

SPECIAL TRACKSIDE REPORT

RESULTS OF SEMI 1

1	C. Buckler	93	302.32
2	A. Wood	90	301.28
3	B. Harding	88	301.83
4	D. Cayzer	85	300.66
5	J. Burkett	85	302.65
6	M. Cooper	84	300.30
7	T. Collins	83	301.25
8	M. Szabados	61	302.86

RESULTS OF SEMI 2

1	M. Bennett	93	301.41
2	S. Tennant	92	301.88
3	S. Smith	90	300.05
4	A. Wyper	88	302.92
5	K. Spencer	86	301.73
6	C. Baker	86	302.18
7	L. Bishop	82	301.64
8	A. Day	81	301.39

Well done to the eight that have fought through to the Final of the 2007 World Championships, and commiserations to those that have fell just short and join the ranks of the also rans, but the eight that were left made a mouth watering line up with most of the racers that you would expect to be in a World Final race. We had Matthew Bennett, who had been on ever improving form, along with Ben Harding the current National Points Champion and European Champion, then there was a former 1/8 I/C Stockcar World Champion in Stuart Tennant, seasoned racer Clive Buckler has won the British Open championship I think a record five times.

Alex Wood is fast becoming a force to be reckoned with and he has recently secured the title of National Junior Points Champion, Anthony Wyper has also been a winner of the British Open and has also won on the national stage and has been the 1/12th Banger Champion on a number of occasions, Stewart Smith has the ability to entertain and has done well to qualify for the final and the outsider has to be Derek Cayzer who had performed nothing short of a miracle to get here if past form is anything of a guide.



Above: Stuart gave as good as he got, held his nerve and won by the narrowest of margins

Below: A long road to the A-Final but these are the top 8 in the World



THE GRAND FINAL

With a large crowd gathering around the oval and an electrifying atmosphere the time was upon us for the start of the 2007 World Final, the build up was completed with the introduction of the racers as they took to their grid position, and before you knew it the thirty second countdown had begun, once underway it became quite clear how fast this race was going to be as Matthew Bennett was setting a fast and furious pace in the lead chased by Ben Harding and Stuart Tennant with the watching crowd appreciating a great race with plenty of oohs and aahs as small mistakes by the racers were being made and the lead of the race constantly changing.

All of the racers must be congratulated on a superb final that was a credit to the whole of the 1/12th oval section and will go down as one of the cleanest and fastest finals ever, showing great respect to all eight of the finalists.



Above: World Podium, Ben 2nd, Stuart 1st, Matthew 3rd

2007 WORLD FINAL RESULTS

Pos	Name	No	Club	Grade	Time	Laps
1	S. Tennant	189	Hathern	S/Star	300.39	93
2	B. Harding	471	Rugby	Silver	300.66	93
3	M. Bennett	413	Rugby	Red	301.50	93
4	A. Wyper	30	Urmston	S/Star	302.10	91
5	C. Buckler	100	Rugby	Red	302.67	90
6	A. Wood	560	Hathern	Red	302.36	87
7	D. Cayzer	381	Fordham	Red	300.57	81
8	S. Smith	56	Urmston	Red	85.19	24