# NRA LAW ENFORCEMENT QUARTERLY



## The National Police Shooting Championships

Almost 600 law enforcement officers from as far east as Germany and as far south as Venezuela gathered at Albuquerque's Shooting Range Park for the NRA's National Police Shooting Championships. Held in September, the National Police Shooting Championships (NPSC) test the training and marksmanship of police officers, private security, military police and a host of other professionals working in the law enforcement field.

Robert Vadasz completed the 3000 aggregate on top. This gives Robert his 4th Championship ring.

More impressive is the fact that Robert Vadasz also won the NRA Grand Aggregate. This match recognizes the competitor who has shot every match in the Championships, including the Shotgun Championship, and was the top shot overall!

Gina Hernandez has taken the title as the female 3000 aggregate champion, with Judy Ragsdale winning the NRA Grand Aggregate.

#### **Tactical Police Competition**

Tactical Police Competition (TPC) requires a different set of shooting skills. Decision-making, speed, agility and marksmanship are all put to the test.

Relying on a multi-gun format, competitors face real-life scenarios. These scenarios range from liquor store hold ups to traffic stops gone bad or a bank robbery in progress. When the buzzer sounds – they're off.

Shooters are charged with clearing the course of any and all threats in the shortest amount of time. Relying on duty handguns, shotguns or rifles, they peer around corners, go through doors and dive under cars.

"Trigger time is training time," said Law Enforcement Competitions Manager Marc Lipp. "The only other place where they'll experience this level of stress and adrenaline is on the streets. Hopefully they'll have a good time and learn a few things."

#### Stock Semi-Auto reigns supreme

That's why the most popular match of the Championships is Stock Semi-Auto. It's the firearm everyone has, the firearm they carry on duty and the firearm they know the best.

"We started fifty years ago with officers shooting their duty guns in our first Championship," said Glen Hoyer, Director of the NRA Law Enforcement Division. "Here we are fifty years later, and the number one entered match for the fifth year in a row is the stock semi-auto, which is the same gun they carry in their duty holster. So we've come full circle."

They might not be the flashiest guns on the block, but years of dependable service have proven that semi-autos are vital tools for any officer in the field. Out of the 375 competitors who entered the match, it was U.S. Border Patrol Agent Kevin Worrell who found the Stock Semi-Auto quite vital. Posting a practically perfect score, he won the match by a single X. Robert Vadasz, however, was only a point behind.

#### **Making the Championships possible**

Albuquerque's Shooting Range Park has more than 100 firing points. But with almost six hundred competitors scheduled to take the field, even the Shooting Range Park cannot accommodate the entire group all at once. That means there's going to be some downtime. Competitors take advantage of this downtime in a number of ways.

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For the fifth year in a row at the National Police Shooting Championships, the most popular event was the Stock Semi-Automatic Match. The second most popular event was the Shotgun match.



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There's always maintenance to be done: cleaning the gun, adjusting the sight. If they don't have the equipment to do it themselves, there's always Vendor Row.

"Our vendors are here to show off their products and service the competitors," explained Hoyer. "It's easy to get lost in firearms and gear."

As well as the sales tend to go, some vendors are there for more than commerce. Regular attendees such as Remington Law Enforcement, FNH USA, Smith & Wesson, Brownells and S.O.G. also provide sponsorship for the Championships – a vital aspect of any sporting event.

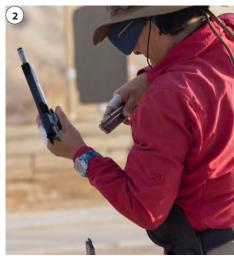
"The generosity of our sponsors makes the prize table possible," said Hoyer. "Each year we work on providing more and more guns, gear and gift cards for our winners. To paraphrase an old quote, 'They come for the competition, but they stay for the prizes."

The National Police Shooting Championships were first held on the campus of Indiana University back in 1962. Fifty years later, under the Albuquerque sun, it has grown and adapted with the times. Thanks to the support of the competitors, the City, the sponsors and the Albuquerque Police Department, NPSC has become the most prestigious law enforcement competition in the world.





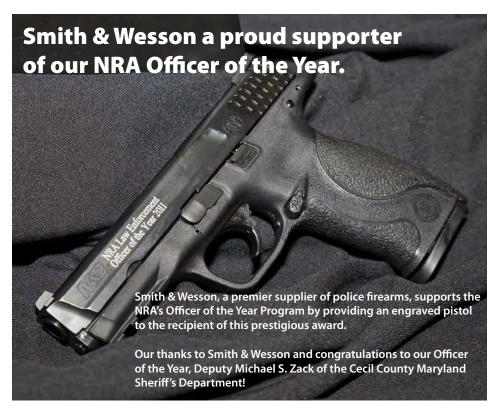


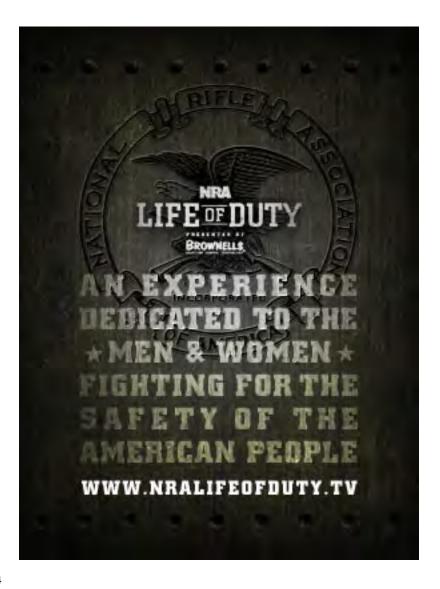












# NPSC Tactical Police Competition



The Tactical Police Competition continues to grow as the competition is not only fun, but the scenarios mirror modern day law enforcement training.

This year was another exciting time for the Tactical Police Competition Multi-gun event, as we saw its numbers continue to grow. We had over 120 competitors for the two-day competition. What is fast becoming an event that is synonymous with the National Police Shooting Championships, this competition brings in competitors from all across the United States.

#### **Patrol Division**

- David Seely, Immigration & Customs Enforcement DHS
- 2. Ting Sun, McKinney Texas Police Department
- 3. John Gregory, U.S. Border Patrol

#### **Tactical Division**

- . Jerry Tuscano, Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Ohio
- 2. Mark Miller, U.S. Border Patrol
- 3. Benito Martinez, Albuquerque New Mexico Police Department



## **HONORING OUR FALLEN HEROES**

Recently I found out that David Putnam, a retired detective from the San Antonio Police Department, operates a jewelry store and makes custom charms, badge charms, badge necklaces, rings and other jewelry items. To honor our fallen heroes, Dave has taken it upon himself to make a badge pendant for the survivor of a fallen officer and send it to them immediately and free of charge.

Although Dave has not asked for recognition, when we at NRA Law Enforcement heard of this we felt it was necessary to recognize Dave's outstanding contribution.

Please take a moment and visit his web site at www.sadiamonds.com.

Also, we are gauging interest to see how many may want the NRA's Law Enforcement Division (LED) logo as a necklace pendant (gold or silver). If you would like to have an LED logo pendant, please send us an e-mail at LE@nrahq.org and put in the subject line "NRA LE Necklace." If we find there is enough interest, we will set up a way to order them.



## C.O.P.S. Christmas Ornaments Are Now Available



Each year, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) benefits greatly from the financial donations and sponsorships of private individuals, corporate donors and law enforcement agencies. We thank the Law Enforcement Division of the NRA for your annual contributions. Your contributions have helped make it possible to maintain and look to increase the services and programs C.O.P.S. offers to survivors and law enforcement agencies.

During this giving time of the year, C.O.P.S. would like you to consider making a heartfelt gift in memory of an officer lost in the line of duty or in tribute to those from your state to help them carry out their mission—a mission that we hope has helped your agency and more than likely a family in your area.

With a contribution of \$100 or more, you will receive a beautiful ornament that can be engraved with an officer's name and End of Watch. If your contribution is received at the C.O.P.S. National office by December 7th, we will make sure you receive the ornament in time to hang it on your tree this year. An ornament will be placed on the tree in the C.O.P.S. National Office for every donation received.

We want you to know how grateful we are to have had the opportunity to provide programs, services and resources to the

families of America's fallen law enforcement heroes. The stories of struggle and the hope that has been found through C.O.P.S. have touched us greatly. As we enter 2013, we can assure you that the National Office Staff and National Board of Directors are committed to C.O.P.S.' mission, to each survivors' personal journey of hope, and to the nearly 30,000 survivors that we call family.

We ask that you consider this request to make a contribution and to be as generous as possible so that C.O.P.S. can continue to meet the ever-increasing needs that are reflected in the growing number of survivors. If you and your agency are unable to contribute we hope that you will help us spread the word about Concerns of Police Survivors to your employees, coworkers and family.

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Nov 26-30	Humble, TX	Dec 3-7	Franklin, TN	Mar 11-15	San Antonio, TX	
Dec 10-14	San Antonio, TX	Jan 14-18	San Antonio, TX	Mar 25-29	Florence, AL	
Jan 14-18	Folkston, GA	Mar 11-15	Florence, AL	May 6-10	Mexico, MO	
Jan 28-Feb 1	Mesa, AZ	Mar 18-22	Palm Bay, FL	June 3-7	Henryetta, OK	
Feb 11-15	Tupelo, MS	Apr 8-12	Columbus, GA	Sep 30-Oct 4	Littleton, CO	
Feb 25-Mar 1	Florence, AL	Apr 8-12	Henryetta, OK			
Mar 4-8	Henryetta, OK	Apr 22-26	Bethlehem, PA	<b>TACTICAL SHOOTING</b>		
Mar 18-22	Summerville, SC	May 13-17	Littleton, CO	Feb 11-15	San Antonio, TX	
Apr 1-5	San Diego, CA	May 20-24	Garden Plain, KS	Apr 15-19	Bethlehem, PA	
Apr 8-12	Bethlehem, PA	Jul 15-19	Smithton, PA	Apr 15-19	Florence, AL	
Apr 15-19	Garden Plain, KS	Sep 30-Oct 4	Summerville, SC	Jun 17-21	Elizabethtown, PA	
May 6-10	Smithton, PA	Oct 7-11	Florence, AL	Aug 19-23	Littleton, CO	
May 13-17	Gunnison, CO	Oct 7-11	Garden Plain, KS	Sep 9-13	Tupelo, MS	
June 24-28	Mexico, MO			Sep 16-20	Smithton, PA	
Sep 9-13	Bethlehem, PA	PRECISION RIFLE		Sep 23-27	Marana, AZ	
Sep 16-20	Garden Plain, KS	Oct 22-26	Langhorne, PA	Sep 30-Oct 4	Bethlehem, PA	
Sep 23-27	Alton, VA	Oct 29-Nov 2	Las Vegas, NV (public LE)	Oct 28-Nov 1	Summerville, SC	
Sep 23-27	Canton, MI	Nov 12-16	Pearl, MS	Nov 4-8	Florence, AL	
Sep 23-27	Florence, AL	Dec 3-7	Garden Plain, KS			
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	<u>HANDGUN</u>	Sep 30-Oct 4	Henryetta, OK	Nov 26-30	Las Vegas, NV (public LE)	
Dec 3-7	Deland, FL	Oct 21-25	Florence, AL	Jun 10-14	Smithton, PA	
Apr 8-12	Marana, AZ	Dec 2-6	Garden Plain, KS	Jun 24-28	Alamosa, CO	
Apr 22-26	Littleton, CO			Sep 23-27	Bethlehem, PA	
June 3-7	St Petersburg, FL					

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