

February 2015

Meetings are held at Smoke'n Pit Bar-B-Que, 1641 North Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, located on Rte 41 (Bus) between Pine Island Rd (SR78) & the Edison Bridge. First Tuesday of every month, at 4:30



Ft Myers Knife Club - Last Meeting Update

The January meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had an attendance of 24 members and guests. This month's door prizes consisted of a Bucklite Lockback and a Victorinox Classic. The winner of the Bucklite was Jim McConnell and the Victorinox knife was won by Evelyn Franz. The monthly 50-50 drawing of \$40 went to Ken Rabedeau. 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 **BEST SPECIAL KNIFE** was for the best **Custom Straight Knife**. The winner was Marvin Franz for his Custom Shop made Blackjack Stag (see pic). The **Best Special knife for February** is for the best CASE XX Knife (Straight or folder). So bring your knife to impress the club members and maybe win yourself a prize.



*Next meeting Date: February 3rd - Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell & share
February's Best Special Feature Knife is : CASE XX Knife.*

Bring your best to win a Prize

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

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

Jan30-Feb1	36th Annual Gator Cutlery Show - Lakeland Center
Feb 7-8	Ft Myers - Suncoast Gun Show - Lee Civic Center
Feb 14-15	Port Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte County Fairgrounds
Feb 14-15	West Palm Beach - Sport Show Specials - South Florida Fairgrounds
Feb 21-22	Ft Lauderdale - Suncoast Gun Show - War Memorial Auditorium
Feb 21-22	Sarasota - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Robarts Area
Feb 28-Mar1	Englewood - FBL Venues - VFW Post 10178, 550 N. McCall Rd

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Membership dues for 2015 are due. In order to maintain all privileges of the club you need to fulfill this requirement. The Annual Dues are \$10.00 or you may consider becoming a Life Member, this a one-time fee of \$75.00. If you are unsure that your dues are for 2015 please contact the club secretary at 239.233.5611 or e-mail: rsmegal@comcast.net. You may pay your dues at any upcoming club meeting or submit payment to the club's address: FMKC, PO Box 706, St James City, FL 33956-0706. Checks will be accepted, however all checks must be endorsed to **RUSSELL SMEGAL**. Any other endorsement will result in return of your check. Sorry..



**36th Annual
Gator Cutlery Show**

**Jan 30 - 31 & Feb 1
Lakeland Center
Lakeland, Fl.**

**Fri Hrs 10AM-5PM
Sat Hrs 9PM-5PM
Sun Hrs 9AM-3PM**

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*See You There
At The Club's
Display Table!!*



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FMKC NEWSLETTER

**It's a FAKE!**

Beware of the Counterfeit Knife

Yes, it's true. Unfortunately the number of counterfeit (i.e. fake) knives on the market is increasing. These products are produced very cheaply with substandard manufacturing processes and just nowhere near the quality you'll find on the official product. What may appear to be the deal of the century will likely turn out to be a cheap, shoddy fake that looks just like the real thing on the surface but deep down lies a piece of crap. Worse still is the increased danger that accompanies fake knives, particularly with respect to ineffective locking mechanisms that could result in serious injury to you or anybody that uses your bargain priced knife. Still sound worth it? Absolutely not.



The fact of the matter is that as with all high end products this seedy grey market exists to prey on unsuspecting customers like yourselves. With the top pocket knives now reaching upwards of \$200, \$300 and even \$400 these days the counterfeiters see a prime opportunity to make knock-off's which cost around \$20 to produce and sell for around 60-80% of the legitimate versions. Just enough discount to lure you in. Many of these knives will carry fake branding and logos which can look very similar to the official product. Make no mistake it's an illegal business.

-Remember – you get what you pay for-



NOTICE: Receive your monthly newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail. Contact the club secretary, Russ Smegal at: rsmegal@comcast.net By doing this you will save the club the newsletter mailing cost.