

## **Tom Yost Steps Down As IDPA Area Coordinator for New England**

Tom Yost has never missed an IDPA Nationals. He created Smith & Wesson's IDPA Winter/Indoor National Championship and the Back Up Gun National. He has tirelessly promoted IDPA since the day he competed in the Columbia Invitational, winning ESP of course. And he's generously served as one of IDPA's Area Coordinators, and the first and only AC for the Northeast, for the last 20 years.

Few people have had as much impact on the continued growth of IDPA as Tom Yost. Which is why he's in such high demand within the broader firearms industry where Tom's experience, product knowledge and shooting sports expertise are highly regarded.

Unfortunately for IDPA, Tom's time as an Area Coordinator is coming to a close on January 10 of this year. His expanding workload within the industry, including his role at Sig Sauer, where he manages their shooting team and shooting sports sponsorship efforts for the firearms maker, means Tom will be stepping down as the Northeast's official IDPA representative.

In addition to his role with Sig, Tom is also a board member for the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation, the largest youth shooting sports program in the country which introduces thousands of young men and women to the shooting sports. He works closely with Honored American Veterans Afield to help veterans get back into the great outdoor sports of hunting and shooting. And he has been a leading voice in support of the Aiming For Zero program which raises funds to combat the high suicide rate among our veterans.

The Northeast region of IDPA has long benefited from Tom's leadership and his ability to work hand-in-hand with both clubs and sponsors. The region will continue to build upon its industry relationships as Tom remains a key liaison between our sport and the firearms industry.

As for his duties as Area Coordinator, Tom will be handing over those to two of IDPA's most active and accomplished members. Paul Jones, AC for Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, will add New York to his portfolio of states, while Jon Wolfe will assume the AC duties for Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont.