

# Match Points

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## TIM LOTT MEMORIAL MATCH

As John said when he sent out the match results, the weather could hardly have been better for our first Tim Lott Memorial Match. The 51 shooters we had was not only a new record for local match attendance, it actually surpassed the number of competitors that we had in our first MS State Championship back in 1996. For that match we only had 49!

Set up went really fast, since they were all classifiers, but it didn't hurt that we had lots of folks out there early to help with it. If we had that kind of help going every month, things would be a breeze. Let's keep it up!

Production ruled the day as we had 24 total in that division. Rodney May came down from teaching the SEALS how to shoot and put on an exhibition of how it is done, as he took the High Overall. He also was High Overall for the entire match, edging out our resident GM Bryant Chaffin by over 7%. Cliff Cargill came in second and 2<sup>nd</sup> Master Class. Mike Gilbreath took 1<sup>st</sup> C Class with a close win over Scott Womack with Danny Warren and Derek Flores coming in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. High Unclassified went to Jimmy Callender with a solid match that should see him starting out in C Class at the next match. Nancy Klein made it back to shoot with us and was 1<sup>st</sup> D Class. With this many Production shooters getting their initial classification, that should be one of the bigger divisions at the upcoming MS Classic next month.

In the Limited Division, there were 19 and as usual, Bryant Chaffin took an easy win despite stumbling a little on one stage. The battle for second place was a lot closer as Robbie Landry and Bud Berthold duked it out, but Robbie managed to pull it out with a 3 match point edge over Bud to take 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall and 1<sup>st</sup> B Class. Bill Klein was 2<sup>nd</sup> B Class and 5<sup>th</sup> Overall. Bud was third Overall and 1<sup>st</sup> A Class with Richard Pittman 4<sup>th</sup> Overall and 2<sup>nd</sup> A Class. Stephen Sprouse took 1<sup>st</sup> C Class and 7<sup>th</sup> Overall with Ms. Amanda Moorner taking a break from the textbooks to come in at 2<sup>nd</sup> C Class and 8<sup>th</sup> Overall. All that book learning must be putting a strain on her eyes. Brandon Moorner was 1<sup>st</sup> D Class and 15<sup>th</sup> Overall with Jeremy Carroll 2<sup>nd</sup> D Class and 17<sup>th</sup> Overall. With the son and the daughter doing so well, I don't think we will talk about how daddy did. He was just there. High Unclassified went to Eddie Morgan with a 6<sup>th</sup> Overall finish.

Limited-10 had only three shooters with Thomas Knight, Tom Duchmann, and Stephen

Hall going 1, 2, and 3.

Brett Hutchins was the only Single-Stack competitor.

Revolver Division had 4 shooters, but the battle was really between just the top two as Robert Konrady and Tommy Cabell shot it out to see who the best of the “real” shooters was. Robert managed to take a slim win over Tommie, edging him out by 2 ½ match points. Pat DeBerry and Tom Bagan were along for the ride.

After the match, Bryant Chaffin organized a man on man steel match. His write up of that match is attached below.

For those of you who are planning to shoot the MS Classic next month there will be two more opportunities to get a little competition trigger time in locally. The MS Revolver Association will be putting on an Outlaw Steel match on Saturday, April 12 and they will be having their monthly ICORE Match on Sunday April 20. You can practice all you want just shooting at a target on the range, but nothing helps like the pressure of competition.

If you are not planning to shoot the MS Classic, I strongly urge you to reconsider. This is one of the best matches in the country and there will be shooters from all over the south coming in to compete. For you new shooters, remember, you are shooting against the people in your class. There is no reason to be intimidated by the shooters in a higher class. They are not your competition! Besides that, it will be a lot of fun and you will get to see some great competition. There will be trophies and a random drawing prize table with guns, other shooting equipment and lots of fun prizes.

In other shooting news, the Southern Regional ICORE match in Thibodaux, LA was held last month and there was a large contingent of Jackson area shooters there making their presence felt. Cliff Cargill finished third Overall and won 1<sup>st</sup> B Class. Tommy Cabell was 5<sup>th</sup> Overall and 3<sup>rd</sup> B Class. Scott Womack was 2<sup>nd</sup> Unclassified. All who went had a great time and that range is the site of the 2008 Gator Classic in October. This is another great match and I’m sure Team Magnolia will be well represented there again.

That’s it for this month. Be sure and check for updates on the MS Classic at [www.teammagnolia.com](http://www.teammagnolia.com).

Hammer Down and Holster. The Range is clear.

## **Special Man on Man Report**

by Bryant Chaffin

Eighteen shooters stayed for an impromptu man-on-man tournament and when the smoke cleared, Scott Melgar defeated Tom Duchmann to claim the top spot. Congrats to both Scott and Tom for weeding their way through a tough field.

For those that stayed, I hope you enjoyed the man-on-man competition and the "system" used. If you didn't care for it, I take the blame. If you liked it, I give all of the credit to others, as it mostly evolved out of what I could remember from the folks at the Missouri Fall Classic. Is it perfect? No. However, considering that four different divisions were still represented after half the field was gone, the top 5 included one Unclassified, one C, two B's, and a GM, and the final was an Unclassified against a C, I think it worked pretty well. Maybe we'll get a chance to try it again soon (with or without some minor tweaks).

For those that chose to leave, I think most would say you missed out on a good time, but sometimes that's the way it goes. Maybe next time. Hope to see you all at the 2008 MS Classic in May.