

December 2009

Meetings are held at PERKINS Restaurant, 12300 S. Cleveland Ave. (US41), 2.5 miles South of Edison Mall or 1.2 miles North of Daniels Pkwy (SR865). First Tuesday of every month, 4:30 to 7:30 PM



Ft Myers Knife Club - Last Meeting Update

The November meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had a attendance of 26 members and guests. This month's door prizes were a Schrade Founder's Edition Stockman and a Queen Honey Bone Copperhead. The winner of the Schrade was Ken Rabedeau and the Queen went to Jim McDonnell. A 50/50 drawing was held and the winner of \$45 was Dixie Smegal. 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.

This month's attendance made for a full house in our Perkins room. Members brought a variety of knives for trade, sell or show & tell. It was a enjoyable evening for all. Also during the meeting we picked up a new member, Larry Smith from Ft Myers. Welcome aboard Larry !!! This month also brought back Terry & Pat Nicholson from Tampa. They displayed many beautiful knives for the members to see and/or purchase. Thanks again to them for driving from Tampa.

*Next meeting Date: December 1st – Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell and share with the members*

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL GUN & KNIFE SHOW – GO THIS WEEKEND !!!

Dec 5-6	Tampa - Suncoast Gun Show - Florida State Fairgrounds
Dec 10-12	Parkers' Greatest Knife Show - Bridgemont Events Center - Sevierville, TN
Dec 12-13	Ft Myers - Suncoast Gun Show - Lee Civic Center
Dec 19-20	Port Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte County Fairgrounds
Dec 19-20	West Palm Beach - Sport Show Specialists - South Florida Fairgrounds

*Merry
Christmas*



NOTICE: *If you would like to receive your monthly newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail. Contact club secretary, Russ Smegal at: rsmegal@comcast.net*

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: The club has a new URL address for our Web Site. Our resident web site person, Mike Mikutis had to change our old web site. Changes are being made to enhance the site for your usage and enjoyment. Please be patience with us as we update. Remember that you can always view and/or download the latest club newsletter for your use.

The new site is: www.FtMyersKnifeClub.mgmikutis.com.

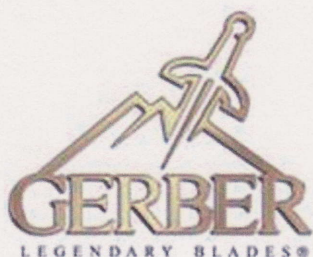


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FMKC NEWSLETTER



Gerber knives and knife sharpeners are some of the most well-known models in the industry. Founded seventy years ago, today Gerber offers high-quality knives, sharpeners, and accessories. Specializing in multi tools, fixed blade knives, and pocketknives, as well as sharpening kits and other accessories, they are a well-known name in the world of knives and cutlery.

Gerber began almost accidentally, by Joseph Gerber, an advertising executive. The first knives were kitchen cutlery sets commissioned as a gift for his advertising clients. These high-quality knife sets were soon offered through Abercrombie and Fitch catalogs, and Gerber quit his advertising job to run Gerber Legendary Blades full-time. Gerber knives continue to be manufactured in Portland, and today they are the second biggest multi-tool manufacturer in the country.

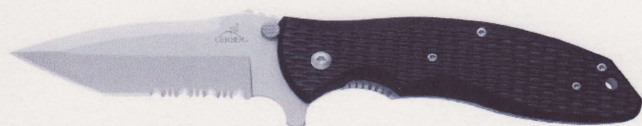
Today, Gerber is especially well-known among hunters, who favor their knives as hunting knives. There are many knives designed particularly for hunting purposes. One of the most popular Gerber hunting knives is the Freeman Hunter, with a polished wooden handle and high-quality grip for rugged outdoor use. The Freeman knife is relatively short, so it is recommended for skinning smaller animals.

Gerber Firestorm knives are a little larger, so they are better suited to larger game. These are usually the most widely used of all hunting knives because of their versatile length. The blade has a tanto tip, and is surgical stainless.

The Harsey fixed blade hunting knife (*discontinued*) featured a relatively long 5 1/4" blade in stainless steel, with a total length of 10 1/2". The Magnum Camo Jr. is a 2 3/4" blade knife, known for its durable and extra-sharp edge, as well as a fiberglass-reinforced handle. Popular Gerber knives are both folding blade and fixed blade, in a wide range of styles. Other tools, such as the Flik multi-tool, also remain quite popular with those who already use a selection of Gerber knives. Today, there are over 120 different knife designs from which you can choose. They specialize in kitchen cutlery, hunting and tactical knives, so you're sure to find a knife suitable for any purpose.

Gerber is known for high-quality materials and the latest technology. All of the handles are specifically designed to hold up to a lifetime of wear no matter how you use the knife. Even after seven decades of knife manufacturing, Gerber remains at the forefront of knife technology. The vast majority of Gerber knives feature high carbon stainless steel or surgical stainless blades, which are known for being easy to sharpen and hold a very sharp edge. Many experienced hunters can feel a change in how the knife cuts as it begins to grow dull, which allows them to easily identify when it's time to sharpen their Gerber knife.

Many Gerber knife sharpeners are portable, making them a good choice to take along with your Gerber hunting knife for outdoor activities. The range of Gerber sharpeners, including ceramic and diamond sharpeners that will fit in your pocket or come with a pocket clip, will make it easy to sharpen the stainless steel blade to a very sharp edge.



Gerber Firestorm



Gerber Freeman Hunter



Gerber Sharpener