

# Rinker First in Finale

**ChampBoat driver tames Savannah River for second straight year**



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Terry Rinker powers the AMSOIL boat to his second win of the season on the Savannah River.

Defending a championship is never an easy task, and when you've won three of the past four ChampBoat Series titles like Terry Rinker, the task is even more difficult. Ever the bulldog, Rinker had his sights set on a third straight championship in 2007 and scratched and clawed his way toward that goal until the final flag fell in Savannah, Ga.

Rinker, who pilots the #10 Team AMSOIL F1 boat, followed up his first win of the season in Warsaw, Ky. in mid-August with a second place showing at the Roar of the Rockies in Windsor, Colo. on Labor Day weekend. The two dazzling runs put Rinker back into championship contention with the final event to be held on the Savannah River in Savannah, Ga., the same waterway where Rinker secured his 2006 title.

The Tampa, Fla. native put the pressure on the competition from the moment the 17' Lee Hull hit the water. A dominant performance in qualifying put the AMSOIL boat on

the pole for the final. Rinker would need a near-perfect run to capture the title and a little bad luck for the two men leading the points race, Tim Seebold and Chris Fairchild.

Rinker got his near-perfect run, fighting with a contingent of other boats during the 50-lap, one-mile, four-turn course. He led every lap despite being challenged early by Shaun Torrente and late by Fairchild. The win marked Rinker's 17th career victory, moving him into third all-time ahead of legendary F1 driver Bill Seebold.

Despite his perfect performance, Rinker didn't get any help from the luck department, as Fairchild held on for second and Seebold finished third and secured the title. Rinker finished third behind Fairchild in the points race.

The 2007 ChampBoat Series will be televised on the SPEED Channel. Beginning December 8, the broadcasts will air every Saturday at 11 a.m. EST.

# Teague: National Champion

**Veteran off-shore driver wins in 800th career race**

Repetition of any task usually leads to favorable results, and for Team AMSOIL off-shore powerboat racer Bob Teague, 34 years of racing led to a win in his 800th career race.

Teague, along with Team AMSOIL driver Paul Whittier, headed to Florida's Gulf of Mexico coast line for the annual Destin World Cup, a five day event featuring two series, four races and winter-long bragging rights.

"I've been doing this since 1973," Teague told a local reporter before the first race in Destin. "What keeps me on the water is the camaraderie, the competition and trying to build a better widget – a better race boat."

Teague seems to have built a better race boat in 2007. Heading into Destin, Team AMSOIL had stood on the podium 11 times in 12 races. In Destin, they went four-for-four in podiums, including a pair of wins in the Pacific Offshore Powerboat Racing Association (POPRA). The team also competed in the Cat Lites classes in the Off Shore Super Series (OSS), and despite a mechanical issue, finished second in the first race and bounced back to win the OSS finale on Sunday. The 2-1 finish earned Team AMSOIL the overall win and the pair's first OSS National Championship.

"We reached back and found a little extra horsepower for Sunday's race," said Teague. "AMSOIL helped push this 36' Skater to the front once again. Every time we run the #77 AMSOIL boat, we seem to get a little better with each lap."



Team AMSOIL battles with Popeyes moments before taking the lead in Destin.



Bob Teague and Paul Whittier were crowned National Champions at the Destin World Cup.

# Two Wins for Douglas

## Final two weekends bring redemption to off-road team

Despite two horrific crashes early in the season, including one that caused the team to completely rebuild the Ford F-150 chassis, things started looking up for AMSOIL/Kumho Tires Super Team driver Scott Douglas as the Championship Off Road Racing (CORR) series came to an end for 2007.

In mid-October, the Pro-4 driver picked up his first CORR win of the season on the half-mile, high banked dirt track at the Texas Motor Speedway. (Note: Douglas scored two wins in the 2007 World Series of Off-Road Racing). The El Cajon, Calif. native led wire-to-wire, despite heavy pressure from the rest of the field.

“You had to be so smooth (in Texas),” said Douglas. “You wanted to mash the throttle so hard, but the corners were so slick you couldn’t. You had to keep feeling for the bite, and it’s the hardest thing when you’ve got guys breathing down your neck.”

Douglas continued to assert his late season dominance at the final round of racing in Primm, Nev. In the final CORR Pro-4 points race



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AMSOIL Super Team driver Scott Douglas reacts after winning the final race of the 2007 CORR season.



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After a slow start in 2007, Scott Douglas powered the AMSOIL/Kumho Tires Ford F-150 to two wins to close out the season.

of the year, Douglas took over the lead early in the 17-lap contest. With defending champion Johnny Greaves closing in, Douglas drove his AMSOIL/Kumho Tires Ford F-150 exceptionally well and crossed the finish line with his second win of the year. Douglas finished second overall in the CORR season championship standings.

“Hard work helped us get back into the points race,” said Douglas. “Without the help from AMSOIL and the unbelievable products they make, we wouldn’t have been able to climb back into it. We were a little snake bitten by other drivers this season, but we made the necessary repairs and worked at getting back into the winner’s circle.”

## Products the Pros Use

Off-road truck racing is putting the AMSOIL line of Ea Racing Air Filters to the ultimate test. AMSOIL Ea Racing Air Filters are composed of advanced nanofiber media for higher dirt-holding capacity and lower pressure drop compared to traditional filter medias. Boasting more than 800 h.p. and competing in intense side-by-side racing, the AMSOIL Super Team trucks have a great need for keeping dirt out and air flowing.



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“We are constantly being hounded by dirt, rocks, dust and mud. AMSOIL Ea Racing Air Filters keep the track debris out of our engines while keeping the air flowing through for more horsepower.”

~ Scott Douglas, AMSOIL Super Team driver

