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Who's Hot To Watch in 2008.

SCOTT McCLAREN & ANDREW HANNULA ONBOARD FOR RISLONE URC SPRINT SERIES SEASON OPENER

Confirmed on a phone call Tuesday evening, another Super Team will be in the hunt for a visit to the coveted URC victory lane in 2008. URC Rookie of the Year Andrew Hannula of Matawan, NJ has joined the team of Scott McClaren for the coming season. Without a doubt, the McClaren team cars out of Freehold, NJ are two of the top rides available in URC, and the youthful Hannula is all geared up for 2008. McClaren, a top sprint car owner in URC, also has plans to return to the drivers seat himself when the Rislone URC Sprint Series opens at the Bridgeport Speedway on Saturday night, April 12th. "I'm optimistic about the new year and Andrew. He has a lot of energy and plenty of focus on his goals", commented McClaren. "The competition in URC is probably the toughest you'll find anywhere. Andrew and I talked about it and we want to run against the best", added McClaren. Hannula will drive the #21A as McClaren will wheel the #21.

With the great equipment provided by McClaren and the natural talent of Hannula, they do expect to be contenders for victory, as well as the URC Championship Title which is also within reach according to McClaren. It's this simple, they're coming to race, and they're coming to win!

Never before in the sixty year history of URC has there been so much news and such strong and powerful positive excitement about the coming URC season. The numerous ride switches have certainly added a mix of the "unknown" and at the same time, leveled the playing field. The URC Super Teams of 2008 are almost too numerous to count and we run the risk of missing someone. But "who's hot to watch" in 2008.

Andrew Hannula driving the McClaren Davey Sammons in the Palladino #99
Chris Coyle in the #4 Chad Sinon sponsored sprint car Becca Anderson taking on a full season in the Jimmy Martin Bar's Leaks sponsored sprint car Ed Aikin wheeling the John Pinter owned #92A, Bill Gallagher's #5G with Curt Michael at the wheel, Car owner Guy Howie is shooting for the URC Title with Brian Seidel behind the wheel, Greg Coverdale returning in the Eldreth Construction #25, Nick Schlauch Jr of Churchville, PA to bring his #59 to URC Micro sensation, Brett Schoenly to chase URC Rookie of the Year honors, Robbie Stillwaggon has a stepped up program for 2008, Dave Ely and Gene Franckowiak gearing up for a big season. . . New equipment on order! Randy West and Elmer Stoltzfus plan a full season of URC racing, and Mark Bitner "Mr. Twister" has new equipment ready to go in 2008

Twenty-nine race dates at premier Northeast facilities are on the URC schedule. All Rislone URC Sprint Series events will pay a minimum of \$2,000 to win and \$200 just to take the green flag in a regular distance twenty-five lap feature event. URC also continues to pay tow money to non-qualified cars. At least four special events will beef up the "Who's Hot To Watch" Tour of 2008. The Jack Gunn Memorial, the Rislone URC Sprint Nationals, the Kasey Khane Foundation Race and the Sprint Challenge at the Wheels are a sample of the high profile events making up the schedule. Some other perks with URC include the lucrative point fund that exceeded \$45,000 in cash and an additional \$15,000 in contingency awards in 2007. The URC insurance program for competitors is also second to none.

URC Drivers & Owners will again be rewarded with the Chips Reward Program. When a driver, owner or race team, does a car show, makes a personal appearance, speaks on a radio or TV show, takes part in an autograph session or sends out a press release, they will earn a chip. You can earn all the chips you want, then at the URC Awards Banquet, here will be a drawing with one person winning the \$500 cash prize. The more chips you have will increase your chances at winning the cash. The real gain here is earning your team, driver, owner, sponsors and URC the additional media and fan exposure. It's a win-win for all.

URC is once again offering a great season for competitors and fans alike. For more information, visit our website at: www.urcsprints.com

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