

BIG TALENT, BIG STAGE – Race Results

Dane Cameron Retains Lead in Star Mazda Championship Battle
With 4th-Place Finish at Miller Motorsports Park

Sonoma, CA (May 19, 2007) – Rising open-wheel star Dane Cameron retained a 16-point lead in the 2007 Star Mazda Championship points battle, racing his No. 19 Lynx Racing Ocean Tomo 300 mockett.com JDC Motorsports Pro Formula Mazda to a hard-fought 4th-place finish today at Miller Motorsports Park. The race was won by Lorenzo Mandarino, his first victory of the season.

“We tested extremely well here several weeks ago, faster than any of the other top teams,” said Cameron. “But right from the first practice session it was apparent that the track surface and grip level had changed completely, so we had to start over with the car setup. We were fast in a couple of practice sessions, but the ALMS cars were on track before we qualified and the track changed yet again. We gambled on the setup but went the wrong way and I wound up starting 11th. We had a pretty good car for the race, not the fastest but decently quick, and I was able to move up and battle for a podium spot on the last two laps. Ultimately we were consistent in the race and in the hunt right to the end.”

Cameron, who came into the weekend with a 14-point lead in the championship, now has a record of two poles, two wins and two 4th-place finishes.

Star Mazda races are broadcast tape-delayed on SPEED TV. Date and time (all times stated are Eastern) for the one-hour broadcast is available at www.speedtv.com/programs. The Miller Motorsports Park event is scheduled to air on Sunday, May 27 at 11:30 am (ET), with a re-broadcast on Thursday, May 31 at 4:00 am (ET).

The next event on the schedule is with Champ Car at Portland on June 8-9. The Star Mazda series will also be racing with Champ Car at Cleveland on June 22-23 and Toronto July 6-7.

“Coming off back-to-back wins I’m a little disappointed with my results this weekend, but only a little,” says the 18 year-old native of Sonoma, California. “We’re going for the pole and the win every weekend, but when you can’t quite make that happen, then being consistent is important, and we achieved that. We have a test day before the next race at Portland, which is another track where the conditions change from dramatically from session to session, so we’re going to focus on developing some new setups to cope with whatever the track throws at us.”

Cameron, currently keeping his skills sharp between races as an instructor at the Jim Russell Racing School at Infineon Raceway, arrives in the Star Mazda series via an accomplished climb up the open-wheel ladder. He was the 2006 F2000 Rookie of the Year and finished second in the championship. As a Team USA Scholarship driver, he won the 2006 Palmer Audi Winter Championship in Europe. In 2005 Cameron was the SCCA Formula Jim Russell Series champion and Rookie of the Year. His karting career, beginning in 2000, was similarly successful, including the 2003 Jim Russell Karting 80cc Junior Shifter Championship and a 2004 finalist in the Red Bull Driver Search.

Cameron’s participation in the 2007 Star Mazda Championship Presented by Goodyear is made possible by a variety of sponsors including Grand-Am prototype racer Rob Finlay and the Finlay Motorsports Driver Development Program. Lynx Racing, instrumental in the early careers of many of today’s top drivers, is also providing support, as are Mockett.com, Ocean Tomo, Rett.org, Nearburg Exploration, O’Neill Construction, Red Line Oil and Sparco USA and JDC Motorsports.

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