

JDC MOTORSPORTS CONFIRMS STAR MAZDA RETURN OF NICK HAYE

Series sophomore focusing on championship attack in 2008

MINNEAPOLIS, MN (February 15, 2008) – Completing its Star Mazda Championship line-up for the 2008 season, '07 title winners JDC MotorSports have confirmed that Nick Hays will once again drive for the team this season. Rejoining the Minnesota-based JDC MotorSports for a second consecutive year of Star Mazda action, Hays is scheduled to contest the entire 12-race schedule in 2008.

Having partnered series champion Dane Cameron and assisted JDC in capturing the team title last season, the California driver will once again be part of multi-car effort in the competitive open-wheel championship. Joining Hays under the JDC MotorSports banner will be series rookie Joel Miller, Master Championship pilot Chuck Hulse and team co-owner Gerry Kraut.

"We are excited to have Nick back racing for us this season," stated Team Co-owner John Church. "Last year, he was a big part in us winning the team title and this year I fully expect him to not only win races, but to be challenging for the series title throughout the season."

A native of Huntington Beach, Calif., Hays will contest his second full-season of Star Mazda Championship competition having raced open-wheel cars for the past four years. First getting behind the wheel in a kart at the age of 15, the talented youngster raced karts for three years, winning a championship before making the move to cars. Following a season of Jim Russell Racing Championship competition, he entered the Formula Ford 2000 Zetec Championship with JDC in 2005. Hays showed good speed throughout the season, continually improving, eventually ending the season ninth in the championship fight. Switching to West Coast-based Pacific F2000 Championship the following year, Hays was involved in the battle for the championship the entire season, finishing third as Rookie of the Year. Reuniting with JDC in '07, Hays competed in the Star Mazda Championship last season, earning three podium finishes en route to fourth in the title fight.

"I can't wait for the season to get started," said Hays. "I learned a great deal last season, more so than any other year that I have experienced in racing, and I really feel prepared to be contending for wins and challenging for the championship this year, because that is my goal. Without a doubt, I'm ready to win races and challenge for the title, and I know the JDC guys will give me the tools to accomplish this task"

Involved in formula car racing since it's inception in 1994, JDC MotorSports has established itself as one of the leading junior-open wheel teams in North America. Initially making its mark in the F2000 class of club racing competition, JDC soon was a team worth watching in the pro ranks. Competing in the Formula Ford 2000 Zetec Championship, the team not only won races, but also helped develop multiple young drivers. In 2005, JDC MotorSports expanded its efforts, entering the Star Mazda Championship. Quickly becoming one of the top teams in the series, JDC captured both driver and team titles last season, as well as Rookie of the Year honors, with Dane Cameron scoring a series-high three wins. This coming season, JDC MotorSports will enter multi-car teams in both the Star Mazda Championship and F2000 Championship Series.

Hays and the rest of the JDC MotorSports team are currently conducting a pre-season testing program ahead of the 2008 Star Mazda Championship season-opener on March 13-14 at Sebring International Raceway.

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Additional information on JDC MotorSports can be obtained from the team's website @ www.jdcmotorsports.com . For direct contact, please contact John Church @ 952-233-3075