

Ft Myers Knife Club - Last Meeting Update

The October meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had an attendance of 14 members & guests. This month's door prizes consisted of a Keen Kutter Peanut and a American Blade Muskrat. Gary Wrona won the peanut and the muskrat went to Dixie Smegal. This month's 50/50 drawing of \$25 went to Mike Mikutis. Congratulations to all the winners, you too can be a winner of our monthly door prizes, 50/50 and/or raffles just simply attend one of your monthly FMKC club meetings.

The <u>Best Special</u> knife for the month was your **Best Factory Made Straight Knife.** The winner was Marvin Franz for his Cold Steel Nathez.

Next meeting Date: Nov 6th – Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for <u>Show & Tell and for Sell</u>
November's Feature Knife is: Tactical Fighter Folder (Non-Auto).

Bring your best to win a Prize

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL GUN & KNIFE SHOWS - GO THIS WEEKEND !!!

Nov 10-11
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 Lakeland - Florida Gun Shows - RP Funding Center
 West Palm Beach - Sport Show Specialists - South Florida Fairgrounds
 Nov 17-18
 Ft Lauderdale - Florida Gun Shows - War Memorial Auditorium
 Nov 17-18
 Ft Myers - Gun, Knife and Civil War Show - Araba Shrine Temple
 Nov 17-18
 Port Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte County Fairgrounds
 Nov 24-25
 Orlando - Florida Gun Shows - Central Florida Fairgrounds

BENCHMADE CONTEGO



The Contego folder is a tactical knife through and through. This knife was designed by Warren Osborne and made with CPM M4 steel. This steel is not stainless, but thankfully it is coated to cut down on corrosion.

This is the hardest blade steel Benchmade offers in a big knife. The handles are an aggressively textured G10 handle texture and a glass breaker on the pommel. The knife packs a big blade at 3.98 inches, and an overall length of 9.28 inches. The Contego is definitely not small and weighs 5.92 ounces.

The reverse tanto blade shape is aggressive but practical due to the elongated belly. Benchmade's AXIS lock system has been around a long time and gained quite a loyal following, so the lockup is secure and reliable.



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5 Reasons Every Man Should Carry a Pocket Knife

Simple, sturdy, and versatile, a knife may be mankind's oldest companion. And while it may feel archaic sitting next to a smartphone, it hasn't outlived its usefulness. Here's why we wouldn't leave home without one.

1. You Still Need to Cut Things

Even in the age of perforation, there are plenty of scenarios that call for a sharpened blade. Some tasks occur on a daily basis, like opening packages, letters, or zip cords. Others come up less frequently, like cutting an animal out of a wire tangle. All arise when you least expect them—which is why a knife in your pocket can really come through in the clutch.

2. It Can Substitute for a Tool Box

If we had to limit ourselves to a single handheld tool, it would undoubtedly be a knife. The list of things you can do with a blade is pretty much endless: You can score wood, remove a nail, punch a hole in your belt, etc. It can also serve as an all-purpose screwdriver, especially for those tiny screws that are notoriously hard to tighten.

3. It Can Be Used to Start a Fire

Lighting a fire is one of those skills you rarely need to harness—until the day you do. If you've got to get a fire going with minimal equipment, a knife can make all the difference: You can use it to shave off bark for kindling, to cut away wet wood, or even to light a spark if you're out of alternatives.

4. It Makes On-the-Go Eating Easier

Whether you're out for a walk or a weekend road trip, a man on the move is often short on utensils. Luckily, a blade can pull triple duty as a knife, fork, and spoon. Apples, cheese, and charcuterie are all that much more fun to eat, and a utility tool opens your repertoire to beer bottles, wine, and canned goods.

5. It Can (Possibly) Save Someone's Life

As much as we value a good first aid kit, you won't always have medical supplies on hand, or the time you need to retrieve them. The versatility of a knife makes it a perfect problem solver: It can be used to remedy minor pains, like a hangnail or splinter, or to tackle more dire scenarios, from making bandages or splints to cutting a driver out of his seatbelt. Just remember to sterilize the blade with a flame or rubbing alcohol before touching an open wound.



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