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CUFOA – CANADIAN UNREGISTERED FIREARMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

## FIREARMS ACT PROTESTOR BRUCE MONTAGUE TO SPEAK AT PERTH RALLY

According to official federal government estimates, more than 700,000 gun owners have not complied with the licensing and registration requirements of the Firearms Act including 317,000 who have failed to either re-register or dispose of their handguns. This translates into a failure rate of 30%. Off the record estimates are three to four times those, implying a failure rate of 70% to 80%. More than two years after registration and licensing were supposed to be complete there is obviously still massive resistance and intentional non-compliance with this ill-conceived law which may have cost up to three billion dollars on the government side with firearms businesses and owners bearing costs of about six billion dollars in lost revenues and legislatively induced depreciation.

**BRUCE and DONNA MONTAGUE** are two average working-class Canadians who were appalled by the law's violation of our rights. Unlike most Canadians who pay lip service to bad laws while quietly circumventing them, Bruce and Donna decided to do something about it. Bruce joined CUFOA, the Canadian Unregistered Firearms Owners Association and proceeded to challenge the government to arrest him in order to initiate a judicial challenge to the Firearms Act. Despite publicly burning his firearms license at a January 1<sup>st</sup> 2003 rally on Parliament Hill and repeated letters to all appropriate authorities stating his refusal to comply, it took until September 11, 2004 when he and his wife Donna were arrested for violations of the Licensing and Registration provisions of the Firearms Act. Bruce intentionally violated all of the "paper crime" sections of the Act in order to provide the broadest legal basis for challenging the law.

Bruce is a model citizen, with an excellent community and business reputation. He is a hunter and gunsmith from northern Ontario. Bruce Montague is a man of character, integrity and conviction. Rather than comply with an unjust law, he has chosen to challenge it in court at enormous personal cost.

**Bruce Montague will be speaking at Farrell Hall, 186 Gore Street East, Perth, on Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30 pm. For further information call 613-267-7647.**

Come and hear why millions of otherwise law-abiding Canadians are refusing to comply with the federal government's flagship piece of social engineering legislation.