

Tom Carpenter Battles To a First Place Finish in Carolina Cup

The Carolina Cup is always a hotly contested battle. Take the toughest competitive shooters in the United States, add to that very challenging, well designed stages and the talent it takes to showcase all of your IDPA skills, and you have some idea of how arduous this contest is on its own merits. When you add oppressive heat, well into the 90's, and a humidity level to match you quickly understand why the Carolina Cup is considered by many to be second only to the Nationals.

Tom Carpenter, a MGM sponsored shooter pictured at the Carolina Cup, survived the task to claim victory in the CDP division holding off Mark Redl in the final tallies. Despite the overbearing heat and challenging demands of the stages Tom performed outstandingly with a time that was ten seconds ahead of Mark. Tom, who is a well respected competitor in USPSA, IDPA, NFA, and 3-gun events stated, "The stages were, in addition to being challenging, were well thought out and tested all of my IDPA skills. The SO's were as good as I have ever seen. Tom was also happy to state, "Without the fantastic equipment from supporters like MGM, successes like this would not be possible."

Tom and Mark Redl are both members of team EOTAC so they are very familiar with each other's skills and competitiveness. The highest level of skills necessary for any IDPA event were on display at the event held in Oxford, VA as Tom and Mark battled their way to the first and second place finishes in the CDP division. Tom, who is a very accomplished shooter, has won numerous championships and continues to be a top contender in venues throughout the country. He maintains Grand Master classifications in USPSA practical shooting as well as being an IDPA 5-Gun Master. Tom has nearly twenty years of competition experience along with the resulting skills. Tom has developed a unique perspective regarding small arms of all types. His preference for handgun, which he used at the match, is a STI model 2011.

MGM Targets is always proud when one of its shooters performs well and is happy when one of them can garner the victor's trophy.

