

Shane Stephens honored as 2007 Rislone USCS Modified Series Champion

Atlanta, Ga - January 12, 2008 - 150 attendees joined the United Speed Contest Sanction to honor Shane Stephens from Arlington, Tennessee as the 2007 Rislone USCS Modified Series Champion during the recent Champions Awards Banquet held at the Hilton Memphis Convention Center in Memphis, Tennessee. Stephens used steady top five finishes and a feature win at Malden Speedway on April 20th to total 1282 points to garner the crown in the competitive second year series. Ashley Newman from Ripley, Tennessee finished just 58 points back with 1224 points in the runner-up spot. Newman's hard-charging style helped him keep the race close. He also had a series of top five runs plus a win on November 3rd in the Gumbo Nationals at Greenville Speedway.

Fifteen year-old, 2006 "Rookie of the Year", Kody Mea from Southaven, Mississippi finished in the third position in the final standings with 1186 points. Jonathan Russell from Jonesboro, Arkansas finished fourth in the series standings with 866 points. The next seven drivers were separated by only seventy-two points. Those included two-time 2007 Rislone USCS Modified feature winner, Ronnie Vernon from Friendship, Tennessee who rounded out the top five in the standings with 688 points. Vernon won features at Malden Speedway and Camden Speedway.

Just four points back was 2006 USCS Open Wheel Modified Series Champion, T.J. Herndon from Atwood, Tennessee in the sixth position with a total of 684 points. Brandon Poppenheimer from Memphis, Tennessee finished in the seventh position in the standings with 678 points. Rookie driver Dustin Blevins from Arlington, Tennessee earned 652 points and that was good enough for eighth place in the standings. Veteran Jackson, Tennessee racer Junior Lemmings finished in the ninth position with a total of 624 points. Jeremy Russell from Jonesboro, Arkansas and Lucas Lee from Paris, Tennessee rounded out the top ten in the standings with 616 points each. Dustin Blevins also garnered the 2007 Rookie of the Year honors. A complete listing of the final point standings for the one hundred and thirty-one drivers who participated in the 2007 schedule is posted at www.uscsracing.com <<http://www.uscsracing.com/>>.

Stephens collected over \$2500 in cash and product awards for his efforts and Newman collected over \$1200 for his efforts. Seven of the top ten drivers were on hand to pick up their awards that included cash to all who participated in seventy percent or more of the series events. The Product award sponsors included: Bar's Leaks, Butlerbuilt Safety Equipment, FSR Racing Products, Hoosier Race Tire, Huggins Cams, Lucas Oil Products, Tennison Brothers, Inc. Metals, R.H.S. (Racing Head Service), Rislone, & Sundial Shirts.

In addition to honoring its top drivers and teams, the series announced a new title sponsor for the 2008 season. Rislone Oil Stabilizer a product of Bars Products from Holly Michigan will be the title sponsor for the series to be known as the Rislone USCS Modified Series. Bar's Leaks another Bars Products company will also sponsor the third heat race at each 2008 Rislone USCS Modified event. For more info on Rislone Oil Stabilizer visit www.barsproducts.com <<http://www.barsproducts.com/>>

A 34-night schedule of events for the series was distributed during the banquet. The 2008 schedule shows the series visiting twelve different speedways during the 2008 season. The schedule also includes the 1st Annual Rislone USCS Modified Speedweek at seven different tracks over ten days with \$10,000 possible to win. The series is scheduled to kick off its 2008 journey on Saturday, March 1st at Checkered Flag Speedway in Hohenwald, Tennessee (formerly Hohenwald Motorsports).For more info on the Rislone USCS Modified Series visit www.uscsracing.com or call the USCS office at 404-886-5913.

2007 USCS Open Wheel Modified Final Point Standings

Pos. Points	Car#	Driver
1 1282	15	Stephens, Shane
2 1224	73	Newman, Ashley
3 1186	5x	Mea, Kody
4 866	06	Russell, Jonathan
5 688	G3	Vernon, Ronnie
6 684	1	Herndon, T.J.
7 678	99	Poppenheimer, Brandon
8 652	9D1	Blevins, Dustin
9 624	12jr	Lemmings, Junior
10 616	6R	Russell, Jeremy
tie 616	12	Lee, Lucas