

July 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 June meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had an very sparse attendance. We are hoping for a better attendance this month - check your schedule, see you at the next meeting. This month's door prizes consisted of a Winchester 110th Anniversary knife and a Timberline Neck knife w/Chain. The winner of the Winchester was Mike Mikutis and the Neck Knife was won by Barb Philibert. The monthly 50-50 drawing of \$25 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 Stag Straight Knife. The winner was Russ Smegal for his Custom Jack Cory Large Bowie. The Best Special knife for July is for the best Mother-of-Pearl Folder. So bring your knife to impress the club members and maybe win yourself a prize.

*Next meeting Date: June 7th - Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell & share
July's Best Special Feature Knife is : Mother-of-Pearl Folder.
Bring your best to win a Prize*

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

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

Jul 4-5	Orlando - Florida Gun Show (<i>Suncoast Gun Show</i>) - Central Fl. Fairgrounds
Jul 4-5	West Palm Beach - Sport Show Specialist - South Florida Fairgrounds
Jul 11-12	Miami - Florida Gun Show (<i>Suncoast Gun Show</i>) - Miami/Dade Fairgrounds
Jul 18-19	Palmetto - Florida Gun Show (<i>Suncoast Gun Show</i>) - Manatee Civic Center

***NOTICE: The **SUNCOAST GUN SHOW** is now named the: **FLORIDA GUN SHOW**
The Hours have changed to: Sat: 9AM to 5PM Sun: 10AM to 5PM



SHINOSKY CUSTOM KNIFE



Gold Engraved
Pearl Folder
Value: \$6,800



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FMKC NEWSLETTER



What to Look for When Buying a Multitool

One of the first things to consider when shopping for a multitool is functionality. Whether buying one for yourself or a gift, it is important to know how the tool will be used. Here are a few questions to consider:

1. *Will the tool be carried on a daily basis?*
2. *Is the tool going to be fastened to a key ring, put in the pocket or carried on a belt fastener?*
3. *Is the tool needed for a specific purpose such as hunting, fishing, camping, military, survival experiences or electrical work?*

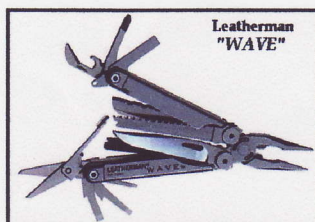
The next consideration is the quality of the individual tools within the multitool. Quality is determined by factors such as durability, weight, ease of use, comfort and how effectively the tools function. Some of these quality points can be subjective, however there are key details to consider regarding the most common multitool components.

Knife blade: The quality of the material used to make the blade is important. Stainless steel is a durable option and a properly treated stainless blade is usually reasonably priced. High carbon is extremely durable and requires more maintenance. A great third option is high-carbon (HC) stainless alloy because it provides the strength without the extra maintenance. Choosing a good quality steel blade will result in less corrosion and better edge retention. Another feature that is important is the strength and reliability of the lock on the knife blade. A faulty lock can be dangerous in situations where a knife is being worked under pressure. The size of the blade is based on the size of the multitool. A three inch blade is considered adequate for most multitool users. If excess tool weight is not a factor then the addition of a serrated blade can be handy for some applications. Some styles have a combination serrated and regular blade, but this option often results in compromising the functionality of each one and is not a feature in any of the top selling styles.

Pliers: This is the second most popular tool included in the majority of multitools. The best tools have both needle nose and wider platform pliers. There are many models that combine the needle nose and wider pliers in one tool to save space and this does not compromise functionality. Check to be sure that there are wire cutters included in the mouth of the pliers.

Scissors: Scissors come in handy because they are perfect for completing the more delicate jobs that a knife does not do with great accuracy. The scissors in your multi tool should be self-sharpening and have enough room in the grip for fingers to feel comfortable. Smooth operation and fluidity of movement are important and spring action scissors provide the best and safest cuts.

Screwdrivers: Screwdrivers on a multitool are common and can be very useful in certain situations. Check for both Phillips and flat head screwdriver components as this will cover the bases for an emergency repair. If a screwdriver is a main component



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