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GREENER'S
LIGHT HARPOON
GUN

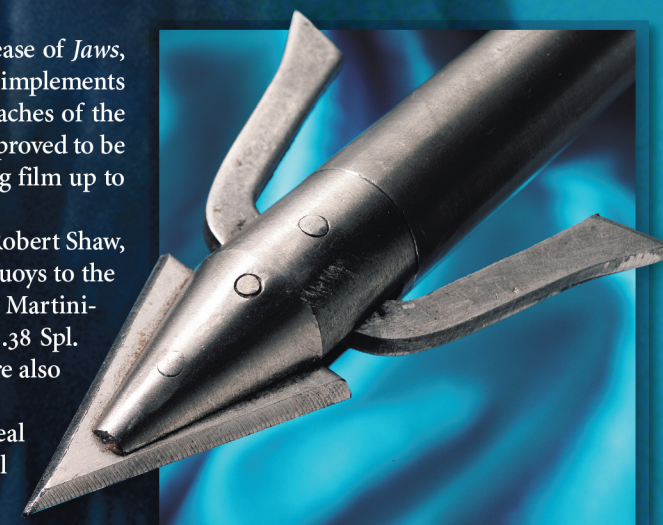
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ITH THE SUMMER 1975 theatrical release of *Jaws*, America's movie-going audiences saw a wide manner of implements used against the great white shark that terrorized the beaches of the fictional New England island town called Amity. The film proved to be a huge box office success and became the highest grossing film up to the time, surpassed two years later by *Star Wars*.

In the hands of veteran shark hunter Quint, played by Robert Shaw, this harpoon gun was used to attach a series of floating buoys to the shark. The single-shot gun was based on the venerable Martini-Henry rifle used by the British military and employed a .38 Spl. blank cartridge to fire barbed harpoons. Similar arms were also used to deliver rescue lines to vessels in distress.

Greener's light harpoon gun from *Jaws* is part of the "Real Guns of Reel Heroes" exhibit on display at the National Firearms Museum through the end of the year. 



For National Firearms Museum information and hours, call (703) 267-1600. Admission is free (donations are encouraged) and children are welcome.

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