

April 2013

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 March meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had a larger than normal attendance of 27 members and guests. This month's door prizes consisted of a Buck 422 Lockback w/Sheath and a Mike Mikutis donated Adirondack Bow Knife. The winner of the Buck Lockback was Robert Garrett and the Bow Knife went to Jim Roberts. The 50/50 drawing netted Vincent Panettieri \$40.00 this month. A raffled Queen Fillet knife went to Jim McDonnell which added \$70 to the club's assets. This month's meeting also netted three (3) new members. The club welcomes Tom Colonna and Daniel & Angie Feijoo to our club and we hope we can add to your knife collecting experience. 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 Folding Knife. The winner was Jim Roberts for beautiful walrus handled Joe Kious lockback with Jim George engraving. (*See Picture Below*) The Best knife for April is: The best Novelty Knife. So be creative and bring your favorite Novelty knife to impress the club members and maybe win yourself a prize.

*Next meeting Date: April 2nd - Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell and share with the members
April's Best Special Feature Knife is : Novelty Knife*

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

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

Apr 6-7	Port Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte County Fairgrounds
Apr 6-7	Port Richey - 2nd Amendment Gun Show - Knights of Columbus Hall
Apr 13-14	Tampa - Suncoast Gun Show - Florida State Fairgrounds
Apr 20-21	Ft Myers - Suncoast Gun Show - Lee Civic Center
Apr 20-21	Lakeland - Lakeland Gun & Pistol Show - Lakeland Center
Apr 27-28	Sarasota - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Robarts Arena

Jim Roberts's Winning Best Custom Folder For March 2013



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Used by carpenters, carvers, and whittlers, this narrow blade with a sharp point is ideal for cutting patterns on a flat surface or in tight spaces. The blade edge is flat like a sheep-foot, but the back angles sharply from the spine. Commonly found in the Congress ('052) pattern, this blade resembles a coping saw without the teeth, hence the name.



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FMKC NEWSLETTER



TSA To Allow Passengers To Carry Small Knives On Planes

For the first time since the 9/11 terror attacks, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will allow small knives and some previously prohibited sports equipment onto airplanes as carry-on items.

According to the TSA, passengers will be able to carry-on knives that are less than 2.36 inches long and less than one-half inch wide. Larger knives, and those with locking blades and molding handles, will continue to be prohibited, as will razor blades and box cutters.

TSA will also permit sports equipment such as billiard cues, ski poles, hockey sticks, lacrosse sticks and two golf clubs. Souvenir, novelty and toy baseball bats -- such as wiffle-ball bats -- will also be allowed.

The relaxed rules take effect April 25.

TSA said the new regulations will allow its officers to better focus efforts on finding "higher threat items such as explosives," and was made as part of the agency's overall risk-based security approach.

TSA believes the items are "unlikely to result in catastrophic destruction of an aircraft," and policies already put in place -- hardened cockpit doors, federal air marshals, crewmembers with self-defense training -- reduce the likelihood of passengers breaching the cockpit.

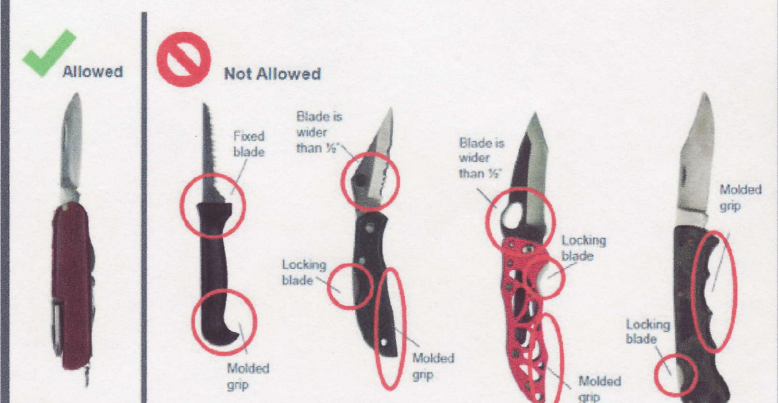
"All TSA is doing is catching up with the rest of the world," said Douglas R. Laird, president of aviation consulting firm Laird & Associates and former head of security for Northwest Airlines. After 9/11 the TSA "overreacted," said Laird, and put restrictions in place "in the heat of the moment" that exceeded those in other countries.

Removing small knives and some sports equipment from the list prohibited items "will help align TSA's list with international standards and help decrease the time spent rescreening or searching bags for these once prohibited items," said TSA spokesperson Nico Melendez. The changes also enable officers to focus on "the greatest threats ... which increase security for passengers and improves efficiency, improving the checkpoint screening experience." Lethal weaponry still not permitted

While small knives are permitted, pitchforks, grenades, swords, nunchucks, stun guns, ammo and spears remain on the no-fly list.

However, TSA agents confiscate such pieces of lethal weaponry at security checkpoints on a regular basis.

Small Knives Guideline



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