

2013 HUNTING INCIDENTS

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

| No. | County | Date | Animal Hunted | Casualty Type | Self-Inflicted | Shooter Equipment | Shooter Age(s) | Victim Age(s) | Shooter Violation | Victim Violation | Major Factor * Investigation still pending |
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| 1 | SHIAWASSEE | 02/16/2013 | Rabbit | Non-fatal | Yes | Shotgun | | 17 | Yes | | Richochet |
| Subject shot at rabbit in brush pile and was struck by a BB that ricocheted. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | GRAND TRAVERSE | 09/13/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | Yes | Rifle | 35 | | No | | Careless handling of a firearm |
| Subject was unloading firearm when it discharged. The bullet hit the subject in the foot. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | ST. CLAIR | 09/21/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | No | Shotgun | 12 | 12 | No | No | Victim not in sight |
| The Shooter shot at a deer in a field. His shot was high and traveled beyond the deer and field striking a chicken coop which was out of sight. The Victim was standing next to the coop and was struck in the arm from the impact of the slug hitting the wooden coop. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | IRON | 09/28/2013 | Grouse | Non-fatal | No | Shotgun | 44 | 39 | No | No | Victim not in sight- dense cover |
| Subjects were grouse hunting when they lost sight of each other in dense cover. The Shooter swung on a flushing grouse and shot not knowing the Victim was in the direction of the grouse. The Victim was sprayed by pellets in the legs, arm and abdomen. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | EMMETT | 10/27/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | Yes | Crossbow | | 61 | No | | Careless handling of a crossbow |
| Subject was attempting to remove the quiver from the crossbow with the safety off when the bolt discharged and passed through his upper leg. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | MONTMORENCY | 11/15/2013 | Deer | Fatal | Yes | Rifle | | 52 | Yes | | Careless handling of a firearm |
| Subject hunting from a tree with a firearm and suffered self inflicted gunshot. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | HILLSDALE | 11/15/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | Yes | Crossbow | | 47 | | | Careless handling of crossbow* |
| The subject fell asleep with crossbow resting between his legs and with finger in the trigger guard. Crossbow discharged hitting subject in the foot and passing through. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | OSCODA | 11/16/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | Yes | Rifle | | 57 | No | | Careless handling of firearm |
| Subject was hunting from a ladder stand and dropped his rifle. Grabbed it as it struck the stand and it discharged into his hand. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | TUSCOLA | 11/19/2013 | Deer | Non-fatal | Yes | Shotgun | | 22 | No | | Careless handling of firearm |

Subject climbing into hunting blind and dropped shotgun which discharged striking victim in thigh.

10 **BARRY** 11/29/2013 Rabbit Non-fatal No Rifle 24 23 Yes No **Careless handling of firearm**

As a rabbit ran past the subjects, they both turned around to shoot and the Victim was hit in the back by a .22 cal slug from the Shooter.

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