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 April meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had a attendance of 22 members and guests. This month's door prizes were a Colt M4 Folder and (4) Frost Knives. The winner of the Colt was Paul Wenning and the Frost knives went to Don Landis. The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner of \$42.00 was Fred Harrington. A secondary drawing was held for a Schrade Ducks Unlimited Muskrat and it was won by 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 was the second meeting held at our new location. The attendance was somewhat down because of the annual descent of the snowbirds back to their northern homes. We hope they have a safe trip and we will gladly welcome them back when they return in the fall. Our monthly meetings will continue as we weather the rainy season, the heat and the potential hurricanes.

Next meeting Date: May 5th – Free Door Prizes Drawing Bring your favorite knives for <u>Show & Tell</u> and share with the members

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

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May 2-3
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May 23-24

Ft Myers - Suncoast Gun Show - Lee Civic Center
Pt Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte County Fairgrounds
Orlando - Southern Classic Gun & Knife Show - Central Florida Fairgrounds
West Palm Beach - Sport Show Specialists - South Florida Fairgrounds

May 23-24 Miami - Southern Classic Gun & Knife Show - Miami-Dade Fairgrounds

May 29-31 28th Annual Blade Show - Cobb Galleria Centre - I-285 & US 41/Atlanta, Ga.

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Tops Knife - The Professional's Tool

(EXTRACTED FROM THE INTERNET)

Anyone who owns a *Tops Knife* has a taste and desire for a sturdy made and rugged military style knife. The reason I say this is because every Tops knife is actually a tool rather than a simple knife. A tool is used to perform a specific task or handle a variety of tasks. When a Tops knife is designed, it is designed as a tool.

Every Tops knife is designed drawing on years of real life experience. These knives are designed by professionals and experts in the fields of law enforcement, military, martial arts and outdoor professions. With that in mind, you know that when you purchase a Tops Knife, you're getting a tool that has been honed to do what you intend it for.

When using a **Tops Knife**, don't shy away from prying or pounding it. This knife is designed to do just that. Whether prying a window or door open (because you locked your keys inside and not to life that nice stereo residing in the living room) don't feel like the knife is going to break, it isn't.

I guess one of my favorites in the Tops Knife selection would have to be the Tops Knives Tom Brown Tracker. This is an evil and intimidating looking knife. The blade is a fierce looking 6.25 in. blade of 1095 high carbon alloy with 2.50 in. saw back and black traction coating. And, the handle



is 5.50 in. gray linen Micarta. This Tops knife was designed by Tom Brown and featured in the movie "The Hunted" as well as the cover of BLADE Magazine. Get hold of one of these knives and you'll definitely draw some looks. Whether they be looks of fear or envy, well, you'll have to ask.



Another of my favorites from the Tops Knife line is the Tops Knives Mission Team 21. You'll find a daunting looking 3.75 in. black blade of 1095 carbon steel. This thing looks like something that would be clutched in the grub of an American combat killing machine while coming through a window after the slam of a flash bang grenade. The handle is a 5.00 in. green/black Micarta semi-gloss. I can't sit here and call this knife beautiful, because it isn't. This Tops knife strikes more of an emotion in me than anything. This thing makes me want to come fast roping out of a Blackhawk with a smirk on my mouth. Ok, let me refill the coffee cup and settle down.

To sum this article up, get yourself a Tops Knife. I can't think of a finer made military style knife. Lay it on the coffee table before the buddies come over. That'll keep their attention for the first few hours.

FMKC Club Knives/For Sale: Attention all club members that are looking to start a collection of the club's Annual knives or to fill missing gaps in your present collection contact Russ Smegal, I have many of the club knives for sale, including the first FMKC CLUB KNIVES (1984 Case Trapper w/New Grind). I also have some of the 10th and 20th Anniversary knives, plus many of the Annual show Knives. For further information contact me at (239) 283-7253 or e-mail me at: rsmegal@comcast.net.