Incident: One          County of Incident: Wasco        Wildlife Management Unit: White River

Property Damage ( )    Personal Injury ( X )    Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )     Same Party ( X )

Date: 4/14/1990

Shooter Information          Victim Information
Age: 27          Hunter Education: Yes          Age: 35
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown          Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Turkey          Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 11-50 Yards
Firearm Used: 20 Gauge Shotgun          Type of Cover: Open Area

Summary: Shooter saw turkey come out of and return into a thicket the shooter started stalking it. The shooter thought he saw the red of a Tom-turkey's beard and thought he saw a turkey strutting, he fired onetime and struck the victim.

Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter

Incident: Two          County of Incident: Wallowa        Wildlife Management Unit: Minam

Property Damage ( )    Personal Injury ( X )    Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )     Same Party ( X )

Date: 9/1/1990

Shooter Information          Victim Information
Age: 10          Hunter Education: Yes          Age: Unknown
Years Hunting Experience: 4          Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Grouse          Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 11-50 Yards
Firearm Used: 20 Gauge Shotgun          Type of Cover: Open

Summary: Shooter and victim were hunting on the opposite sides of a brushy patch. Some grouse flew up and the shooter fired across the brushy patch at the birds, striking the victim in the leg and hip.

Cause: Victim covered by shooter who was swinging on game
Incident: Three  County of Incident: Gilliam  Wildlife Management Unit: Biggs

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 9/29/1990

Shootor Information  Victim Information
Age: 32  Hunter Education: Yes  Age: N/A- Shooter
Years Hunting Experience: 24  Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Firearm Used: 12 Gauge Shotgun  Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:
Victim went to shoot and his gun jammed. He tried to cock it back but it wouldn't cock. The victim pointed the gun away from his body and pulled the trigger, causing the gun to explode.

Cause: Gun jammed pulled trigger exploding gun.

Incident: Four  County of Incident: Unknown  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 9/29/1990

Shootor Information  Victim Information
Age: 41  Hunter Education: No  Age: N/A- Shooter
Years Hunting Experience: 20  Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Firearm Used: 25.06 Rifle  Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:
Victim was hunting in a canyon slipped on rocks. While falling the victims hand slipped up the stock and knocked the safety into the off position. When the rifle went into the ground it discharged.

Cause: Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Five

County of Incident: Morrow

Wildlife Management Unit: Columbia Basin

Property Damage ( )

Personal Injury ( X )

Fatal ( )

Self Inflicted ( X )

Same Party ( )

Date: 10/6/1990

Shooter Information

Age: 23

Hunter Education: No

Years Hunting Experience: Unknown

Game Hunted: Coyote

Firearm Used: .44 Handgun

Victim Information

Age: N/A- Shooter

Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter

Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards

Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:

Victim was walking with a loaded handgun, hammer back in hour of darkness with no flashlight and stepped in hole causing the weapon to be discharged into foot.

Cause: Victim was walking with loaded handgun safety off stepped in hole.

Incident: Six

County of Incident: Wasco

Wildlife Management Unit: White River

Property Damage ( )

Personal Injury ( X )

Fatal ( )

Self Inflicted ( )

Same Party ( X )

Date: 10/6/1990

Shooter Information

Age: 41

Hunter Education: Yes

Years Hunting Experience: Unknown

Game Hunted: Deer

Firearm Used: .243 Rifle

Victim Information

Age: 41

Blaze Orange Apparel: No

Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards

Type of Cover: Open

Summary:

While unloading weapon at camp, gun discharged striking victim and one other hunter (two victims) in the leg. Shooter stated he was unfamiliar with the weapon.

Cause: Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Seven  County of Incident: Wheeler  Wildlife Management Unit: Columbia Basin

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( )

Date: 10/6/1990

Shooter Information- Unknown Shooter  Victim Information
Age: Unknown  Hunter Education: Unknown  Age: 23
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown  Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: Unknown
Firearm Used: .22 Rifle  Type of Cover: Open

Summary:
Victim was standing around camp with two of his hunting partners when a stray bullet hit him.

Cause:  Victim mistaken for game by the shooter

Incident: Eight  County of Incident: Benton  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( )  Fatal ( X )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 10/8/1990

Shooter Information  Victim Information
Age: 27  Hunter Education: No  Age: 21
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown  Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 11-50 Yards
Firearm Used: .243 Rifle  Type of Cover: Dense

Summary:
Shooter aimed and fired during low-light and under the influence of alcohol. There was unidentifiable movement through brush and trees that the shooter shot at, which was the victim.

Cause:  Victim mistaken for game by the shooter
Incident: Nine  County of Incident: Clatsop  Wildlife Management Unit: Saddle Mt.

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )

Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 10/19/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 26  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Deer
Firearm Used: .308 Rifle

Victim Information
Age: N/A- Shooter
Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:

Victim was getting into his vehicle when his gun went off striking him in the foot.

Cause:  Careless handling of firearm

Incident: Ten  County of Incident: Clatsop  Wildlife Management Unit: Scappoose

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )

Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 10/30/1990

Shooter Information
Age: Unknown  Hunter Education: Unknown
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Unknown
Firearm Used: Rifle

Victim Information
Age: N/A- Shooter
Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:

Victim was getting into his vehicle when his gun went off striking him in the foot.

Cause:  Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Eleven  County of Incident: Clatsop  Wildlife Management Unit: Saddle Mt.

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( )

Date: 11/3/1990

Shooter Information  Victim Information
Age: 27  Hunter Education: No  Age: 35
Years Hunting Experience: 5  Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: Unknown
Firearm Used: 30.06 Rifle  Type of Cover: Open

Summary:
Victim stated that he saw suspect looking at him through his telescope on his rifle. Victim walked towards the shooter before shooter shot. Shooter thought he was shooting at a deer.
Cause:  Victim mistaken for game by the shooter

Incident: Twelve  County of Incident: Yamhill  Wildlife Management Unit: Trask

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( )  Fatal ( X )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 11/5/1990

Shooter Information  Victim Information
Age: 34  Hunter Education: No  Age: 23
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown  Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Game Hunted: Deer  Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Firearm Used: .35 Rifle  Type of Cover: Medium

Summary: Hunters had tied a shot deer to a pole to carry. Shooter placed rifle between deer's legs, because rifle did not have a sling. Hunters lifted deer over a log, and when they set the deer down the rifle fired.
Cause:  Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Thirteen  County of Incident: Tillamook  Wildlife Management Unit: Trask

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( )  Fatal ( X )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 11/5/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 43  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Deer
Firearm Used: 30.06 Rifle

Victim Information
Age: 31
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 51-100 Yards
Type of Cover: Medium

Summary: Shooter thought the victim was down in the canyon in front of him, heard a noise behind him and saw what he thought was a coyote walking on a log. Checking twice he fired one shot and heard the victim yell out.
Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter.

County of Incident: Tillamook
Wildlife Management Unit: Trask

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( X )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 11/5/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 39  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Deer
Firearm Used: 30.06 Rifle

Victim Information
Age: 31
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 51-100 Yards
Type of Cover: Medium

Summary: Shooter thought the victim was down in the canyon in front of him, heard a noise behind him and saw what he thought was a coyote walking on a log. Checking twice he fired one shot and heard the victim yell out.
Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter.

County of Incident: Wallowa
Wildlife Management Unit: Snake River

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( )  Fatal ( X )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 11/10/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 29  Hunter Education: Yes
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Elk
Firearm Used: 7mm Rifle

Victim Information
Age: 33
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 101+ Yards
Type of Cover: Open

Summary: Victim and shooter were tracking an elk blood trail that went into a thicket. The victim and shooter split up. The victim went around to attempt to head the animal off. The shooter saw what appeared to be an elk approximately 150 yards away. He shot once and then saw his brother fall from his
Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter.
Incident: Fifteen  County of Incident: Grant  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 11/13/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 41  Hunter Education: Yes
Years Hunting Experience: 30
Game Hunted: Elk
Firearm Used: .270 Rifle

Victim Information
Age: 24
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 11-50 Yards
Type of Cover: Medium

Summary: Shooter was walking through the brush, he bent over to pick up a horn on the ground, when he looked up he saw a flash of yellow, a few seconds later he saw another flash of yellow, then another flash and shot. He heard the victim yell and ran over to him.
Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter.

Incident: Sixteen  County of Incident: Grant  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 11/14/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 18  Hunter Education: Yes
Years Hunting Experience: 3
Game Hunted: Elk
Firearm Used: .357 Handgun

Victim Information
Age: N/A- Shooter
Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: Unknown
Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary: Victim was just getting out of vehicle loading his rifle. His arm hit the hammer on the .357 revolver he was wearing in a holster causing accidental discharge. Bullet went into right leg.
Cause: Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Seventeen  County of Incident: Harney  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 11/23/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 65  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: 40
Game Hunted: Rabbits
Firearm Used: .22 Handgun

Victim Information
Age: N/A- Shooter
Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary:
While hunting rabbits, victim was walking down a hill with his piston in his right hand. He stated that the weapon discharged, striking him in the right calf.

Cause: Careless handling of firearm

Incident: Eighteen  County of Incident: Gilliam  Wildlife Management Unit: Unknown

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( X )  Same Party ( )

Date: 11/24/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 18  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Rabbit
Firearm Used: .357 Handgun

Victim Information
Age: N/A- Shooter
Blaze Orange Apparel: N/A- Shooter
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Type of Cover: N/A- Shooter

Summary: Victim was hunting rabbits in Gilliam Co. Victim raised pistol to fire at rabbit but did not shoot when he lowered pistol. He was letting the pistols hammer down to safe his thumb slipped off of hammer causing pistol to discharge.

Cause: Holstering handgun, Careless handling of firearm
Incident: Nineteen  County of Incident: Benton  Wildlife Management Unit: Alesa

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 12/2/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 34  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Deer
Firearm Used: .30-30 Rifle

Victim Information
Age: 29
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 11-50 Yards
Type of Cover: Medium

Summary: Victim and shooter were part of the same hunting party, Victim has shot a deer the previous day but they didn't find it. The next day they both went to find the deer. Shooter mistook the victim for the deer and fired a single shot hitting the victim.

Cause: Victim mistaken for game by the shooter.

Incident: Twenty  County of Incident: Crook  Wildlife Management Unit: Grizzly

Property Damage ( )  Personal Injury ( X )  Fatal ( )
Self Inflicted ( )  Same Party ( X )

Date: 12/28/1990

Shooter Information
Age: 29  Hunter Education: No
Years Hunting Experience: Unknown
Game Hunted: Geese
Firearm Used: 12 Gauge Shotgun

Victim Information
Age: 41
Blaze Orange Apparel: No
Distance of Muzzle to Wound: 0-10 Yards
Type of Cover: Open Area

Summary: Shooter and victim were hunting geese out in an open field from a blind, as a flock of geese approached overhead. The shooter accidentally discharged his 12 gauge shot gun using # 2 shot into the victims lower left leg.

Cause: Careless handling of weapon