

# Match Points

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## September Match A Good One!

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We had a fantastic turnout despite it still being a little on the warm side. It actually turned pleasant with a little cloud cover and a few sprinkles. Thirty-six shooters and five stages made this match a fun one. Scott Womack brought his big zero-turn mower and cut the grass in the bays and around the building the day before, while Bud Berthold and Cliff Cargill cleaned up in and around the building, and did a little weed-eating. After that, they placed many of the props out on the stages to make Sunday morning set-up easier.



It was good to see so many old friends and so many new ones too. Mike McArthur, Harlen Jones, Tom Bagan, brothers' Jacob and Todd Lancaster, John and Stephanie Atkins, Steve Crippen and David Dalton, and our Louisiana friends all came out to shoot with us this month.

The number of female and junior shooters is up, as well as the number of spectators. Loaner belt gear (for Glocks) that club President John Heiter ordered for Team Magnolia arrived just in time for the new shooters and was put to use Sunday. By the way, when you see John, give him a pat on the back because he does a great job keeping our club on track with the hard work he puts in, not to mention what he does for the state match.

In Junior semi-auto, Samantha Moorer was the only shooter and finished thirty-second, out of thirty-six shooters in the combined sort. Nice going Sammy!

In Revolver, Tommy Cabell continued his winning ways taking every single stage. Pat DeBerry locked down the second spot as Danny Warren continues to move forward in third.

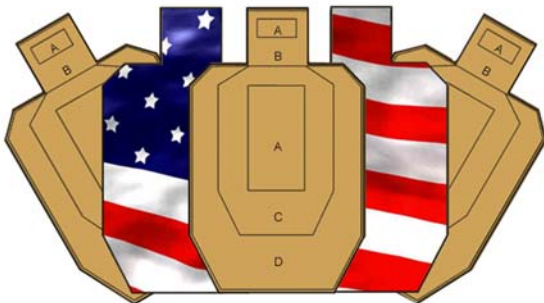
Open class was smoked by junior shooter Justin DuPont, who won all the stages in convincing fashion. Justin has become a real force in open. Steve Crippen was second, followed by David Dalton in third. Welcome to the club guys! Hope to see you again.

In Limited-10, Frank Farmer was at it again and came out on top winning four of the five stages. Mike McArthur barely edged out Todd Lancaster, an accomplished big bore silhouette pistol shooter. This was Todd's first IPSC match making his performance even more impressive. Hank Stern won a stage and finished the field out in fourth.

In Production division, Jim Davis was king of the hill, winning four of the five stages and pushing second place finisher Cliff Cargill down to 89%. Cliff had been shooting Revolver class since the state match in May and was no challenge to Jim only winning one stage. Mike Gilbreath is getting better and better each match. He had a great day scoring 70% as he stole the third spot from Scott Womack, who was right on his bumper the whole match. In addition to being good shooters, both of these guys are hard workers and have become an important part of the club in a very short time. Skip Brister was fifth shooting a Glock-19 carry gun with night sights. Tom Bagan stole the sixth spot, as Tim Ward locked down seventh. Jacob Lancaster fought ammo problems and wound up eighth. Look for Jacob to get that fixed and move back to the top of the field. Harlen Jones was back with us again and took ninth place. Good to see you again Harlen. New shooter Stephanie Atkins had gun problems on her first stage that made her hand-cycle every shot she fired. The recoil spring was changed, and she finished in tenth place ahead of her husband John Atkins. This was John and Stephanie's first USPSA match at Magnolia and they did great, working hard and shooting well. Thanks for being here and welcome to the club.

Limited Class was a runaway for Bryant Chaffin as the Louisiana boys had nothing for him on this day. He took all the stage wins while keeping second place Walter Latapie at 90%. Robert Konrady had an up and down day, not showing his usual self and had to settle for third. He picked up his new S&W 625 revolver from Glenn Whitfield, so you wheel-gunners better watch out! Matt Moorer had a good match and placed fourth, while Bud Berthold wasn't his normal self and had to settle for fifth. Leighton Dillard, who doesn't make it out often but always does well when he does, came in sixth. Richard Pittman found the front sight and placed in seventh. John Heiter took time away from his hard work in the stats office to take eighth, barely edging out Tim Frank in ninth. Amanda Moorer was High Lady and High Junior in tenth place. Brandon Moorer locked down eleventh over twelfth place new shooter Stephen Webb. Johnson Knox finished thirteenth, just ahead of brother Silas in fourteenth. A big thank you goes out to Matt Moorer for getting a car-load of junior shooters equipped and to the match, helping make Limited the largest division of the day.

Things are sure looking good for the club at Magnolia these days. Through the efforts of Cliff, Glenn, Matt, and others we've gotten some great new members recently who have really given the club a real shot in the arm. These guys bring a lot of great ideas, excitement, and a willingness to work hard to see things happen that is just what Magnolia needed. When you get down to it, there's just not that much to putting on matches. A dedicated handful of people can plan the match, set



up the stages, score it, tear it down, etc. all on their own... but those people will quickly burn out. Let's not let that happen. If everyone does a little, no one will have to do a lot. I encourage everyone to come to a shooter's meeting, draw up a stage or two, and ask John how you can contribute if you don't know. This club belongs to all of us and it will be as good or as bad as we make it.