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Team EOTAC's Vogel Repeats As S&W Indoor Top Gun

WEST COLUMBIA, South Carolina - Team EOTAC's Robert Vogel won the Enhanced Service Pistol title while posting the top overall score at the 2009 Smith & Wesson IPDA Indoor Nationals held February 19-21 in Springfield, Massachusetts, at the Smith & Wesson Shooting Sports Center.



Vogel, who is a law enforcement officer in Wapakoneta, Ohio, won three of the 13 stages on his way to posting a final score of 150.72 and narrowly edging out Team Glock's Dave Sevigny, winner of the Stock Service Pistol title, by just 1.14 points. It is the second year in a row Vogel has finished ahead of Sevigny for the top score in the match.

"This was a great match thanks to the people at Smith & Wesson and another tough battle between me and Dave. I shot real solid early on going neck and neck with him into the final stages which neither of us shot very well. Fortunately I was lucky enough to come out a little over a second ahead to take the overall title," said Vogel who won the Stock Service Pistol division title in 2008.

"At Smith & Wesson we pride ourselves on our commitment to the shooting sports and our IPDA Indoor Nationals serve as a kick-off to the shooting season. I cannot think of a better kick-off than a head-to-head race between two great shooters. Our congratulations go to Bob Vogel on another fantastic victory and we look forward to seeing him back again next year when he goes for the three-peat," said Julie Golob of Smith & Wesson.

The Smith & Wesson IPDA Indoor Nationals is one of the more popular matches on the IDPA schedule and this year drew over 230 top shooters from around the country, including Vogel's fellow Team EOTAC teammates Tom Yost and Mark Redl.

Both competed in the highly competitive SSP division. Yost, who serves as team captain for EOTAC, finished third behind Sevigny with a score of 205.92 capturing 2nd Master honors and placing tenth overall.

"This was a great match with outstanding courses of fire," said Yost. "What makes this match really stand out is the level of commitment from the factory. Smith & Wesson rolls out the red carpet to welcome shooters and help build the shooting sports."

Redl, who finished 15th overall, ended the match six spots out of first to secure 5th Master with a score of 214.11.

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