

Match Points

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October Match A Real Challenge!!!

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The October match at Magnolia Rifle and pistol was good one! A classifier stage, a long range stage and three run and gun hozer specials. Thirty three shooters had a blast in this well balanced match that was a quest for speed....and, Oh My Gosh....ACCURACY. Unfortunately we had one disqualification from the match, Robbie Landry. Robbie is an experienced shooter, but IT can happen to anyone at any time. Robbie had an accidental discharge as he drew the gun from the holster on the very first stage. He didn't leave the range, but instead put his gear up as required by the rules and continued to help paste and set steel. That's what a true sportsman does, regardless of being DQ'd. BRAVO! Robbie.

Also, it seems we had plenty of help for set-up and tear-down, which is a good thing. You can thank match director John Heiter for that.

On to the match:

Open had two shooters with Justin Dupont taking the win over Mark Young.

In Limited 10 Matt Moorer won four out of five stages and wrapped up first place over Mike McArthur who also won a stage, Tim McArthur took the third spot.

In Revolver there were seven shooters! Wow! National champion Pat DeBerry and time traveler, Dan Miller had a knock-down, drag-out fight for the win all day long. Two stage wins for each of them at the end of the day, but Pat took the win. Dan shot a respectable match considering this was the first one he's shot this century. Do they still make Winchester 231 in the green cans where you came from Dan? Anyway... Danny Warren continues his climb to the top with a third place showing. Richard Pittman is about to get the hang of the "wheelie" in fourth. Tom Bagan was strong all day in fifth position, and won a stage. Nice going Tom! Rookie, Leah Ginn who gets better and better every match placed in sixth and Susan Griffith made her debut in pistol competition in seventh. She was safe throughout the day and had good runs all around. Welcome to the club Susan.

In Production, there were eight shooters with Louisiana's Jim Davis taking three stage wins and first place overall. Cliff Cargill had two stage wins, but couldn't find his rhythm

and had to settle for second. Cliff simply didn't have anything for Jim who was the class of the field. Mike Gilbreath had a super day taking third place. Mikes shooting has really improved over the last year. Carl Rutherford had a good day in fourth position as well. Carl makes a heck of a drive coming all the way from north Mississippi. Tim Ward took the fifth spot, with Nancy Klein right on his bumper in sixth. Harlen Jones had a good day taking seventh as Howard Adams finished the field out in eighth.

Limited was the biggest class of the day with thirteen shooters. Despite having an up and down day on some of the stages, Bryant Chaffin smoked the field in the final standings. Walter Latapie took second just ahead of Joel Senia who won two stages. Robert Konrady wasn't his usual self in the fourth spot. I hear he's picked up a wheel gun, so you guys may have a defector on your hands. Bill Klein won a stage and had some other strong runs taking the fifth spot. Jeff Carey had a good finish despite his sporadic shooting schedule taking sixth. Bud Berthold is still chasing that Master card in the seventh position. Hank Stern took the eighth spot in a cameo appearance in Limited. Brian Parker Looked strong in ninth as he was just ahead of Stephen Sprouse in tenth. Match Director, John Heiter finished in the eleventh spot sliding past Bill Cheney in twelfth. Steven Webb had a good day completing the field in thirteenth.

Sorry the newsletter was late guys and gals. Rumor has it that I am retiring at the end of this year. It's not a rumor, it's the truth. I must tend to my vast wealth, castles, fleet of private jets and harems...so....time has become an issue me. I've enjoyed doing this thing more than you know, but if you want to keep it going, step up and do your thing. Otherwise, just look for the results only to be emailed.



Your friend forever,

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