

Gun Collectors News

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NMGCA
Membership Dues:

Annual renewal for
regular members,
under age 62, is
\$35.00.
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senior members,
over age 61, is
\$30.00.
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A Story of Colt Firearms, Barry Wood, & Indian Ridge Traders

Indian Ridge Traders (IRT), Ferndale, Michigan, came about on Friday, September 25, 1970, when they filed for a U.S. federal trademark. Quickly they expanded their English-made line to many different patterns and knife making materials and added patterns from a well-known and respected American cutlery company. IRT evolved into three married couples working together in hopes that, when successful, each could branch out into a business of their own. Due to the high demand, this never happened. It is unknown when they ceased business or why.

In the very early 1970s they added Barry Wood's MK-1 folder which elicited such a demand that Barry, now deceased, had difficulty in supplying. Eventually Barry added several other models to his line but IRT did not obtain marketing rights to these.

In the late 1970s IRT added four new English-made knives, by J. Nowill & Sons, to their line. One, "El Tigre," designed by world-class hunter, T.L. Bish. They not only marketed these blades to the public, they eventually had a few finished knives with guards, handles and sheaths made for distribution. Today these few knives are highly collectable.

At this point, Colt wishing to expand their sportsman line, negotiated with IRT to have the knives, in identical pattern, made for them. These knives too, especially the Barry Wood Colt, have become collectable.

Gun Owner's Prayer

"NOW I LAY ME DOWN TO SLEEP. NEXT TO MY BED, A GUN I KEEP. IF A CREEP BREAKS IN BEFORE I WAKE, NO DOUBT IT WILL BE HIS LAST MISTAKE."

New Show Vendors Sought for 2016

The NMGCA is again offering new vendors a special table rate for 2016 shows. If you have never been an NMGCA show vendor (or haven't been a vendor in at least in the last 10 years) you are invited to take advantage of our "New Vendor" table rate.

The NMGCA is offering one discount table to new vendors at the introductory rate of \$35.00 for our June or October Gun Shows or the August Old West and Military Collectible Show. (Additional tables would be at the normal member or non-member rates per table.)

Contact us at newmexicogca@aol.com or call us at 505-262-1350. You can also reach us by mail at P.O. Box 13687, Albuquerque, NM 87192. We look forward to hearing from you.

Presenting the Colors



Dipsy Doodle WWII Ambulance



At the March Gun Show, the New Mexico Museum of Military History displayed a very special WWII ambulance at the March Show. The ambulance was named "Dipsy Doodle" by war medic, Tom Grasser, who spent a lot of time in the 1943 ambulance during World War II.

March 2016 Gun Show Winning Displays

First place: The Luger Pistol
in Switzerland. Top right.

Best Educational: Walther's
Little Guns, The Model 9.
Bottom.

Second Place: A Veddy,
Veddy Dry Martini, Classic
Martini Single Shots. Below.
Third Place: Frontier Pistols.
Right.



Display Judges

George Edgerly wants to express a very special thanks to the display judges. Their conscientious efforts were much appreciated.



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2016 SHOW CALENDAR

Gun Shows

June 4th and 5th

October 1st and 2nd

Albuquerque Old West & Military Collectible Show:

August 6th & 7th