

**Founded
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Milwaukee, WI**

**Badger Knife Club
26 Years Strong**

BADGER KNIFE CLUB



Spring 2010



Club Meeting Sunday, April 25 — 7 p.m.

The next meeting of the Badger Knife Club (BKC) will be Sunday, April 25 at 7 p.m. at the Milwaukee County Council, Boy Scouts of America, 330 S. 84 St., Milwaukee, WI, lower level PieperPower Learning Center. (Exit 306 off I-94 at S. 84 St.).

The **Featured Program** for this meeting is pending at this time.

We will have the Progressive Attendance prize at \$20.00 because **Melvin Bartley's** name was selected at the last meeting; however, he was not present. The Regular Attendance Prize of \$5.00

will be awarded to some lucky member; **George Jaeger** was the winner at the last meeting.

Special *THANK YOU* to **Mark Erickson, Col. Joe Fox, Keith Jacobs and John Fleming** for donated knives and other items for the Cub raffle. We are sincerely appreciative of their generous support.

We will have plenty of free coffee, juice and donuts for you to enjoy during the meeting. Be sure to bring your knives. It's a good place to buy, sell and trade or just to show off your knives to others. See you at the meeting!

2009 Club Knife

If you missed out on ordering your 2009 Club Knife, the Schatt & Morgan two blade English Jack, now is the time to pick one up. We have two available at \$84.00 each. Pick one up at the meeting or call Bob Schrap at (414) 771-6472.

2010 Club Knife

This is your last chance to order the 2010 Club Knife, the Case two blade Saddlehorn Jack knife. **May 1st is the order cut off date.** Complete your order form and get it in the mail today, along with the payment of \$67.00 or bring to the club meeting or call Bob Schrap at (414) 771-6472.



Past Years' Club Knives

We have the following Club knives available:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Price</u>
1987	Queen Three Blade Whittler Serial #5	\$30
1990	Dave Ricke Bird Trout (Custom) Serial #18 (Includes 2 sheaths)	\$85
1995	Hen & Rooster Stag Whittler Three Blade #18	\$55
1999	Fight'n Rooster Four Blade Canoe #18	\$59

View at the meeting or call Schrap at (414) 771-6472.

10 Rules of Knife Collection

By Jake Jakus

In the Winter 2010 issue of the Badger Knife Club's newsletter, there appeared an article that was written by J. Bruce Voyles entitled, *10 Common Mistakes Knife Collectors Make*.

I thought what we need is 10 rules on what we "should" do while knife collecting. Here is my take on the subject (with a bonus #11 at no extra charge).

1. Choose what you are going to collect, whether it is by maker, types, patterns, style or handle material and don't get side-tracked by "Good deals" or "Gotta buys" outside of your collection scope.
2. "Buy the book first" - Learn all you can about what you are collecting.
3. Attend as many shows and club meetings as you can.
4. Advertise and spread the word - Join clubs, Social Networking and On-line Sites (eBay, Craig's List, forums, Blogs).
5. Make friends - The more people helping you search, the more successful you will be.
6. Collect with integrity - Treat all sellers with respect and always tell the truth.
7. Pay fair prices - Don't rip off the unknowledgeable.
8. Buy the knife - Not the story (unless it comes with impeccable documentation).
9. If you have a choice, always buy the best quality or the rarest knife you can afford.
10. When you find it - Buy it! You will rarely get a second chance.
11. Have fun!

Stolen Knife

Custom knife maker Keith Johnson had a knife taken off his table at the 2010 Badger Knife Show. It is described as a Swayback single blade folder with a 3 1/2" ATS 34 blade in a Wharncliffe style blade and had tan Mammoth Ivory scales. Please observe details of person that may offer it for sale and contact either Bob Schrap (414-771-6472) or the Janesville Police Department (608-757-2244).



Business Card Ads

Please support the generosity of our makers and dealers that donate knives and other items to the Club's silent auction and club meeting raffles. We are placing their business card ads at no cost. Thanks everyone. The Club truly appreciates your support.

2010 BKC Show Awards

by Bob Stachowicz

A. Commemorative Collection / Display Awards

1. **Karl Hallberg:** Ivory handled miniature Bowies & Fighters
2. **Rich Heise:** Handmade, fixed blade miniature knives and Heise, hand-carved wood, miniature knives
3. **Joyce Hembrook:** Depression era glass cake and fruit knives
4. **Lester Levinson:** Handmade miniature knives
5. **Thompson Irish Settlers 4-H Club:** Handmade knives by students

B. Knifemaking Awards

BEST CUTLERY ARTISTRY – Dale Sandrone

A worked leather knife sheath incorporating various surface textures and including an inset turquoise button with a mosaic tube pin.

BEST BASIC KNIFE (Table Price \$300 or Less) – Jeff Cover

A neck knife with ATS-34 blade, 416 stainless steel bolsters, and giraffe bone handle with black liners and a thong hole.

JUDGES' AWARD – Joel Davis

A "Combat Folding Wakizashi". This is a folding knife with a blade with two separate extensions – each of which incorporates a separate liner-lock. The first section is serrated. When fully extended, this knife gains 240% of its closed length. It has 1075 blade steel with a Micarta handle and includes a shoulder carrying harness with a Zytel sheath.

BEST FANTASY / ART KNIFE – Nick Smolen

A spear described by the maker as a "Post-Apocalyptic Personal Defense Weapon that would be made from scrounged materials reflecting the lack of standard technology that would exist". The spear head / blade is made from 1084 steel and the handle is leather wrapped steel tubing.

BEST FIXED BLADE KNIFE – Brian Thie

A coffin-handled Bowie with a mosaic Damascus blade of 15N20 and 1080 steels. The handle is of Blackwood with the guard and butt of stainless steel and the ferrule of sterling silver.

BEST FOLDING KNIFE – Les Voorhies

His Model 9 flip-folder with S30V blade steel and titanium handle with titanium overlays and back spacer.

BEST-IN-SHOW – Kevis Cashen

A Pappenhiemer styled rapier meticulously researched in England by Kevin and recreated. Overall length is 43 1/2" with a 37 1/2" blade of L-6 steel. The handle has traditional iron wire wrapping with copper wire Turk's Head knot decoration and a basket hand guard. Fittings are fire blued steel. The sheath is leather wrapped wood. All engraving, carving, and the sheath were hand made by Kevin.

2010 BKC Show

From all indications, we had a very successful show. Attendance was more than 10% better than last year and sales were up as well. Most of the table holders were pleased with the sales and trades they made at the show. Mark your calendar for next year's show for March 25, 26 and 27, 2011.

2010 BKC Show Silent Auction

Special THANK YOU to the contributors to the Silent Auction at the Show. We had thirty two items to bid on; however the number of bidders and total results were down somewhat. No doubt a reflection of the economy. Here are the names of the generous donors:

Tim Adlam	Steve Kohls
Peter Albert	Matthew & Mary Jo Lerch
Mike Balaskovitz (Wood Lab)	Diane Martin
Rick Barrett	J. P. Miller
Blade Magazine	Gary Moore
Tom Boyes	Doug P:onzio
Ed Brandsey	Dave Ricke
Columbia River Knife & Tool Co.	Ron Rosenbaugh
Clarence De Yong	Mike and Sarah Sakmar
Doug Gift	Bob Schrap
Gary Glowinski	Nick Smolen
Fred Harrington	Mike Spors
Richard Johnson	Jim Summers
Dave Kohls	And to
Jerry Kohls	Chuck Hawes—for the Makers' Draw Knife

We also want to thank the winning bidders of these items. The proceeds help support the operation of the Badger Knife Club and the annual Badger Knife Show for the coming year.

Last, but not least, **THANK YOU** to all of the volunteers who help put on the show. There are so many, I am afraid to list them for fear of forgetting somebody. It takes many people to run the Administration Table, the Silent Auction, the Judging and Awards, the Security, the Admission Table and so many other things that go into putting on a successful show. **THANK YOU!**

Club Dues

Check the mailing label for your renewal date.

If you received a **dues statement** with this newsletter, please send in your dues right away. You can pay one, two or three years at a time at \$5.00 per year. You can mail in your dues or pay at the next meeting. Check to be made out to Badger Knife Club. Your continued interest and support is truly appreciated.

Upcoming 2010 Shows

You can go to knife shows virtually every weekend of the year somewhere in the U.S. If you don't get *KNIFE WORLD* each month, check out their web site at www.knifeworld.com for a complete listing. Here are a few you might want to checkout:

June 4-6: The 29th Annual BLADE SHOW at the Cobb Galleria Center in Atlanta, GA. Contact Krause Publication at 715-445-2214

October 1-2: Annual Fall Knife Show at the Holiday Inn Express & Janesville Conference Center in Janesville, Wi. Contact Northern Lakes Knife Co. at 414-771-6472

<i>March 25, 26 and 27, 2011</i>	
<i>Annual Badger Knife Show</i>	
<i>July 25</i>	<i>October 31</i>
<i>January 31</i>	<i>April 25</i>
<i>2010 BKC Meeting Dates</i>	

See you at the April 25 meeting!



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