

Parker County Sportsman Club January 2023 Pistol Match

The Texas weather cooperated with us this month for an on-time pistol match! Fourteen of Texas' best pistol shooters showed up to put their skills on display. While that might be a bit tongue in cheek, we did have several new shooters join the regular set of competitors and these "newbies" truly did have marksmanship skills, which they demonstrated by their performance this month.



Fourteen Shooters Came for the Fun at the January Match



Getting Ready for the Match



Putting on Shooting Gear

Stage 1 - 3: The Same Gun

For stages 1 through 3, each shooter used the same gun for String 1. The shooter used his own competition gun for String 2 on the stage. We collected score and time on each individual string. This would then allow each competitor to directly evaluate his performance using a new, potentially unfamiliar gun against the standard gun used for competition.

Another new element was introduced in this match - a new type of target - a striped target. This one was a "concealment only" target, i.e., to obscure the shooter's view of the target. The shooter was allowed to shoot through it. And, in fact, the shooter needed to due to where the target's designated hit areas were located.

These were the "one guns" used:

- Stage 1: Smith & Wesson 686-6 chambered for .357. This revolver held 7 rounds.
- Stage 2: CZ Scorpion Pistol Caliber Carbine chambered in 9 mm.
- Stage 3: Beretta 92FS chambered in 9 mm.

Because the revolver was limited to seven rounds, that round count was made consistent for each of the three stages' strings so that direct comparison could be made easily. Every string was started from the low ready in order to take the holster draw/other manipulation to get the gun out and on target out of the equation.

*** Special thank you to Bob Barnes for donating five boxes of .38 SPL wadcutters used for the revolver on Stage 1. ***

Stage 4: IT'S ALL YOU NOW

Stage 4 was the IT'S ALL YOU NOW stage. The "one gun" stuff was put away. Load magazines to capacity, shots unlimited, reloads allowed. Put 24 rounds minimum on the 4 targets, but avoid the No Shoots and ignore the Concealment Targets.

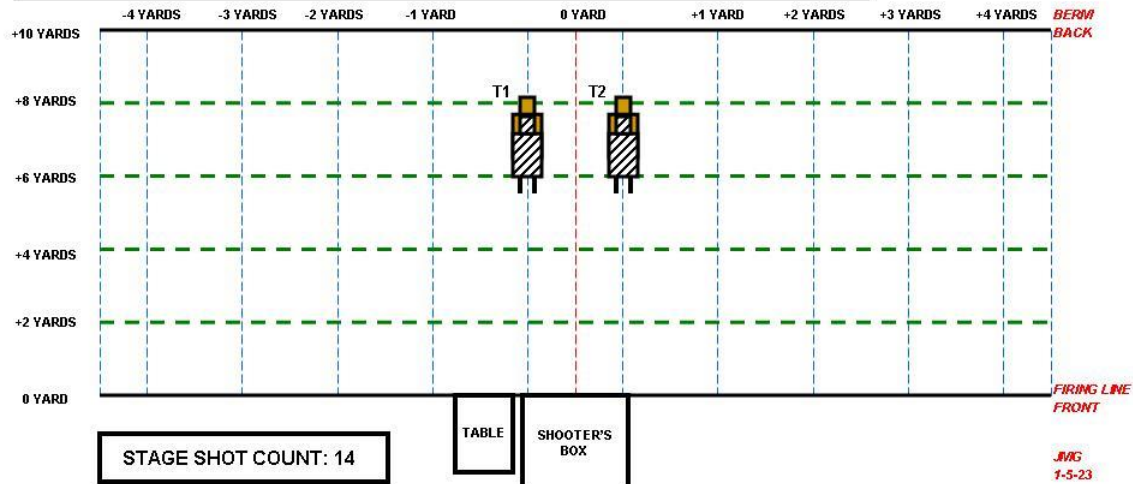
STAGE 1: THE SAME GUN - REVOLVER

COURSE OF FIRE:

- TWO STRINGS. STRING 1 USING PROVIDED "SAME GUN - REVOLVER." STRING 2 USING SHOOTER'S OWN GUN.
- SHOTS LIMITED TO SEVEN (7) ROUNDS PER STRING. RSO WILL LOAD PROVIDED GUN. SHOOTER WILL LOAD OWN MAGAZINE WITH 7 ROUNDS.
- STRING 1: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH PROVIDED REVOLVER, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T1 WITH 4 TO BODY AND 3 TO HEAD.
- STRING 2: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH SHOOTER'S GUN, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T2 WITH 4 TO BODY AND 3 TO HEAD.

NOTES:

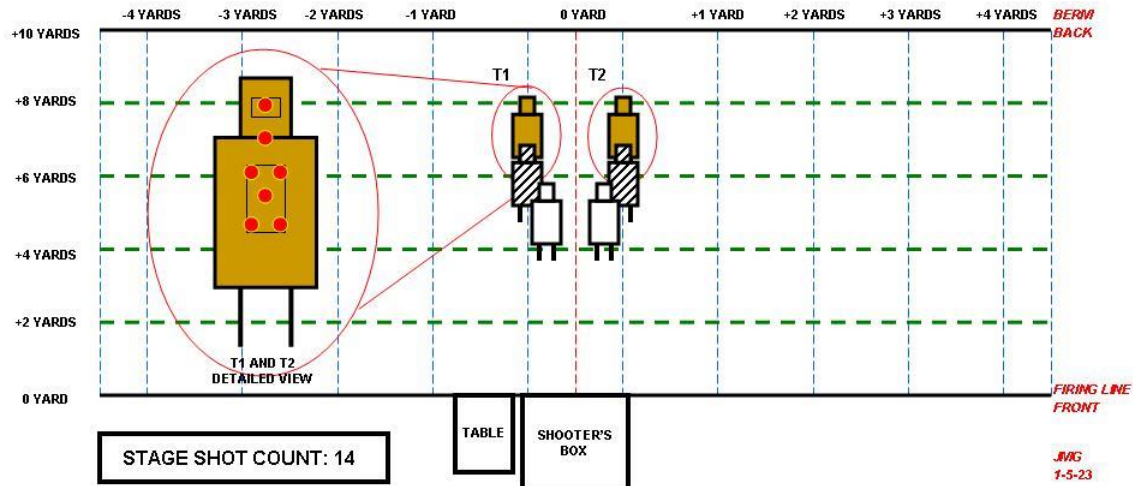
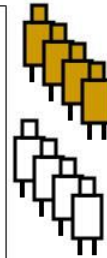
- STRIPED TARGETS STANDING IN FRONT OF T1 AND T2 PROVIDE CONCEALMENT, NOT COVER TO T1 AND T2. NO PENALTY FOR SHOOTING THRU CONCEALMENT TARGETS.



Stage 1 Layout

STAGE 2: THE SAME GUN – CZ SCORPION PCC

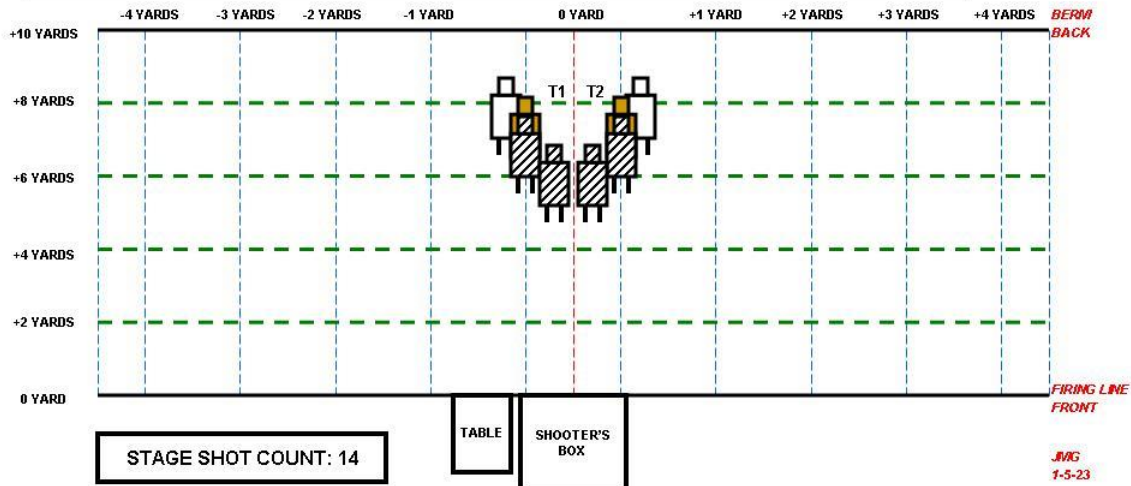
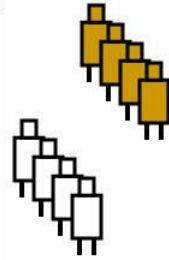
- COURSE OF FIRE:
- TWO STRINGS. STRING 1 USING PROVIDED "SAME GUN – SCORPION PCC." STRING 2 USING SHOOTER'S OWN GUN.
- SHOTS LIMITED TO SEVEN (7) ROUNDS PER STRING. RSO WILL LOAD PROVIDED GUN. SHOOTER WILL LOAD OWN MAGAZINE WITH 7 ROUNDS.
- STRING 1: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH PROVIDED GUN, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T1 WITH 1 ROUND IN EACH INDICATED SPOT.
- STRING 2: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH SHOOTER'S GUN, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T2 WITH 1 ROUND IN EACH INDICATED SPOT
- NOTES:
- STRIPED TARGETS STANDING IN FRONT OF T1 AND T2 PROVIDE CONCEALMENT, NOT COVER TO T1 AND T2. NO PENALTY FOR SHOOTING THRU CONCEALMENT TARGETS. WHITE NO SHOOT TARGETS DO INCUR PENALTIES.



Stage 2 Layout

STAGE 3: THE SAME GUN – BERETTA M9

- COURSE OF FIRE:
- TWO STRINGS. STRING 1 USING PROVIDED "SAME GUN – BERETTA M9." STRING 2 USING SHOOTER'S OWN GUN.
- SHOTS LIMITED TO SEVEN (7) ROUNDS PER STRING. RSO WILL LOAD PROVIDED GUN. SHOOTER WILL LOAD OWN MAGAZINE WITH 7 ROUNDS.
- STRING 1: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH PROVIDED GUN, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T1 WITH 7 ROUNDS.
- STRING 2: STARTING AT LOW READY WITH SHOOTER'S GUN, AT BUZZER, SHOOT T2 WITH 7 ROUNDS.
- NOTES:
- STRIPED TARGETS STANDING IN FRONT OF T1 AND T2 PROVIDE CONCEALMENT, NOT COVER TO T1 AND T2. NO PENALTY FOR SHOOTING THRU CONCEALMENT TARGETS. WHITE NO SHOOT TARGETS DO INCUR PENALTIES.



Stage 3 Layout

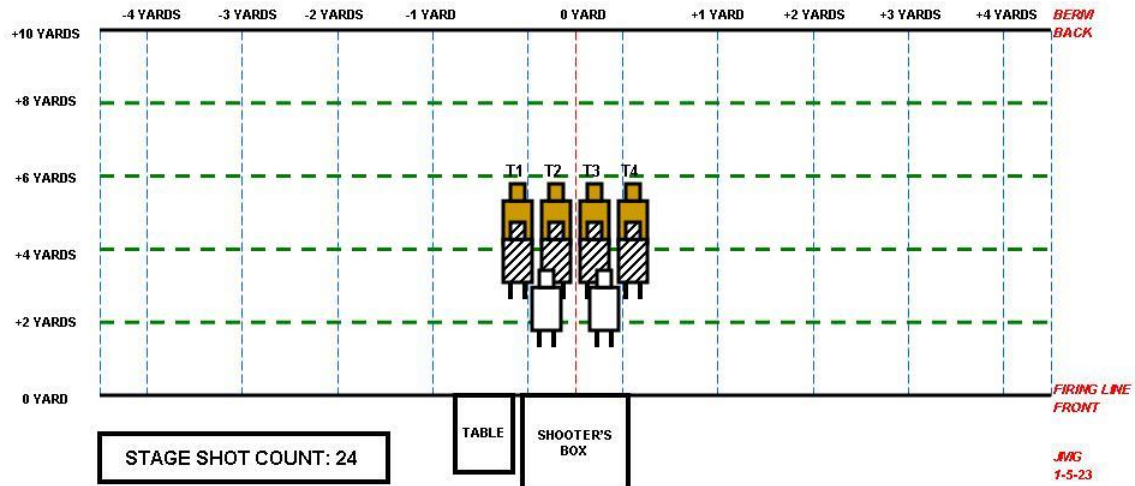
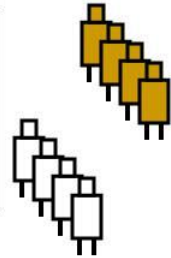
STAGE 4: IT'S ALL YOU NOW

COURSE OF FIRE:

- LOAD MAGAZINES TO CAPACITY. SHOTS UNLIMITED. RELOADS ALLOWED.
- STARTING AT LOW READY, AT BUZZER, SHOOT IN ANY ORDER, T1 THRU T4 WITH 6 ROUNDS.

SCORING:

- STRIPED TARGETS PROVIDE CONCEALMENT, NOT COVER. NO PENALTY FOR SHOOTING THRU CONCEALMENT TARGETS.
- WHITE NO SHOOT TARGETS INCUR STANDARD PENALTIES.



Stage 4 Layout



*Pasting the Holes In The Targets.
But The Concealment Target Sure Appears A Bit Worse For Wear.*



Chuck Garrett Checking Out Target Placement On Stage 2



The Line Is Cold. Go Forward And Score.

At the end of this match, with the separate string times, targets and scoring, each competitor experienced using a new gun type and was provided the comparison of his performance using that new gun against everyone else's performance using that same gun and against himself using his own competition gun.



Filing Into The Clubhouse For The Post Match Debrief

Tallying The Fun

We all do this for fun. But it's also fun to win the bragging rights for the month. Here's how everyone did for this month's match.

OVERALL

Overall Place	Name	Hit Points/Second
1	VARLEY, THOMAS	8.257
2	ROWE, EVAN	7.096
3	ROBERTSON, RON	6.851
4	BEHL, JASON	5.258
5	GROCE, JAMES	4.392
6	CARABAL, HECTOR	4.185
7	HARMS, RONNIE	3.886
8	GOOCH, STEVEN	3.466
9	JUNGERS, BOB	3.215
10	ADAMSON, JIM	3.143
11	GERMANN, SARA	2.999
12	TENSETH, TOM	2.980
13	ADAIR, JP	2.834
14	KITTS, JON	2.182

Bragging rights for this month's match go to Thomas Varley. Well done, Thomas!

We score using hit points per second, which is the number of points from the shooter's hits on the stage's targets divided by the amount of time used by the shooter for the stage. Our scoring is a bit simpler than the standard used by USPSA or IPSC in Practiscore, which also accounts for gun caliber with major and minor power factors and "grading on a curve" for distribution of the stage's points to the group of shooters. Confusing point made clearer, we try to keep it simple.

And with that, let's look at the shooters and their scores (in hit factor) for the individual stages.

FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD BY STRING AND OVERALL

	TOTAL OVERALL	Stage 1 String 1	Stage 1 String 2	Stage 2 String 1	Stage 2 String 2	Stage 3 String 1	Stage 3 String 2	Stage 4
ADAMS, JF	2.834	3.717	3.021	4.105	2.531	-3.072	4.135	3.180
ADAMS, JIM	3.143	4.339	0.077	3.050	1.202	-10.000	9.804	3.204
BEHL, JASON	5.250	5.056	5.381	5.869	4.415	5.025	10.453	4.580
CARRILL, HECTOR	4.185	2.957	6.200	2.778	4.569	0.387	7.338	4.483
GERMANN, SARA	2.969	2.110	3.939	3.324	2.104	4.508	4.219	2.058
GROCE, JAMES	4.392	2.811	4.223	2.079	2.933	5.108	10.417	4.880
GOOCH, STEVEN	3.400	2.730	2.311	2.144	1.459	3.099	0.379	5.513
HAMM, RONNIE	3.880	2.857	2.584	2.072	2.003	4.502	8.209	4.997
JUNGERS, BOB	3.215	2.584	5.058	2.530	2.024	5.189	0.023	2.739
KRITS, JON	2.182	4.420	0.000	0.590	1.908	2.271	2.050	2.075
ROBERTSON, RON	6.851	4.040	5.758	8.140	3.000	4.739	9.396	10.679
ROWE, EVAN	7.096	5.021	7.212	4.514	4.963	8.483	11.667	7.710
TENSETH, TOM	2.980	1.481	5.401	1.901	2.119	6.613	0.079	2.007
VARLEY, THOMAS	8.257	5.657	6.796	6.135	6.567	10.938	13.725	9.839
		FIRST	SECOND	THIRD				

For additional pictures and videos from this match, use this link:

[PCSC Pistol Match - JAN 2023](#)



Overhead Picture From Briley Hick's Drone At The December 2022 Pistol Match

New Shooters

Have you been thinking of coming out to try a pistol match but aren't sure about it because.....you haven't done such a thing before, or you're not sure how it all works, or you don't know what you need to participate in a match, or it's just scary?

Here are the guidelines we use for the matches to give you an idea about all that scary stuff. So, no more excuses!

Guidelines:

If you've competed in IDPA or IPSC, then you'll be quite familiar with the equipment requirements and rules we adhere to for the PCSC pistol matches. No cover garment, like IDPA would need, is required. And no concealed carry guns on your person during the match.

- Any caliber handgun is permitted, as long as it's within the PCSC rules for use at the range. Most people compete with semi-auto handguns chambered for either 9 mm, .40 caliber, or .45 caliber. Iron sights or red dot sight is allowed.

- A semi-auto handgun is the normal handgun used at the match. However, nothing precludes use of a revolver.

- You will need the following gear:

- a. the handgun, semi-auto or revolver
- b. at least 2 spare magazines, or, in the case for revolvers, spare speed loaders
- c. a sturdy belt to keep your holster in place and aligned with your body
- d. a holster that fits your gun, that covers the gun trigger and trigger guard, and is oriented on your belt so that it is basically pointing straight down (no FBI cant). A friction fit kydex holster is the most common and works well.
- e. magazine (or speedloader) pouches, usually 2, mounted on your belt
- f. a gun bag (or gun "rug") that fully encases the gun
- g. standard shooting protective gear - eye protection, ear protection

We use the standard range officer commands you'd hear at a IDPA match, i.e., "you may now load and make ready," "shooter do you understand the course of fire," "give me a nod when ready," "shooter, if you are done, unload and show clear," "slide down....hammer down....holster."

To start the first string for each individual shooter at the match, the competitor will come to the firing line with his gun bag containing his unloaded handgun, stand in the shooter's box (where the course of fire will be shot from), then the range safety officer will call the line "hot" and instruct the competitor to uncase his handgun and prepare for shooting that stage. While standing in the box, the shooter will then open the bag and align the bag so that the gun is pointed downrange before removing it from the bag. Down range means that the muzzle is parallel to the ground and pointed at the berm.

You can load magazines and put the spare magazines in the pouches on your belt while you're away from the firing line.

Note that the only time that the gun may be holstered, unholstered, or handled in any way is while the competitor is standing in the shooter's box.

On the final stage course of fire (and we usually have 4 stages), the competitor will once more bring his gun bag with him to the firing line. Upon completing the course of fire and clearing the gun, the range safety officer will then direct the competitor to place the gun in the gun bag as the final command.

At the end of the match, we will collect the spent brass and return it to those who want it.

Those are the guidelines. A few other item we will cover during the match pre-briefing:

Who will be doing what

- Range Safety Officer (RSO)
- Score keeper

- Who is responsible for medical, Where the med kit is located, and What the med kit contains (tourniquet, etc.)

The 4 firearms rules

- All guns are always loaded
- Never point a gun at anything you're not willing to destroy
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you're on target and ready to shoot
- Know your target and what's around it

Match actions

- The guidelines for how the match is run and the match RSO commands
- Don't break the 180
- Keep the muzzle pointed down range at all times, even during loading, reloading and end of stage actions
- Use your workspace for gun actions
- If you drop a magazine, leave it there
- If you drop a gun, then you're DQ'ed for the match
- **If you see something (unsafe practice) - say something - RIGHT THEN**
- Anyone can call a ceasefire
- Ceasefire command and hand signal
- Stage setup and teardown, all expected to assist
- Pasting targets after a shooter completes a stage, all expected to assist
- How scoring works

Post match actions

- After action review - what everyone liked/didn't like, stuff to improve on, ideas for future matches
- Where to find scores and any pix/videos
- Separate and distribute spent brass
- Donations can - you don't have to contribute, but if you do then \$5 to \$10 is the usual amount. This money goes back to the club and covers consumables (targets, pasters) and other items (stands, moving targets, etc.)