

Notes to Consider...

Man-at-Arms: Type II Semiautomatic Malfunctions

By G.S. Morris — 06 May 2019



If the performance of Plan A (Tap/Rack/Bang) fails to get the gun back up and running (Plan A will handle an unseated magazine, bad cartridge, or failure to full eject a fired case), immediately draw your backup gun, or go to Plan B.

Plan B is simply unloading, then reloading the gun. First, lock the slide to the rear and remove the magazine; second, rack the slide three times, clearing an unextracted case unless you're having a really bad day and your extractor is broken. As well, developing the habit of running the slide three times anytime you unload a firearm

has other benefits; if you've forgotten to first remove the magazine before routine unloading, bullets hitting the ground like Pez Candy as you rack the slide multiple times will be a clue you're not successfully unloading the gun. Finally, re-insert your partial magazine or fresh magazine and run the slide to get the gun back into action.

Do semi-automatic pistols tend to malfunction more frequently than revolvers? They do. Are typical auto malfunctions easier to remedy than typical revolver malfunctions? They are. Next time, we'll look at the surest fix to both revolver and semi-automatic firearms malfunctions.

Next Week: The New York Reload

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May 2019 Money Tip for Students

Students who have borrowed federal loans to help pay for college and are finishing their schooling must take exit counseling to prepare for repaying those loans. That goes for student borrowers who are completing degrees, diplomas and certificates, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

During exit counseling, students learn about their repayment options, about deferments and forbearances, and about what might happen if they don't repay their loans.

The U.S. Department of Education assigns student loans to one of eight loan servicers.

Servicers not only collect payments but will also help students pick the loan repayment option that best fits students' needs. Students should keep in touch with their servicer to make sure the repayment process goes smoothly.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). The agency also provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com> and free copies of "It's Money, Baby," a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at publications@kheaa.com.

KHEAA's sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers low-cost Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for college or to refinance student loans. For more information about Advantage Loans, visit www.advantageeducationloan.com.

For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.

May 2019 Financial Aid Tip

Taking more classes each semester may help you cut the cost of college, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). That's important if you'll need student loans to help pay for your education.

A full-time load for undergraduate students is usually 12 credit hours per semester. Associate's degrees usually require 60 credit hours to finish, bachelor's degrees 120 hours. At 12 hours each semester, you'll need five semesters to finish an associate's degree and 10 semesters to finish a bachelor's degree.

But if you take 15 hours per semester, you'll finish an associate's degree in four semesters and a bachelor's degree in eight semesters. Most colleges won't charge you any more for 15 hours than they do for 12 hours. That might save you thousands of dollars in tuition and fees.

When you're planning your schedule, think about taking that extra class each semester. The sooner you earn your degree, the sooner you can start job hunting.

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Inspirational Thoughts Into God's Word

By Lynetta Hunter

Prayer; the simplest, most influential, completely free, and exhaustive way to communicate with God, yet the hypocrites still found a way to twist and abuse it. Jesus corrected the matter in (Mt 6) by what is known as the Lord's Prayer.

'Our Father' acknowledges God as an authority figure who teaches, guides, gives advice, protects, nourishes, and disciplines, so that the child will grow into a mature image of Him. 'Who is in Heaven' gives hope that heaven is a real place and where He is, we also will go one day. 'Hallowed be thy name' asserts Him as a sovereign, sanctified, and perfect God.

'Your Kingdom come, your will be done' allows God to bring order according to His ways to His church on Earth, as we realize His will is best for all involved. 'Give us this day our daily bread' says 'God give us whatever we need for strength, fulfillment, and survival today'. 'Forgive debts and debtors' allows God to impart supernatural forgiveness toward others and toward one's self, being released from the imprisonment of bitterness and guilt.

'Lead not into temptation but deliver from evil' accepts His promise in (Heb. 2:18) and submits to His power of being able to (Jude 1:24, 1 Peter 1:5) keep you from stumbling or falling into sin, and to present you blameless in the presence of His glory. 'Yours is the Kingdom, power, and glory forever' sums up how and why He communicates through prayer with humanity.

Fly Fishing Weekends Offered by Kentucky State Parks at Six Locations

FRANKFORT, Ky. (May 2, 2019) -- Kentucky State Parks are offering a series of Fly Fishing Weekends at six parks starting in May and running through November of this year.

The weekends include one day of classroom work and a second day of fishing on a stream. Bill Carman, a hunting and fishing guide with more than 50 years of experience, will serve as the instructor.

Participants will learn how to choose equipment, select a fly, read a stream, and how to hook and land a fish. Flies and loaner rods and reels will be provided.

Each of the parks are offering overnight packages for one or two people that include the fly-fishing program, lodging (one or two nights) and some meals. There is also a day rate for those who are not overnighing at a park. Please call the park for prices and reservations. Prices start at \$162 for a single overnight package and vary by park. For questions about the program, email Carman at kentuckywildbill@gmail.com. Here are the dates and parks offering the fly-fishing weekend:

- May 18-19, Barren River Lake State Resort Park, 270-646-2151.
- June 1-2, Breaks Interstate Park, 276-865-4413.
- August 16-18, Lake Cumberland State Resort Park, 270-343-3111.
- Aug. 24-25, Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, 606-528-4121.
- Nov. 2-3, Pine Mountain State Resort Park, 606-337-3066.
- Nov. 16-17, Natural Bridge State Resort Park, 606-663-2214.

Unite Club Raises Funds for Safety Vest



Sand Gap's Unite Club raised funds to buy the Jackson County Sheriff's K-9 a reflective, safety vest to keep her safe while she is out working. Today, Deputy Isaacs brought Gina to school for the kids to give her the vest.

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