

May 2022

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 PM



Ft Myers Knife Club - Last Meeting Update

The April meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had an attendance of 14 members & guests. This month's door prizes consisted of a American Blade Lockback and a Woodland Creek Knife w/Sheath. Robert Campbel won the American Blade Knife and the Woodland Straight Knife was won by Dave Masten. The Monthly 50/50 drawing of \$30.00 was won by Casey Philibert. The **Best Special** featured knife for the month was won by Bill Cyphert for his Cold Steel Arc-Angel (see pic below).

Next meeting Date: 3rd of May 2022 – Free Door Prizes Drawing.

Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell and/or Sell

May's Feature Knife will be your best: (*YOUR CHOICE !!!*).

Bring your best to win a Prize

Monthly Knife Show Schedule

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

May 14-15	Sarasota - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Robarts Arena
May 14-15	Venice - Expo Gun Show - Venice Community Center
May 21-22	Orlando - Florida Gun Shows - Central Florida Fairgrounds
May 28-29	Port Charlotte - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Charlotte Cty Fairgrounds
May 28-29	West Palm Beach - Sports Specialists Show - South Florida Fairgrounds

For Additional Florida Shows see Web site: gunshowtrader.com/gunshows/florida-gun-shows/



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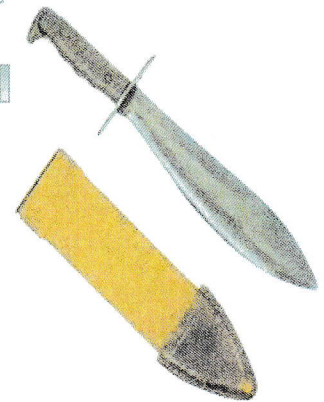
CLUB OFFICERS

Bill Cyphert, Pres - (239) 851-0666 # Casey Philibert -Vice Pres (239) 565-5339 # Russ Smegal - Sec/Treas (239) 233-5611

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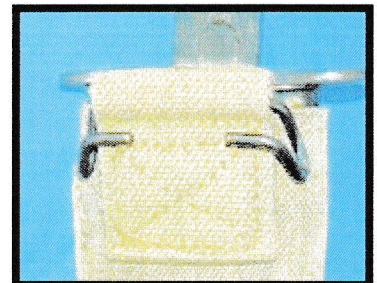
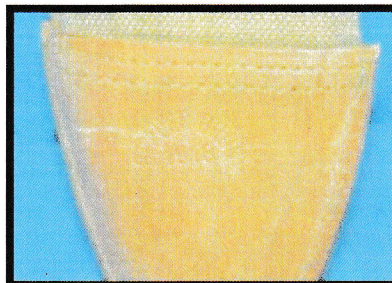
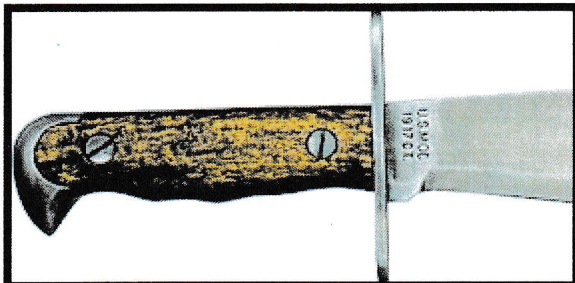
WW1 U.S. Army Bolo Model 1917 C.T.



During WWI the U.S. Military issued in limited numbers the Bolo knife to its soldiers in combat theaters. During World War I, the bolo knife became villainous to any German soldier going up against U.S. troops wielding these blades. Pictured is an example of the knife at that time.

The design of the knife consisted of wooden handles. Two rivets were used to secure the handles in place. The blade is large and heavy with a wide hand guard at the base of the blade. Identifying marks are found at the base of the blade. In this case "U.S. MOD, 1917, C.T." Which stands for United States Model 1917, Commercial Tolerances, but this was in no way a commercial version.

The scabbard is of wooden construction. A Khaki canvas sheet with a leather tip is used to cover it. The leather portion has a stamp that reads "Brauer Bros, 1918", indicating the name of the manufacturer. The upper portion of the scabbard cover has a wire hook assembly which allows the knife to be attached to a belt. American Cutlery of Chicago, the Plumb plant in St. Louis and the Plumb in Philadelphia were the primary manufacturers.



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