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Team Safariland's Rob Leatham Hits Impressive Performances with Safariland ELS Rig at Two Western State Championships

ONTARIO, California – Safariland congratulates Team Safariland Rob Leatham and fellow members for their outstanding performances at the 2014 Western States Revolver Championship (WSRC) and Western States Single Stack Championship (WSSSC) held March 7 through 9 in Mesa, Arizona. Rob Leatham took top honors again in the Revolver event at the WSRC and, with just seven points out, landed in 2nd place, at the WSSC with his Safariland® ELS Competition rig.

Rob, the defending 2013 WSRC Champion, shot a solid match, incurring only one penalty at the WSRC with his 5188 concealment holster. "Safariland's concealment holsters are just as fast as a holster designed specifically for competition. Being predominantly a semi-automatic pistol shooter, the transition to revolver division can be challenging," said Rob Leatham. "The Safariland USPSA Kit makes it possible to get the grip angle extremely close to my semi-auto positioning, which allows a very neutral wrist position at the start of the draw."

When the Revolver match was complete, Rob quickly changed to his Safariland ELS 1911 Single Stack gear. He shot for two days, penalty free, neck and neck with defending champ, Nils Jonasson. When the dust settled and scores were tabulated, Rob described the match as "possibly the most difficult single stack event" he's ever shot. 50-yard standards, penalty targets galore, strong and weak-hand shooting and fast-moving field courses made it a true national-level test for all.

In the WSSSC women's division, Top honors went to defending WSSSC champion, Sara Dunivin. Team Safariland members Kippi Leatham and Maggie Reese (Top Shot Season 2) finished 2nd and 3rd respectively. All three women competed with Safariland holsters and equipment.

The 12th annual Western States Championships were held at the Usery Mountain Shooting Range, aka Rio Salado Sportsman's Club, in the beautiful Sonoran Desert of Mesa, Arizona. The combined matches drew nearly 300 shooters.

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