#### THE MOSTLY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE

# 🗞 🕹 Eugene 5160 Club ~ April 2015



# APRIL MEETING

5160 Club is meeting at the **Sizzler Restaurant** – just north of Gateway Mall at Gateway Street & Postal Way. Thursday 4/2/15.

Come for dinner (6:00pm) and informal conversation, followed by our usual show-n-tells, etc.

Parking is off of Postal Way. Order up your meal and meet us in the large meeting room at the West end of the restaurant.

Our first couple of meetings at Sizzler have had low attendance – so they can't reserve the large meeting room for us. We'll gather at tables on one side of the room. One option is that we could start reserving Sizzler's small meeting room if we move our meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. So this time it's still the large meeting room on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – but we'll discuss moving future meetings so that we can have a room to ourselves.



# MARCH MEETING

I (your scribe) was not able to attend the March meeting. I gather that there were pass-arounds of award knives for the OKCA show from **LYNN MOORE** and **CRAIG MORGAN**. Lynn went over his method for doing dove-tail handle scales – and he also brought in boxes of old knife, blacksmithing, and machinist magazines to give away. And I'm told that there was the usual exchange of trials, tribulations, tips, and techniques... including reasons and preferences for grinding before or after heat treating.



# HEAR YE, HEAR YE...

- OKCA Show: This is the BIG ONE! April 11 & 12 (OKCA members only on the 10<sup>th</sup>): http://www.oregonknifeclub.org/okcashow.html
- Oregon Ivory Ban: Oregon Senate has a bill to ban the sale of elephant and mammoth ivory, rhino horn, or products thereof. You can look up the current state of SB 913 here: https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2015R1/Measures/Overview /SB0913
  A proposed amendment includes some exemptions, but the bill is incredibly far-reaching. Find your Senator's email address by clicking on this map: https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/FindYourLegislator/legislat

dritter@KnifeRights.org or scrimshander Sandra Brady <u>sandy@sandrabradyart.com</u> who has been working on the ivory issue all across the nation.

• Check the "**De-Classifieds**" section below for new listings offering D2 planer blades and a request to rent time on a power hammer.



# **SLIM PICKINGS**

In lieu of my usual meeting photos, here are a few shots that tickle my fancy.

**MIKE JOHNSTON** sent in a couple of photos.

This one is a cautionary tale about brilliant ideas. Like "Hey – why don't I clean the rotary file by revving it up and hitting it with this cheap wire brush!"

No injuries except to the brush.



And what's the use of being a scribe if I don't plug my own work occasionally? Here's my random Damascus cleaver prototype for my kitchen knife set:

But seriously folks. I can't write "slim pickings"

without Slim Pickens.

And with that I'll just say "We'll meet again..." Sizzler – big meeting room – Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6:00pm.

Keep Well & Work Safe!

 $\sim \sim \sim$  Michael Kemp

**D2 Planer Blades for Sale:** Joel Puckerson sent an email saying: I have over 200 D2 planer blades available that vary between 6 and 25 inches for knife making at reasonable cost. My contact info is jpcustomknives@gmail.com and (541) 220-3629.

(IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER)

selling/buying/ looking for with your preferred contact (phone/email/...). Unless you let me know you want a shorter run, I'll run the note for 3 months and then send you an email to see if it's still valid. It's free – email me at <u>Michael@ElementalForge.com</u>

**Rent Time on Your Hammer:** My name is Sam. I've been making titanium-alloy swords in Eugene, using arm-

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power and a small home-built trip hammer. Right now I'm in desperate need to use a more powerful and realistic trip hammer to flatten out some sword billets. Would you gentlemen perhaps allow me the use of a trip hammer for an afternoon? I'd be very grateful and willing to pay for the privilege. Sam Taylor klsamee@yahoo.com

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NOTES AND REMINDERS

**OKCA April Show** – April 10<sup>th</sup> (members only), 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> (public). This is the big annual show of everything that goes CUT. Display tables, sale tables, demos, lectures, supplies, books, factory knives, handmade knives, swords, axes, flaked stone blades, you name it. This year's theme is *Japanese Blades & Kitchen Cutlery*. Show info can be found at: http://www.oregonknifeclub.org/okcashow.html





FREE DE-CLASSIFIEDS

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The Western States Blacksmith Conference will be held in Hollister, California (just south of the Bay Area) April 23-26<sup>th</sup>: <u>http://www.westernstatesconference.com/</u>

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The Northwest Blacksmith Association Spring 2015 Conference is scheduled for May 15-17 at the Cowlitz Expo Center in Longview, Washington: <u>http://blacksmith.org/events/nwba-blacksmith-conference-2015/</u> Check their calendar for mentoring sessions and class schedules.

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The Northwest Knife Collectors Kelso Show will be September 26-27 at the Red Lion conference center in Kelso. Watch here for more details: <u>http://www.nwkc.org/home.html</u>

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The **ABS California Hammer-in for 2015** will be in October – College of the Sequoias – Tulare, California. Watch the ABS forum thread for details: <u>http://www.americanbladesmith.com/ipboard/index.php?/forum/23-abs-hammer-ins/</u>

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Martin Brandt mentioned during the January meeting that he has **1050**, **1065**, and **5160** for sale. For the moment he also has **ITC-100** heat reflective coating for forge interiors – he bought a gallon and is reselling the extra in pints.

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John Emmerling shares a forum posting from Rick Marchand on his method of **straightening during the temper** that's well worth a look:

http://www.bladeforums.com/forums/showthread.php/838681-Straighten-During-The-Temper

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Mike Johnston responded in detail to a question about how he does his **claying and hamon development**. I've put it in PDF form in the 5160 Club newsletter archive page. It's well worth a read: <u>http://www.elementalforge.com/5160Club/MikeJohnstonClayH</u> amon.pdf

# WEBSITE LINKS

## 5160 CLUB

5160 Club Newsletters are archived at: http://www.elementalforge.com/5160Club/

Hint: to Google the archive for a specific knife style or presenter name, use a search like this: **sami site:http://www.elementalforge.com/5160Club** or this:

ron lake site:http://www.elementalforge.com/5160Club

#### OREGON KNIFE COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION (OKCA)

The OKCA hosts monthly dinner meetings where you are guaranteed to see treasures from the wide world of "things that go cut!" OKCA also puts on the big knife show in April – if you haven't seen it you've been missing somethig special! <u>http://www.oregonknifeclub.org/index.html</u> Go to the "Knewslettter" link and scan a recent newsletter for a membership form and contact info.

#### <u>Forums</u>

Knifedogs Forum http://knifedogs.com/forum.php

Bladesmith's Forum aka Don Fogg Forum <u>http://www.bladesmithsforum.com/</u>

American Bladesmith Society http://www.americanbladesmith.com/ipboard/

Usual Suspects Network http://www.usualsuspect.net/forums/forum.php

Blade Forums http://www.bladeforums.com/forums/forum.php

#### **REFERENCES**

Many of the sites linked under "Knife Maker General" have book & video sections.

Our own Wayne Goddard's books are available at Amazon:

http://www.amazon.com/Wayne-Goddard/e/B001JS9M10 And you can email Wayne directly for his DVD at wgoddard44@comcast.net

Verhoeven's Metallurgy For Bladesmiths PDF http://www.feine-klingen.de/PDFs/verhoeven.pdf

Verhoeven's updated book: http://www.amazon.com/Steel-Metallurgy-Non-Metallurgist-J-Verhoeven/dp/0871708582

ZKnives – Knife steel composition/comparison/etc. <u>http://zknives.com/knives/steels</u>

Kevin Cashen's Bladesmithing Info http://www.cashenblades.com/info.html

Tempil Basic Guide to Ferrous Metallurgy http://www.tempil.com/wp-content/plugins/downloadmonitor/download.php?id=Basic\_Guide\_to\_Ferrous\_2010.pdf

My "Knife Info" has some knife musings and cheat sheet charts – plus Oregon and Eugene knife laws: <u>http://elementalforge.com/tips\_notes/</u>

# **OREGON KNIFE MAKING CLASSES**

Gene Martin offers personal instruction at his shop south of Grants Pass for a daily rate. <u>http://www.customknife.com/</u>

Michael and Gabriel Bell offer a constant series of small group classes in Japanese style sword forging and fittings. Located on the southern Oregon Coast. <u>http://dragonflyforge.com/</u>

Murray Carter offers small group classes in a variety of subjects, primarily focused on traditional Japanese cutlery. Located in Hillsboro.

http://www.cartercutlery.com/bladesmithing-courses/

#### **GENERAL TOOLS & SUPPLIES**

Woodcraft of Eugene – thanks to Joe & the crew for six years of hosting 5160 Club meetings – we've had to move on, but the hospitality was appreciated. http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=515

MSC Direct http://www.mscdirect.com/

McMaster-Carr http://www.mcmaster.com

Grainger http://www.grainger.com

Surplus Center http://www.surpluscenter.com/

Victor Machinery Exchange <a href="http://www.victornet.com/">http://www.victornet.com/</a>

# KNIFE MAKER GENERAL

Knife kits, steel, tools, machines, supplies such as handle material, fasteners, belts, glues, finishes, etc.

Jantz Supply http://www.knifemaking.com

Texas Knifemaker's Supply <u>http://www.texasknife.com</u>

USA Knife Maker's Supply http://www.usaknifemaker.com/

Knife and Gun (K&G) http://www.knifeandgun.com/

Alpha Knife Supply http://www.alphaknifesupply.com/

True Grit <u>http://www.trugrit.com</u>

# KNIFE STEEL SOURCES

New Jersey Steel Baron http://newjerseysteelbaron.com/

Kelly Cupples (High Temp Tools) – Alabama <u>http://www.hightemptools.com/steel.html</u>

Niagara Specialty Metals – New York http://www.nsm-ny.com (click Products/Knife Steels)

SB Specialty Metals – New York & Texas http://sb-specialty-metals.com/products/knifesteels

Bohler Uddeholm – numerous U.S. locations <u>http://www.bucorp.com/knives.htm</u>

Sandvic – stainless steels – Texas & Pennsylvania http://www.smt.sandvik.com/en/products/strip-steel/stripproducts/knife-steel/sandvik-knife-steels/

Pacific Machinery & Tool Steel – Portland, Oregon <u>http://www.pmtsco.com/tool-die-steel.php</u>

# EQUIPMENT

Beaumont (KMG) [Ohio] – the industry's benchmark 2x72 belt grinder http://www.beaumontmetalworks.com/shop/

Travis Wuertz [Arizona] – premium versatile grinder <u>http://www.twuertz.com/Home\_Page.php</u>

Pheer [Gresham, Oregon] – affordable grinder <u>http://www.2x72beltgrinder.com</u>

AMK [Ohio] – affordable grinder, quick-change between platen & contact wheel <u>http://amktactical.com/</u>

Coote [Port Ludlow, Washington] – affordable, simple grinder – you supply the motor <u>http://www.cootebeltgrinder.com</u>

Grinder-In-A-Box – grinder kit, assembly required <u>http://www.polarbearforge.com/grinder\_kit.html</u>

Wayne Coe [Tennessee] – grinders, motors, VFDs... http://www.waynecoeartistblacksmith.com Contact Rubber Corp – wheels etc. http://contactrubber.com/contact-wheels.asp

Sunray – drive wheels http://www.sunray-inc.com/drive-wheels/

Quick and Dirty Tool Co. [Auburn, Washington] will build Spencer/Clontz style tire hammers <u>https://www.facebook.com/QDTool</u>

Renaissance Metal Art [Mulino, Oregon] – 80# ram air hammer http://www.rmetalart.com/tools.htm

Anyang [Texas] – air hammers from 20# to 165# <u>http://www.anyangusa.net/</u>

Meyer Machine Tool [Ohio] – treadle hammer http://www.meyermachinetool.com/Blacksmith-div-.html

Spencer/Clontz tire hammer plans/workshops <a href="http://www.alaforge.org/Trading\_Post.html">http://www.alaforge.org/Trading\_Post.html</a>

Appalachian Power Hammer plans http://www.appaltree.net/rusty/index.htm

# FORGE & REFRACTORY

Chile Forge http://www.chileforge.com/

Mankel Forge http://mankelforge.com/forges.html

High Temp Tools (scroll down the page for the category buttons) http://www.hightemptools.com/suppliesmainpage.html

Omega – thermocouples & measuring equipment <u>http://www.omega.com/</u>

Auber – more thermocouples and controllers, etc. <u>http://www.auberins.com</u>

Hybridburners – home of the venturi T-Rex <u>http://www.hybridburners.com/</u>

Pine Ridge Burners – for ribbon burners and all associated fittings, blowers, valves, etc. http://www.pineridgeburner.com

Zoeller Forge – low cost venturi & parts: Z Burners <u>http://zoellerforge.com/</u>

## **BLACKSMITH**

Blacksmith Depot http://www.blacksmithsdepot.com

Pieh Tool http://www.piehtoolco.com

Centaur Forge http://www.centaurforge.com

Quick and Dirty Tool Co. https://www.facebook.com/QDTool

# LOGO/ETCHING

Ernie Grospitch – Blue Lightening Stencil <u>http://www.erniesknives.com/</u>

IMG International Marking Group <a href="http://img-electromark.com/">http://img-electromark.com/</a>

Electro-Chem Etch <a href="http://www.ecemmi.com/products.html">http://www.ecemmi.com/products.html</a>

#### OTHER GOODIES

Sally Martin Mosaic Pins – So. Oregon http://customknife.com/index.php?cPath=13

Burl Source – handle blocks/scales – So. Oregon <u>http://www.burlsales.com/</u>

Gilmer Wood – N.W. Portland <u>https://www.gilmerwood.com/</u>

Oregon Leather – 810 Conger Eugene and 110 N.W. 2ND Portland http://www.oregonleatherco.com/

Coyote Steel – misc., scrap, copper, brass, bronze – Garfield & Cross St. Eugene http://www.coyotesteel.com

Cherry City Metals – Salem, Oregon – metal recycling and useful objects <u>http://www.cherrycitymetals.com/</u>

Amtek – tool steel & cutting tools <u>http://websales.amtektool.com</u>

Rio Grande – jewelry tools/supplies <u>http://www.riogrande.com</u>

Otto Frei – jewelry tools/supplies <u>http://www.ottofrei.com</u>

M3 Composite – space age mokume & other <u>http://www.m3composite.com/</u>