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**Federal Ammunition sponsored shooters claim World ISSF Skeet Championships**

**ANOKA, Minnesota – August 21, 2023 –** Federal Ammunition congratulates sponsored shooters Vincent Hancock and Austen Smith on capturing the ISSF Mixed Team Skeet World Championship in Baku, Azerbaijan on Sunday, August 20, 2023.

3-time Olympic Champion Vincent Hancock paired with fellow Olympian Austen Smith defeated a team from the Ukraine in the Mixed Team Skeet finals. The dynamic duo is having a great summer teamed together as they earned a World Cup Mixed Team Skeet gold medal in Lonato, Italy back in July. “Another great international performance by Vincent and Austen,” says Jason Nash, Federal’s Vice President of Marketing. “These two make a great pairing and Federal Ammunition is proud of their summer of successes.”

Hancock and Smith also helped the United States bring home team titles in Skeet Men’s Team and Skeet Women’s Team events. Smith, along with Dania Vizzi and Samantha Simonton, defeated Italy to claim the top podium spot. On the men’s side, Hancock, anchoring the American team, along with Christian Elliot and Dustan Taylor defeated Team Greece for the World Title.

Both shooters competed in the individual championships, but both fell just a few targets short of placing. Hancock finished fourth in the Men’s Skeet and Smith finished fifth in the Women’s Skeet competition. “I was first going into the final, but a few misses early landed me 4th in the individual competition. Thankfully, I was able to compete very well in the other two events and am bringing home two Gold Medals,” says Vincent Hancock, a 3-time Olympic Men’s Skeet Champion.

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