

I have approximately 201 incoming emails filed away from Montana citizens who wish to purchase Montana Buckaroo, youth-model, bolt-action, .22 caliber rifles if they can be made available. The total number of rifles these customers are willing to purchase is about 500. Below is a sampling of these emails (Note: Headers and original text redacted after the first sample for brevity).

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Re: Help needed - Youth .22 rifle buyers?
Date: Tue, 09 Feb 2010 15:43:00 -0700
From: cary smith <cary@bresnan.net>
To: Gary Marbut-MSSA <mssa@mtssa.org>
CC: Quentin Rhoades <qmr@montanalawyer.com>
References: <6.2.3.4.2.20100209153039.071a34c0@mail.modwest.com>

Gary,

I would buy 5 rifles.

Representative Cary Smith
House District 55
Montana State House of Representatives

On Tue, 09 Feb 2010 15:30:51 -0700

Gary Marbut-MSSA <mssa@mtssa.org> wrote:

- > Dear MSSA Friends,
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- > In our lawsuit to validate the Montana Firearms Freedom Act, MSSA v. Holder,
- > I am the only individual plaintiff.
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- > The U.S. has filed a Motion to Dismiss, in part claiming I lack standing
- > because I don't have any firm plans to make and sell an MFFA item.
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- > But I do.
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- > I've researched the possibility of manufacturing, under the terms of the
- > MFFA, a youth model, single shot, bolt action .22 rifle. This rifle will be
- > the size of a Chipmunk youth rifle (with a couple of improvements), and will
- > be mechanically similar to a Winchester Model 67A (with a couple of
- > improvements), which has not been manufactured for almost 50 years (original
- > John Browning patent in 1899). I'm calling this not-yet-available model the
- > "Montana Buckaroo."
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- > I may only make these IF MSSA is successful in its MFFA lawsuit, but it
- > would be VERY helpful in addressing the "standing" question if I have
- > evidence that there are a lot of folks in Montana who would buy these rifles,
- > IF we win the lawsuit and IF I can actually produce them.
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- > So, how many of you are willing to declare that you would purchase one (or
- > more) of these (historical) Made-in-Montana rifles at a price of \$100 each,
- > IF we win the lawsuit, and IF I can actually get them into production.

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> If you are willing to declare that you would buy such a rifle(s), remember
>that they may never leave Montana and that your expressed desire to purchase
>will be entered into the court records in MSSA v. Holder.

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> So, if you are willing, please reply to this email and tell me that you
>would like to buy one or more Montana Buckaroos, how many you'd like to buy,
>and please also copy our lead attorney ("Quentin Rhoades"
><qmr@montanalawyer.com>) on your email for his records.

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> Thanks,

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> Gary Marbut, president
> Montana Shooting Sports Association
> <http://www.mtssa.org>
> author, Gun Laws of Montana
> <http://www.mtpublish.com>

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Dear Mr. Marbut and Mr. Rhoades,
I would like to purchase three (3) Montana Buckaroos youth .22 rifles.
Richard Celata
382 Adams Lane
Dillon, Montana 59725

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Gary,

When you get the "Montana Buckaroo" .22 youth rifle in production I would like to purchase 10 of them.

I plan on using these rifles to teach firearms safety and marksmanship principles to junior shooters. I can't think of a better way to teach Montana's shooting heritage than with a historic MFFA rifle.

Rick LePage
East Helena, MT
406-459-9851

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I would like to purchase two of these rifles. I am anxious to see these made for my two daughters. If possible, I would like some input into the serial numbers.

Thanks for your consideration
Randy Stemple
4307 Capy Ct
Missoula, MT 59801
406-549-7871

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I would be willing to buy a made in Montana .22. In fact I got lots of grand kids, if it happened I may consider buying more.

Charlie Young
Froid, Mt.

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Gary --

I'm interested in purchasing a Montana Buckaroo .22 rifle... preferably, the first one you finish.

Senator Joe Balyeat

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Gary: I will take 5.

Jim Stiffler

Country Gun Room

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Yes, Gary, i would love to buy one for my grand daughter, which would really make her whole birthday wish come true! She loves to shoot with "papa" and to have her own would be the supreme gift for her!!

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montram@hughes.net

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Gary, I will go on record as intending to purchase one .22 rifle for the express purpose of donating it to my local hunter's safety education program for which I am a registered instructor.

Gary Ritter

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I am willing to buy two 'Montana Buckaroo' single shot, bolt action .22 rifles.

Bill Kopetski

email: kopetski@yahoo.com

phone: (406) 251-0301

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Dear Gary

Yes I would love to buy three (3) of these 22 rifles, let me know when and where..

Thank you for the opportunity to but a small but gigantic bit of Montana / American History and thank you for your many efforts in the of gun owners in not just Montana but the entire US of A !

TJ (Joe) Reeder

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Dear Gary: I'll Buy at least one of these " Montana Buckaroo " Rifles, possibly two. I DO understand that this particular Montana- Manufactured rifle may NEVER leave the State of Montana, and I will not allow it to be transferred out of Montana.

Frank J. Austin

Butte, Montana

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Gary,

I would be interested in purchasing 4 of the Montana Buckaroo rifles

Kirk Bushman

532 Wyoming ave

Billings, MT 59101

(406) 256-8496

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I'd like to buy five Montana Buckaroos.

Scott Berish
900 Riverside Road
Kalispell MT 59901
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Please put me down for 5

James Knox
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Gary,
Sign me up for one!
Senator Greg Hinkle
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Dear Gary,

Okay here is my problem: I have four grandkids on the ground, two more on the way, and my youngest gets married on June 12th, so I expect results from him by mid winter. Put me down for seven with the option to purchase more pending the results of the "ept".

Representative Krayton Kerns
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Gary - I would absolutely commit to buying TWO of the Montana Buckaroo rifles for \$100 each, as soon as they become available. I believe they would be collector's items one day!

Sincerely,
Representative Wendy Warburton
709 9th St., Havre, MT
(406) 262-3185
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Hi Gary -

When available, I would like to purchase two Montana Buckaroo youth model 22 rifles, and possibly two more later on.

Thanks,

Mark Colton
Helena, Montana
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Gary,

Please do let me know when the Montana Buckaroo will be available for purchase. I would like to purchase 2 of them.

Thank you.

Greg Bervy
Red Lodge, MT

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I would buy three or four Montana Buckaroos for children I know, as a present. I am definitely a customer. I hope you have these excellent first rifles in manufacture soon.

Iloilo M. Jones
Helena
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I would be more than happy to buy at least one if not two of the Montana Buckaroo .22lr Rifle

Mike Gibney
Hamilton MT
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I would be thrilled to purchase one of these rifles for my 12 year old daughter.

James Pennington
5859 Ironwood Dr
Billings, Mt 59106
406 690 9456
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Gary,

Put me down for at least one of those rifles for one or more of my grandsons.

Thanks,
Ron Hines
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Dear Mr Gary Marbut,
I would like a Montana Buckaroo. Please put me at the head of the line for purchase of one youth model, single shot, bolt action .22 rifle; which you are in the planning stages of manufacture. I would be happy to pay up front.
Jed White
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Gary-

You may add my name to the list, I would definitely purchase 4 rifles.

Thanks,
Matthew Fochs
Billings, MT
406-855-2229
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Hi, Gary, please put my wife and me down for two made in Montana 22lr rifles.

Michael Michlig
Bridget Michlig
459 Electric Ave
Suite E
Bigfork, MT 59911
406-250-3168
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Gary,

Please put me down as willing to buy five Montana Buckaroo .22 rifles at a price of around \$100 each.

Regards,

John Mangus

jmangus@casnow.com

406-698-3770 (mobile)

Dear Mr. Marbut,

Should you be successful in your quest to manufacture youth .22 rifles, I would like to purchase two; one for my grandson and one for my granddaughter.

Scott J. Orr

34 River Woods Rd

Belgrade MT 59714

Gary,

Sign me up for 5 buckeroos. If they do get into production I'll probably want more of the low serial numbered. They ought to make great investments for collectors. "The Little Rifle That Saved The Second Amendment".

Les Tanberg

3989 Spring Hill Rd

Helena, MT 59601

Hi Gary,

I would like to purchase 5 of them. One for each grandchild. Please acknowledge.

And, keep up the good work, Gary.

Bless you. Gloria

Hi Gary, I would like to put on order, if ever manufactured three of these Montana Buckaroos. Golden Spur Sport Shop, P.O. Box 10, Miles City, Mt., 59301.

Thanks again. If you need anything else just let us know.

Miles Milligan, Owner

Gary,

As a long term Montana resident, I have a very strong interest in the .22 rifle you intend to manufacture. From the description, it sounds like the ideal starter weapon for young people. It will be perfect for training them in gun safety and marksmanship while at the same time instilling in them an appreciation for the Second Amendment to our Federal Constitution. My very first rifle was a similar model, and I wish I still had it.

Please let me know if you have established a price for this rifle. In order to support Montana industry and job growth, and on the understanding that this rifle would be manufactured entirely within Montana under the terms of the MFFA, I would be willing to purchase an early edition of the weapon in advance of production. Thank you!

Jim Wagner

406-862-7657

jim@wirelessalliance.net

Dated this 5th day of April, 2010

Gary Marbut, Owner

B.I.T. Enterprises