb down the screw-in steps. The ratchet strap broke that was holding the tree stand to the tree. He suffered 3 fractured vertebrae, a shattered ankle and multiple contusions. It is unknown whether he was wearing a safety harness while hunting, but he was not attached to the tree when the incident occurred.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	12/29/2000	14		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FORGOT TO PUT THE SAFETY BACK ON & MOVED TO RETRIEVE A SQUIRREL. THE VICTIM ACCIDENTLY PULLED THE TRIGGER, CAUSING THE FIREARM TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT BIG TOE.</p>									

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CHESTERFIELD	11/23/2002	38	66	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER. THE SHOOTER THOUGHT THE VICTIM WAS AT A SAFE DISTANCE. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT LEG NEAR THE CALF AREA.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	11/23/2002	38	47	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER CROSSING A PATH IN THE WOODS. THE PELLETS TRAVELED 440 FEET STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SHIN.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	12/30/2003	23	33	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH MULTIPLE PELLETS IN THE FACE & RIGHT SIDE OF UPPER BODY.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	11/18/2004	47	56	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER CROSSING HIS PATH, STRIKING THE VICTIM, WHO WAS APPROXIMATELY 500 FEET DOWNRANGE, WITH ONE PELLET BETWEEN HIS RIGHT EYE & THE BRIDGE OF HIS NOSE.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	12/8/2007	68		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM DID NOT USE HIS SAFETY HARNESS PROPERLY WHILE ASCENDING THE TREE & FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET, RESULTING IN A FRACTURED COCCYX.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	1/26/2008	41		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT CRAWLED UNDER A METAL GATE WHILE CARRYING A SHOTGUN WITH THE SAFETY OFF. HE THEN ATTEMPTED TO ROLL & SIT UP CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, SHOOTING OFF HIS LEFT KNEE. APPARENT USE OF ALCOHOL.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	10/17/2009	35		N/A		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM DID NOT MAINTAIN HIS EQUIPMENT & FELL FROM HIS TREESTAND. HE WAS LEFT SUSPENDED BY HIS SAFETY HARNESS, CAUSING EXTREME PULLING & FLEXING OF THE TENDONS IN BOTH ANKLES.</p>									
CHESTERFIELD	11/18/2009	52		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM SLIPPED OUT OF HIS UPPER BODY CHEST HARNESS, THAT WAS CONNECTED TO THE TREESTAND, & FATALLY FELL 37 FEET.</p>									

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CHESTERFIELD	12/26/2009	42	11	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DOE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LOWER BACK.									
CHESTERFIELD	11/4/2010	50		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT FELL FROM THE TREESTAND WHILE ASCENDING THE TREE. DUE TO IMPROPER CLOSURE OF THE GATE, THE STRAP AROUND THE TREE CAME LOOSE & HE FELL BACK. HE HUNG UPSIDE DOWN FOR 10 MINUTES UNTIL HIS WIFE CAME TO GET HIM.									
CHESTERFIELD	12/13/2010	24	24	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER SLIPPED & THE STOCK OF HIS SHOTGUN HIT THE VICTIMS TRUCK, CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE. THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE LEFT SIDE OF THE HEAD WITH ONE PELLET.									
CHESTERFIELD	1/1/2014	60	55	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN HIS RIGHT INDEX FINGER WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, & FINAL.									
CHESTERFIELD	12/31/2016	56	54	RIFLE/SHOTGU	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON		N	N
Shooter attempting to harvest game.									
CLARKE	1/6/2001		50	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS MAKING A DRIVE ON A THICKET & TWO DEER CAME OUT. HE HEARD ONE SHOT & FELT A BEE STING PAIN IN HIS NECK. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE BULLET.									
CLARKE	11/10/2007	25		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
WHILE RE-SEATING THE BULLET IN A LOADED MUZZLELOADER, THE VICTIMS FINGER HIT THE TRIGGER & DISCHARGED THE RAMROD & BULLET THROUGH HIS LEFT HAND.									
CLARKE	1/17/2012	45		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS WALKING & SAW A SQRREL. WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO RAISE HIS RIFLE TO SHOOT, THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CALF. ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS THE FIREARM HAD DISCHARGED UPON CLOSING THE BOLT ACTION. THE RIFLE WAS FOUND TO HAVE A 1.125 POUND TRIGGER PULL.									

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CRAIG	12/13/1997	36	47	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTER WOUNDED A TURKEY & HE & VICTIM WENT TO FLUSH TURKEY. SHOOTER MISTOOK VICTIM FOR TURKEY. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT SHOULDER.									
CRAIG	4/15/2002	71	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER AND THE VICTIM ARRIVED IN THE SAME AREA APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES APART. THE VICTIM BEGAN TO CALL AND THE SHOOTER MISTOOK HIS ARM MOVEMENT FOR A TURKEY. THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH THREE PELLETS. ONE ABOVE THE RIGHT EYE; ONE IN RIGHT CHEEK & ONE IN RIGHT UPPER ARM.									
CRAIG	11/13/2004	60	47	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER WAS ATTEMPTING TO UNLOAD HIS GUN WHEN IT DISCHARGED. THE BULLET TRAVELED THROUGH THE SEAT, CAB & TRUCK BED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT CORNER OF THE MOUTH.									
CRAIG	11/25/2006	61		RIFLE		DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS WHILE HUNTING. HE FELL & DISLOCATED HIS RIGHT HIP.									
CRAIG	10/25/2012	19		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT SPOTTED A SQUIRREL & ATTEMPTED TO FIRE HIS RIFLE. THE ROUND DID NOT FIRE, SO HE BROUGHT THE FIREARM DOWN TO HIS RIGHT SIDE WITH ONE HAND & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
CRAIG	11/5/2012	70		MUZZLELOADER	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS. WHILE PUTTING ON HIS COVERALLS, HIS HOMEMADE SEAT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 17 FEET. HE BROKE HIS LIFET HIP & THE MIDDLE & RING FINGERS ON HIS RIGHT HAND.									
CRAIG	3/13/2017	73		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	CROW		Y	N
CRAIG	11/10/2018					DEER	Y	N	N
The victim was climbing into his homemade stand. At the top of the ladder, he lost his balance and fell. He held onto the ladder and rode it to the ground. His left leg struck the ground hard, possibly breaking it and injuring his back. He was able to call for help with a family service radio. He was not using a fall restraint device.									

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CULPEPER	10/9/1997	47		BOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE LAST THING VICTIM REMEMBERS IS TRYING TO GET OUT OF THE TREESTAND BECAUSE HE WASN'T FEELING WELL. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET SUFFERING 2 CALLAPSED LUNGS, 1 BROKEN RIB, RUPTURED SPLEEN & BROKEN BONES AROUND HIS RIGHT EYE SOCKET.</p>									
CULPEPER	12/12/1998	18	13	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>AFTER SQUIRREL HUNTING, SHOOTER FIRED HIS GUN INTO THE GROUND, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
CULPEPER	10/23/1999	13		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM LEANED OVER IN TREE STAND & SAFETY BELT BROKE. HE FELL 17 1/2 FEET.</p>									
CULPEPER	1/1/2000	36	39	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER. THE BULLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE SIDE & EXITED THE STOMACH.</p>									
CULPEPER	11/11/2006	27	16	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE HUNTING PARTY WAS STANDING AROUND TALKING. THE SHOOTERS GUN WAS LEANING AGAINST A GATE. THE VICTIM LEANED AGAINST THE GATE & THE FIREARM FELL, DISCHARGING, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
CULPEPER	11/25/2006	23	38	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>FOUR HUNTERS WERE BLOOD TRAILING A WOUNDED DEER & WENT IN SEPARATE DIRECTIONS. THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HAND, FOREARM, UPPER ARM, UPPER THIGH & HIP.</p>									
CULPEPER	12/28/2006	31	33	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THIGH, ABDOMEN & BACK.</p>									
CULPEPER	11/17/2012	65	49	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE BUCKSHOT PELLET IN THE JAWBONE.</p>									
CULPEPER	1/7/2016	15		RIFLE/SHOTGU	0-10 YARDS			Y	N

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CULPEPER	1/12/2020	11		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	RABBIT	N	Y	N
<p>The rabbit hunt had been going on for several hours. The 11 year-old victim/shooter placed the muzzle of his shotgun on his right boot to rest. He began to manipulate the firearm and "play with the trigger" by applying pressure to the trigger. The double barrel shotgun fired at point blank range into his foot.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	5/16/1998	37	57	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS FACE, NECK & CHEST.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/5/1998	24	34	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM WITH 1 PELLET IN THE RIGHT SHIN.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	11/22/2001	37	49	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT SHOULDER.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/1/2001	16		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS TRYING TO UNJAM THE GUN WITH HIS RIGHT HAND OVER THE MUZZLE & IT DISCHARGED.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	11/23/2002	16	41	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE LINED UP APPROXIMATELY 60 YARDS APART. THE SHOOTER SHOT ONCE STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE NECK.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	1/1/2004	55	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER WALKED BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT KNEE.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	11/25/2005	42		SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS EXITING HER VEHICLE & SHOT HERSELF IN THE LOWER RIGHT LEG. HER LEG WAS AMPUTATED BELOW THE KNEE.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/16/2006	25	49	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE CHEST & ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT LEG ABOVE THE KNEE..</p>									

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CUMBERLAND	11/15/2008	43				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHEN THE VICTIM ASCENDED THE TREE 20 FEET, THE METAL STRAP THAT GOES AROUND THE TREE BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL. HE RECEIVED A FRACTURED HEEL & BACK.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/24/2010		51	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING HIS DOGS & WAS SHOT BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER. HE RECEIVED A GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE LEFT FOREARM, FRACTURING HIS RADIUS.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/27/2010		29	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM HEARD SHOTS & FELT A BURNING IN HIS LEFT THIGH. HE WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	11/12/2011	44		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT HAD BOTH SAFETY DEVICES OFF ON HIS MUZZLELOADER. HE BUMPED THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DISCHARGED, SHOOTING HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	11/23/2011	13	14	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO BROTHERS & BOTH SHOT. THE VICTIM WAS GRAZED IN THE CHEST WITH ONE PELLET. BOTH WERE IN SIGHT OF ONE ANOTHER.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/1/2011	75		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING THE LADDER TO GET INTO A BOX STAND. A STEP ON THE LADDER WAS WET & THE VICTIM SLIPPED & FELL 7 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT FEMUR BONE & DISLOCATING HIS HIP.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/31/2015	17	17	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>While standing on the side of the hunting road, the victim slipped in the mud and tried to catch himself by pushing the gun downward. The barrel of the gun hit his right boot and went off. The small toe next to the big toe on his right foot was injured and there were also powder burns on the big toe.</p>									
CUMBERLAND	12/28/2016	22		RIFLE/SHOTGU	0-10 YARDS			Y	N
<p>Shooter failure to take meds</p>									
CUMBERLAND	10/27/2018		58	CROSSBOW	0-10 YARDS		N	Y	N
<p>The crossbow string released while victim was inserting a de-cocking arrow. It pierced his right hand in the palm and ring finger.</p>									

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CUMBERLAND	11/8/2019		62			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim fell from a climbing tree stand. The foot platform was elevated 20 feet above the ground. He stated that a weld appeared to break while he was standing up to re-load his muzzleloader. The victim was not using a fall arrest system. The break caused him to fall out, which resulted in him hanging briefly with his foot caught in the platform. He was able to reach the tree and slide down while holding it the best he could. He suffered a scraped thumb, sore lower back, and sore right knee.</p>									
DICKENSON	12/7/1998	49	44	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM CALLING TURKEYS. SHOOTER HEARD CALL & SAW MOVEMENT. HE FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE HEAD & FACE, RESULTING IN BROKEN NOSE & JAW.</p>									
DICKENSON	5/4/1999	35	39	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD WHEN SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET.</p>									
DICKENSON	10/30/1999	37				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO PUT A STAND IN THE TREE WHEN THE HARNESS BROKE. HE FELL 15 FEET FRACTURING THE FIRST LUMBAR VERTEBRAE.</p>									
DICKENSON	11/17/1999	17		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>4 INDIVIDUALS WERE SPOTLIGHTING FROM A PICK UP TRUCK & THOUGHT A GAME WARDEN PULLED UP. IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO GET RID OF THE GUN THE DRIVER WAS SHOT IN THE STOMACH.</p>									
DICKENSON	10/6/2001	36		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING A TREE STAND WHEN A BOLT BROKE. HE FELL 20 FEET, BRUISING HIS BACK & RIBS.</p>									
DICKENSON	12/8/2005	25		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING AFTER LEGAL HOURS & STUMBLED IN THE DARK CAUSING HIS FIREARM TO DISCHARGE STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT LEG. HIS LEG WAS AMPUTATED AT THE KNEE.</p>									
DICKENSON	4/23/2013	28	67	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY FROM 53 YARDS AWAY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE, NECK, CHEST & STOMACH WITH 46-60 PELLETS. 16-20 OF THE PELLETS PENETRATED THE SKIN.</p>									
DINWIDDIE	11/26/1998	14		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WALKING FAST & TRIPPED. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									

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DINWIDDIE	11/19/1999	47	46	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT AN APPROACHING DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ARM WITH ONE PELLET.									
DINWIDDIE	12/23/2000	34	35	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER SHOT THREE TIMES AT A DEER IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE VICTIM, WHO WAS OUT OF SIGHT AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT HAND BY A SINGLE PELLET.									
DINWIDDIE	1/5/2002	55	30	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
THE SHOOTER HEARD NOISE, SAW MOVEMENT AND FIRED STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHEST, ARM AND ABDOMEN. THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET.									
DINWIDDIE	12/6/2003	18		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO CLIMB INTO THE TREESTAND WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM WITH TWO PELLETS IN THE LEFT THIGH.									
DINWIDDIE	11/25/2004	59	56	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER CROSSING THE ROAD, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT ABDOMEN.									
DINWIDDIE	1/5/2007	47	34	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT THIGH WITH ONE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET.									
DINWIDDIE	1/5/2007	35				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS ASCENDING TO THE TREESTAND WITHOUT A SAFETY BELT. HE REACHED FOR AN UNINSTALLED TOP STEP ON THE LADDER & FELL APPROXIMATELY 11 FEET CAUSING A DEEP BRUISE TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS BODY.									
DINWIDDIE	11/15/2010	46	42	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & BOTH SHOT. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT HAND WITH ONE PELLET.									
DINWIDDIE	12/26/2011	37		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS STANDING ON THE LOWER PLATFORM OF A CLIMBING TREESTAND. WHEN HE SHIFTED HIS WEIGHT, HE LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL 23 FEET, BREAKING THE TIBIA & FIBIA IN BOTH LEGS.									

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DINWIDDIE	1/7/2012	47	47	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET ON THE LEFT SIDE UNDER HIS RIB CAGE.									
DINWIDDIE	1/4/2013	29	61	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER CROSSED THE ROAD & THE SHOOTER FOLLOWED & TOOK A SHOT, THE VICTIM ALSO SHOT AT THE DEER. HE WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT LEG ABOVE THE KNEE.									
DINWIDDIE	9/1/2014	80	10	SHOTGUN		DOVE/PIGEON		N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A WOUNDED DOVE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 5 PELLETS IN THE ABDOMEN/CHEST. REC'D CAD & FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***									
DINWIDDIE	12/23/2015		45			DEER	Y	Y	N
Victim and son climbed into a wooden treestand erected seven years earlier. The stand was approximately 15 feet high. The tree had grown, pulling the nails through the boards. The stand fell about five minutes after they got into it. The victim suffered a fractured bone in his spine. He was expected to be out of work for at least four months. Neither the victim nor his son was attached to the tree with a fall arrest system.									
DINWIDDIE	10/8/2016	58	58	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
The shooter fired at ducks and hit a tree limb about 10 yards away. A pellet ricocheted and hit his hand, stopping against a bone in his thumb.									
DINWIDDIE	11/20/2018				N/A	UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
After sitting in a commercial type tree stand for a period of time, the victim decided to climb down the narrow ladder of the stand. While climbing, his foot slipped and he fell to the ground. The victim did not have a cell phone and called out for assistance until he was eventually heard by his wife. The victim stated that he broke a small bone in the top of his foot and suffered a sprained ankle as a result of the fall. No fall arrest system was being used.									
DINWIDDIE	10/30/2019		17			DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim was hunting from a ladder stand. While climbing down, he missed a step and fell approximately 15 feet onto his back. No fall arrest system was used.									

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EMPORIA	11/30/2020		50	UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was using a climbing stand to come down a tree after his hunt. The bottom part of the stand slipped and he fell to the ground. The victim stated that he usually wears a harness and ties the top and bottom parts of his stand together, but he failed to do either this time. He was about 20 feet up when he fell and broke 7 ribs and punctured a lung. He attributed the incident to the fact that he forgot all of his safety equipment, but also that he just climbed a bad tree. It was a tough hardwood that did not allow the stand to bite into the tree sufficiently, and it was crooked. The victim said that he has been hunting with a climber for over 30 years and this was the first time he has fallen.</p>									
ESSEX	12/29/2001	32		SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM FELL 19 FEET FROM A TREESTAND WITH NO SAFETY HARNESS. HE HAD BEEN DEAD FOR TWO TO THREE HOURS BEFORE HIS STEPSON FOUND HIM. SUFFERED A BROKEN NECK.</p>									
ESSEX	11/6/2003	32	39	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>A SQUIRREL RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH THE SECOND SHOT.</p>									
ESSEX	12/17/2005	54		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL APROXIMATELY 10 FEET WHEN ONE OF THE RUNGS BROKE, CAUSING A COMPRESSION FRACTURE OF THE VERTEBRAE.</p>									
ESSEX	10/16/2008	44				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE LOWER PORTION OF THE TREESTAND WAS NOT PROPERLY SECURED TO THE TREE & FELL. WHEN THE VICTIM PULLED THE STAND BACK INTO PLACE & STEPPED ON IT, IT FELL AGAIN. HE SUSTAINED MINOR BRUISING TO THE RIGHT LEG & ABRASIONS ON HIS LEFT EAR.</p>									
ESSEX	12/14/2009	70		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS HUNTING FROM A TREESTAND. HE FAILED TO ENGAGE THE GUN SAFETY & HIS GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
ESSEX	11/13/2010	36	66	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN HIS RIGHT LEG.</p>									
ESSEX	1/3/2011	20		N/A	N/A	DUCK/GEESE	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM APPEARED TO BE SETTING OUT DUCK DECOYS WHEN HE FELL INTO THE WATER. HE WAS UNABLE TO REACH SHORE & DIED FROM DROWNING / HYPOTHERMIA.</p>									

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ESSEX	12/10/2011	14	61	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	FOX	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM DROPPED THE SHOOTER AT A STAND LOCATION & CONTINUED IN THE WOODS, CIRCLING BACK IN FRONT OF THE SHOOTER. THE SHOOTER SAW A FOX & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
ESSEX	12/6/2019		55	UNKNOWN		RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>Victim stopped to talk to a group of rabbit hunters. One hunter missed a rabbit and the victim felt something sting his leg. He later became concerned about a small lump in his leg and went to the hospital. A small pellet was removed.</p>									
FAIRFAX	10/19/2002	44		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD FINISHED HUNTING. HE WAS CLIMBING DOWN FROM THE TREESTAND WHEN IT COLLAPSED. THE VICTIM FELL 22 FEET. HE BROKE SEVERAL BONES & PUNCTURED A LUNG.</p>									
FAIRFAX	11/6/2008	19				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SETTING UP A LOCK-ON STAND & WAS NOT WEARING HIS SAFETY HARNESS. WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ATTACH THE STAND TO THE TREE, HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET, RESULTING IN ABRASIONS & CONTUSIONS TO THE HEAD, FOREARMS & KNEES.</p>									
FAIRFAX	10/16/2010	42		BOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE STAND AFTER SHOOTING A DEER. HE REMOVED HIS SAFETY HARNESS TO MOVE AROUND A LARGE TREE LIMB & MISSED ONE OF THE STEPS, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET, BREAKING HIS ARM & CAUSING INTERNAL BLEEDING & A LACERATION TO HIS FOREHEAD.</p>									
FAUQUIER	10/16/1997	18		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>STEPS COLLAPSED WHILE VICTIM WAS ASCENDING TREE. HE FELL 14 FEET. SUFFERED BROKEN RIGHT FEMUR.</p>									
FAUQUIER	11/29/2001	61		UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD FINISHED HANGING A TREESTAND & SLIPPED WHEN HE STEPPED ONTO A HOMEMADE LADDER. HE FELL 12 FEET CAUSING FRACTURE TO HIS VERTEBRA AND HEAD & CHEST INJURIES.</p>									
FAUQUIER	1/1/2002	20	37	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM ARE BROTHERS HUNTING TOGETHER. THE VICTIM WAS IN A TREESTAND THIRTEEN FEET HIGH. THE SHOOTER WAS DOWN FROM THE STAND ON A SLOPED HILL. THE DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER AND THE STAND AND THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE NECK.</p>									

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FAUQUIER	1/28/2002	52	38	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	QUAIL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A QUAIL THAT RAN BETWEEN SHOOTER AND VICTIM, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ELEVEN PELLETS IN THE ARM AND BOTH LEGS.</p>									
FAUQUIER	11/18/2005	60		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER LOADED HIS FIREARM, PLACED IT ON AN ATV & RODE TO THE HUNTING LOCATION. WHILE REMOVING THE FIREARM FROM THE ATV IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE STOMACH.</p>									
FAUQUIER	11/10/2006	44		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT DRANK 1/5 OF ALCOHOL BEFORE GOING HUNTING. HE FELL FROM THE TREESTAND WHILE ATTEMPTING TO DESCEND THE TREE, BREAKING HIS BACK.</p>									
FAUQUIER	11/10/2007	50				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS CLIMBING OUT OF A PORTABLE TREESTAND WHEN A LIMB BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 26 FEET. HE RECEIVED A FRACTURED BACK, NECK, STERNUM, RIBS & A PUNCTURED LUNG. HE DID NOT HAVE A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
FAUQUIER	2/14/2009	56	52	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
<p>A RABBIT RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH TWO PELLETS IN THE RIGHT LEG ABOVE THE KNEE.</p>									
FAUQUIER	12/19/2011	61		RIFLE	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS STEPPING ONTO A PLATFORM STAND (APPROXIMATELY 22' HIGH) WHEN BOTH RATCHET STRAPS USED TO SECURE THE STAND TO THE TREE BROKE AT THE SAME TIME. THE STAND HAD BEEN HUNG IN THAT LOCATION TWO OR THREE YEARS EARLIER. THE VICTIM FELL TO THE GROUND ALONG WITH THE STAND, FRACTURING SEVERAL RIBS, TWO VERTEBRAE & COLLAPSING BOTH LUNGS.</p>									
FAUQUIER	4/28/2012	54	46	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM REACHED OUT TO GRAB A TREE AND THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HIS HAND WAS A TURKEY'S HEAD & FIRED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT ARM, HAND & RIGHT CHEST.</p>									
FAUQUIER	9/1/2014		42	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM, HUNTING WITH A GROUP OF 25, WAS NOT COOPERATIVE. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT FOREARM WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									

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FAUQUIER	10/28/2017						Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was preparing to hang an Old Man platform stand. He was about to secure the last ratch on the third section of his Ameristep climbing sticks when the rope which was securing his full-body harness to the tree broke. The rope was being used as a climbing belt. He had apparently replaced the tree rope which came with the stand with a nylon rope. The rope was worn and faded and it snapped at one end of the knot. He fell to the ground causing a seperated shoulder and clavicle.</p>									
FLOYD	11/20/2001	35	62	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HIP.</p>									
FLOYD	2/3/2009	23		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	RABBIT	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM POKED INTO A BRUSH PILE TO FLUSH OUT RABBITS USING THE BUTT OF HIS SHOTGUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOREARM.</p>									
FLOYD	11/22/2012	46		RIFLE		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT SAW A DEER & AS HE RAISED HIS GUN TO SHOOT, HE THUMPED THE SAFETY OFF, WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER. THE GUN DISCHARGED, & HE SHOT HIMSELF IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.</p>									
FLOYD	12/3/2012	47				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS IN A HOMEMAKE WOOD TREESTAND. RIGHT ABOVE HIM WAS ANOTHER TREESTAND WITH A 12 YEAR OLD MAILE IN IT. THE VICTIM STOOD UP & A STRAP OR ROPE BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL 10-12 FEET. NFI. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
FLOYD	11/3/2018		34	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was walking back to camp in the dark. He tripped on fallen tree branches in the edge of the woods, lost control of his muzzleloader and the firearm discharged, striking him in the left inner thigh. No bones or arteries were struck.</p>									
FLUVANNA	11/4/1999	50	70	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT. VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE HEAD WITH 5 PELLETS & IN THE UPPER BODY WITH 15 PELLETS.</p>									
FLUVANNA	10/16/2002	14		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING WITH HIS GUN POINTING DOWN WHEN IT ACCIDENTLY WENT OFF, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									

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FLUVANNA	5/3/2003	47	75	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WAS TURKEY HUNTING. THE VICTIM STOOD UP AND THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ARM & TORSO.									
FLUVANNA	12/26/2003	31	56	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT BROWN & WHITE MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT BUTTOCK.									
FLUVANNA	5/1/2004	38	38	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER DID NOT PROPERLY IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE BACK.									
FLUVANNA	11/6/2009	18		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS TURKEY HUNTING & WHEN HE BENT DOWN TO RETRIEVE THE TURKEY HE HAD KILLED, HIS HOLSTERED 9MM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CALF.									
FLUVANNA	5/14/2011	56	45	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS SITTING, CALLING TURKEYS. WHEN HE STOOD UP, THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH OVER 170 PELLETS ON THE FRONT & RIGHT SIDE OF HIS BODY FROM HIS FOREHEAD TO THE TOP OF HIS BOOTS.									
FLUVANNA	10/10/2013	26				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING HIS TREESTAND WITHOUT A SAFETY HARNESS & FELL 15 FEET, SPRAINING & CHIPPING A BONE IN HIS RIGHT ANKLE. REC'D CAD. ***PENDING FINAL***									
FLUVANNA	11/4/2017	63				DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim used a climbing stand to ascend into a dead oak tree. When approximately 15 feet up, the tree fell over, causing a broken arm and other injuries. There was a sticker on the stand stating that it should not be placed in a dead tree.									
FRANKLIN	10/6/1997	25	31	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
SHOOTER FELL & FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING VICTIM IN RIGHT ARM & CHEST.									
FRANKLIN	11/10/1997	62		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM WAS PREPARING TO DESCEND FROM HOMEMADE TREESTAND WHEN LADDER GAVE WAY. VICTIM FELL 12 FEET.									

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FRANKLIN	11/16/1998	20	17	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
SHOOTER WAS DEER HUNTING & FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET.									
FRANKLIN	11/27/1998	37	24	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
SHOOTER FIRED AT MOVEMENT ON RIDGE, STRIKING HIS HUNTING COMPANION IN THE RIGHT UPPER CHEST. NO BLAZE ORANGE WORN.									
FRANKLIN	1/16/1999	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
VICTIM HAD GUN COCKED, ATTEMPTING THE SHOOT A SQUIRREL, WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
FRANKLIN	4/17/1999	41	48	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING VICTIM IN LEFT SHOULDER, LEFT ARM, LEFT TORSO, LEFT EYE, RIGHT FOREARM & LEFT SIDE OF FACE & MOUTH.									
FRANKLIN	4/21/1999	62	58	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE & NECK.									
FRANKLIN	12/18/1999	19	19	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE BOTTOM LIP.									
FRANKLIN	4/21/2000	34	42	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM MULTIPLE TIMES IN THE HEAD & UPPER TORSO. THE VICTIM FIRED BACK STRIKING THE SHOOTER WITH ONE PELLET IN THE BACK. CHARGES ARE PENDING AGAINST BOTH SHOOTER & VICTIM.									
FRANKLIN	11/15/2003	60		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM LEANED AGAINST THE REAR HAND RAIL, WHICH GAVE WAY. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET. HE SUFFERED SEVERE DAMAGE TO HIS SPINE.									
FRANKLIN	11/22/2003	58		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET WHILE DESCENDING FROM THE TREESTAND. HE SUFFERED A LACERATION TO HIS HIP, A BROKEN LEFT RIB & SEVERE BRUISING TO THE LEFT HIP AREA.									

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FRANKLIN	4/10/2004	35	50	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT ARM & LEG.</p>									
FRANKLIN	10/18/2004	37		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS USING A CLIMBING STAND ON AN UNSUITABLE TREE. THE BOTTOM PART OF THE STAND GAVE WAY & THE VICTIM WAS INJURED, ALTHOUGH HIS SAFETY HARNESS PREVENTED FURTHER INJURIES FROM AN 18 FOOT FALL.</p>									
FRANKLIN	11/5/2004	39		MUZZLELOADER			Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STEPPED INTO A CLIMBING TREESTAND TO BEGIN ASCENDING. HE WAS APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET OFF THE GROUND WHEN HIS LEFT KNEE GAVE WAY (DUE TO AN OLD INJURY) & HE FELL. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY LINE.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/11/2004	41		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FIRED HIS SHOTGUN FOR A SECOND TIME & THE RECOIL CAUSED HIM TO FALL 12 FEET. HE RECEIVED ABRASIONS, TORN LIGAMENTS & INTERNAL BRUISING. SUBJECT ADMITTED TO HAVING SEVERAL DRINKS PRIOR TO HIS HUNT.</p>									
FRANKLIN	11/7/2005	52		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS ILLEGALLY HUNTING DEER AND ATTEMPTED TO CHAMBER A .22 CALIBER ROUND WHEN THE BOLT ACTION RIFLE DISCHARGED & THE BULLET STRUCK HIM IN THE RIGHT KNEE.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/21/2006	13	13	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS UNLOADING HIS RIFLE WHILE WALKING BEHIND THE VICTIM. HIS GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT CALF.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/4/2007	40		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE IN A PORTABLE CLIMBER. THE TOP HALF OF THE STAND BEGAN FALLING, CAUSING HIM TO FALL WITH HIS LEFT FOOT CAUGHT IN A STRAP CONNECTED TO THE STAND. HE RECEIVED A SPRAINED ANKLE & SOME SCRAPES. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
FRANKLIN	4/17/2008	14	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER (SON) FIRED TWICE AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM (FATHER) WITH 16 PELLETS IN THE CHEST & BACK.</p>									

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FRANKLIN	11/12/2008	21		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING ON THE GROUND WITH THE RIFLE LAID ACROSS HIS LEGS & REACHED FOR SOMETHING IN HIS POCKET, WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/2/2008	15		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING FROM HIS MOTORCYLCE. WHILE HOLDING IN THE CLUTCH, HE REMOVED A HANDGUN FROM HIS RIGHT JACKET POCKET TO SHOOT AT A SQUIRREL & ACCIDENTLY SHOT HIMSELF IN THE LEFT SHOULDER.</p>									
FRANKLIN	11/17/2009	31	23	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>TWO VICTIMS - THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE 1ST VICTIM FATALLY IN THE CHEST & STRIKING THE 2ND VICTIM IN THE RIGHT HAND & WRIST.</p>									
FRANKLIN	11/29/2011	27		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER TRIPPED OVER A TREE STUMP & FELL CAUSING HIS GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE LEFT ELBOW.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/24/2011	58	55	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	QUAIL	N	N	N
<p>A BIRD FLEW BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE HUSBAND SHOT & HIT A TREE IN FRONT OF HIM THAT CAUSED THE PELLETS TO RICOCHET. HIS WIFE WAS STRUCK WITH THREE PELLETS, ONE UNDER THE LEFT EYE, ONE IN THE RIGHT NECK AREA & ONE IN THE LEFT KNUCKLE.</p>									
FRANKLIN	4/13/2013	45	20	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT LOOK BEYOND HIS TARGET & FIRED TWICE AT A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT TEMPLE WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
FRANKLIN	11/5/2014	21	21	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>While under the influence of alcohol, the victim placed the haul line around the trigger guard of his rifle. The victim then attempted to lay the firearm on the ground. The line became tight and caused the firearm to discharge, striking the first toes of the right foot.</p>									
FRANKLIN	12/6/2018	25	25	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	N	Y	N
<p>The victim was attempting to unload his firearm while he was leaning into the vehicle to allow the rounds to land on the seat. The firearm discharged and struck the upper door frame of the vehicle. The victim was struck in the head and arm by shrapnel.</p>									

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FRANKLIN	10/14/2020	29	29	HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The victim had shot a deer in his yard at night with an arrow. He was tracking the deer with a flashlight in one hand and a handgun in the other. The flashlight had a pistol grip. The victim confused the flashlight with the handgun and accidentally pulled the handgun trigger, shooting himself in the leg.</p>									
FREDERICK	11/16/1999	61		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>VICTIM WAS EITHER ASCENDING OR DESCENDING THE TREE, WHEN HIS RIFLE STRUCK THE GROUND CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE. THE BULLET STRUCK HIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT THIGH, TRAVELING UP THROUGH TO BODY & LODGING IN THE UPPER CHEST.</p>									
FREDERICK	12/2/1999	54		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>HUNTER FELL 12 FEET FROM HIS TREESTAND. IT IS BELIEVED THAT HE FELL WHILE LOWERING HIS FIREARM FROM THE TREESTAND. HE WAS FOUND AT THE BASE OF THE TREE.</p>									
FREDERICK	11/3/2000	21	26	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER STEPPED FROM THE VEHICLE & SHOT ACROSS THE ROOF. THE BULLET ENTERED THE ROOF ABOVE THE VICTIMS HEAD, GRAZING THE SCALP & EXITED NEAR THE WINDOW.</p>									
FREDERICK	11/3/2009	16	12	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>TWO BROTHERS HAD BEEN HUNTING SQUIRRELS. THEY SAT DOWN IN THE WOODS & WERE PLAYING WITH A STICK. THE SHOOTER PICKED UP THE SHOTGUN TO LAY IT ACROSS HIS LAP & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
GILES	10/22/1997	37		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>SUBJECT CLIMBING INTO TREESTAND & STEP BROKE. SUBJECT FELL APPROXIMATELY 21 FEET.</p>									
GILES	11/5/1998	28	24	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE NECK & CHEST.</p>									
GILES	11/29/2001	34		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM ADJUST HIS POSITION ON A LIMB & FELL APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET. THE HAMMER HIT AN OBJECT AS HE WAS FALLING & THE GUN DISCHARGED, GRAZING HIM IN THE CHEST.</p>									

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GILES	11/11/2002	31		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT STEPPED OUT OF THE VEHICLE WITH A LOADED MUZZLELOADER. HE CAPPED THE GUN THEN REACHED BACK INTO THE VEHICLE CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE SHOOTING HIM IN HIS RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
GILES	11/25/2002	30		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING INTO A TREESTAND WHEN THE TOP STEP BROKE. HE FRACTURED HIS LFET SHOULDER, BRUISED HIS LEFT HIP AND LEFT RIB.</p>									
GILES	4/15/2006	66	29	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIN IN THE BACK, HEAD, SHOULDER, LEG & BUTTOCKS WITH 42 PELLETS.</p>									
GILES	12/1/2007	39		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS PREPARING TO ENTER HIS STAND WHEN HE SLIPPED & GRABBED A RAILING OF THE PLATFORM STAND. THE RAILING GAVE WAY, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET, RESULTING IN A LOWER BACK FRACTURE & BROKEN SECOND LUMBAR DISK. HE DID NOT USE HIS SAFETY DEVICE.</p>									
GILES	11/6/2009	43		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE EDGE OF THE HOMEMADE TREESTAND PLATFORM BROKE & THE VICTIM FELL 12 1/2 FEET, CAUSING 2 COMPRESSION FRACTURES TO HIS BACK & BREAKING THREE RIBS.</p>									
GILES	11/26/2010	21		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS CLIMBING UP TO THE TREESTAND. WHEN HE GOT TO THE LAST STEP, IT PULLED OUT OF THE TREE CAUSING HIM TO FALL 15 FEET. HE RECEIVED CONTUSIONS TO HIS LOWER BACK & RIGHT HIP AREA.</p>									
GILES	4/9/2011	46	18	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A TURKEY THAT RAN BY HIM, STRIKING THE VICTIM ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HER FACE & NECK, TORSO, BREAST, ARM & HAND. SHE WAS ALSO STRUCK IN THE LEFT BREAST, ARM & HAND WITH A TOTAL OF 54 PELLETS.</p>									
GILES	4/11/2020	67	28	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>Two parties were hearing turkeys in the same area. The shooter was sitting by a tree and thought he saw a gobbler's fan. The target was partially obscured by leaves and limbs. He fired a shot and then heard the victim yelling.</p>									

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GLOUCESTER	5/11/1998	53		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
HUNTER MISHANDLED SHOTGUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN HIS LEFT LITTLE FINGER.									
GLOUCESTER	12/23/1998	25	24	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN UPPER LEFT THIGH.									
GLOUCESTER	11/13/2004	36		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM RESTED HIS GUN ON HIS FOOT & ACCIDENTALLY PULLED TRIGGER & SHOT HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
GLOUCESTER	11/17/2007	19	21	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER PASSED BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS WHO WERE 134 FEET APART. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE JAW WITH ONE PELLET.									
GLOUCESTER	9/5/2009	15	35	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER DID NOT LOOK BEYOND HIS TARGET & FIRED AT A SQUIRREL, STRIKING THE VICTIM ON THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS FACE & HEAD WITH 23 PELLETS.									
GLOUCESTER	12/10/2010	23		RIFLE		SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM LOST HIS BALANCE & THE GUN SLIPPED OUT OF HIS HAND, DISCHARGING & STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT SHOULDER. ***PENDING FINAL***									
GLOUCESTER	8/17/2012	17	14	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	GROUNDHOG	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A GROUNDHOG NEAR THE SHORELINE OF THE RIVER. A PIECE OF 00 BUCKSHOT RICOCHETED OFF OF THE ROCKS & STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT FOREARM.									
GLOUCESTER	11/15/2014	50	50	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
The hunter arrived at his hunting area at approximately 0500 hours. He immediately loaded his rifle and moved to the rear of his truck. He rested the muzzle of his rifle on his right boot while securing his climbing treestand to his back. He then grabbed the rifle to move into the woods, causing it to discharge into his right boot. The bullet passed through the boot and into the ground, shattering the bone at between the first and second joint of his big toe. The hunter was able to drive himself to the hospital.									
GLOUCESTER	4/30/2016	46	74	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
Shooter misidentified victim as turkey and shot at movement resulting in wounds to victim's chest and head.									

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GLOUCESTER	12/30/2018	37	21	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A juvenile hunter shot two times at a buck running between him and another hunter. The other hunter was shot in the stomach with a buckshot pellet.									
GLOUCESTER	12/12/2020	19	34	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
The shooter and victim were hunting along a woods path approximately 150 yards apart. A deer crossed between them and the shooter fired three times with buckshot. He hit the victim with a single pellet to the head, causing a moderate injury.									
GOOCHLAND	11/21/1998	35	28	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER & VICTIM FIRED AT MOVING DEER. VICTIM STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN LOWER BACK.									
GOOCHLAND	11/23/2002	26	29	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE DEER RAN IN BETWEEN THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER. ONE PELLET HIT THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.									
GOOCHLAND	11/29/2003	25	58	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT KNEE.									
GOOCHLAND	10/8/2005	29		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS DESCENDING THE TREE WITH A CLIMBING STAND WHEN HE UNLOCKED THE PIN HOLDING THE CHAIR, CAUSING HIM TO FALL & LEAVING HIM HANGING. A MOMENT LATER HIS FEET CAME OUT OF THE STRAPS & HE FELL 20 TO 25 FEET CAUSING PARALYSIS OF THE LEGS.									
GOOCHLAND	11/26/2005	66	21	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER PASSED BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LOWER RIGHT SHOULDER & ONE IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
GOOCHLAND	12/28/2007	7		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
WHILE CLIMBING ACROSS A FALLEN TREE, THE SUBJECT PICKED UP THE GUN BY THE MUZZLE & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT HAND.									

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GOOCHLAND	10/10/2014			CROSSBOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	N	
<p>The victim was hunting in a ladder-style commercial treestand. The stand had been in place for "years". As he started to climb down, the ladder buckled leaving all of the victim's weight on the upper section of the stand. The strap holding the upper section to the tree then broke, causing the victim to fall to the ground. The straps appeared to have been weakened by long-term exposure to sunlight. The victim was helped out of the woods and transported to a hospital, where he was diagnosed with two fractures in his right foot. He had been wearing a safety belt while on the stand, but took it off to climb down.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/15/1999	70		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS TYING A ROPE THROUGH THE TRIGGER GUARD OF HIS RIFLE, WHILE IT WAS RESTING ON HIS RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/15/1999	35				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE & LOST HIS BALANCE, FALLING APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET. HE RECEIVED BROKEN RIBS, A BROKEN COLLARBONE & A PUNCTURED LUNG.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/18/2006	44		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE TREESTAND BROKE & THE VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 19 FEET CAUSING MULTIPLE FRACTURES TO THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS FACE & JAW.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/25/2006	45		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS IN A SELF-CLIMBER STAND. THE SAFETY LINE CONNECTING THE TOP & BOTTOM BROKE. HE TRIED TO HANG ON TO THE STAND BUT COULD NOT & FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET, CAUSING A FRACTURED RIGHT SHOULDER.</p>									
GRAYSON	12/5/2009	55	36	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO FIELD DRESS A DEER. THE SHOOTER SAW BROWN & WHITE & FIRED, STRIKING HIS STEP SON IN THE CHEST. HIS INJURIES INCLUDE FRACTURED STERNUM, FRACTURED LEFT RIB & LACERATED LUNG.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/8/2011	63		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SEAT BROKE ON THE VICTIM'S LADDER STAND CAUSING HIM TO FALL 12 FEET. HE BROKE HIS LEFT SHOULDER BLADE & FRACTURED L2 & L3 VERTEBRAE. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									

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GRAYSON	11/13/2014	16	16	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>Victim was coming out of the woods with his grandfather and cousin. The victim was carrying a muzzleloader over his right shoulder using a parachute cord as a rifle sling. The knot holding the parachute cord to the rifle came untied causing the rifle to strike the ground and discharge. The victim was hit by the .50 caliber bullet through the right bicep just above the elbow and the bullet exited 4 inches above the entrance, causing extensive damage to the bone. The safety of the muzzleloader was in the "off" position with the bolt of the gun resting on the primer.</p>									
GRAYSON	11/4/2015	77	69	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were both loading muzzleloaders into a soft case on the rear of a UTV at the hunting cabin. The capped muzzleloader discharged as the shooter inserted it into the case. The bullet hit the roll bar on the UTV and a bullet fragment entered the neck of the victim.</p>									
GREENE	12/22/2001	38	29	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE DEER RAN OUT OF THE WOODS BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE BULLET RICOCHETED AND STRUCK THE VICTIM NEAR THE LEFT ANKLE.</p>									
GREENE	1/1/2004	32		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM RESTED THE BARREL OF HIS RIFLE ON HIS RIGHT FOOT & THE GUN DISCHARGED.</p>									
GREENE	12/6/2008	20	42	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CHEST WITH ONE PELLET. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH TWO MORE PELLETS, ONE IN THE GROIN & ONE IN RIGHT KNEE. HE WAS NOT WEARING BLAZE ORANGE.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	11/12/1997	57		MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>WHILE BLACKPOWDER HUNTING, VICTIM FELL FROM TREESTAND & DIED OF ELEMENTS RELATING TO THE FALL, TERMED AS CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	11/18/1999	26	25	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HIP WITH ONE PELLET & LOWER TORSO WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									

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GREENSVILLE	9/5/2008	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>WHILE TWO SUBJECTS WERE CHANGING POSSESSION OF THE FIREARM, IT FELL & DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE GROIN & LEFT THIGH.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	12/12/2009	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS EXITING THE WOODS WHEN A BIRD FLEW UP & STARTLED HIM. IT CAUSED HIM TO PULL THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	11/24/2012	19	26	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT THIGH WITH ONE 000 BUCKSHOT PELLET.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	12/15/2012	16	52	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER FROM ACROSS THE ROADWAY, STRIKING THE DRIVER OF A PASSING VEHICLE. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT TORSO & SPINE. HE IS PARALYZED.</p>									
GREENSVILLE	11/10/2014		47	MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>Victim was apparently starting to climb down when he fell. One of the shoulder straps of the chest-style harness he was wearing got caught around his neck and he became unconscious in 10-15 seconds. He died as a result of full neck suspension.</p>									
HALIFAX	1/2/1998	15	46	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN RIGHT CHEST.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/8/1998	42		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE CHAIN CAME LOOSE FROM THE TREESTAND AS THE VICTIM WAS TRYING TO PLACE IT IN A TREE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 TO 15 FEET. VICTIM WAS HUNTING ON SUNDAY.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/28/1998	45	26	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN SHOOTER & VICTIM. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET. SHOOTER COULD NOT SEE VICTIM.</p>									

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HALIFAX	11/25/1999	45		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM SHIFTED HIS WEIGHT ON THE SEAT, WHICH WAS NOT ATTACHED TO THE STAND, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET. HE RECEIVED CONTUSIONS, SEVERAL BROKEN RIBS, A PUNCTURED LUNG & DAMAGE TO HIS LEFT EAR.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/26/2001		27	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM'S GUN SLIPPED OFF THE FOUR-WHEELER AND DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT BOOT.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/14/2002	12	73	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A SQUIRREL. HE MISSED THEN MOVED AROUND THE HOUSE TO GET A BETTER VIEW OF THE SQUIRREL. HE SHOT AGAIN, STRIKING THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS OUT OF SITE OF THE SHOOTER. HE STRUCK WITH 13 PELLETS TO THE UPPER BODY.</p>									
HALIFAX	1/4/2003	20	27	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE DEER CROSSED BETWEEN SHOOTER AND VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH 1 PELLET IN THE LEFT THIGH.</p>									
HALIFAX	1/4/2003	11	39	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER AND THE VICTIM. THE SHOOTER SHOT AT THE DEER STRIKING HIM WITH 1 PELLET TO THE BREAST BONE AND 2 PELLETS TO THE SHIN.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/9/2005	46		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL. WHILE DESCENDING THE LADDER STAND, HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET BREAKING HIS RIGHT LEG.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/24/2005	56		SHOTGUN		RABBIT	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STOOD UP ON A STUMP & FELL WHEN HE STEPPED OFF, BREAKING HIS TIBIA AT THE KNEE.</p>									
HALIFAX	10/29/2010	52		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING IN A TREESTAND. HE WENT TO PICK UP HIS RIFLE & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/23/2010	22	36	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CHEST WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									

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HALIFAX	11/25/2010	20	37	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>COMPANION HUNTERS WERE HUNTING WITH DOGS. A DEER WAS JUMPED & RAN BETWEEN THEM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SHOULDER WITH A SINGLE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET.</p>									
HALIFAX	10/12/2012	47		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STOOD UP IN THE TREESTAND & THE CABLE CAME UNDONE & THE VITIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET. HE RECEIVED SEVERAL BROKEN BONES & A LACERATED SPLEEN.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/4/2012	26		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS ENTERING THE TREESTAND WHEN SHE FELT IT SHIFT A LITTLE. SHE REALIZED THAT IT WAS NOT SECURE & BEGAN TO DESCEND. WHEN SHE GOT TO THE SECOND STEP, THE TREESTAND SHIFTED MORE & SHE FELL 11 FEET CAUSING POSSIBLE INJURY TO HER FOOT.</p>									
HALIFAX	11/7/2014		59	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was hunting out of a home-made wooden treestand with a folding chair as a seat. The chair broke so the victim grabbed the ladder. Then the ladder broke and the victim fell 16 feet. The victim was not wearing a safety harness. He was transported to Duke Hospital with pelvic and lower-body injuries.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/19/2014	10	32	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and the victim were standing approximately 80 yards apart on a farm road leading through a wooded area. A deer ran between the two hunters and the shooter fired two shots with the second shot striking the victim. The 10 year-old shooter was being supervised by his father, the victim, as the licensed adult.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/26/2014	38	45	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim and shooter were hunting deer in a block of hardwoods with dogs. The victim told the shooter to stand by a tree and he was going to the left of him to a location that was out of sight about 150 yards away. Once the victim got to his location he observed 4 or 5 deer running in front of him. He shot three times, harvesting two does. On his way to the deer he heard the shooter fire twice. At the first shot the victim heard a pellet whistling by and then felt a sharp pain in his left elbow. The victim started yelling, "You shot me." The shooter stated that he saw a deer passing in front of him and he shot the deer. The deer fell and he shot it again. The shooter stated that he did not see the victim move from his location. The distance was approximately 110 yards.</p>									
HALIFAX	12/27/2014	8	57	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>The victim and the 8 year-old shooter were rabbit hunting in a cutover. They were standing 127 feet apart on a bush-hogged path when a rabbit ran between them. The shooter fired one shot, striking the victim, his father, with numerous pellets.</p>									

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HALIFAX	11/22/2018		44			DEER	Y	N	N
<p>While attempting to ascend tree stand, the victim fell to the ground, causing joint and back injuries. The victim was on prescribed medication and acknowledged that he had consumed two alcoholic beverages prior to going hunting. He could not remember what caused the fall or anything leading up to the fall. No evidence was found that would indicate any malfunction of the tree stand, but he was not using a fall arrest system or a haul line for his equipment.</p>									
HAMPTON	12/3/2017		38			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>A hunter was climbing into a treestand and placed his foot onto the platform. The cable holding the platform level broke, causing the hunter to fall approximately 28 feet. He was not attached with a safety harness. He had a fractured pelvis and bruised ribs.</p>									
HANOVER	4/18/1998	33	37	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>HUNTERS CALLING TURKEYS. SHOOTER STOOD UP TO STRETCH. SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT AND FIRED STRIKING VICTIM IN THE HEAD AND UPPER BODY.</p>									
HANOVER	1/3/2000	21	26	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER WAS SWINGING ON GAME & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 10 PELLETS IN THE RIGHT BACK.</p>									
HANOVER	12/2/2000	46	90	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS HUNTING AROUND THE VICTIMS PROPERTY. THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM.</p>									
HANOVER	12/31/2002	54	66	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE DEER RAN IN BETWEEN THE TWO SUBJECTS. THE SHOOTER STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT THIGH WITH BUCKSHOT.</p>									
HANOVER	12/21/2004	55	13	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN A FATHER & SON. THE FATHER FIRED STRIKING THE SON WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT CHEEK.</p>									
HANOVER	11/25/2005	18		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS RESTING HIS SHOTGUN ON HIS FOOT & ACCIDENTALLY PULLED THE TRIGGER, SHOOTING HIMSELF IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									

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HANOVER	10/29/2009	15		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT RESTED THE BARREL OF THE GUN ON HIS FOOT & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
HANOVER	10/31/2009	17		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>A BRAIDED METAL LOOP HOLDING THE STAND TO THE TREE BROKE, CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 10 TO 15 FEET. HE RECEIVED A GASH TO THE BACK OF THE HEAD.</p>									
HANOVER	10/31/2011	72	66	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS MISCOMMUNICATED & THE SHOOTER WALKED ON FOOT & OBSERVED THE STATIONARY VICTIM UTILIZING A TURKEY WING TO IMITATE A 'FLY-DOWN'. FROM 35 YARDS AWAY, THE VICTIM WAS MISTAKEN FOR A TURKEY & STRUCK IN THE HEAD & BODY WITH 22 PELLETS.</p>									
HANOVER	12/6/2012	66	69	SHOTGUN		QUAIL	N	N	N
<p>THREE SUBJECTS WERE HUNTING QUAIL. A DOG FLUSHED OUT A BIRD & THE SHOOTER STUMBLED, HITTING THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LEGS FROM MID THIGH TO HIS UPPER CALVES.</p>									
HANOVER	9/27/2015	49	49	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The adult victim illegally carried a 12 gauge semi-auto on youth day while accompanying his son. His son also had a 20 gauge. After the hunt, the victim was holding the shotgun with his left hand. His thumb and forfinger were wrapped around the muzzle. As he set the shotgun down, leaning it against a tree, it discharged. The victim had scorch and blast injuries to the soft tissue and between his thumb and forefinger. He stated that he thought the gun was on "safe" and that he did not notice anything in the trigger guard.</p>									
HANOVER	12/30/2017	35	60	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Three deer hunters were placed on stand by another hunter who acted as huntmaster. Safe zones of fire were discussed. They were on the edge of a cutover area and the huntmaster told them it was safe to shoot into the cutover. A coyote came out of the cutover and one of the hunters fired with buckshot. One of his pellets struck the huntmaster in the neck. He was in the cutover area where he had indicated it was safe to shoot.</p>									
HENRICO	12/14/2001		47	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DRAGGING A DEER OUT OF THE WOODS WHEN HE FELT A STINGING SENSATION & REALIZED HE HAD BEEN SHOT. HE WAS STRUCK WITH 5 PELLETS. THE SHOOTER IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.</p>									
HENRICO	11/9/2002	42		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL & BROKE HIS COLLAR BONE, WHILE CLIMBING INTO A TREESTAND.</p>									

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HENRICO	1/23/2007	32		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM PLACED A BAG ON THE PICK-UP TAILGATE WITH A METAL ROD FROM A DUCK DECOY STICKING OUT OF IT & LAID HIS GUN ON TOP OF THE BAG. HE PULLED HIS FIREARM TOWARDS HIM BY THE BARREL. THE TRIGGER SNAGGED THE METAL ROD & THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, FATALY STRIKING HIM IN THE CHEST.</p>									
HENRICO	11/29/2014	37	50	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER		N	N
<p>Six individuals were hunting deer with dogs. The shooter told five other hunters approximately where to line up in a cutover area. He then released dogs and walked through the cutover toward the stationary hunters. The shooter jumped a doe deer and fired his shotgun twice at the deer. After the second shot, he heard the victim yell out that he was hit. Two 00 buckshot pellets struck the victim, one in the left forearm and one in the lower left leg. The shooter was approximately 86 yards from the victim. The shooter did not think the victim would be in that location.</p>									
HENRY	11/6/1997	47		MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM STOOD UP TO SHOOT AT DEER & THE DECK OF THE TREESTAND COLLAPSED. SUFFERED A BROKEN RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
HENRY	11/23/1997	44	15	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN LEFT FOREARM & ABDOMEN.</p>									
HENRY	5/29/1999	70		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	GROUNDHOG	N	Y	N
<p>THE SHOOTER/VICTIM WAS EXITING HIS ATV AND THE GUN ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT THIGH.</p>									
HENRY	11/1/2004	49		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM'S WIFE SUSPECTED HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO KILL A DEER IN THEIR BACKYARD. HE MAY HAVE SLIPPED ON WET GRASS & HIS GUN (SAFETY OFF) DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE NECK.</p>									
HENRY	10/7/2006	15		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HEARD A CLINKING SOUND FROM THE CHAIN HOLDING THE TREESTAND. THE CHAIN BROKE & HE FELL FROM HIS TREESTAND CAUSING A PUNCTURED LUNG, SHATTERED RIGHT SHOULDER, BRUISED HEART, SEPERATED COLLARBONE, 11 STITCHES & 15 STAPLES.</p>									
HENRY	10/13/2006	21		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM ATTEMPTED TO PUT THE SEAT OF HIS PORTABLE TREESTAND IN PLACE, WHEN THE PIN HOLDING THE CABLE AROUND THE TREE SLID OUT. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY BELT & FELL 17 FEET.</p>									

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HENRY	1/15/2011	58	57	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	QUAIL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER SLIPPED ON A SNOW COVERED LOG, CAUSING HIS FIREARM TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT LEG.</p>									
HENRY	11/13/2012	38				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS HUNTING FROM A TREESTAND WHEN THE SECURITY CABLE BROKE & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 22 FEET. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN RIB & POSSIBLE PUNCTURED LUNG. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
HENRY	11/8/2013	56		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE LADDER TYPE TREESTAND WAS UNSTABLE & NOT ATTACHED TO THE TREE. WHEN THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING DOWN, HE HAD HIS BACK FACING THE TREE & THE LADDER WAS MOVING CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 8 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT LEG. HE WAS NOT USING A SAFETY HARNESS. REC'D CAD, FBR & LAW11.</p>									
HENRY	11/30/2013	63		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS EXITING HIS TREESTAND, WHEN THE LIMB HE WAS HOLDING ON TO BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 14 FEET. HE BROKE HIS LEFT WRIST & RIGHT SHOULDER. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
HENRY	12/1/2013	47		HANDGUN		TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT ADVISED SHE HAD A .38 PISTOL IN HER WAISTBAND IN THE CENTER OF HER BACK. SHE WENT TO RETREIVE THE FIREARM TO SHOOT AT A TURKEY & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HER IN THE LEFT BUTT CHEEK. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
HENRY	12/11/2014	25	27	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The hunting party was conducting a deer drive in a field with tall brush. The drivers were directly in front of the shooter at a distance of 190 yards. The two shooters fired at a deer and a single pellet struck the victim in the head above the ear.</p>									
HENRY	11/16/2018		76			UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
<p>Victim stated that he was having issues with his climbing tree stand sliding down and that his seat kept slipping. The victim was approximately 12 feet high when he went to make an adjustment to his stand. He pulled the pin that holds the cable to the climbing stand to tighten the cable, but once pulled, the cable broke loose from the tree, resulting in the top portion of the climbing tree stand coming completely off the tree. The victim fell backwards and his feet caught the rope attached to the lower portion of the stand. The weight of his falling and hanging upside down for 10 hours resulted in significant injuries to his ankles and severe swelling to his eyes and face. He was not using a fall restraint device.</p>									

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HIGHLAND	11/19/1997	37		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM LOWERED RIFLE FROM TREESTAND WITH CORD AROUND PISTOL GRIP. WHILE REMOVING THE CORD, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
HIGHLAND	1/5/2001	48		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	F
HUNTER REPORTED MISSING ON 1/5/2001. BODY WAS LOCATED 1/6/2001. THE VICTIM WAS WALKING DOWN A SNOW COVERED HILL, WHEN FIREARM DISCHARGED STRIKING VICTIM IN LEFT LOWER CALF. THE BULLET TRAVELED DOWNWARD EXITING INSIDE OF LEFT BOTTOM HEEL. VICTIM BLED TO DEATH.									
HIGHLAND	1/4/2003	45	16	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HE WAS SHOOTING AT A DEER. HE FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET.									
HIGHLAND	4/25/2003	10	66	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
THE SHOOTER SLIPPED AND GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LOWER SECTION OF THE BACK.									
HIGHLAND	1/2/2009	55		RIFLE/SHOTGU		TURKEY	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS ASCENDING THE TREESTAND TO RETRIEVE THE SEAT. HE MAY HAVE SLIPPED ON A LOWER OLD PLATFORM. THE NAILS FROM THE BOARD HE WAS HOLDING ONTO ABOVE, PULLED LOOSE FROM THE TREE CAUSING HIM TO FALL HEAD FIRST, FATALLY BREAKING HIS NECK.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/27/1997	27	25	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN CHEST & THIGH.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/18/1999	36	13	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT MOVEMENT. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE BACK, BREAKING HIS SPINAL CORD.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/11/2001	31	58	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM SHOT AT A DEER AND THEN HE MOVED. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT SAME DEER AND STRUCK VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET, WHICH ENTERED HIS BOOT AND INTO LEFT CALF.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	4/23/2005	36	51	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT HEN DECOYS, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT SHOULDER. THE SHOOTER IS A CONVICTED FELON.									

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ISLE OF WIGHT	12/30/2005	51	41	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT TEMPLE AREA WITH ONE PELLET.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/29/2008	17		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
WHILE STANDING OUTSIDE OF HIS TRUCK, THE VICTIM REACHED FOR HIS LOADED SHOTGUN FROM THE GUNRACK & IT DISCHARGED, FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE MOUTH.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	11/21/2009	51	28	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER PASSED BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/3/2011	65	61	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER & VICTIM WERE UNAWARE OF EACH OTHER'S LOCATION. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER FOUR TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT BICEP WITH ONE PELLET.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/20/2013	61				DEER	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM RECEIVED A FATAL HEAD INJURY, WHEN HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET FROM HIS TREESTAND. NFI. REC'D 2 SWAN, CAD & FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***									
ISLE OF WIGHT	10/13/2016	6		RIFLE			Y	N	N
wooded area									
ISLE OF WIGHT	12/22/2019		55			DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim was hunting from a Summit Viper Climbing Stand and was 25' up the tree. He began climbing down, and the tree cable came detached from the upper section of the stand. The upper section of the stand detached from the tree, and the victim fell over backward, falling 10-12' to the ground and landing on his head. The victim believes that the retention pin had been pushed out by a tree branch while he was climbing down, allowing the cable to come free. The victim was not wearing a safety harness.									
ISLE OF WIGHT	10/3/2020		66	CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim started to come down from his ladder stand, facing outward. He tried to turn back toward the stand, lost his footing, and fell approximately 12 feet. His ankle was broken. The victim had been consuming alcohol. He was not attached with a fall arrest system.									

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JAMES CITY	1/3/1998		62	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
AS DOGS APPROACHED, SOMEONE SHOT & VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN RIGHT KNEE WITH ONE PELLET.									
JAMES CITY	1/3/1998	52	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN LOWER LEFT ABDOMEN.									
JAMES CITY	4/22/2000		15	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
2 HUNTERS STANDING NEXT TO EACH OTHER IN DENSE COVER. THEY USED A TURKEY CALL & WAITED FOR A RESPONSE, THEN HEARD A SHOT. BOTH WERE STRUCK. 1ST VICTIM IN THE CHEST, ARM, LEG, HAND & THIGH. 2ND VICTIM IN THE STOMACH AREA. SHOOTER IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.									
JAMES CITY	11/22/2003	13	37	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER SWUNG ON A DEER & FIRED THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT FOREARM.									
JAMES CITY	11/5/2004	47		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
THE VICTIM'S BLACK POWDER PISTOL DISCHARGED WHILE IN THE HOLSTER. THE BULLET ENTERED THE UPPER RIGHT THIGH & TRAVELED THROUGH HIS LEG RUPTURING THE ARTERY BEHIND HIS RIGHT KNEE. AS A RESULT THE VICTIM DIED FROM LOSS OF BLOOD.									
JAMES CITY	11/15/2013						Y	Y	N
THE HOMEMADE TREESTAND WAS ABOUT 10 YEARS OLD. WHEN THE VICTIM SHIFTED HIS WEIGHT, THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH NAIL THRU THE BOARD TO SUPPORT HIM & HE FELL 12 FEET, SEVERLY BRUISING HIS LOWER RIGHT BACK & RIGHT ELBOW. HE WAS NOT USING A SAFETY HARNESS. REC'D FBR. ***PENDING FINAL***									
JAMES CITY	4/21/2018	64	27	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
The shooter was set up at the base of a tree. The victim was located behind and just to the left of the shooter, about 30 feet away. Both hunters were watching a turkey moving toward them. It was below the ridge where they were positioned. As the turkey came closer, the shooter tried to reposition himself to get a better view of the turkey. The shooter slipped on moss at the base of the tree and failed to maintain control of the firearm's muzzle. The firearm discharged toward the victim, striking him on the right side of the head, neck and shoulder with multiple pellets.									

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JAMES CITY	10/7/2018		64		0-10 YARDS	UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
<p>The victim fell from a ladder type tree stand while trying to remove it from the tree to which it was attached. He had removed all support brackets and straps from the tree stand while he was on it. When he started to come down the ladder, the tree stand shifted to the right. The victim tried to hold on to the tree with his arms, but fell. The victim sustained severe back and hip injuries. He was not attached with a fall arrest system.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	11/6/2001	64	66	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
<p>A RABBIT CROSSED BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CHEEK WITH ONE PELLET & THE LEFT CALF WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/30/2003	50	3	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT TEMPLE CAUSING A SUPERFICIAL FLESH INJURY.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	11/3/2004	32					Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING INTO THE TREESTAND & GRABBED THE SEAT TO PULL HIMSELF UP. THE SEAT WAS NOT ANCHORED & IT MOVED FORWARD. HE LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL APPROXIMATELY 7 FEET.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/31/2004	17	10	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO DEER CROSSED A HUNT CLUB STAND LINE. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE KNEE.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/10/2005	19	56	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT CHEST WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	1/2/2006	29	27	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT SIDE WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	1/4/2006	59	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM ON HIS RIGHT SIDE WITH 9 PELLETS.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/2/2006	21	68	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED KILLING THE DEER & STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT ARM WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									

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KING & QUEEN	10/25/2007	32				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM DID NOT PROPERLY SECURE HIS TREESTAND. WHEN HE STEPPED ONTO THE PLATFORM THE STAND SHIFTED, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET. HE SUSTAINED FRACTURED RIBS, A COLLAPSED LUNG, FRACTURED PELVIS & BRUISED KIDNEY. HE DID NOT USE A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	10/27/2007	66		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING ON A HOMEMADE SEAT ATTACHED TO THE TREE BY A SCREW. THE SCREW PULLED OUT OF THE TREE CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET, RESULTING IN 2 FRACTURED VERTEBRAE & 3 FRACTURED RIBS. HE DID NOT USE A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	11/13/2010	16		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE HUNTING DEER, THE VICTIM FELL ASLEEP IN HIS TREESTAND. HE DROPPED HIS SHOTGUN, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT BACK SIDE OF HIS HEAD, RESULTING IN A 2 INCH ABRASION.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/9/2011	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT SHOT AT A DOE 5 TIMES. AFTER FINDING THE DEER WOUNDED, HE FIRED AGAIN & PELLETS FELL OUT OF THE BARREL. HE FIRED ONCE MORE & THE BARREL EXPLODED, LACERATING & JAMMING HIS LEFT THUMB.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/8/2012	53	49	SHOTGUN		PHEASANT	N	N	N
<p>A HEN PHEASANT FLEW LOW ACROSS THE FIELD. THE SHOOTER SHOT ONE TIME & MISSED. WHILE SWINGING, SHE SHOT AGAIN & HIT TWO VICTIMS. THE FEMALE VICTIM RECEIVED 15 PELLET WOUNDS TO THE FACE, NECK, BOTH ARMS & CHEST. THE MALE VICTIM RECEIVED 1 PELLET TO THE FOREHEAD, 1 PELLET UNDER THE LEFT EYE & 1 PELLET TO THE CHIN.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/21/2013	30	27	SHOTGUN		SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A SQUIRREL THAT HAD RUN INTO A BRUSH PILE WITH THREE PERSONS STANDING NEAR. SOME PELLETS STRUCK A CHUNK OF CONCRETE IN THE BRUSH PILE, CAUSING DEBRIS TO FLY INTO THE VICTIMS LEFT EYE, LEAVING HIM WITHOUT VISION IN THAT EYE. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
KING & QUEEN	12/30/2016	30		SHOTGUN	N/A			Y	N
KING & QUEEN	12/31/2016	42	57	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER		N	N

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KING AND QUEEN	11/17/1997	41	24	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED 3 TIMES AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM (OUT OF SIGHT OF SHOOTER) WITH ONE PELLET IN UPPER LEFT SHOULDER ON FIRST SHOT.									
KING AND QUEEN	1/3/1998	68	21	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM WITH ONE PELLET. VICTIM WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER.									
KING AND QUEEN	11/28/1998	38	51	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM WITH ONE PELLET.									
KING AND QUEEN	11/28/2000	22		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS RESTING THE MUZZLE OF HIS SHOTGUN ON HIS BOOT, WHILE WAITING FOR THE DEER TO BE DRIVEN OUT INTO THE FIELD. AFTER ACTUALLY SEEING A DEER EMERGE FROM THE WOODS, HE LIFTED HIS FIREARM UP, HITTING THE TRIGGER CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
KING AND QUEEN	12/1/2001	46	56	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED THROUGH A SMALL GROUP OF PINES, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HAND WITH ONE PELLET. THE VICTIM HAD MOVED FROM HIS POSITION, WHICH WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER.									
KING GEORGE	11/28/1997	42	47	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
RABBIT BETWEEN SHOOTER & VICTIM. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH NUMEROUS #9 PELLETS TO FACE, STOMACH, BOTH LEGS & BOTH ARMS.									
KING GEORGE	10/12/1998	17	16	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
SHOOTER STRUCK BUTT OF FIREARM AGAINST A TREE TO SHAKE SQUIRRELS OUT OF A NEST. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT LEG.									
KING GEORGE	12/21/2001	62	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
THE SHOOTER WAS IN A DITCH AND FIRED AT A RABBIT STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE CHEEK									
KING GEORGE	1/4/2002	40	40	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE CONDUCTING A MAN DRIVE IN A "L" SHAPE PATTERN. THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A DEER AND STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT CHEEK AND JAW.									

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KING GEORGE	1/4/2003	38	47	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS OUT OF SITE OF THE SHOOTER. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH BUCKSHOT ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
KING GEORGE	12/1/2007	52				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS IN A TREESTAND ON A STOOL. ONE OF THE STOOL LEGS SLIPPED BETWEEN THE WOODEN SLATS OF THE STAND CAUSING HIM TO FALL 16 FEET. HE RECEIVED BROKEN RIBS, INTERNAL BLEEDING & POSSIBLY A BROKEN HIP. HE DID NOT USE A SAFETY HARNESS.</p>									
KING GEORGE	12/27/2008	36	35	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER THAT RAN BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT SHOULDER WITH ONE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET.</p>									
KING GEORGE	12/12/2009	28	27	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS DRIVING DEER USING DOGS. HE SHOT 5 TIMES AT A DEER BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM. ONE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT TEMPLE, JUST IN FRONT OF THE EAR.</p>									
KING GEORGE	1/1/2011	36	37	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS WERE PARTICIPATING IN A DEER DRIVE. WHEN A DEER RAN BETWEEN THEM, THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEG, ARM & HEAD.</p>									
KING GEORGE	11/16/2013	9		SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT HAD HIS SHOTGUN RESTING AGAINST HIS LEG WITH THE HAMMER COCKED & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
KING WILLIAM	12/2/2000	24	45	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER & VICTIM WERE ON TWO STANDS ACROSS FROM ONE ANOTHER, WHEN A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE STANDS, THEY BOTH FIRED. THE SHOOTER FIRED DIRECTLY DOWN THE STAND LINE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT THIGH. AFTER BEING SHOT, THE VICTIM FIRED TWO MORE SHOTS AT THE DEER.</p>									
KING WILLIAM	11/9/2001	50	24	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM ENDED HIS HUNT AT THE END OF LEGAL HUNTING HOURS. AS HE CROSSED THE EDGE OF A FIELD, HE WAS SHOT IN THE LEFT FOREARM BY A HUNTER WHO FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET.</p>									

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KING WILLIAM	1/1/2002	48		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	F
EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE SCENE INDICATES THE VICTIM STUMBLED & FELL OVER A PINE LOG. HIS GUN DISCHARGED DURING THE FALL, STRIKING HIM IN THE CHEST.									
KING WILLIAM	1/8/2002	23		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH VERY HEAVY COVER WITH HIS SHOTGUN SLUNG ON HIS BACK WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD.									
KING WILLIAM	10/23/2004	66		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS ASCENDING HIS TREESTAND & SLIPPED ON THE TOP RUNG. HE FELL 14 FEET BREAKING HIS LEFT HIP.									
KING WILLIAM	11/13/2004	63		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS PUTTING HIS CELL PHONE AWAY WITH HIS GUN ON HIS SHOULDER & THE GUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE THE LEFT FOOT.									
KING WILLIAM	11/18/2005	46		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER SHIFTED HIS WEIGHT TO EXIT THE STAND & THE FLOOR SECTION PULLED AWAY FROM THE REST OF THE STAND. HE FELL 15 FEET 11 INCHES FRACTURING HIS LEFT ANKLE.									
KING WILLIAM	1/5/2006	34	31	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET EACH IN THE RIGHT KNEE & LEFT TORSO.									
KING WILLIAM	11/22/2007	46	48	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HEEL WITH ONE PELLET. A HUNTING DOG WAS ALSO STRUCK BY 2 PELLETS.									
KING WILLIAM	12/26/2008		13	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT HAND WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.									
KING WILLIAM	1/6/2012	64	68	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT LEG BELOW HIS KNEECAP, CAUSING A MINOR INJURY.									

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KING WILLIAM	12/1/2012	23	55	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER THAT WAS BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT CALF.</p>									
KING WILLIAM	11/23/2013	12	49	SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	N	N
<p>A FATHER & SON WERE SITTING IN A SINGLE PERSON TREESTAND. THE SON DROPPED HIS .410 SHOTGUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE FATHER IN THE RIGHT CALF AREA, CAUSING SEVERE BLOOD LOSS. REC'D SWAN,CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
KING WILLIAM	1/3/2015	52	41	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was walking through a cutover area at the conclusion of the last hunt of the last day of the general firearms deer season. He was wearing an orange hat. A guest was walking along the cutover on a timber road with two hunt club members and heard the sound of breaking limbs adjacent to his location. He positioned himself in front of the sound, raised his shotgun, saw brown and fired once. He struck the victim in the legs with #1 buckshot pellets.</p>									
KING WILLIAM	11/26/2016	59	39	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS			N	N
KING WILLIAM	10/10/2017	18				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting from a Hawke lock on type stand with a 20 foot ladder stick. The stand was equipped with a safety line to be used while ascending/descending the tree stand but it was not in use. There were no shooting rails or arm rests on the treestand. The victim stated that he saw a large buck moving along the edge of the ridge at about 30 yards. He then stood up to prepare for the shot when he felt light-headed. The next thing he remembers was laying on the ground in pain. The victim was not wearing a safety harness and has a history of blacking out. He fell about 19 ft 9 inches</p>									
KING WILLIAM	1/30/2021	48	44	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
<p>Shooter fired at passing waterfowl while his guide was out, arranging decoys. The guide was struck with three pellets in the back and buttocks.</p>									
LANCASTER	12/27/1997	59		SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM FELL BACKWARD WHILE DESCENDING TREE. SEPARATED CARTILEDGE IN CHEST & BRUISES.</p>									

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LANCASTER	11/10/2003	45		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS IN A TREESTAND 20 FEET UP. HE REMOVED HIS SAFETY HARNESS & CLIMBED TO THE LIMBS ABOVE. WHILE PREPARING TO SHOOT A BUCK, THE LIMB BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 25 FEET. HE SUFFERED A BROKEN ARM, DISLOCATED SHOULDER, FRACTURED RIBS & FRACTURED SEVERAL VERTEBRAE.</p>									
LANCASTER	12/19/2003	78		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS NOT USING A SAFETY BELT. THE HOMEMADE SEAT SUPPORT SECTION OF THE TREESTAND FAILED CAUSING HIM TO FALL 17 FEET, RESULTING IN INSTANT DEATH.</p>									
LANCASTER	11/10/2004	32		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FAILED TO INSURE THAT HIS CLIMBING TREE STAND WAS PROPERLY & SAFELY ATTACHED TO THE TREE CAUSING HIM TO FALL 14 FEET, BREAKING 3 RIBS & BRUISING HIS LEFT HIP & LUNG.</p>									
LANCASTER	11/18/2008	41		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM TOOK THE SAFETY OFF AS HE TURNED TO FIRE AT A DEER, HE SLIPPED & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
LANCASTER	11/21/2009	24	23	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED TWO SHOTS AT A DEER THAT WAS IN LINE WITH THE VICTIM, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT TORSO.</p>									
LANCASTER	5/6/2013	71	66	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WALKED IN FRONT OF THE SHOOTER. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE, CHEST, HAND & KNEE WITH 11 PELLETS OF BIRDSHOT.</p>									
LEE	9/6/1997		42	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	SQUIRREL	U	N	N
<p>VICTIM WAS INSIDE HIS HOUSE WHEN HE HEARD A SHOT. HE WENT OUT OF A SIDE DOOR & WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN HIS LOWER RIGHT SIDE.</p>									
LEE	11/28/1997	30	25	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
<p>VICTIM MISTAKEN FOR TURKEY BY SHOOTER IN UNRELATED PARTY. VICTIM SUFFERED FATAL SHOT, ENTERING UPPER LEFT SIDE, NEAR SHOULDER, & EXITING LOWER RIGHT SIDE NEAR BELT LINE.</p>									

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LEE	11/5/2000	38		SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS DESENDING A TREESTAND & A LIMB BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 40 FEET TO THE GROUND.									
LEE	12/9/2002	80	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS TURKEY HUNTING FROM A TREESTAND. HE TRIED TO GET THE SHOOTER'S ATTENTION. THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE BACK.									
LEE	5/7/2005	30	30	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER WAS WALKING BEHIND THE VICTIM & A TWIG CAUGHT ON THE TRIGGER CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
LEE	10/15/2008	41		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY DEVICE & FELL APPOXIMATELY 17 FEET. HE SUFFERED A BROKEN NECK, RESULTING IN A FATALITY.									
LEE	12/12/2012	50	21	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER HIT A DEER WITH HIS VEHICLE & THOUGHT IT WAS DEAD. HE PUT IT IN THE BED OF HIS PICK-UP. WHEN HE ARRIVED AT A STORE, THE DEER JUMPED OUT OF THE TRUCK & THE SHOOTER (WHO HAD BORROWED A RIFLE) FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH BULLET FRAGMENTS IN HIS LEFT LEG.									
LEE	1/2/2016			SHOTGUN			Y	Y	N
Victim was climbing into his ladder stand. He laid his shotgun on the platform, lost his balance, and fell to the ground. He was not attached with a fall arrest system.									
LOUDOUN	10/9/1997	15	47	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
FATHER & SON WERE DUCK HUNTING. SON FIRED TWICE KILLING TWO DUCKS. ON SECOND SHOT, TWO PELLETS STRUCK FATHER. ONE IN THE RIGHT ARM & ONE IN THE THROAT. INJURIES ARE NOT LIFE THREATENING.									
LOUDOUN	11/17/1997	40		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
VICTIM PICKED UP HIS GUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE TOP OF HIS RIGHT FOOT.									

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LOUDOUN	5/6/2000	56	47	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET. VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE HEAD, ARM, LEG, CHEST & ABDOMEN FROM 50 YARDS.									
LOUDOUN	11/4/2002	58		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO DESCEND FROM HIS TREESTAND. HE LOWERED HIS MUZZLELOADER ON A ROPE AND IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT EYE.									
LOUDOUN	12/15/2004	40		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE STRAP HOLDING THE TREESTAND FAILED & THE VICTIM FELL 15 FEET. FOUL PLAY IS INVOLVED AS THE STRAP HOLDING THE STAND TO THE TREE HAD BEEN PARTIALLY CUT. STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION.									
LOUDOUN	12/5/2008	50				DEER	Y	N	N
THE VICTIM UNHOOKED HIS PARACHUTE HARNESS & STARTED TO DESCEND FROM THE TREESTAND WHEN THE STAND SLIPPED. HE FELL BACKWARD & HIS HARNESS STRAP CAUGHT ON THE PLATFORM, HANGING HIM UPSIDEDOWN. HE PANICKED & CUT THE STRAP CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET, RESULTING IN FIVE FRACTURED RIBS & PARTIALLY COLAPSED LUNGS.									
LOUDOUN	11/26/2009	50		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO ADJUST HIS PORTABLE LADDER STAND. WHEN HE RELEASED THE ONLY RATCHET STRAP HOLDING THE STAND TO THE TREE, HE FELL 15 FEET & RECEIVED A BROKEN VERTEBRAE.									
LOUDOUN	11/30/2010	37		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
WHILE ATTEMPTING TO CLIMB INTO HIS TREESTAND, ONE OF THE SCREW-IN PEGS BECAME DISLODGED & THE VICTIM FELL 30 FEET, PUCTURING HIS LUNG, BREAKING 5 RIBS & LACERATING HIS LIVER.									
LOUDOUN	10/19/2015		51	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim was sitting in an old "Lock On" treestand about 21 feet above the ground. He was wearing his harness but was not attached to the tree. He used a haul line to bring up his bow. At some point, he either slipped or the seat broke. He had made some modifications to replace old parts. When he hit the ground, the victim's arm was broken in two places. When he got out of the hospital, he had to use a cane due to stiffness in his leg.									
LOUDOUN	1/24/2017			HANDGUN		FOX		Y	N

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LOUISA	11/18/1997		71	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER PASSED BETWEEN SHOOTER & VICTIM. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN LEFT CALF.									
LOUISA	11/27/1997	18	45	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER RAN BETWEEN 2 STANDERS. SHOOTER FIRED IN VICTIMS DIRECTION. VICTIMS LEFT RING FINGER WAS BROKEN BY PELLET.									
LOUISA	12/26/1997	59	28	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER THAT PASSED BETWEEN HE & THE VICTIM. ONE PELLET STRUCK VICTIM IN THE CHEST. NO PERMANENT DAMAGE.									
LOUISA	1/1/2001	19	41	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER HEARD SOMETHING COMING THROUGH THE BRUSH. HE FIRED TWO SHOTS, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE STOMACH & IN THE LEGS.									
LOUISA	12/15/2001		55	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS STANDING NEAR A TREE AND TURNED TO GET A SHOT AT A DEER. HE THEN BECAME ENTANGLED IN SOME BRUSH AND THE GUN DISCHARGED.									
LOUISA	12/22/2001	51	17	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE SHOULDER AND LOWER BACK.									
LOUISA	11/18/2002	41	70	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN RIGHT LEG & ONE PELLET IN RIGHT HAND.									
LOUISA	1/4/2003	34	37	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE HUNTING 95 YARDS APART. THE SHOOTER SAW A DEER AND SHOT TWICE STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT AND LEFT LEG.									
LOUISA	11/19/2005	58				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS STANDING IN THE TREESTAND READJUSTING HIS SAFETY HARNESS WHEN THE STAND SLID DOWN, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET BREAKING THREE BONES IN HIS BACK.									

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LUNENBURG	11/8/1997	25	15	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
SHOOTERS GUN JAMMED AFTER HE SHOT. HE THREW THE GUN ON THE GROUND & WHEN HE PICKED IT UP HE SAW MUD ON THE END OF THE BARREL. HE FIRED AGAIN HOPING TO SHOOT THE MUD OUT OF THE BARREL. THE BARREL EXPLODED WITH A 3" X 1" A PIECE OF IT STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM.									
LUNENBURG	11/17/1997	8		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
VICTIM DROPPED .410 SHOTGUN. WHEN IT HIT THE GROUND, IT DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM UNDER THE LEFT ARM.									
LUNENBURG	11/20/1997	36	38	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED & HIT DEER. HE FOLLOWED DEER TO BOTTOM OF HILL & SAW A BLAZE ORANGE HAT. WENT TO THAT AREA & FOUND VICTIM LYING ON THE GROUND, BLEEDING. HE HAD BEEN STRUCK IN THE HEAD WITH 1 PELLET. VICTIM HAD MOVED FROM ORIGINAL POSITION.									
LUNENBURG	11/16/1998	35	52	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
VICTIM FIRED, STRIKING DEER IN RIBS. THEN SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM WITH TWO PELLETS IN ABDOMIN & UPPER LEFT CHEST.									
LUNENBURG	11/27/1999	60	38	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE KNEE.									
LUNENBURG	9/4/2000	14	18	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
SHOOTER FIRED AT A LOW FLYING BIRD, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT FOREHEAD, CHEEK, LEFT EAR & SHOULDER.									
LUNENBURG	11/24/2001	37	36	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THIGH WITH ONE PELLET.									
LUNENBURG	1/12/2002	68	36	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE RABBIT HUNTING TOGETHER. THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A RABBIT AND PELLETS RICOCHETED STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ELBOW AND RIGHT THIGH.									
LUNENBURG	10/11/2003	39		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS PUTTING UP A TREE STAND. HE LOST A BOLT, USED A TEMPORARY FIX, AND THE STAND FAILED RESULTING IN A 14 FOOT FALL. VICTIM SUSTAINED A FRACTURED NECK, RESULTING IN PARALYSIS.									

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LUNENBURG	1/6/2007	20	22	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER THAT RAN BETWEEN HIM & THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM WAS FATALLY STRUCK IN THE CHEST WITH ONE PELLET. THEY WERE APPROXIMATELY 386 FEET APART.</p>									
LUNENBURG	10/26/2011		36	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SUBJECT HAD GOTTEN DOWN FROM HIS TREESTAND TO GO BACK TO HIS TRUCK. HE STOPPED TO LOOK AT A GROUP OF TURKEYS & FELT A BURNING JUST BELOW HIS LEFT KNEE & REALIZED THAT HE HAD BEEN SHOT. THE ENTRY WOUND IS ON THE INNER SIDE & THE EXIT WOUND IS ON THE OUTER SIDE OF THE LEFT KNEE.</p>									
LUNENBURG	1/4/2014	52	44	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD MOVED FROM HIS ORIGINAL POSITION INTO THE LINE OF FIRE, WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT LEG WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
LUNENBURG	11/5/2014		26		UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>While coming down the tree in a climbing stand, the lower section did not lock onto the tree and the victim fell. He had left his safety harness at home.</p>									
LUNENBURG	10/14/2015		31	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>A 31 year-old male was bow-hunting. When he was climbing to his tree stand, a peg broke loose about 20-30 feet up causing him to fall backward and hang from his safety harness. He was treated for a broken knee and several torn ligaments in his leg. However, because he was attached with a fall restraint device, he did not fall to the ground.</p>									
LUNENBURG	11/25/2017	73	47	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter was standing in a soybean field looking into a block of woods, which the victim was standing in. The victim had left his assigned location and had not notified the other hunters in his party. The shooter heard a shot then saw a deer run out of the woods and down the edge of the field. He took a shot in the direction where the victim was standing. Moments later, the victim came out of the woods having been shot in the lower left leg. All hunters in the party were wearing blaze orange.</p>									
MADISON	11/4/1998	23	29	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	SQUIRREL	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER'S GUN JAMMED. THE VICTIM CLEARED THE JAM. AS THE SHOOTER WAS RECEIVING THE RIFLE FROM THE VICTIM, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHEST.</p>									
MADISON	12/29/1999	59	38	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & SHOT AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ARM.</p>									

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MADISON	11/17/2000	53		MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS CLIMBING A POPLAR TREE IN A CLIMBING TREESTAND, WHEN THE TOP PORTION BROKE & SEPARATED FROM THE SUPPORT ARMS. HE FELL BACKWARD & WAS HANGING BY HIS FEET FROM THE NYLON SAFETY STRAPS, BEFORE FALLING OUT & SPRAINING HIS ANKLES.</p>									
MADISON	12/1/2001	36		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL ASLEEP WHILE IN A TREESTAND. HE FELL 18 FEET CAUSING INJURIES TO HIS LEFT ANKLE, LEFT SHIN & LEFT HIP. HE HAD A SAFETY BELT WITH HIM, BUT WAS NOT WEARING IT.</p>									
MADISON	11/24/2006	21	59	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ELBOW.</p>									
MADISON	12/18/2008	36				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS USING A CLIMBING TREESTAND & DID NOT SECURE THE TOP PORTION OF THE STAND PROPERLY, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 22 FEET. HE RECEIVED FRACTURED VERTABRAE, CLAVICLE, RIBS, TEAR IN AORTA & SPLEEN, & COLLAPSED LUNG.</p>									
MADISON	10/14/2009	16	17	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SUBJECTS WERE DRIVING DOWN THE ROAD, LEAVING THE HUNTING AREA. THE PASSENGER WAS UNLOADING THE FIREARM WHEN IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE DRIVER IN THE RIGHT CALF.</p>									
MATHEWS	10/2/1999	14	14	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM WAS SQUATING. SHOOTER WAS STANDING BEHIND HIM & FIRED AT A DOVE AT THE SAME TIME THE VICTIM STOOD UP, RESULTING IN A FLESH WOUND TO THE LEFT TEMPLE.</p>									
MATHEWS	11/15/2008	52		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM SHOT AT A DEER WHILE ASCENDING TO THE TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET. HE RECEIVED 16 BROKEN RIBS & A FRACTURED HIP.</p>									
MATHEWS	11/19/2015	17	13	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>The victim and shooter saw a deer at the edge of a field. They drove around to a woods road to walk up on the deer. They got within range of the deer and the victim knelt down about 15 feet in front of the shooter. The victim fired at the deer. As he stood up, the shooter also fired at the deer, hitting the victim with buckshot above the right eye.</p>									

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MECKLENBURG	10/3/1998	56	35	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	RACCOON/OPOSSUM	N	N	N
SHOOTER STEPPED INTO HOLE AND FELL, DROPPING FIREARM, STRIKING VICTIM IN LEFT HEEL.									
MECKLENBURG	10/9/1999	18	57	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	Y	N	N
VICTIM ATTEMPTING TO SECURE A TREESTAND. SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WERE 2 SQUIRRELS RUNNING AROUND THE TREE. VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN RIGHT ARM, CHEST, HEAD & LEFT LEG.									
MECKLENBURG	12/22/2000	42	17	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER & VICTIM WERE HUNTING DEER WITH DOGS. THE VICTIM LEFT HIS ASSIGNED STAND TO TRY & CUT THE DOGS OFF AS THEY APPROACHED HIS STAND. THE SHOOTER HEARD MOVEMENT THAT WAS ON THE DOGS PATH, WHICH HE ASSUMED TO BE A DEER. HE SHOT AT MOVEMENT STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 5 PELLETS IN THE PELVIC REGION.									
MECKLENBURG	12/28/2001		15	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE BROTHER HANDED THE RIFLE TO THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM RESTED THE RIFLE ON HIS FOOT. THE GUN DISCHARGED INTO HIS LEFT FOOT DAMAGING THE TOES.									
MECKLENBURG	9/5/2004		15	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS DOVE HUNTING & WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT HAND WITH ONE PELLET BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.									
MECKLENBURG	11/3/2007	56				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING HIS LADDER STAND WHEN THE STAND TWISTED, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET, BREAKING HIS LEFT LEG ABOVE THE ANKLE. HE DID NOT USE A SAFETY HARNESS.									
MECKLENBURG	12/30/2008	58	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM SHOT & WOUNDED A DEER. HE ASKED HIS HUNTING PARTNER TO HELP TRACK IT. HIS PARTNER FOUND THE DEER & SHOT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN HIS LOWER LEGS & RIGHT FOOT.									
MECKLENBURG	10/15/2009	39		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS CLIMBING DOWN FROM HIS TREESTAND. THE TOP PART OF THE STAND BROKE & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET, LANDING ON HIS FEET. HE BROKE THE FIBULA IN BOTH LEGS, BROKE MULTIPLE BONES IN HIS LEFT FOOT & RECEIVED A LACERATION TO THE BACK OF HIS HEAD.									

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MECKLENBURG	12/26/2009	12		SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT RESTED THE MUZZLE OF THE GUN ON HIS FOOT & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT BIG TOE & NEXT TOE.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	11/5/2011	42		BOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE TREESTAND WAS NOT PROPERLY SECURED TO THE TREE & WHILE ADJUSTING THE TREESTAND CABLE, THE SUBJECT FELL APPROXIMATELY 16 FEET, BREAKING THREE VERTEBRAE.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	11/23/2013	12	26	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE COLLARBONE & ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT HIP. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	1/17/2015	45	45	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	RABBIT	N	Y	N
<p>Shooter was using a high-powered shotgun shell in an early 1900's shotgun. The shotgun barrell exploded due to increased pressure.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	10/17/2015		45	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was climbing into his tree stand when the ladder broke off causing him to fall.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	10/24/2015		29			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was leaving his treestand. He took off his harness and started to climb down. The cable on the climber broke and he fell backwards. His feet were caught in the foot straps and he hung upside down for about an hour and a half before a neighbor heard him screaming. The broken cable was old and rusted. He suffered a sprained ankle.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	12/1/2018		53	RIFLE		UNKNOWN	N	Y	N
<p>The victim was walking to his tree stand with a loaded 30-60 rifle slung on his right shoulder with the barrel pointed down. When attempting to cross an electric fence, the firearm discharged and struck the victim in the right foot.</p>									
MECKLENBURG	9/2/2019	9	10	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>Juvenile shooter shot at a dove that had already hit the ground. Pellets ricocheted off the ground and struck two victims.</p>									
MIDDLESEX	11/22/2003	67		RIFLE	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE TOP STEP OF THE TREESTAND DID NOT SUPPORT THE VICTIM & HE FELL 13 FEET.HE RECEIVED MULTIPLE BROKEN RIBS, A BROKEN SHOULDER & INTERNAL INJURIES.</p>									

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MIDDLESEX	10/11/2008	37		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELT NAUSEOUS & LOWERED HIS CROSSBOW TO THE GROUND. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY DEVICE & FAINTED, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 24 FEET. HE SUFFERED MAJOR HEAD TRAUMA.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	11/25/2000	15	22	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>FATHER, SON & DAUGHTER WERE WALKING INTO THE WOODS TO HUNT DEER. THE SON SLIPPED & HIS FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIS SISTER IN THE LOWER RIGHT LEG.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	12/16/2006	35	20	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRKING THE VICTIM WITH 14 PELLETS IN THE CHEST, ABDOMEN, LEFT ARM & LEFT LEG. THE VICTIM WAS NOT WEARING BLAZE ORANGE.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	10/11/2008	15	14	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER SHOT AT A SQUIRREL & WENT TO CHAMBER ANOTHER ROUND WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	10/18/2008	46		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS NOT USING HIS SAFETY HARNESS WHEN A SCREW-IN STEP PULLED OUT FROM THE TREE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 20 FEET, BREAKING 2 RIBS.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	11/16/2013	43	28	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SUSPECTED SHOOTER WAS 93 YARDS AWAY. THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE RIGHT ARM BETWEEN HIS ELBOW & SHOULDER, & THE BULLET LODGED IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS CHEST. REC'D SWAN, 5 FBR'S & FINAL.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	11/16/2013						Y	Y	N
<p>TREESTAND INCIDENT.NFI. REC'D SWAN.</p>									
MONTGOMERY	11/8/2014		75		UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim and a partner had planned to go to different treestands and to contact each other by radio when safely in their stands. The victim contacted his partner to say that he was injured and needed help. A board on the ladder of the homemade stand had come loose as he was climbing and he fell about 11 1/2 feet. The victim suffered a broken hip and a collapsed lung. He was not using a fall restraint device.</p>									

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NELSON	9/30/1997	27		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM INSTALLING LADDER STAND 5 FEET UP. ONE SIDE OF LADDER SANK CAUSING THE STAND LEAN & VICTIM JUMPED, BREAKING HIS LEFT LEG ABOVE THE ANKLE.									
NELSON	11/3/1998	30		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
VICTIM GOT INTO VEHICLE & MOVED GUN. IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
NELSON	10/5/1999	38		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM ATTEMPTING TO RE-ADJUST THE LOWER PORTION OF HIS STAND WHEN IT FELL. HE FELL 20 FEET CRUSHING A VERTEBRAE IN HIS LOWER BACK.									
NELSON	12/14/2007	65		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS LOOKING AT A DEER OVER HIS RIGHT SHOULDER & FELL 16' 5", BREAKING THREE VERTEBRAE. HE WAS NOT USING A SAFETY HARNESS.									
NELSON	11/29/2008	16		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECTS TRIGGER CAUGHT ON HIS CLOTHING CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE MIDDLE TOE.									
NELSON	11/27/2010	10	7	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
THE 10 YEAR OLD SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER AS HIS 7 YEAR OLD BROTHER MOVED INTO THE LINE OF FIRE & WAS FATALLY STRUCK IN THE BACK.									
NELSON	12/9/2010	58	50	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM LEFT HIS STAND BEFORE DARK TO WALK BACK TO THE CABIN. HE STOPPED TO RETRIEVE A FLASHLIGHT BECAUSE IT HAD GOTTEN DARK. THE SHOOTER MISTOOK HIM FOR A DEER & HE WAS STRUCK IN THE GROIN.									
NELSON	12/19/2015	17	17	REVOLVER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
While conducting a man-drive, the shooter/victim was carrying a .22 caliber single-action revolver and firing it to scare deer toward his friends. He was also carrying a .410 shotgun. As he began to pull the hammer back to fire again it slipped while he had the handgun pointed toward his thigh. One round was fired at a downward angle into his upper right thigh.									
NELSON	10/24/2018		43	CROSSBOW	0-10 YARDS	UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
Victim's leg was broken when he lost his footing and fell 13 1/2 feet from a 17' ladder stand. He was putting up a life-line for his son but was not wearing a fall-restraint device.									

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NELSON	1/26/2019	77	12	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>The victim was down a steep hill from the shooter. The shooter and victim were both short in stature, resulting in the victim being out of sight of the shooter. The shooter fired at a rabbit located to his left. Several of the pellets killed the rabbit, the others traveled along the steep hill side, striking the victim in the head.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/20/1999	79	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER SAW A DEER & FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN HIS RIGHT EYE THAT LODGED BEHIND HIS LEFT EYE.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/27/1999	51				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS 46" FROM THE GROUND, DESCENDING THE TREE WHEN HE LOST HIS GRIP & FELL. HE SUFFERED A SPRAINED BACK & POSSIBLY FRACTURED VERTEBRAE.</p>									
NEW KENT	9/16/2000	12	60	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM WAS STANDING IN PLACE, WHEN SOME BIRDS FLEW OVER & SOMEONE SHOT HIM. HE WAS STRUCK WITH TWELVE PELLETS IN RIGHT SIDE OF HIS HEAD & NECK, & FIVE IN THE CHEST AREA.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/30/2000	45	64	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER JUMPED UP BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM. TWO SHOTS WERE FIRED & THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT HIP.</p>									
NEW KENT	1/1/2001	34	52	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DRIVING DOGS THROUGH THE WOODS. THE SHOOTER SAW 2 BUCKS RUNNING FROM HIS LEFT TO HIS RIGHT. THE SHOOTER SHOT 2 TIMES STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH THE SECOND SHOT IN THE LEFT JAW.</p>									
NEW KENT	10/9/2004	25	57	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHEST, STOMACH & BOTH LEGS WITH 24 PELLETS.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/13/2004	45		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING INTO A PLATFORM TREESTAND & THE STAND BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 14 FEET. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN LEFT WRIST & BRUISES.</p>									

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NEW KENT	12/27/2004	58		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE DESCENDING THE TREESTAND THE VICTIM LOST HIS FOOTING & GRABBED THE TREESTAND TO PREVENT FALLING, CAUSING INJURY TO HIS FINGER.</p>									
NEW KENT	10/19/2005	54					Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS NOT HUNTING. HE WAS TAKING DOWN A TREESTAND. THE TWO POLES BROKE IN HALF & HE FELL 6 FEET BREAKING HIS RIGHT HEEL.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/25/2005	40		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS WITH HIS GUN LOADED & THE SAFETY OFF. HE STUMBLED & FELL, DISCHARGING HIS FIREARM INTO HIS RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
NEW KENT	12/3/2005	48	12	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED DOWN THE STAND LINE & STRUCK THE NEXT HUNTER WITH ONE PELLET IN THE UPPER RIGHT CHEST.</p>									
NEW KENT	12/14/2006	17		PELLET	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A SQUIRREL WHILE HIS FINGER WAS IN FRONT OF THE MUZZLE STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE LEFT INDEX FINGER.</p>									
NEW KENT	11/21/2009	68	47	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT KNOW THAT THE VICTIM HAD MOVED & HE FIRED TWICE DOWN THE STAND LINE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE UPPER LEFT CHEST.</p>									
NEW KENT	1/7/2012	33	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>TWO DEER HUNTERS WERE DRIVING DEER IN A DENSELY FORESTED SWAMP. THEY LOST TRACK OF EACH OTHER'S POSITION. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RUNNING DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 5 PELLETS IN THE CHIN, LEFT BICEP & LEFT RIB CAGE.</p>									
NEW KENT	12/20/2015	19	19	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>Victim shot at a running deer with 12 gauge 00 buckshot. One pellet ricocheted off an object between the victim and the deer and struck the victim in the right knee.</p>									

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NEW KENT	12/4/2017	30	47	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was looking for a lost dog. The shooter fired three times with buckshot at a buck running toward a power line. He heard the victim yell when he was hit. The victim was in dark clothes and holding his neck. He had no blaze orange and was not hunting.</p>									
NEW KENT	1/5/2019	37	37	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>While deer hunting, the victim heard dogs running on adjoining property. He leaned against a tree to listen to the dogs and looked around the tree. He grabbed his shotgun in the area of the action and the shotgun discharged one shell. His hand was over the action at the time, causing minor powder burn on his palm. He then realized he had shot his big toe on his right foot and called his wife who was at their house approximately 300 yards away to take him to the hospital.</p>									
NEW KENT	12/7/2019	34		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	OTHER SMALL GAME	N	Y	N
<p>Victim placed hand over barrel while attempting to get up off the ground. The firearm discharged causing a broken right thumb, and flesh wound to the right index finger.</p>									
NEW KENT	1/2/2020	49	45	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim and the shooter started out together at the same stand location. The shooter moved down the stand line, over a slight knoll with tall grass. They were about 72 yards apart but could not see each other. The shooter fired when two deer passed between them, directly toward his previous location, even though he knew the victim was still there. The victim was struck by two buckshot pellets to the abdomen, which damaged his liver, spleen and intestines.</p>									
NEW KENT	1/2/2021	50	46	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were talking when they heard dogs driving deer toward them. The shooter moved to another stand location about 60 yards away, out of sight of the victim. When two deer appeared, he shot back toward the victim, hitting him with buckshot.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	10/29/1997	54		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN		Y	Y	N
<p>FELL FROM TREESTAND. NO FURTHER AT THIS TIME.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	10/12/1998	17		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>AFTER SHOOTING SQUIRREL, VICTIM PLACED PISTOL IN LEFT REAR POCKET. UPON REMOVING HIS HAND, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CALF.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	10/24/1998	47		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS FELL FROM SAME TREESTAND. TREESTAND OVER 5 YEARS OLD. BOTH VICTIMS FELL APPROXIMATELY 25 FEET. ONE SUFFERED A CONCUSSION & LACERATIONS, AND ONE SUFFERED A DISLOCATED KNEE.</p>									

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NORTHAMPTON	1/2/1999	20	21	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	OTHER UPLAND GAM	N	N	N
WOODCOCK FLEW BEHIND SHOOTER. HE FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH APPROXIMATELY 19 PELLETS IN BOTH HANDS & LOWER ABDOMEN.									
NORTHAMPTON	10/5/1999	56				DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM PUT HIS WEIGHT ON A STEP WHILE CLIMBING OUT OF THE TREE & SLIPPED, DISLOCATING HIS LEFT KNEE.									
NORTHAMPTON	2/19/2001	16		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	UNKNOWN	N	Y	N
THE SHOOTER WAS PLACING THE FIREARM IN HIS VEHICLE, WHEN THE TRIGGER APPARENTLY CAUGHT ON AN OBJECT IN THE VEHICLE, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE. THE FIREARM WAS LOADED, A ROUND WAS IN THE CHAMBER & THE HAMMER WAS COCKED.									
NORTHAMPTON	1/5/2002	35	48	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER AND THE VICTIM HAD JUST COMPLETED A DRIVE AND THE VICTIM MOVED TO THE EDGE OF THE TREE LINE. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT TWO DEER AND SOME OF THE PELLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT WRIST, LEFT ELBOW AND ABDOMEN.									
NORTHAMPTON	10/30/2004	38		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS ATTACHING HIS MUZZLELOADER TO A HAUL LINE BEFORE CLIMBING THE TREE & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE TOP OF HIS LEFT FOOT.									
NORTHAMPTON	11/19/2005	31	20	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A RACCOON, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH FIVE PELLETS IN THE LEFT THIGH.									
NORTHAMPTON	9/23/2006		48	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING WITH A NUMBER OF OTHER HUNTERS. SEVERAL SHOTS WERE FIRED AT INCOMING DOVE & THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN HIS LEFT EYE BY A 'RAINING PELLET'.									
NORTHAMPTON	11/6/2006	9				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT STEPPED ON HIS OWN BOOT WHILE DESCENDING HIS TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET BREAKING THE HUMOROUS BONE IN THIS LEFT SHOULDER.									

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NORTHAMPTON	11/7/2007	64				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE CLIMBING A HOMEMADE LADDER STAND THE VICTIM REACHED FOR A BRANCH & IT BROKE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY SIX FEET. HE RECEIVED INJURIES TO HIS PELVIS & LOWER BACK. HE DID NOT USE HIS SAFETY DEVICE.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	12/14/2007	57				DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM FIRED THREE TIMES AT A DEER & THE HOMEADE TREESTAND RAILING FAILED, CAUSING HIM TO FALL 16 FEET, RESULTING IN FATAL INJURIES. HE DID NOT USE HIS SAFETY DEVICE.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	9/5/2009	46	57	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE FACE & FOREARM WHEN ANOTHER HUNTER IN HIS PARTY SHOT LOW, WHILE HUNTING BIRDS.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	11/26/2011	51		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT DECIDED TO CHANGE LOCATIONS & MISSED A STEP ON HIS TREESTAND. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 8 FEET, FRACTURING HIS LEFT RIB & CAUSING A PULMONARY CONTUSION & CERVICAL STRAIN.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	11/28/2015		12	SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>A 12 year-old victim was placed in a commercial ladder-style treestand from which the safety rail had been removed. He was 10 1/2 feet above the ground and was not wearing a safety harness. The victim shot at a deer, stood up and turned, and stepped off the platform. He fell to the ground, landing on his feet, and was struck on the head by the barrel of his shotgun. He suffered a laceration to the head.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	10/9/2018			CROSSBOW		UNKNOWN	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was planning to hunt from a ground blind, but moved to a treestand because of farming activity. He was sitting in a lock on stand when he fell asleep. He woke up just before hitting the ground. The fall broke his arm and caused possible internal injuries. He crawled several hundred yards to his truck and was able to get help. He was not using a fall-restraint device.</p>									
NORTHAMPTON	11/3/2018		36			UNKNOWN	Y	N	N
<p>The victim was about 15 feet above the ground when the strap on his climbing sticks broke. He landed on a log and his leg was broken in three places. He has a safety harness but it was not attached.</p>									
NORTHUMBERLAND	11/10/2004	32				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO CLIMB DOWN FROM HIS TREESTAND. HE UNHOOKED HIS HARNESS & THE PIN CAME OUT OF THE STAND. IT COLLAPSED & HE FELL 14 FEET BRUISING HIS RIBS, LUNG & HIP.</p>									

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NORTHUMBERLAND	11/11/2006	38		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT FELL ASLEEP IN HIS TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 22 FEET RECEIVING 4 CRACKED VERTEBRAE, A BROKEN HAND, CRACKED KNEECAP & CRACKED RIBS. A SAFETY BELT WAS PRESENT BUT NOT WORN.</p>									
NORTHUMBERLAND	1/14/2010	58		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS LYING IN A HOMEMADE BLIND. HE ATTEMPTED TO RAISE HIS GUN TO SHOOT & THE TRIGGER CAUGHT ON A PIECE OF BURLAP, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
NORTHUMBERLAND	5/7/2013	64	35	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS TRESPASSING TO HUNT ON PROPERTY THAT THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD & TORSO WITH 29 PELLETS.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	11/20/1999	40	41	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN THROUGH A GROUP OF HUNTERS. ALL FOUR SHOT AT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE STOMACH.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	1/18/2003	45	27	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER WAS SWINGING ON A RABBIT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LEGS WITH 10 PELLETS.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	11/25/2003	53		N/A		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE & MISSED A STEP. HE STUMBLED & BROKE HIS LEFT LEG.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	12/8/2007	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE CLIMBING THE TREE WITH TWO LOADED LONG GUNS, THE VICTIM LEANED HIS SHOTGUN AGAINST THE TREE. HE WAS HUGGING THE TREE WHILE ADJUSTING THE CLIMBING TREESTAND SEAT & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE UPPER LEFT CHEST.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	1/3/2009	65		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING OUT OF HIS TREESTAND & MISSED A STEP CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 13 FEET, RESULTING IN A FRACTURED RIGHT HIP.</p>									

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NOTTOWAY	11/14/2009	50	24	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM WERE HUNTING TOGETHER. THE VICTIM WAS SITTING ON THE TAILGATE OF HIS PICKUP TRUCK, OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER. WHEN A DEER RAN BETWEEN THEM, THE SHOOTER FIRED, MISSING FOUR OTHERS AT THE TRUCK & STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE BUCKSHOT PELLET IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	11/13/2010	44		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>WHILE SITTING ON THE GROUND HUNTING, THE SUBJECT WAS SHIFTING HIS POSITION. HIS RIFLE TRIGGER GOT CAUGHT ON A PART OF HIS COVERALLS & DISCHARGED, SHOOTING OFF HIS LITTLE TOE ON HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	10/8/2016	58		RIFLE/SHOTGU	11-50 YARDS			Y	N
<p>MD Ricochet</p>									
NOTTOWAY	1/5/2019		58	N/A	N/A	UNKNOWN	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim fell while climbing into an elevated hang-on stand approximately 20 feet high. He had numerous broken bones and internal injuries. He was not using a fall arrest system or a haul line for his equipment.</p>									
NOTTOWAY	10/18/2020		51	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>The victim fell about 15 feet from a commercial ladder stand. The fall caused fatal blunt force trauma to his head and neck. The reason for his fall is unknown. He was not using a fall arrest system.</p>									
ORANGE	11/27/1998	48	56	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER DID NOT SEE VICTIM & FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN BACK OF RIGHT ARM & ONE ON RIGHT SIDE OF BACK.</p>									
ORANGE	10/10/2001	49		BOW			Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING FROM A PERMANENT TREE STAND. HE STEPPED ON THE END OF A BOARD AND THE BOARD BROKE LOOSE. THE VICTIM FELL 12 FEET. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY BELT. HE RECEIVED SIX BROKEN RIBS, PUNCTURED LUNG.</p>									
ORANGE	12/3/2001	42		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 25 TO 30 FEET CAUSING SEVERE HEAD, FACIAL & EYE INJURIES.</p>									

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ORANGE	12/28/2002	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS RESTING THE MUZZLE OF THE GUN ON HIS FOOT. HE PICKED UP THE GUN AND GRABBED THE TRIGGER BY MISTAKE, STRIKING HIM IN THE TOE.</p>									
ORANGE	12/30/2006	66	43	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & BOTH TOOK SHOTS. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE CHEST & ONE IN EACH LEG.</p>									
ORANGE	12/5/2008	46	53	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM JUST ABOVE THE ELBOW.</p>									
ORANGE	12/10/2008	45	19	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>WHILE THE SHOOTER WAS MAKING A MAN DRIVE, SEVERAL DEER JUMPED UP & RAN ACROSS A LOGGING ROAD. HE FIRED AT THE DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ELBOW.</p>									
ORANGE	11/13/2010	13	28	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS IN AN AREA DENSE WITH BRUSH & NOT IN HIS DESIGNATED LOCATION. WHEN DEER RAN IN THE SHOOTERS PATH, HE FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THUMB WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
ORANGE	9/3/2011		35	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A LOW FLYING DOVE, APPROXIMATELY 50 YARDS FROM THE VICTIM, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT SHOULDER & LEFT INDEX FINGER.</p>									
ORANGE	1/1/2013	14	53	RIFLE		DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN TOWARD TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER TOOK THE GUN OFF HIS SHOULDER, WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER & SHOT THE VICTIM IN THE BACK RIGHT SHOULDER.</p>									
ORANGE	12/6/2014	29	26	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim and his friend were looking for a deer the victim had shot earlier in the morning. Approximately 60 yards away, two other hunters in the victim's party were looking for a deer they had shot earlier that morning as well. Neither party knew the other's location. The shooter observed a deer jump up approximately 20 yards from his position. The shooter, not knowing the other hunters were beyond the deer, shot at the deer. He missed and hit the victim in the upper right thigh.</p>									

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ORANGE	1/2/2016	32	29	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was assisting the shooter with unloading the shooter's lever-action rifle by removing the magazine tube. The firearm discharged during the attempted removal which resulted in a severed right thumb.</p>									
ORANGE	11/16/2016		54			DEER		N	F
<p>Address of incident 17636 Mallorys Ford Road, Gordonsville VA 22942 Victim was hanging Tree stand prior to hunting</p>									
ORANGE	2/22/2020	52	41	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>Victim and shooter were hunting rabbits. It was the shooter's first rabbit hunt. Shooter and victim were on opposite sides of dense cut over while hunting. Neither saw or heard the other and they did not communicate with each other. Shooter fired one shot from a 12 gauge shotgun as the rabbit appeared in front of his position. The victim was struck in the chin by a #4 pellet.</p>									
PAGE	11/11/2003	53		N/A		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO ATTACH A PLATFORM STAND TO THE TREE & LOST HIS BALANCE, FALLING 12 FEET.</p>									
PAGE	1/21/2017	38	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE		N	N
<p>Shooter was floating river and saw the victim's decoys which he believed were live geese. He shot at the decoys and hit the victim with four pellets in the leg.</p>									
PAGE	11/4/2017	45		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting from a ladder stand with a muzzleloader. He was not wearing a safety harness. After taking a drag from his vaping device, he had a coughing fit and blacked out. This caused him to fall under the safety rail and to the ground. The doctors told him that his paralysis would likely be permanent. When interviewed at the hospital, the victim was under the influence of medication but kept repeating, "Wear a Harness."</p>									
PAGE	11/9/2020		73	MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was climbing screw-in steps to a lock-on treestand 28 feet above the ground. He was carrying his muzzleloader on a sling on his back. As he was stepping into the stand, he slipped and fell, landing flat on his back. He went to the hospital with chest pains. It was determined that he had broken his sternum. Deep leaf litter may have saved him from more serious injury. He was not using a fall arrest system.</p>									
PATRICK	10/5/1998	29		N/A	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>LIMB BROKE WHILE CLIMBING INTO TREESTAND. VICTIM FELL 25 FEET & FRACTURED LOWER RIGHT LEG & ANKLE.</p>									

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PATRICK	4/18/2001	57	63	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	PHEASANT	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS WALKING BEHIND THE VICTIM. THE SHOOTER WAS CARRYING A 12-GAUGE OVER & UNDER WINCHESTER SHOTGUN. THE FIREARM SLID FROM HIS ARM & DISCHARGED WHEN IT HIT THE GROUND. THE SHOT STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CALF.</p>									
PATRICK	9/13/2001	25		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM SHOT HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT KNEE WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO TIE A HAUL LINE THROUGH THE TRIGGER GUARD OF A SHOTGUN.</p>									
PATRICK	4/15/2002	63	27	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS WERE HUNTING SEPARATELY. THE VICTIM'S DOG GOT LOOSE & CAME BACK TO HIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM ON THE BACK OF HIS HAND WITH 6 SHOTGUN PELLETS.</p>									
PATRICK	11/18/2002	48		X DEFINE OTH		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING FROM A LADDER STAND. HE WAS DESCENDING FROM THE STAND WHEN THE LADDER SHIFTED AND BROKE. HE FELL 10 FEET BREAKING HIS RIGHT ANKLE AND BONES IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
PATRICK	12/7/2002	51	55	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	PHEASANT	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE PHEASANT HUNTING. THE SHOOTER SWUNG ON THE GAME AND STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE BACK AND LEFT ARM.</p>									
PATRICK	2/8/2003	58	43	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	PHEASANT	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE HUNTING PHEASANTS. THE VICTIM WAS COVERED BY THE SHOOTER SWINGING ON THE BIRD. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT HAND.</p>									
PATRICK	9/4/2003	79		HANDGUN		UNKNOWN	N	Y	N
<p>A SNAKE FELL ON THE VICTIM. HE USED HIS FIREARM TO TRY TO KILL THE SNAKE AND SHOT HIMSELF IN THE KNEE.</p>									
PATRICK	4/8/2017	20		RIFLE/SHOTGU				Y	

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PATRICK	10/10/2017		44	CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>The victim fell from a fixed stand 22' above the ground. He had been having dizzy spells and was believed to have been attempting to attach his chest-style safety harness when he fell. His crossbow and pack were still in the stand. There was a lifeline running from the fourth step to the tree above the stand, but he was not attached. His fall was fatal.</p>									
PATRICK	11/19/2020		51			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was climbing up a fixed ladder to a box blind. He opened the door with his right hand and stepped up one more step. When he released the door with his right hand and tried to grab the rail, he missed and fell to the ground, landing on his feet. He broke two bones in his right ankle. No fall arrest system was used.</p>									
PATRICK	1/12/2021	69	69	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were rabbit hunting together. The victim fell behind while the dogs were running a rabbit and he moved forward to catch up. He had been on the right side of the shooter but came up on his left side. The shooter was aiming at a rabbit and pulling the trigger when he noticed the victim's blaze orange. The shooter jerked the gun down and shot into the ground, but there was a ricochet and a single pellet penetrated into the victim's leg.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/17/1997	41		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>SUBJECT HUNG SHOTGUN ON A NAIL, IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT CALF.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/1/1998	27	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN CHEST & RIGHT HAND.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/18/1998	29		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM LOST HIS BALANCE WHILE DESCENDING TREE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 8 FEET, RESULTING IN A BROKEN LEG.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/31/1998	21		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM RESTING MUZZLE OF GUN ON RIGHT FOOT WITH HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER, WHEN IT DISCHARGED.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	9/4/1999		40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>TWO GROUPS DOVE HUNTING. ONE ON EACH SIDE OF FIELD. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE TONGUE.</p>									

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PITTSYLVANIA	10/30/1999	36	28	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT. VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE UPPER BACK WITH THREE PELLETS.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/27/1999	39	54	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT THIGH.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/27/1999	55		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE & LOST HIS BALANCE. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET & FRACTURED HIS RIGHT HEEL & ANKLE.									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/29/2000	28	26	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE CHEST.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/30/2002	15	40	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER SHOT AT THE FIRST DEER. THEN ANOTHER ONE RAN OUT HE SHOT AT THE SECOND DEER STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT AND LEFT THIGH.									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/20/2002	53	17	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT. HE THOUGHT HE SAW ANTLERS AND FIRED. HE FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT LEG, THE BULLET TRAVELED THROUGH THE RIGHT LEG. AND THROUGH THE LFET LEG..									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/29/2003	14	51	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CALF WITH ONE PELLET.									
PITTSYLVANIA	9/3/2005	47	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE FACE, ARMS & STERNUM, WHILE RETRIEVING A BIRD, BY ANOTHER HUNTER WHO FIRED AT LOW FLYING BIRDS.									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/17/2005	59	27	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 9 PELLETS IN THE LEGS & GROIN AREA.									

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PITTSYLVANIA	10/13/2006	41		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT FELL 18 FEET 4 INCHES AFTER FALLING ASLEEP. HE RECEIVED BROKEN RIBS BRUISED LUNG & BROKEN PELIVIS.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/17/2007	56		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SHOOTER WAS RESTING THE GUN MUZZLE ON HIS FOOT. A DEER CAME BY & WHEN HE TOOK THE SAFETY OFF HE HIT THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/28/2007	48		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS IN A TREESTAND ATTEMPTING TO SHOOT A DOE, WHEN THE BLAST FROM THE SIDE OF THE .460 MAGNUM REVOLVER'S CYLINDER PARTIALLY AMPUTATED THE TIP OF HIS LEFT THUMB.									
PITTSYLVANIA	5/3/2008	38	59	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS MISTAKEN FOR A TURKEY & RECEIVED SUPERFICIAL GUNSHOT WOUNDS WITH EMBEDDED PELLETS UNDER THE SKIN TO HIS LEFT REAR HEAD, FACE, NECK & SHOULDER.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/11/2008	57		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	RABBIT	N	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS WALKING WITH HIS GUN IN A MAKESHIFT SLING TIED TO THE TRIGGER GUARD. THE GUN APPARENTLY CAUGHT ON BRUSH & DISCHARGED FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CHEST.									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/17/2008	78		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING OUT OF THE TREESTAND & SLIPPED. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS & FELL 16 FEET, RESULTING IN HIS DEATH.									
PITTSYLVANIA	10/22/2009	41				DEER	Y	Y	N
WHILE DESCENDING THE TREE, THE VICTIM'S JACKET BECAME CAUGHT ON A STEP, CAUSING HER TO FALL 15 FEET, 8 INCHES. SHE RECEIVED A FRACTURED HIP IN TWO PLACES.									
PITTSYLVANIA	10/24/2009	50		CROSSBOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS ASCENDING THE TREE & THE TREESTAND CAME LOOSE, CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY SEVEN FEET, FRACTURING HIS LEFT HIP.									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/25/2010		37	SHOTGUN		DEER	U	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED IN THE DIRECTION OF ANOTHER HUNTER, STRIKING HIM IN THE UPPER ARM. ***PENDING FINAL***									

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PITTSYLVANIA	11/5/2011	58		MUZZLELOADER	N/A	DEER	Y	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE, WHEN HE STOPPED TO MOVE A FABRIC CAMO SCREEN AROUND THE STAND, HE LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET. HE RECEIVED MUSCLE STRAIN & BRUISING.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	12/29/2011	62	57	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING HIS DOG. THE SHOOTER MISTOOK HIM FOR A DEER & FIRED, FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER TORSO.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	9/7/2013	22		SHOTGUN		DOVE/PIGEON	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT FIRED AT A DOVE & ONE PELLET RICOCHETED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CHEEK, JUST BELOW HIS EYE. REC'D CAD, FBR, LAW11 & FINAL.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/27/2015	50	11	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	Y	N	N
<p>A father and 11 year-old son were hunting in thick brush on different stands and could not see each other. The father had heard a deer grunting in the brush. The son got down from his stand and approached his father. The father saw something moving slowly, about the right height for a deer. He thought he saw antlers. The father fired his 12 gauge shotgun loaded with buckshot. He then heard screaming and knew it was not a deer. The son had pellets in his liver, intestines, chest and buttocks. However, he survived.</p>									
PITTSYLVANIA	11/20/2017	68		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim's feet became entangled in step straps while exiting treestand from a height of four feet. Victim fell backwards striking the back of his head on a root and the rifle barrel struck his forehead.</p>									
POQUOSON	1/3/2011	24		N/A	N/A	DUCK/GEESE	N	Y	F
<p>TWO HUNTERS WERE HUNTING DUCKS WHEN A WAVE STRUCK THE SIDE OF THEIR VESSEL. BOTH WENT INTO THE WATER. ONE MADE IT TO SHORE. THE OTHER DROWNED.</p>									
POWHATAN	1/2/1998	43	35	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER, STRIKING VICTIM WITH 6 PELLETS IN THE BACK & BACK OF LEGS.</p>									
POWHATAN	12/2/1999	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS & DROPPED HIS GUN. THE BARREL LANDED ON THE TOP OF HIS RIGHT FOOT AS IT DISCHARGED. HE LOST HIS LITTLE TOE & THE NEXT TOE OVER WAS LACERATED.</p>									

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POWHATAN	1/1/2001	24	63	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM & THE SHOOTER WERE 125 YARDS APART ON A STAND DURING A DOG DRIVE FOR DEER. THE SHOOTER WAS UNAWARE OF VICTIM'S PRESENCE & VISIBILITY WAS LIMITED BY TOPOGRAPHY & DENSITY OF THE WOODS. TWO DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM. THE SHOOER FIRED TWICE STRIKING THE VICTIM IN HIS RIGHT LEG WIITH TWO PELLETS.</p>									
POWHATAN	12/31/2001	14	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
<p>A RABBIT RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER AND VICTIM AND BOTH FIRED. THE VICTIM WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER AND WAS STRUCK IN BOTH LEGS.</p>									
POWHATAN	11/26/2005	45		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTERS' TREESTAND COLLAPSED & HE FELL 18 FEET BREAKING EIGHT RIBS & PUNCTURING HIS LUNG.</p>									
POWHATAN	12/31/2007	42	38	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RUNNING DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN HIS RIGHT FOREARM WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
POWHATAN	12/22/2010	50		N/A		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HOLDING ON TO A BRANCH TO STEP INTO THE TREESTAND SO HE COULD CONNECT HIS SAFETY HARNESS. THE BRANCH BROKE & HE FELL BACKWARDS RESULTING IN A LACERATION TO HIS LEFT WRIST, A BROKEN LEFT LEG, A BROKEN RIGHT LEG & BROKEN RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
POWHATAN	12/21/2013	45		SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT SHOT A TURKEY & WENT TO RETRIEVE IT. HE NOTICED IT WAS STILL ALIVE & TRIED TO USE HIS SHOTGUN AS A CLUB, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE & STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE UPPER LEFT LEG/PELVIS AREA. REC'D 2 SWANS, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
POWHATAN	1/31/2015		37	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	QUAIL	N	N	N
<p>Four quail hunters were walking somewhat in a lline, down a grade, in a wooded area. One of the hunters stepped forward of the line and approached the dog on point. He flushed several birds. Several shots were fired from behing him. One of the shots hit him in the legs. All four hunters were wearing blaze orange hats and coats.</p>									
PRINCE EDWARD	4/28/2001	58	37	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
<p>TWO HUNTERS WERE TURKEY HUNTING, WHILE SITTING BESIDE A TREE, ABOUT 28 FEET APART. THE SHOOTER SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE RIFLE SHOT 4" BELOW THE LEFT ARM PIT.</p>									

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PRINCE EDWARD	11/22/2001	52	33	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER PASSED BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE ABDOMEN, GROIN, UPPER LEG & BUTTOCKS.									
PRINCE EDWARD	11/23/2001	42	15	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A FATHER & SON WERE HUNTING TOGETHER. THE SON MOVED FROM HIS LOCATION & A DEER PASSED BETWEEN THEM. THE FATHER FIRED, STRIKING HIS SON WITH TWO PELLETS.									
PRINCE EDWARD	12/15/2001	11	35	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM STOPPED TO HELP HIS SON. THE SHOOTER TRIPPED AND FELL CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE AND STRIKE THE VICTIM AT CLOSE RANGE.									
PRINCE EDWARD	12/11/2002	20	20	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE CONDUCTING A MAN DRIVE. SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER. THE VICTIM WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF SHOOTER. THE PELLETS STRUCK HIM IN THE UPPER LEFT LEG.									
PRINCE EDWARD	11/15/2003	25	25	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM, WHO WAS OUT OF SIGHT OF THE SHOOTER, IN THE RIGHT HAND WITH ONE PELLET.									
PRINCE EDWARD	10/9/2010	51		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS DESCENDING THE TREE IN A CLIMBING TREESTAND. HIS FOOT CAME LOOSE FROM THE STIRRUP CAUSING HIM TO FALL 13 1/2 FEET, RUPTURING HIS SPLEEN, FRACTURING HIS PELVIS & BREAKING 8 RIBS.									
PRINCE EDWARD	3/17/2011	12		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	OTHER UPLAND GAM	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM PULLED A LOADED RIFLE THROUGH A WOVEN WIRE FENCE & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE PALM OF HIS RIGHT HAND.									
PRINCE GEORGE	11/16/2001	69	46	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
A FATHER AND SON WERE SQUIRREL HUNTING. THE FATHER WAS NOT AWARE OF HIS SON'S LOCATION. THE FATHER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET AND FIRED STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH FOUR PELLETS IN THE FACE.									

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PRINCE GEORGE	12/27/2008	55		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS FOUND CONSCIOUS WITH A GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE RIGHT THIGH. HE DIED SHORTLY AFTER GOING INTO CARDIAC ARREST.</p>									
PRINCE GEORGE	11/27/2010	45	29	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>WHILE SWINGING ON GAME, THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH THREE PELLETS IN THE CHEST, GROIN & LEFT LEG.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	11/19/1997	36	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER & SAW SOMETHING FALL. WENT TO SEE & FOUND VICTIM (BROTHER), WHO SUFFERED 12 PELLET WOUNDS TO RIGHT LEG & PELVIC AREA.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	12/2/2000	11	40	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER APROXIMATELY 50 YARDS AWAY. NOT MAKING SURE OF WHAT WAS BEYOND HIS TARGET, HE STRUCK HIS FATHER WITH ONE PELLET IN THE SHOULDER.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	12/16/2000	21		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS TRYING TO LET THE BOLT DOWN ONTO PERCUSSION CAP WHEN HIS GLOVED FINGER SLIPPED OFF THE BOLT, CAUSING THE MUZZLELOADER TO DISCHARGE. THE BULLET PASSED TROUGH HIS BOOT & THROUGH HIS FOOT.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	1/3/2004	28	31	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM. THE SHOOTER FIRED, HITTING THE DEER & STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH TWO 00 BUCK PELLETS.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	1/24/2009	41	47	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DUCK & THE FIREARM BARREL EXPLODED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CHEEK & WRIST WITH SHRAPNEL.</p>									
PRINCE WILLIAM	9/25/2009	23		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>AS THE VICTIM REACHED THE BOTTOM OF THE TREE IN HIS CLIMBING TREESTAND, HE STARTED TO STEP OUT OF THE TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT FIBULA & TIBIA.</p>									

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PRINCE WILLIAM	2/27/2010	47	49	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A COYOTE RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LIP WITH ONE PELLET.									
PRINCE WILLIAM	9/2/2013		55	SHOTGUN		DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
ONE OF TWO BOYS (UNDER AGE 12) SHOT WHILE SWINGING ON A DOVE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH FOUR PELLETS IN HIS RIGHT ABDOMEN & ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT CORNER OF HIS RIGHT EYE. HE WILL HAVE TOTAL VISION LOSS IN THAT EYE. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.									
PULASKI	10/12/2001	44		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS PREPARING TO LEAVE THE STAND AND LEANED BACK ON THE SAFETY BELT. THE SAFETY BELT FAILED CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 17 FEET. HE HAD MULTIPLE FRACTURES TO BOTH LEGS.									
PULASKI	11/11/2002	64				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING INTO A HOMEMADE TREESTAND. THE TOP BOARD BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL 30 FEET. HE FRACTURED HIS RIGHT HIP AND RIGHT ELBOW.									
PULASKI	11/24/2003	16		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS USING THE FIREARM AS A CLUB ON INJURED GAME. THE FIREARM DISCHARGED & HE WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT LEG ABOVE THE KNEE.									
PULASKI	11/27/2004	45				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING THE LADDER TO THE TREESTAND. UPON REACHING THE TOP, HIS HAND SLIPPED & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET, LANDING ON HIS LEFT SIDE.									
PULASKI	11/26/2005	46		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT STEPPED OVER A LOG WHEN HIS RIFLE DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
PULASKI	12/3/2005	12		RIFLE		DEER	N	Y	N
THE 12 YEAR OLD HUNTER WAS LOADING HIS FIREARM. WHEN HE CLOSED THE BOLT IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT. THE VICTIM LOST A PORTION OF HIS RIGHT BIG TOE.									

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PULASKI	11/8/2006	46	27	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, FATALY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN CHEST.</p>									
PULASKI	10/1/2011	52		CROSSBOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ASCENDING THE TREE WITH A FACTORY-MADE CLIMBING TREESTAND. HE HAD A SAFETY HARNESS, BUT IT WAS NOT HOOKED TO THE TREE. HE FELL 15 FEET & BROKE HIS RIGHT HAND, TORE THE BICEP IN HIS LEFT ARM & FRACTURED THE C1 VERTEBRAE IN HIS NECK.</p>									
PULASKI	11/1/2014		35		UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim fell from a climbing treestand at a height of 30 feet. His feet remained strapped in the lower section and he was left hanging upside down for 4 hours. He was still conscious when found. Instead of a commercially-made safety harness, the victim had tried to use a leather belt attached to the tree and to the belt on his pants. He was transported to Pulaski Hospital with a lack of feeling in his legs.</p>									
PULASKI	5/4/2021		30	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>The victim was turkey hunting and got up to move. He had taken several steps when he was shot in the face and chest by an unknown shooter.</p>									
RAPPAHANNOCK	10/16/1997	57		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>SUBJECT WENT TO SIT DOWN & MISSED THE SEAT IN TREESTAND. HE FELL ABOUT 19 FEET. SUFFERED A BROKEN RIGHT HIP.</p>									
RAPPAHANNOCK	11/28/1997	63		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM DESCENDING FROM TREESTAND, SLIPPED & FELL 13 FEET. SUFFERED BROKEN HIP, TWO FRACTURES TO RIGHT LEG, BROKEN KNEE & BROKEN RIBS.</p>									
RAPPAHANNOCK	1/3/1998	32	49	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT DEER A SECOND TIME, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE STOMACH.</p>									
RAPPAHANNOCK	11/22/2007	23		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT STOOD UP & SHOT AT A SQUIRREL, HITTING THE TREE. THE .22 BULLET RICOCHETED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT ABDOMEN.</p>									

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RAPPAHANNOCK	1/12/2008	64		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM PLACED THE STOCK OF HIS GUN DOWN & RESTED HIS FOREARM ON TOP OF THE MUZZLE. THE GUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM.</p>									
RAPPAHANNOCK	12/23/2017	43	48	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>Four deer being chased by hunting dogs ran in between three hunters using shotguns. 2 of the hunters shot twice each at the deer. The first shooter fired a 12 gauge shotgun once with 00 buckshot and then with a slug. The slug travelled 163 yards fatally striking the victim in the left shoulder and entering the chest.</p>									
RICHMOND	12/29/1999	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>HUNTER HAD SHOTGUN MUZZLE RESTING ON HIS RIGHT FOOT. WHEN HE MOVED, IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIS 2ND & 3RD TOES.</p>									
RICHMOND	12/29/2001	14	68	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS WALKING IN THE WOODS AND SAW A DEER JUMP OUT. HE WAS UNAWARE OF THE VICTIM'S LOCATION. HE FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CHEEK WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
RICHMOND COUNTY	12/25/2006	13		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS SITTING ON THE GROUND, LEANING AGAINST A TREE WITH THE BARREL RESTING ON HIS FOOT (SAFETY OFF) & HIS FINGER ON THE TRIGGER. HE PULLED THE TRIGGER SHOOTING HIMSELF IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
RICHMOND COUNTY	11/6/2010	15		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT STOOD UP IN THE TREESTAND TO CATCH A GRUNT CALL THAT WAS TOSSED BY HIS HUNTING PARTNER & HIS FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM.</p>									
RICHMOND COUNTY	1/28/2012	24	9	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT IN THICK BRUSH, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS NECK WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
RICHMOND COUNTY	1/3/2013	44	34	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED FOUR TIMES AT A DEER. THE 1ST SHOT WAS DIRECTLY IN-LINE WITH THE ROADWAY. HE STRUCK THE VICTIM'S VEHICLE & THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD WITH ONE PELLET, JUST ABOVE HIS LEFT EAR. THE VICTIM THEN CRASH HIS VEHICLE.</p>									

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RICHMOND COUNTY	1/2/2016	45	60	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>The victim was attempting to find a stand location to hunt after the hunting dogs had been released on a buck. The shooter mistook the victim for a deer and fired #1 buckshot from approximately 30 yards away. The victim was fatally struck in the chest and pelvic area. Both the shooter and victim were wearing blaze orange ball caps, but the victim's hat was hidden from view by tree branches.</p>									
RICHMOND COUNTY	1/4/2019	26	63	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Two hunters planned a hunt on either side of a wooded area. The hunting dog ran a deer through the woods. The deer jumped over a fence in front of the shooter who took three shots at it before it jumped back across the fence into the woods. On the third shot, the victim stated he heard a "zing" past his head. He dropped to the ground, grabbing onto the barbed wire fence for balance. The victim was hit with 00 buck shot to the right hand finger and received three stitches to his hand. On the the third shot the shooter had aimed outside his zone of fire and was in line with the victim 500 feet through the woods.</p>									
ROANOKE	12/31/2004	31		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS IN A TREESTAND PREPARING TO CLIMB DOWN & HAD HIS RIFLE ON A SHOOTING REST. AS HE WAS PULLING UP THE ROPE TO ATTACH IT TO THE GUN, THE GUN FELL & DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT HAND.</p>									
ROANOKE	12/23/2005	35		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FIRED HIS MUZZLELOADER & STATED THAT IT 'JUST BLEW UP', CAUSING A SEVERE LACERATION TO THE WEBBING OF HIS LEFT HAND BETWEEN THE THUMB & INDEX FINGER.</p>									
ROANOKE	11/20/2007	57	54	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT HAND, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF HIS FORTH FINGER. THE VICTIM WAS DRIVING HIS CAR ON A PUBLIC ROADWAY AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT.</p>									
ROANOKE	11/14/2013	64				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT LOOKED LEFT FROM HIS TREESTAND & FELL. HE RECEIVED A STRAINED BACK, FRACTURED PELVIS & 3 BROKEN RIBS. REC'D CAD. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	11/25/1999	13		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>SHOOTER COCKED THE FIREARM INSIDE HIS TRUCK. WHEN THE TRUCK HIT A BUMP, THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE MIDDLE TOE OF HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									

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ROCKBRIDGE	5/5/2000	46	34	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER & THE VICTIM WERE EACH HUNTING ALONE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY. THE SHOOTER SAW THE FIREARM BARREL THAT THE VICTIM WAS CARRYING THROUGH THE WOODS. THE SHOOTER THOUGHT IT WAS THE NECK OF A TURKEY & FIRED WITHOUT IDENTIFYING HIS TARGET. THE VICTIM WAS HIT IN THE ARM, SIDE & NECK WITH SHOTGUN PELLETS.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	11/12/2001	39		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS PREPARING TO LOAD HIS MUZZLELOADER. HE PLACED A CAP ON IT & WITH THE MUZZLE RESTING ON HIS FOOT, PULLED THE TRIGGER. THE GUN DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	4/26/2002	21	13	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER HEARD A TURKEY & SAW MOVEMENT, & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT ARM & CHEST, HEAD & STOMACH.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	4/12/2003		44	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS APPARENTLY HUNTING WITH DECOYS & WAS SHOT BY AN UNKNOWN SHOOTER.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	10/31/2005	40	62	RIFLE	UNKNOWN	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT FOREARM WITH THE BULLET LODGING IN HIS ABDOMEN.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	1/18/2007	31	61	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	N	N
<p>A SUBJECT LAID HIS FIREARM ON THE GROUND TO RETRIEVE A RABBIT, WITH SEVEN DOGS AROUND. THE DOGS JUMPING CAUSED THE FIREARM TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEGS WITH 4 PELLETS.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	10/18/2008	40				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE CABLE ON THE PLATFORM OF THE HOMEMADE TREESTAND BROKE & THE VICTIM FELL, BREAKING HIS LEFT LEG IN THREE PLACES & SHATTERING HIS RIGHT HEEL. HE WAS NOT USING A SAFETY DEVICE.</p>									
ROCKBRIDGE	9/12/2009	23	86	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER, UNAWARE THAT THE VICTIM HAD MOVED, SHOT AT A DOVE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE SIDE OF THE HEAD WITH THREE PELLETS.</p>									

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ROCKBRIDGE	11/7/2009	21	15	RIFLE/SHOTGU	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	F
A BULLET HAD JAMMED IN THE GUN. THE SHOOTER CLOSED THE ACTION & THE GUN DISCHARGED, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM, ABOUT 3 FEET AWAY, IN HIS CHEST .									
ROCKBRIDGE	9/4/2010	49	61	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HE HEARD TURKEYS BEHIND HIM & HE TURNED & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE, CHEST, ABDOMEN & LEFT FOREARM.									
ROCKBRIDGE	1/28/2012	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS WALKING THOUGH THE WOODS & SLIPPED. THE HAMMER OF THE GUN CAUGHT ON HIS HUNTING VEST & WHEN HE HIT THE GROUND, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE PINKY TOE ON HIS RIGHT FOOT.									
ROCKBRIDGE	4/23/2020	54	60	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
The shooter mistakenly believed that no one else had permission on the property. He saw what looked like a gobbler's fan through the brush at 40 yards, but it was actually the victim in camouflage. He fired one shot where he thought the turkey was located and then rushed to help when he heard the victim screaming.									
ROCKINGHAM	8/30/2000	39			UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
WHILE INSTALLING A PORTABLE TREESTAND, THE VICTIM STEPPED INTO THE STAND & IT BROKE. HE FELL 20 FEET, BREAKING HIS RIGHT FEMUR. HE WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY BELT.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/24/2001	14		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS LOADING HIS RIFLE. HE ATTEMPTED TO PUT THE HAMMER AT REST WHILE HOLDING THE TRIGGER. HE FAILED TO HOLD THE HAMMER WHILE PULLING THE TRIGGER & THE RIFLE DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
ROCKINGHAM	9/29/2004	19		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	F
THE VICTIM FAILED TO RETURN HOME FROM SQUIRREL HUNTING. HE WAS FOUND WITH A .22 CALIBER GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE NOSTRIL THAT ENTERED THE BRAIN CAUSING HIS DEATH.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/14/2005	30		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS USING SPIKES TO CLIMB TO A FORK IN THE TREE. HE DECIDED IT WAS TOO HIGH & STARTED BACK DOWN WHEN A SPIKE SLIPPED & THE VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 18 FEET BREAKING HIS LEFT LEG, LEFT KNEE & DISLOCATING HIS RIGHT ANKLE.									

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ROCKINGHAM	11/16/2005	10		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	N	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS RELOADING HIS MUZZLELOADER. HE PLACED THE PERCUSSION CAP ON WITH THE GUN RESTING ON HIS FOOT. IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOOT.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/17/2005	38		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS DESCENDING THE TREE WITH A SELF CLIMBING STAND. HE STEPPED OUT OF THE STAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET DISLOCATING HIS RIGHT RING FINGER.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/22/2005	54		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE TREESTAND PLATFORM COLLAPSED & THE VICTIM FELL APPROXIMATELY 12 FEET. HE RECEIVED BRUISED RIBS.									
ROCKINGHAM	9/1/2008		29	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS DOVE HUNTING & WAS STRUCK BY SEVERAL PELLETS FROM AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/28/2008	17		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM'S RIFLE WAS LEANING AGAINST A LOG & BEGAN TO FALL. HE GRABBED IT TO PUT IT BACK ON THE LOG & IT CAUGHT ON A STICK, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE UPPER LEFT ARM.									
ROCKINGHAM	10/19/2009	41	9	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
AFTER SHOOTING A SQUIRREL, THE SHOOTER PICKED UP THE GUN & ACCIDENTLY ENGAGED THE TRIGGER, SHOOTING THE VICTIM IN THE LEGS, WRISTS, HANDS & ABDOMEN.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/20/2009	53		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE TREESTAND WAS 20 YEARS OLD & PUT INTO A TREE 3 YEARS AGO. IT WAS NOT USED UNTIL THIS INCIDENT. THE PLYWOOD TORE AWAY FROM THE BOLTS & COLLAPSED, CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 25 FEET. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN BACK, BROKEN LEFT LEG, BROKEN LEFT ANKLE & CRUSHED LEFT HEEL.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/19/2011	12	15	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING HIS BROTHER IN THE BACK NEAR THE WAISTLINE & THE BULLET EXITED TO THE RIGHT OF HIS NAVEL, THEN ENTERED HIS RIGHT INNER FOREARM.									
ROCKINGHAM	11/26/2012	30				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS PUTTING SOMETHING IN HIS TREESTAND & FELL BACKWARDS APPROXIMATELY 10-12 FEET, RECEIVING BACK PAIN.									

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ROCKINGHAM	11/7/2013	20					Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT RECEIVED A SPINAL INJURY WHEN HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET FROM HIS TREESTAND. REC'D CAD. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
ROCKINGHAM	11/13/2019		48			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim climbed up ladder, placed bag and muzzleloader into the stand, and climbed into the homemade box blind type tree stand. Victim turned around to look at the chair and the stand fell to the ground approx. 12 feet with him still inside. It appears that a 2x4 on the rear of the stand partially rotted, broke, and pulled loose from the nails used to attach it to the tree causing the stand to fall to the ground.</p>									
RUSSELL	5/1/1999	28	41	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT VICTIM, REMOVING HIS CAMO HEAD NET, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT ARM, CHEST & FACE.</p>									
RUSSELL	5/4/1999	35	39	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM STOOD TO GET A BETTER SHOT AT A GOBBLER. THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED, STRIKING HIM IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD & UPPER BACK.</p>									
RUSSELL	11/20/1999	41				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>HUNTER FELL ASLEEP IN A TREESTAND & FELL 12 FEET, SUFFERING A COMPRESSION FRACTURE TO A VERTEBRAE & BRUISED UPPER RIGHT FOREHEAD.</p>									
RUSSELL	11/11/2003	51	23	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE NECK.</p>									
RUSSELL	1/1/2007	48	16	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT WRIST.</p>									
RUSSELL	10/25/2007	47		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM SLIPPED & FELL CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT. THE SAFETY WAS IN THE OFF POSITION.</p>									
RUSSELL	11/6/2010	14		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS EITHER RAISING OR LOWERING HIS RIFLE FROM THE TREESTAND & IT DISCHARGED, FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE BRIDGE OF HIS NOSE.</p>									

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RUSSELL	5/6/2014	51	24	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT SHOULDER, NECK, FACE, HEAD & EYE WITH #5 SHOT. REC'D SWAN, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
RUSSELL	11/16/2018		60	MUZZLELOADER		UNKNOWN	Y	N	F
<p>The victim was found dead approximately 72 yards from his partially home-made ladder stand. He had apparently fallen when part of his stand broke. It had been in place three to four years. He was not wearing a fall-restraint device.</p>									
SALEM	10/17/2018	31	28	CROSSBOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Two subjects went hunting in the middle of the night while intoxicated and trespassing on state property. Both fell asleep. When the victim woke up, he could not wake the shooter and decided to walk home. The subject awoke when he heard the victim walking away. He mistook him for a deer. He shot him in the back with a crossbow, puncturing a lung.</p>									
SCOTT	7/12/1998	31		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
<p>VICTIM, HUNTING ON SUNDAY, FIRED AT A RABBIT, MISSED & TURNED AROUND TO GO UP STEPS WHEN SHE STUMBLED & FELL. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HER IN THE LEFT THIGH.</p>									
SCOTT	10/7/1999	54		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>TREE STAND COLLAPSED WITH HUNTER. VICTIM RECEIVED BRUISES TO UPPER & MID TORSO & NUMEROUS FRACTURES TO HIS LEFT LEG.</p>									
SCOTT	10/11/2001	54		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STARTED CLIMING INTO A PERMANENT TREESTAND. WHEN HE GOT TO THE TOP STEP, IT BROKE & HE FELL 17 FEET. HE BROKE BOTH WRISTS, HIS LEFT ARM & THREE RIBS ON HIS LEFT SIDE.</p>									
SCOTT	1/4/2003	21	21	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER REACHED FOR HIS SHOTGUN KNOCKING OVER THE VICTIM'S RIFLE. THE RIFLE DISCHARGED STRIKING THEM BOTH ON THE LEFT FINGER AND LEFT FOOT.</p>									
SCOTT	4/9/2005		41	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT TURKEY DECOYS, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT FOREHEAD.</p>									

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SCOTT	12/2/2005	33		RIFLE		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE HUNTER STOOD UP IN A HOMEMADE TREESTAND & LEANED AGAINST THE RAILING (AN OLD TREE LIMB). IT WAS ROTTEN & BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL 16 1/2 FEET, INJURING HIS BACK & LEGS.</p>									
SCOTT	4/24/2006	59	32	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HE SAW A TURKEY & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE FACE, RIGHT SHOULDER & RIGHT THIGH WITH 55 PELLETS.</p>									
SCOTT	10/18/2007	70		CROSSBOW		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO PICK UP A COCKED CROSSBOW & ARROW WHILE IN A TREESTAND. THE CROSSBOW FIRED, SEVERING TWO FINGERS ON HIS LEFT HAND.</p>									
SCOTT	10/27/2009	34	69	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY. THE BULLET ENTERED THE VICTIM'S RIGHT CHEST & REMAINED INSIDE HIS TORSO, UNDER THE RIGHT ARM.</p>									
SCOTT	11/20/2009	72		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	UNKNOWN	N	Y	F
<p>THE SUBJECT TRIPPED OVER BARBED WIRE & HIS SHOTGUN DISCHARGED, FATALLY STRIKING HIM IN THE HEAD.</p>									
SCOTT	11/10/2012	25	21	MUZZLELOADER	101+ YARDS	BEAR	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER HAD DROPPED OFF HIS BROTHER & WENT TO ANOTHER LOCATION. HE OBSERVED BEAR TRACKS & WAS FOLLOWING THEM. HE SAW A BLACK SHAPE & FIRED AT IT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE BACK.</p>									
SCOTT	9/7/2013	72	63	SHOTGUN		SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT HAND, ONE PELLET IN THE ABDOMEN & ONE PELLET GRAZED HIS SKULL, WHEN THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A SQUIRREL. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
SCOTT	11/19/2013			RIFLE			Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECTS FEET SLIPPED FROM THE STEPS OF THE LADDER & HE FELL NINE FEET, LANDING ON HIS BACK, BREAKING HIS HIP. REC'D FBR. HE DID NOT HAVE A SAFETY HARNESS. ***PENDING FINAL***</p>									
SCOTT	11/10/2014		61	MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was stepping out of his stand when his right foot hung in the stirrup, causing him to turn his left ankle, possibly breaking it.</p>									

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SCOTT	1/3/2015	57	13	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>Shooter was walking approximately ten feet in front of the victim as they were ascending a rough and steep grade. The shooter was carrying his rifle on his shoulder by a sling, as the shooter's rifle slipped from his shoulder and as he grabbed the rifle to prevent it from falling to the ground, it discharged striking the victim in the lower left side of the abdomen.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	5/6/2000	73	43	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING VICTIM #1 IN THE RIGHT CALF & VICTIM #2 IN THE RIGHT ARM, LEFT LEG & RIGHT JAW.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	10/7/2000		18	BOW	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE CLIMBING OUT OF THE TREESTAND, THE HUNTER LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL 15 FEET. AS HE WAS FALLING, HE ATTEMPTED TO GRAB ANYTHING TO STOP HIS FALL, CAUSING LACERATIONS TO BOTH HANDS.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	10/14/2000		28	BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM STEPPED BACK & CAUGHT HIS FOOT ON SOMETHING CAUSING HIM TO LOSE HIS BALANCE. HE FELL 30 FEET & RECEIVED A BROKEN RIGHT WRIST & BROKEN PELVIS.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	12/12/2000	52		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WHILE SITTING IN A HOMEMADE TREESTAND, THE VICTIM SHIFTED HIS WEIGHT TO THE LEFT. THE SEAT BROKE, DUMPING THE VICTIM OUT OF THE STAND. THE VICTIM'S FALL WAS SLOWED BY HIS SAFETY BELT, WHICH TORE AS HE FELL. THE VICTIM FELL 15 FEET TO THE GROUND, AND LANDED ON HIS FEET.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	9/3/2001	63	33	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A CRIPPLED BIRD, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 8 PELLETS IN THE RIGHT ARM, FINGER & CHEST.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/29/2002	11		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS RESTING THE MUZZLE OF HIS SHOTGUN ON HIS FOOT. THE SLEEVE FROM HIS JACKET CAUGHT IN THE HAMMER, CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE. HE WAS STRUCK IN THE LEFT FOOT.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/25/2003	30	25	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>THE SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT ARM. THE BULLET TRAVELED INTO THE LEFT TORSO & COMPLETELY THROUGH THE CHEST CAVITY.</p>									

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SHENANDOAH	10/8/2004	18		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM'S TREESTAND PLATFORM BROKE & THE HARNESS FAILED, RESULTING IN AN 18 FOOT FALL. HE RECEIVED SCRAPES, BRUISES & A DISLOCATED RIGHT SHOULDER.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/27/2004	13		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD HIS GUN LEANING AGAINST HIS LEFT FOOT. WHILE SHIFTING AROUND IN PLACE, SOMETHING TOUCHED THE TRIGGER & IT DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM BEHIND THE 3RD TOE ON HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	5/19/2008	67	69	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	GROUNDHOG	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A GROUNDHOG. ONE PELLETT RICOCHETED, STRIKING THE VICTIM, WHO WAS STANDING BEYOND THE GROUNDHOG, IN THE RIGHT LEG.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/11/2009	55		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT STATED THAT THE MUZZLELOADER SLIPPED FROM HIS HANDS & DISCHARGED WHEN IT HIT THE GROUND. THE BULLET STRUCK HIS RIGHT THUMB & TOOK THE TIPS OFF OF THE LEFT MIDDLE & RING FINGERS, THEN ENTERED HIS CHEST & EXITED NEAR THE LEFT COLLAR BONE.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/21/2009	22	19	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>WHEN THE VICTIM POINTED OUT A DEER FOR THE SHOOTER, HE HAD HIS HAND IN FRONT OF THE BARREL OF THE SHOOTERS GUN. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HAND. THE VICTIM HAD HIS RIGHT INDEX FINGER AMPUTATED FROM JUST BELOW THE KNUCKLE.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/1/2014		70	MUZZLELOADER	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was using a climbing stand when he believes he passed out at a height of about 4 feet. He fell backwards and found himself suspended by the strap across his left foot. He was unable to free himself. The victim was able to contact his wife who called for EMS. He was transported to a medical center where he was treated for fractures to his left tibia and fibula.</p>									
SHENANDOAH	11/8/2014		49	MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>Victim texted a friend at 7:30 am to say he had shot a deer and would send a picture as soon as he got down from his stand. He was found dead 4 hours later, on top of his muzzleloader. He had been hunting from a strap-on stand about 30 feet up, using screw-in steps to get to the stand. He was not using a fall arrest system.</p>									

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SHENANDOAH	1/26/2019	55	47	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	PHEASANT	N	N	N
<p>The shooter was attempting to unload his break-action shotgun by using his right thumb to manipulate the breach lever. While the muzzle was pointing in the general direction of the victim, the shooter said his "foot caught on something" and he started to fall. The gun discharged one time. The victim grabbed his right thigh where he had just been shot. Another member of the party is a physician and began treatment on the victim.</p>									
SMYTH	10/22/1997	35		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>WELD ON TREESTAND BROKE WHILE DESCENDING. VICTIM RECEIVED A BROKEN COLLAR BONE & BRUISES ON MOST OF HIS BODY.</p>									
SMYTH	9/12/2000	62	70	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A SQUIRREL. APPROXIMATELY 6 PELLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD & LEFT ARM.</p>									
SMYTH	11/16/2001	54	24	MUZZLELOADER	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET. HE THOUGHT HE SAW A TURKEY AND FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER RIGHT ARM.</p>									
SMYTH	11/30/2001	15	14	RIFLE	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER STANDING AT THE EDGE OF A FIELD. HE WAS UNABLE TO FIND ANY SIGN THAT HE HAD HIT THE DEER. A SHORT TIME LATER HE HEARD SIRENS & FOUND THAT A RIFLE BULLET HAD STRUCK THE REAR WINDOW ON A SCHOOL BUS, CAUSING IT TO SHATTER. THREE STUDENTS WERE INJURED BY FLYING GLASS.</p>									
SMYTH	11/14/2007	29		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT ADVISED THAT A SQUIRREL WAS COMING TOWARD HIM. WHEN IT GOT WITHIN 2 TO 3 YARDS OF HIM, HE STEPPED BACK & PULLED THE TRIGGER, STRIKING HIMSELF IN THE TOP OF THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
SMYTH	11/20/2009	23		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS WALKING THROUGH A THICKET & THE HAMMER OF HIS RIFLE CAUGHT ON SOME BRIARS, CAUSING THE GUN TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									
SMYTH	10/24/2012	41		HANDGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>WHILE THE SUBJECT WAS HUNTING SQUIRREL, HE WENT TO DECOCK THE PISTOL & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE TOP OF HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									

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SMYTH	11/4/2017	33		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting with a muzzleloader while sitting by a tree with his 12 year old son. The muzzle of his firearm was resting on his boot. He saw a deer approaching. When he moved the safety to the "off" position, the firearm discharged, causing a flesh wound to his little toe.</p>									
SMYTH	11/9/2019		37	HANDGUN		COYOTE	N	Y	N
<p>The victim fired at a coyote and bent over to pick up the empty cartridge case. The handgun in his vest pocket discharged, striking him in the thigh. The handgun was not secured in a holster.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/22/1997	37	50	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER MOVED BETWEEN SHOOTER & VICTIM. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN RIGHT HAND BETWEEN RING & LITTLE FINGER.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/13/1997	60		UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>SUBJECT MOVING HOMEMADE TREESTAND, FELL 8 FEET WHILE ATTACHING IT TO TREE. SUFFERED 3 BROKEN RIBS.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/27/1999	16	19	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER SHOT ONCE. VICTIM'S LEFT THIGH WAS GRAZED WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/4/1999	68		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>HUNTER FAILED TO USE SAFETY BELT & FELL APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET FROM HIS TREESTAND.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/30/1999	18	22	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>DEER RAN BETWEEN HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE NECK WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	4/14/2000	48	55	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD, FACE & CHEST WITH 31 PELLETS.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/23/2000	34	43	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING THROUGH THE WOODS, TRYING TO JUMP A DEER. A DEER BROKE COVER & RAN BETWEEN THE VICTIM & THE SHOOTER. THE SHOOTER FIRED ONCE STRICKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER CHEST WITH TWO PELLETS.</p>									

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SOUTHAMPTON	11/26/2001	33	37	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM & SHOOTER WERE IN A HUNT CLUB. THE CLUB LINED UP TO TRACK AN INJURED DEER. THE DEER JUMPED UP & THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT SHIN.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/31/2001	62	46	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES AT A GROUP OF DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT TEMPLE.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/22/2005	19	44	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS LOCATION TO OTHERS AFTER HE HAD MOVED & WAS STRUCK IN THE LEG WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/23/2005	51					Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ON THE TOP RUNG OF A HOMEMADE TREESTAND HOLDING THE SEAT & IT BROKE CAUSING HIM TO FALL & INJURE HIS BACK.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/10/2005	12	40	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>FATHER & SON WERE APPROXIMATELY 60 YARDS APART WHEN A DEER RAN BETWEEN THEM. THE SON FIRED, STRIKING THE FATHER IN THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS NECK WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/20/2005	13	33	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM GOT INTO A TRUCK TO RETRIEVE A DOG. WHEN HE EXITED THE TRUCK HE WAS STRUCK IN THE CHEST WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/8/2007	68	48	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM SHOT AT A DEER TWICE CAUSING IT TO CHANGE DIRECTIONS & RUN BETWEEN THE HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED ONCE, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT CALF WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/26/2009	67		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>OVERTIME THE TREE GROWTH SLOWLY PUSHED THE TREESTAND SUPPORT PIECE AWAY FROM THE TREE, UNTIL IT COULD NO LONGER SUPPORT THE STAND. THE TREESTAND COLLAPSED & THE VICTIM FELL, BREAKING 12 RIBS & FRACTURING BOTH SHOULDER BLADES.</p>									

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SOUTHAMPTON	12/28/2009	61	41	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT TORSO.									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/13/2010	77		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS DESCENDING A HOMEMADE TREESTAND & FELL APPROXIMATELY 7 FEET, CAUSING A C-2 FRACTURE TO HIS NECK.									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/20/2012	58				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS ATTEMPTING TO HOOK HIS SAFETY HARNESS & THE STEPS GAVE AWAY CAUSING HIM TO FALL APPROXIMATELY 16 FEET, LANDING ON HIS GUN. THE GUN DID NOT DISCHARGE. HE HAS A POSSIBLE BACK INJURY. ***PENDING FINAL***									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/30/2019	61		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER		Y	N
The victim had the barrel of his shotgun resting on his right foot when the gun fired.									
SOUTHAMPTON	1/3/2020	24	52	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER		N	N
The victim and shooter were part of an organized hunt. The victim backed his truck up to the woods and let his dogs out. He then got on top of his dog box with his GPS unit to watch the dogs run. They immediately jumped three does. The deer began to run towards the shooter, crossing between him and the victim. The shooter fired twice as the deer were running by him, hitting the deer. He then fired 2 more times to finish the deer off. His second shot was back toward the road, directly in line with the victim's location. The victim was hit in the upper groin area with one 00 Buck Shot pellet.									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/29/2020		60			DEER	Y	Y	N
The victim climbed approximately 20 feet up a tree in his Summit climbing stand. Once up the tree, the metal arm and bracket that secure the cable broke off of the stand, causing the victim to fall from the tree. He was not using a fall arrest system. He suffered bruising to his head and eye, a broken left wrist and broken ribs on his right side.									
SOUTHAMPTON	12/5/2015	34	38	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
Two individuals were hunting deer with dogs in a thick cut-over and took positions on a logging road 95 yards apart. A doe crossed the path between the two hunters. The shooter fired three shots at the deer in the direction of the victim, striking him in the shoulder with a single buckshot pellet.									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/25/2016	51	51	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS			N	N

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SOUTHAMPTON	12/5/2018	62	69	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>The shooter and the victim were walking down a path to their stand locations. The shooter was walking 7 feet in front of the victim with his 12 gauge Beretta A300 on a sling over his shoulder. He reached to take the shotgun off of his shoulder. The shotgun discharged, hitting the victim in the neck with 00 buckshot and killing him.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	11/16/2020		71	SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was in a homemade tree stand. After several minutes, the victim repositioned on the wooden platform and may have been attempting to sit down. He was not using a fall arrest system and fell 12 1/2 feet. The victim's spine was severely injured and he had no movement or feeling from the chest down when transported to the hospital. The treestand was found to be sturdy and remained in position after the incident.</p>									
SOUTHAMPTON	4/12/2021	69	63	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were hunting together in camouflage. They walked across a field and into a wooded area. They became separated and the shooter heard turkeys cluck to his right. He looked through binoculars and was sure he saw a turkey. The shooter fired with his shotgun, hitting the victim from 32 yards in the face and eye. The victim had seen the shooter looking at him through binoculars and tried to get his attention by waving and yelling, just as he was shot.</p>									
SPOTSYLVANIA	4/28/1998		31	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM WAS WALKING OUT OF THE WOODS THROUGH THICK COVER WHEN HE WAS STRUCK IN THE FACE WITH PELLETS.</p>									
SPOTSYLVANIA	12/27/2003	38	44	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LOWER LEGS.</p>									
SPOTSYLVANIA	1/1/2004	57	16	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET BELOW THE RIGHT EYE.</p>									
SPOTSYLVANIA	11/24/2006	11		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE 11 YEAR OLD SUBJECT WAS LEANING ON HIS GUN WITH THE BARREL RESTING ON HIS RIGHT FOOT & THE GUN DISCHARGED.</p>									
SPOTSYLVANIA	12/7/2013	48		SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT LAID HIS FIREARM ON THE GROUND WHILE CRAWLING UNDER A FENCE. HE HAD FIVE DOGS WITH HIM THAT BEGAN TO FIGHT & KICKED THE GUN AROUND FACING HIM. IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT KNEE. REC'D SWAN & FINAL.</p>									

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SPOTSYLVANIA	1/2/2015	40	15	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Hunters were lined up along a woods road and two deer were crossing the road when the shooter fired at the second deer. A single pellet struck the victim in the left eyebrow at a distance of 589 feet. The shooter had been drinking alcoholic beverages.</p>									
STAFFORD	12/18/1999	64	42	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER. ONE PELLET STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT KNEE.</p>									
STAFFORD	10/26/2002	55	55	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>TWO HUNTERS SPLIT UP. THE SHOOTER WAS UNAWARE OF THE VICTIM'S LOCATION. HE HIT THE VICTIM FROM 50 YARDS AWAY, STRIKING HIM IN THE UPPER LEGS.</p>									
STAFFORD	10/23/2017	58				DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>A hunting companion heard what he thought was a tree limb fall and then heard the victim scream for help. The victim was found face down and CPR was attempted. The cables that supported the platform of the hang-on type treestand were rusty and had broken. The stand had been left up for several years. The victim was wearing a safety harness but was not attached.</p>									
SUFFOLK	9/2/2000	39	36	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DOVE/PIGEON	N	N	N
<p>WHILE LEAVING THE DECOY SITE, THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK BY A SINGLE PELLET IN THE FOREHEAD.</p>									
SUFFOLK	1/3/2003	45	49	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM AND SHOOTER WERE HUNTING 90 YARDS APART. THE DEER RAN IN FRONT OF THE VICTIM AND THEN THE SHOOTER. EIGHT PELLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE LEFT KNEE.</p>									
SUFFOLK	12/31/2003	63	56	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE UPPER LEFT ABDOMEN.</p>									
SUFFOLK	12/11/2004	65	44	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER (FATHER) FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM (SON) IN THE RIGHT LEG BELOW THE KNEE WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SUFFOLK	11/24/2007	46	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE GROIN, THIGH & ANKLE.</p>									

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SUFFOLK	11/1/2008	19	40	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A STICK ON THE GROUND, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT LEG.</p>									
SUFFOLK	2/15/2014	18	19	SHOTGUN		RABBIT	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS STANDING IN THICK BRUSH WITH A HOOD OVER HIS BLAZE ORANGE HAT. THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LEGS WITH SEVERAL PELLETS. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
SUFFOLK	11/12/2014	13	41	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Victim took his 13 year-old daughter hunting. They were beside each other, the father to the daughter's left, when a deer walked out to their left. The father shot at the deer and hit it before telling his daughter to shoot. She fired one shot from her double-barrel shotgun. Lowering the shotgun, she accidentally pulled the trigger again, hitting her father in the leg. The father suffered a non-life threatening injury to his ankle area.</p>									
SUFFOLK	1/2/2016	75	52	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were 133 yards apart on a power line right-of-way. The victim was wearing a blaze orange cap but may not have been completely visible to the shooter due to intervening vegetation. However, the shooter knew there were other hunters in the direction of the victim on the power line. During a deer drive, a deer crossed between the shooter and the victim. The shooter fired twice with buckshot, outside of his safe zone of fire, causing a minor injury to the victim's neck. The victim's grandson was with him but was not injured.</p>									
SUFFOLK	11/23/2019	70	62	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER		N	N
<p>Shooter discharged shotgun at a deer down a wood line and one buckshot pellet struck another hunter approximately 320 ft away.</p>									
SUFFOLK	12/12/2020	41	66	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter and victim were hunting along a woods path approximately 168 yards apart. They could not see each other because the path curved and the vegetation was dense. The shooter planned a safe zone of fire, but it was insufficiently wide. The victim also moved a short distance from where he was last seen by the shooter. As a deer passed between them, the shooter fired three times in an area she considered safe. One pellet, possibly a ricochet, hit the victim in the leg, causing significant bruising and swelling.</p>									
SUFFOLK	12/26/2020		46	SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was hunting from a ladder stand and was attached to the tree with a safety harness. He removed the harness and turned around to climb down the ladder. The strap that attached the stand to the tree broke and he fell to the ground, landing on his shotgun, which was slung on his shoulder. He injured his right shoulder, had three broken vertebrae in his neck, and broke his left arm.</p>									

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SURRY	12/6/1997	37	14	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER (FATHER) HEARD WALKING & SAW WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS AN ANTLER MOVING (BELIEVED TO BE BARREL OF VICTIMS GUN). HE FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM (SON) IN THE BACK WITH 11 PELLETS. VICTIM SUFFERED INJURY TO SPINE & SEVERE LUNG DAMAGE.									
SURRY	12/13/1997	54		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
SUBJECT REMOVING A LOADED SHOTGUN FROM VEHICLE WITH THE SAFETY OFF. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT, AT THE BASE OF SECOND TOE (PARTIAL AMPUTATION).									
SURRY	11/15/1999	22	17	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM WITH 1 PELLET IN THE CHEST.									
SURRY	12/22/2000	58	50	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY WHAT WAS BEYOND HIS TARGET BEFORE FIRING AT A DEER. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH ONE PELLET IN THE STOMACH & ONE IN THE LEFT ARM.									
SURRY	1/5/2002	14	48	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER WAS IN A TREESTAND. THE VICTIM WALKED NEAR THE STAND AND THE SHOOTER FIRED STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE UPPER CHEST AND RIGHT ARM.									
SURRY	12/6/2003	49	41	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT MOVEMENT, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH 5 PELLETS.									
SURRY	11/23/2004		18				N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS WALKING BACK TO HIS VEHICLE WHEN HE HEARD 5 TO 7 SHOTS & FELT PAIN IN HIS BACK. THE SHOOTER IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.									
SURRY	11/26/2005	22	51	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN BOTH LEGS WITH TWO #1 BUCKSHOT PELLETS.									
SURRY	5/1/2007	66	70	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
THE VICTIM WAS SITTING AT THE BASE OF A TREE & BEGAN TO STAND. THE SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET WHEN HE SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH MULTIPLE PELLETS IN THE UPPER CHEST & ARMS.									

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SURRY	12/15/2007	50	46	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS TRESPASSING & FIRED AT THE VICTIMS DEER DECOY. HE STRUCK THE VICTIM, WHO WAS 60 YARDS BEYOND THE DECOY, WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT EAR & NECK.</p>									
SURRY	11/21/2009	46	36	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES AT A DEER. WHILE TURNING AROUND ON THE SECOND SHOT, HE STRUCK THE VICTIM WITH TWO PELLETS, ONE IN THE STOMACH & ONE IN THE UPPER LEFT CHEST.</p>									
SURRY	11/20/2010	51	15	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER CROSSED BETWEEN FATHER & SON. THE SHOOTER (FATHER) FIRED & TWO PELLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM (SON) IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.</p>									
SURRY	11/20/2010	70	44	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE UPPER LEFT BICEP.</p>									
SURRY	12/1/2012	16	65	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS DRIVING A STATE VEHICLE, ASSISTING IN A DEER HUNT. THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HE SAW A DEER & FIRED, STRIKING THE PICK-UP TRUCK & GRAZING THE VICTIM IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD.</p>									
SURRY	12/16/2014		43	SHOTGUN	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>Victim was using an Ol' Man climbing treestand at a height of 20 feet 3 inches. The bottom part of the stand broke and he fell to the ground. He was not wearing a fall restraint device. The victim suffered a broken leg and ankle and was transported to Norfolk General Hospital.</p>									
SURRY	11/19/2016	13	23	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS			N	N
<p>Shooter attempting to harvest game</p>									
SURRY	11/2/2019	54		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>The victim suffered a fatal self-inflicted gunshot wound while hunting with his muzzleloader. He was getting into his ladder stand when his muzzleloader discharged, striking him in the right leg.</p>									

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SURRY	10/31/2020	34	34	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The shooter was hunting and attempted to fire his muzzleloader. The barrel exploded near the breach end. The barrel was not obstructed. It is uncertain if the proper powder was used. His left hand received a 2" cut.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/22/1997	27	17	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>VICTIM FIRED AT DEER & DEER EXITED WOODS INTO FIELD WHERE THE SHOOTER FIRED AT IT 4 TIMES, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE NECK, SEVERING HIS CAROTID ARTERY. VICTIM BLED TO DEATH WITHIN MINUTES.</p>									
SUSSEX	12/20/1997	18	37	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM ON OTHER SIDE OF CUTOVER WHEN SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM BETWEEN THE EYES WITH ONE PELLET.</p>									
SUSSEX	4/23/1998		46	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	TURKEY	N	N	N
SUSSEX	11/7/1998	37	38	MUZZLELOADER	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>OFFICER EVERIDGE, DRESSED IN UNIFORM, WAS WALKING THE FIELDS EDGE ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE A HUNTER, WHEN HE WAS SHOT IN THE RIGHT HIP WITH A .50 CALIBER MUZZLELOADER.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/13/1998	47		MUZZLELOADER		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>SHOOTER RELOADING MUZZLELOADER, CAPPED BEFORE HE PUT IN POWDER. THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT HAND & ARM.</p>									
SUSSEX	12/9/1999	50	49	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>VICTIM CROSSED A RIVER STREAM, TURNED & GRABBED THE BARREL OF THE SHOOTERS GUN WITH BOTH HANDS IN AN ATTEMPT TO ASSIST HIM. THE GUN WENT OFF, SERVERLY INJURING THE UPPER RIGHT BICEP OF THE VICTIM.</p>									
SUSSEX	12/22/2001	22	22	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS WALKING TO THE LEFT OF THE SHOOTER WHEN THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
SUSSEX	5/7/2005	18		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	TURKEY	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HAD HIS GUN RESTING ON HIS FOOT. WHEN THE GUN STARTED TO SLIP HE GRABBED IT & IT DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT FOOT.</p>									

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SUSSEX	12/8/2006	69	34	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE BACK OF HIS RIGHT ARM.									
SUSSEX	11/14/2009	17	23	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER CROSSED BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE LEFT THIGH.									
SUSSEX	1/2/2010	70	67	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE PELLET IN THE RIGHT CALF.									
SUSSEX	4/24/2010	17	61	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	F
THE SHOOTER HEARD NOISES & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HANDS, NECK, CHEST, THIGH & ABDOMEN.									
SUSSEX	11/13/2010	45		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS SHOOTING AT DEER, LOST HER BALANCE & FELL TWELVE FEET, RESULTING IN BRUISED LUNGS, BROKEN RIBS, A BROKEN SHOULDER BLADE & THREE CRUSHED VERTEBRAE.									
SUSSEX	11/20/2010	23		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE SUBJECT WAS WAITING FOR THE DOGS TO BE RELEASED. AS THEY WERE SET FREE, SHE MOVED & HER GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HER IN THE RIGHT FOOT.									
SUSSEX	11/21/2011	64	39	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS. THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM ON THE BRIDGE OF HIS NOSE WITH ONE PELLET.									
SUSSEX	1/7/2012	29	12	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
THREE DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED. THE VICTIM RECEIVED A 4 INCH LACERATION ON THE SCALP ABOVE THE LEFT EYE & A CEREBRAL CONTUSION.									

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SUSSEX	5/1/2013	70	46	SHOTGUN		TURKEY	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER AND VICTIM WERE HUNTING TOGETHER ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. THE VICTIM AND THE SHOOTER BECAME SEPARATED AS THEY APPROACHED A FIELD WHERE TURKEYS HAD BEEN SEEN. THE VICTIM WAS LAYING ON THE EDGE OF A FIELD USING A DECOY TURKEY FAN TO CAMOFLAGE HIMSELF FROM THE TURKEYS. THE SHOOTER SHOT AT THE DECOY FAN, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD AND UPPER BACK WITH #4 FINE SHOT. MULTIPLE PELLETS PENETRATED THE CHEST CAVITY, DAMAGING INTERNAL ORGANS.</p>									
SUSSEX	12/30/2013	68	61	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	F
<p>A DEER RAN BETWEEN TWO HUNTERS & THE SHOOTER FIRED AT THE DEER WITH A KILL, FATALLY STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD WITH ONE PELLET. REC'D SWAN, CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/22/2014	21	22	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim and the shooter were out of sight of each other on a logging road. They were 243 yards apart. The shooter fired at a deer crossing the road 80 yards away. It was not directly in line with the victim. One pellet hit the victim in the left cheek and embedded about 3 inches under his left eye.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/29/2014	19	19	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>Victim was on a deer stand with a hunt club. He placed the muzzle of his shotgun on his right foot to keep the barrel out of the mud. The gun discharged causing injury to his foot. He stated that the safety was on and that he had not touched the trigger.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/27/2015	70	69	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Victim and shooter were hunting with the same club in a cutover. Dogs ran two deer between them. The shooter fired at the second deer and hit the victim below the kneecap. The victim was able to walk to the shooter to tell him that he had been shot. They were about 63 yards apart but were not visible to each other.</p>									
SUSSEX	1/1/2016	15	56	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>Two individuals were hunting deer with dogs in a pine thicket and took positions on a path 110 yards apart. One buck entered the path between the two hunters and both subjects fired at the deer. The shooter fired 5 shots towards the victim, hitting him with two #2 buckshot pellets in the right shin and buttocks.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/19/2018	20	67	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A deer crossed between the shooter and the victim on a stand line and the shooter fired at a deer in the direction of the victim. They were 588 feet apart. The victim was released from the hospital with a buckshot pellet still in his leg.</p>									

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SUSSEX	11/23/2018		11	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>The victim accidentally shot himself while resting the end of the barrel on his foot. The victim was pulling the hammer back and accidentally let go, causing the hammer to strike hard enough for the weapon to discharge. The buckshot went in between his big toe and the next toe, resulting in broken bones. The victim had not taken hunter safety education and has been hunting for four years.</p>									
SUSSEX	11/6/2019		66			DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim was climbing into his 15 foot ladder stand at approx. 5:30 am. He reached the top of the ladder and began to put his gear on top of the stand. While doing so, he lost his grip on the stand and fell backwards, landing on the ground at the foot of the stand. The victim was not using a fall arrest system. He was not in much pain, and began to climb back up to retrieve his gear. During the climb. He experienced severe pain in his back so he cam back down and called a member of his hunting group.</p>									
SUSSEX	1/2/2021	52	55	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>While deer hunting with dogs, the shooter could only occasionally see the victim when he stood on a stump. They were about 133 yards apart, with some small trees and grass in between. Three does ran between them and the shooter fired once with buckshot. He then heard the victim call out that he had been shot in the leg.</p>									
TAZEWELL	9/27/1998	10		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	F
<p>ADULT TOOK VICTIM HUNTING ON SUNDAY. ADULT LOOKED AWAY, HEARD A SHOT & FOUND THE VICTIM ON THE GROUND, WITH WOUND TO LOWER RIGHT RIB CAGE.</p>									
TAZEWELL	10/2/1999	23		UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>VICTIM LOST HIS BALANCE WHILE HANGING HIS STAND. HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 17 FEET, BREAKING HIS LEFT ARM.</p>									
TAZEWELL	11/27/1999	33	15	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM STEPPED IN FRONT OF THE SHOOTER AS HE FIRED AT A DEER. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HEAD.</p>									
TAZEWELL	1/1/2000	32	33	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET & FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER. THE BULLET ENTERED THE LEFT SIDE OF THE VICTIMS CHEST & EXITED THE RIGHT RIB CAGE.</p>									
TAZEWELL	11/24/2000	20		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>HUNTER WAS CARRYING HIS FIREARM ACROSS HIS BACK WITH THE MUZZLE AIMED DOWN. HE WALKED UNDER A TREE & THE FIREARM DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT CALF.</p>									

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TAZEWELL	11/25/2006	46	39	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED TWICE AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A DEER, STRIKING THE VICTIM (HIS BROTHER) WITH THE SECOND SHOT IN THE UPPER LEFT LEG.</p>									
TAZEWELL	4/15/2015	66	59	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>Two brothers were turkey hunting in Tazewell County. The two separated after hearing a turkey nearby. After taking a position, the shooter saw a turkey about 100 feet away. He shot and missed the turkey, but struck his unseen brother in the left arm, shoulder, and neck. The victim was wearing a blue jacket and neither hunter was wearing blaze orange.</p>									
VIRGINIA BEACH	11/4/1997	13	41	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT A DEER, STRIKING VICTIM IN FOREHEAD & UPPER LEFT ARM.</p>									
VIRGINIA BEACH	12/2/2000		29	SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DUCK/GEESE	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS PULLING A BOAT THROUGH MUD IN A WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. HIS DOG STEPPED ON HIS GUN & IT DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM IN THE NECK & FACE.</p>									
VIRGINIA BEACH	10/26/2020		40	SHOTGUN	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The victim was in the woods and jumped a deer with his dogs. He fired a shot as two hunters in the field also shot toward the woods at the deer. It is uncertain if he was hit by a ricochet from his own shot or if he was hit by the hunters in the field. He was grazed by two buckshot pellets and had one embedded in his thigh.</p>									
WARREN	11/17/1997	28		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>STEP PULLED OUT WHILE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING TO STAND. HE FELL & BROKE HIS LEFT LEG ABOVE THE ANKLE.</p>									
WARREN	10/30/2000	38		RIFLE	UNKNOWN	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM HEARD THE CHAIN THAT SECURES HIS STAND BREAK. HIS SAFETY BELT WAS LOOSE & IT FAILED TO STOP HIS FALL. HE FELL 20 FEET, BREAKING HIS NECK & BACK.</p>									
WARREN	12/28/2001	19	17	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS USING HIS TRUCK FOR A GUN REST, THE GUN DISCHARGED AND ENTERED THE PASSENGER SIDE AND STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE HEAD.</p>									

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WARREN	12/19/2002	80		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS HUNTING IN AN ABANDONED HOUSE. HE STUMBLED AND FELL DOWN THE STAIRS, SHOOTING HIMSELF IN THE CHEST.</p>									
WARREN	10/7/2006	45				DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS DESCENDING THE TREE & GRABBED A BRANCH. IT BROKE & HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET, INJURING HIS BACK & RIBS.</p>									
WARREN	12/10/2008	18	38	RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS ATTEMPTING TO SHOOT A DEER FROM THE BACK SEAT OF A VEHICLE. AS HE WAS SWINGING THE RIFLE ACROSS HIS LAP TO TAKE A SHOT, THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING THE VICTIM (DRIVER) IN THE LOWER BACK.</p>									
WARREN	10/28/2011	20		BOW	N/A	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS NOT USING A SAFETY HARNESS WHILE DESCENDING THE TREE IN A CLIMBING TREESTAND. HE HEARD SOMETHING BREAK & FELL BACKWARDS. HIS FEET WERE CAUGHT IN THE TREESTAND FOR A MINUTE & THEN HE FELL APPROXIMATELY 11 FEET, RECEIVING FACIAL FRACTURES & A SPRAINED RIGHT ANKLE.</p>									
WASHINGTON	11/4/1997	17	17	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY, STRIKING VICTIM IN TOP LEFT SHOULDER, CROSSING HIS CHEST & LODGING IN RIGHT SHOULDER.</p>									
WASHINGTON	11/8/1998	59	35	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	F
<p>SHOOTER, HUNTING ON SUNDAY, SAW MOVEMENT & FIRED, STRIKING VICTIM IN HE BACK & EXITING CENTER CHEST.</p>									
WASHINGTON	9/15/2001	37		RIFLE		SQUIRREL	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL ASLEEP WHILE HUNTING FROM A TREESTAND & FELL 25 FEET. HE RECEIVED BROKEN RIBS, PUNCTURED LUNGS & A BROKEN PELVIS.</p>									
WASHINGTON	10/2/2001	27		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING AGAINST A TREE, SQUIRREL HUNTING. HE STOOD UP AND SWUNG THE MUZZLE OF HIS GUN TOWARD THE GROUND. THE FIREARM DISCHARGED STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER LEFT LEG.</p>									

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WASHINGTON	10/6/2001	43		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM FELL ASLEEP IN THE TREESTAND & FELL 14 FEET. HE RECEIVED 2 BROKEN RIBS ON HIS RIGHT SIDE, A BROKEN PELVIS & BROKEN VERTEBRA.</p>									
WASHINGTON	11/8/2003	43	37	MUZZLELOADER	UNKNOWN	DEER	N	N	N
<p>FOUR SUBJECTS WERE LOOKING FOR A WOUNDED DEER. THEY STOPPED TO REST. WHEN THEY STOOD UP TO CONTINUE, THE SHOOTER STUMBLED & FELL. THE MUZZLELOADER DISCHARGED, STRIKING VICTIM #1 IN THE FOOT & VICTIM #2 IN THE RIGHT FOREARM.</p>									
WASHINGTON	12/18/2004	43		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>A HUNTER HANDED HIS MUZZLELOADER TO THE VICTIM THROUGH A FENCE. THE GUN SLIPPED FROM THE VICTIM'S GRIP & DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE RIGHT HAND CAUSING SEVERE INJURY.</p>									
WASHINGTON	11/8/2005	42		RIFLE		TURKEY	Y	Y	N
<p>AS THE VICTIM STARTED TO STEP ONTO THE BOTTOM PORTION OF HIS TREESTAND, HE LOST HIS BALANCE & FELL APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET. HE RECEIVED A BROKEN RIGHT ANKLE, LEFT LEG, PELVIS & TWO VERTEBRAE.</p>									
WASHINGTON	9/9/2009	28		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	GROUNDHOG	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS ATTEMPTING TO SHOOT A GROUNDHOG. HE PULLED THE TRIGGER & THE GUN DID NOT FIRE. ASSUMING THE GUN WAS NOT LOADED, HE BEGAN TO WALK OUT OF THE FIELD & THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE SECOND TOE ON HIS LEFT FOOT.</p>									
WASHINGTON	10/3/2016	62	62	CROSSBOW	0-10 YARDS	DEER		Y	N
<p>Victim accidentally discharged bow while his left hand was in the path of the string. The tips of two fingers were cut off.</p>									
WESTMORELAND	11/8/1999	45	36	MUZZLELOADER	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER FAILED TO IDENTIFY HIS TARGET. VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH .45 CALIBER MUZZLELOADER IN THE RIGHT HIP. THE BULLET TRAVELED THROUGH HIS THIGH & SCROTUM & INTO HIS LEFT LEG.</p>									
WESTMORELAND	4/20/2001	69	30	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER FIRED AT MOVEMENT HE THOUGHT WAS A TURKEY. ONE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE CORNER OF HIS RIGHT EYE & THE OTHER VICTIM WAS STRUCK WITH TWO PELLETS IN THE LEFT EAR LOBE.</p>									

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WESTMORELAND	11/18/2008	45		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM DROPPED HIS GRUNT CALL FROM THE TREESTAND. HE CLIMBED DOWN TO RETRIEVE IT & WHILE ASCENDING THE TREE, HE SLIPPED ON A STEP CAUSING HIM TO FALL 13 FEET, RESULTING IN A BRUISED SPINAL CORD & LOWER BACK.</p>									
WESTMORELAND	12/29/2010	12	52	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>A DEER RAN ACROSS A PATH & THE SHOOTER FIRED THREE TIMES, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH ONE 00 BUCKSHOT PELLET IN THE RIGHT THIGH.</p>									
WESTMORELAND	11/28/2020	55	10	SHOTGUN	101+ YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>The shooter was conducting a deer drive with dogs in a thick cutover area. He fired three times at a 4-point buck. The 10 year-old victim was 150 yards away, on a tree stump, and was struck in the bicep with a buckshot pellet. The pellet penetrated almost completely through his arm.</p>									
WISE	9/2/2000	34	14	RIFLE	11-50 YARDS	SQUIRREL	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER DID NOT IDENTIFY WHAT WAS BEYOND HIS TARGET & FIRED AT A SQUIRREL. THE VICTIM WAS STRUCK IN THE BACK OF THE RIGHT CALF.</p>									
WISE	12/2/2000	15		SHOTGUN	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS SITTING AT THE BASE OF A TREE, WITH HIS HAND ON HIS SHOTGUN BESIDE HIM. THE VICTIM HEARD A SHOT & FLINCHED, GRABBING THE SHOTGUN WHICH CAUSED IT TO DISCHARGE INTO HIS LEFT CALF.</p>									
WISE	5/3/2001	73	53	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER WAS SET UP ON AN OLD TRAM ROAD WHERE HE HEARD A TURKEY EARLIER. THE SHOOTER THOUGHT HE SAW A TURKEY'S HEAD BOBBING UP & DOWN SO HE FIRED, STRIKING THE VICTIM WITH MULTIPLE PELLETS IN THE HEAD, NECK, FACE & SHOULDERS.</p>									
WYTHE	10/16/1998	29		BOW		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>TREESTAND BROKE, THEN SAFETY BELT BROKE. VICTIM FELL 28 FEET.</p>									
WYTHE	1/2/1999	24	33	MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
<p>SHOOTER WAS WALKING BEHIND VICTIM WHEN HIS GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING VICTIM IN THE RIGHT BUTTOCK & EXITING RIGHT THIGH.</p>									

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WYTHE	11/2/2000	36		UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
VICTIM STATED THAT HE WAS CLIMBING THE TREE, WITH A HOMEMADE CLIMBING STAND, WHEN THE STAND BROKE. HE FELL 12 FEET, INJURING HIS NECK & BACK.									
WYTHE	12/8/2001	45	65	SHOTGUN	51-100 YARDS	COTTONTAIL	N	Y	N
THE SHOOTER FIRED AT A RABBIT. THE BULLET RICOCHET AND STRUCK THE VICTIM IN THE FACE									
WYTHE	12/30/2003	13		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM FIRED AT A DEER. THE FIREARM MALFUNCTIONED & BREECH PARTS STRUCK HIM IN THE FACE.									
WYTHE	11/12/2005	48	29	MUZZLELOADER	11-50 YARDS	DEER	N	N	N
TWO HUNTERS SEPARATED AT DUSK TO SECURE TREESTANDS FOR LATER USE. WHEN THE STEPSON RETURNED, HIS STEPFATHER MISTOOK HIM FOR A DEER & SHOT HIM IN THE GROIN AREA.									
WYTHE	11/10/2006	53				TURKEY	Y	Y	F
THE VICTIM WAS FOUND DEAD FACEDOWN AT THE BASE OF THE TREE. HE APPARENTLY FELL & SUSTAINED A FATAL HEAD INJURY.									
WYTHE	11/13/2006	45				DEER	Y	Y	N
THE HUNTER WAS ASCENDING THE TREE WITH A CLIMBING TREESTAND. THE PIN HOLDING THE CABLE AROUND THE TREE SLIPPED OUT OR BROKE CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FALL 25 FEET BREAKING BOTH LEGS.									
WYTHE	12/4/2007	21		RIFLE	0-10 YARDS	COYOTE	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM WAS CROSSING A BARBED WIRE FENCE WHILE CARRYING HIS LOADED GUN WITH THE SAFETY IN THE OFF POSITION. HIS COAT BECAME ENTANGLED. WHILE ATTEMPTING TO FREE HIMSELF THE GUN DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LOWER RIGHT LEG RESULTING IN AMPUTATION.									
WYTHE	11/2/2009	45		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
THE VICTIM HAD HIS LOADED/CAPPED MUZZLELOADER SLUNG ON HIS LEFT SHOULDER WHEN THE SWIVEL ON IT BROKE, CAUSING THE GUN TO FALL. WHEN IT HIT THE GROUND, IT DISCHARGED, INFLECTING A POWDER BURN TO THE VICTIM'S LEFT FOREARM.									

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WYTHE	11/6/2010	62		MUZZLELOADER	0-10 YARDS	DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM SHOT AT A BUCK & THE BARREL OF THE FIREARM EXPLODED, CAUSING LACERATIONS TO THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS HEAD, POWDER BURNS ON HIS FACE & A MAJOR LACERATION TO HIS LEFT HAND WITH THREE BROKEN BONES.</p>									
WYTHE	12/11/2010	47	22	RIFLE	51-100 YARDS	COYOTE	N	N	N
<p>THE SHOOTER (FATHER) THOUGHT NO ONE ELSE WAS IN THE AREA. HE FIRED AT WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS A COYOTE, STRIKING THE VICTIM (SON) IN THE LOWER LEFT ABDOMEN BELOW THE RIBS.</p>									
WYTHE	4/27/2011		59	SHOTGUN	11-50 YARDS	TURKEY	N	N	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CALLING A TURKEY. HE HEARD THE CALL OF ANOTHER GOBBLER & STOOD UP TO GO TOWARDS THE SOUND OF THE CALL, WHEN HE WAS SHOT WITH 8 PELLETS IN THE FACE, NECK, CHEST, ABDOMEN & LEG, BY AN UNKNOWN HUNTER.</p>									
WYTHE	6/30/2013					GROUNDHOG	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS WALKING WITH A FIREARM, AFTER A GROUNDHOG, WHEN THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HER BETWEEN THE 3RD & 4TH TOES ON HER LEFT FOOT.</p>									
WYTHE	12/19/2013	33		RIFLE		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>THE SUBJECT WAS WALKING DOWN A VERY STEEP HILL WITH HIS RIFLE ON HIS SHOULDER & LOST HIS BALANCE. WHEN HE FELL THE FIREARM DISCHARGED, STRIKING HIM IN THE LEFT FOREARM. REC'D SWAN, CAD & FINAL.</p>									
WYTHE	11/3/2020		23	UNKNOWN		DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>The victim got up to about 20 feet with his climbing stand. As he was about to attach his fall arrest system to the tree, the cable on the bottom portion of the stand snapped. Then the cable on the upper portion of the stand also snapped and he fell. He was treated and released at the Wythe County Medical Center. His left side was bruised..</p>									
YORK	11/23/2002	18			0-10 YARDS	DEER	Y	Y	N
<p>THE VICTIM WAS CLIMBING OUT OF A TREESTAND. HE WORE NO SAFETY BELT OR HARNESS. HE FELL 15 FEET SHATTERING HIS JAW.</p>									
YORK	11/27/2004	51		SHOTGUN		DEER	Y	Y	F
<p>THE VICTIM WAS NOT WEARING A SAFETY HARNESS & FELL FROM A TREESTAND. UPON IMPACT HE BROKE HIS LEFT ARM & SEVERAL RIBS CAUSING INTERNAL BLEEDING & DEATH.</p>									

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YORK	10/24/2013	34		HANDGUN		DEER	N	Y	N
<p>AFTER CLIMBING DOWN FROM HIS TREESTAND, THE SUBJECT TRIED TO ADJUST THE POSITION OF HIS PISTOL, CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE, STRIKING HIM IN HIS RIGHT LEG. REC'D CAD, FBR & FINAL.</p>									
YORK	12/20/2014	21	68	SHOTGUN		DEER	N	N	F
<p>The shooter came home from duck hunting and was unloading his pickup. He noticed tall march grass moving in the marsh behind his house. He thought he saw some white color through the tall grass and believed it was two deer fighting. Bartlett ran into the house to get a shotgun and fired one time into the moving marsh grass. The victim, a neighbor, was in the marsh hunting for a fox that he believed was after his chickens. He was struck in the face and chest and killed.</p>									

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