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**Federal Ammunition Sponsored Shooters Austen Smith and Vincent Hancock Win Gold in Italy**

**ANOKA, Minnesota – July 18, 2023 –** Federal Ammunition sponsored shooters Austen Smith and Vincent Hancock won Gold in Skeet Mixed Team at the 2023 International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup competition, held in Lonato, Italy 8-17, 2023. Team USA defeated a team from Chile in the gold medal match on Thursday, July 13.

“Austen and Vincent have set the bar for international skeet shooting in our country and are excellent representatives for the U.S.A.,” said Federal Ammunition’s Vice President of Marketing Jason Nash. “We are happy and excited to see them reach the top of the podium at this major event. Their accomplishments reflect their talent and dedication. They are a great fit for Team Federal.”

The medals won at this match add to an already accomplished-filled 2023 shooting season for Hancock, a three-time Olympic gold medalist, and Smith, a 2022 World Champion and Olympian. Hancock, a Georgia native and Smith, a native of Keller, Texas, earned the 2023 USA Shooting National Skeet Championship Men’s and Women’s titles earlier this year at Hillsdale College in Michigan.

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**About Federal Ammunition**

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