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Gray grabs Parts Plus USCS win at Batesville Motor Speedway

Batesville, AR - July 10, 2009 - Defending Parts Plus United Sprint Car Series National champion, Terry Gray from Bartlett Tennessee inherited the lead from 2008 USCS Mid-South Thunder regional champion, Tim Crawley from Benton Arkansas on lap twenty-four of the 30-lap Parts Plus United Sprint Car Series A-Main and went on to win his feature event in the 2009 season. Crawley was slowed by a deflating right rear tire that eventually caused him to park his Ward Racing #88 in the infield on lap twenty-six.

Gray started the main event in the K&N filters Pole Position after drawing a zero inversion in the K&N Filters Pole Award drawing. This placed Crawley outside of the front row for the main event. Gray led the first lap before Crawley raced by on the inside groove exiting turn four to lead lap two. After that Gray challenged for several laps before Crawley started to stretch his lead and leave the field to battle for second place.

Gray appeared safe in the runner-up spot until 2008 Parts Plus USCS Rookie of the Year, Anthony Nicholson also from Bartlett, Tennessee started to reel the two leaders in as they reached lap traffic in mid-race. That's when Crawley appeared to be slowing down and it became apparent he was experiencing a handling problem. By lap eighteen, the ninth place car of Mark Shirshekan who Crawley lapped on lap fourteen raced back past the wounded race leader. For the next five-laps he limped along in first place until Gray and Nicholson blew by him on lap twenty-four. Two laps later he was in the infield.

Gray accepted the good fortune and raced the final six laps to victory lane. Nicholson followed in the runner-up spot with the previous night's feature winner, Brady Bacon from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma who started eighth in the third position. Marshall Skinner from West Memphis, Arkansas followed that trio home in fourth place. 2008 I-30 Speedway track Champion, Justin Sturch from Benton, Arkansas rounded out the top five drivers.

Current rookie point's leader, Justin Carver from Drummonds, Tennessee led the next group of finishers in sixth position. Lewis Jenkins, Jr. from Benton, Arkansas followed in the seventh position. Second-year sprint car racer Mark Shirshekan from Farmington, Missouri crossed the line in eighth place followed by veteran Henry Gustavus from Marion, Arkansas in the ninth position. Gustavus had raced as high as third place before breaking a rocker arm in the main event. Rookie Jon Stinson from Memphis, Tennessee who ranks fifth in the National standings, rounded out the top ten.

The previous night's winner of the first-ever Parts Plus USCS Wingless 360 event, Brady Bacon kicked off the evening with a hard fought win in the six cars, six laps Parts Plus Power Dash. Terry Gray won the Engler Machine and Tool First Heat. Tim Crawley charged to the win in the Butlerbuilt Second Heat.

The K&N Filters Pole Award honors went to Terry Gray he drew a zero in the K&N Filters inversion draw and placed Gray on the K&N Pole Position for the start of the main event. Anthony Nicholson garnered the Hoosier Tire Young Gun of the Race. The R.E. Technologies Rookie of the Race honors went to Carver for his efforts. Brady Bacon garnered the Lunati "Crank It Up" Award for passing the most cars in the main event.

The next Parts Plus United Sprint Car Series racing event is on Saturday, July 11th when the Parts Plus USCS series travels to Greenville Speedway in Greenville, Mississippi. For more information on that event please visit www.greenville Speedway.net For rules and info on the Parts Plus USCS please visit www.uscsracing.com or call 770-460-7223 or 404-886-5913.

Parts Plus USCS results for 7/10/09 at Batesville Motor Speedway – Locust Grove, Arkansas:

Parts Plus Power Dash 6 laps: Brady Bacon, Jon Stinson, Marshall Skinner, Terry Gray, Henry Gustavus, and Anthony Nicholson. Engler Machine and Tool First Heat 8 laps: Terry Gray, Anthony Nicholson, Henry Gustavus, Justin Sturch, Ray Bugg, Mark Shirshekan.

Butlerbuilt Second Heat 8 laps: Tim Crawley, Marshall Skinner, Justin Carver, Brady Bacon, Lewis Jenkins, and Jon Stinson.

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Feature Race results (30 laps):

- 1 - 10 Terry Gray, Bartlett, TN
- 2 - 16 Anthony Nicholson
- 3 - 99 Brady Bacon
- 4 - 26M Marshall Skinner
- 5 - 9 Justin Sturch
- 6 - 24 Justin Carver
- 7 - 7H Lewis Jenkins
- 8 - 3 Mark Shirshekan
- 9 - 78 Henry Gustavus
- 10 - 26S Jon Stinson
- 11 - 88 Tim Crawley, Benton AR
- 12 - 25 Ray Bugg

PARTS PLUS POWER DASH WINNER: Brady Bacon
K & N FILTERS POLE AWARD: Terry Gray
LUNATI CRANK IT UP AWARD: Brady Bacon
HOOSIER TIRE YOUNG GUN OF THE RACE: Anthony Nicholson
RE TECHNOLOGIES ROOKIE OF THE RACE: Justin Carver
JE PISTONS TOP GUNS AWARD: Brady Bacon (3rd place)
K&N FILTERS 3RD-PLACE AWARD: Brady Bacon
BUTLERBUILT 4TH-PLACE AWARD: Marshall Skinner
BARS LEAKS TOP FIVE AWARD: Justin Sturch

ENTRIES: 12

PROVISIONALS: None

LAP LEADERS: Terry Gray Laps 1 and 24-30, Tim Crawley Laps 2-23.

Photo/Caption: Terry Gray from Bartlett, Tennessee won the Parts Plus USCS 30-lap main event on Friday night at Batesville Motor Speedway.