

Son's rifle brings back a lot of memories

The little buck was coming from behind me and looking like he would be very close when he arrived. So I put my ear plugs in (I hate to shoot the hand cannon without hearing protection). When he was behind the tree limb, that I left there for just this scenario, I raised the old Smith and Wesson.

I've heard it said that flying in an airplane can be described as long periods

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of boredom punctuated on each end by a few minutes of sheer terror. I would say almost the same thing about deer hunting. I'm usually excited to hit the woods and after a short time, I'm bored and then



if a deer shows up I have to work at calming myself down.

This season I have been hunting with C.W's rifle. I have mixed feelings about his outdoor equipment, I think he would want me to use his stuff, but it's hard, lots of memories. The rifle is a Savage Model 110 in .270 Winchester Short Magnum with a nice Redfield scope. A great "beanfield" rifle.

As the handgun came up

I tried to focus on the open sights. Legal shooting time ends at one half hour after sunset and on the West side of a woodlot there is plenty of light right up until that time. But, inside the woods or on the shady side of the woods, not so much. I couldn't see the sights. So I holstered the 44 and turned the magnification down on the rifle scope. The stand has a railing to help keep me in and to act as a shoot-

ing aid. The deer was so close I had to raise up in the seat in order to shoot down at him. The .270 short mag is designed to kill deer on the other side of the bean field. At 15 yards he never knew what hit him. Walking to get the 4-wheeler, when I got close enough A.C. asked why I didn't answer his text. I told him I was busy. "Doing What." "Tagging a deer." Later when I checked my phone the text message was "well"

and then "Did u shoot." The Polaris made short work of fetching the deer. My companion says that after the kill is when the work starts. I tell him it is a labor of love. A.C. is not much on cleaning a deer but he makes a fine bar tender.

Maybe one day the stars will line up and I'll get the take a deer with a hand gun. For now the tenderloins sure were delicious, the next morning for breakfast.

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Tyler Rountree was escorted by Eugene and Dawn Rountree during Senior Night recently. Rountree plans to attend North Carolina State University and major in mathematics.



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Datwan Shelton was escorted by Carson and Charlene Shelton during Senior Night recently. Shelton plans to attend college and major in science.



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Shavaris Skinner was escorted by Toya Lewis during Senior Night recently. Skinner plans to attend Chowan University and major in sociology.



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Chelsea Nixon (center) was escorted by Thomas Nixon and Janet Bunch during Perquimans County High School's Senior Night recently.



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Soccer player Jonathan Glover was honored recently during Senior Night. Also pictured is Jason and Amber Glover.

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