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## JDC MOTORSPORTS POISED TO EXTEND STAR MAZDA WIN STREAK AT VIR

## Current championship leaders travel to Virginia with two of its drivers having previously won at the high-speed road course

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (April 23, 2009) – JDC MotorSports enjoyed a perfect start to the 2009 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear season back in March with a win at Sebring and they will be looking to maintain their winning ways this weekend (April 25-26) when the team travels to Virginia International Raceway for Round Two. The Minnesota-based squad will again have some of the most talented drivers in the paddock getting behind the wheel, as current championship leader Adam Christodoulou will be joined by 2008 series runner-up Joel Miller, series race winner Alex Ardoin and series front-runner Caio Lara, as well as Masters Series championship leader Michael Guasch and multiple Masters Series race winner Gerry Kraut.

For Christodoulou, the goal entering his second-ever North American race will be to keep his win streak alive. The reigning British Formula Renault champion was a force to be reckoned with throughout the season-opening event, eventually capturing the victory in his No. 11 Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry, mere days after signing with the team.

After narrowly missing out on a podium finish in Round One, Miller is poised to advance up the charts at VIR. Returning to the cockpit of his No. 2 Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports car, the Californian has previously visited victory lane at the fast road course, scoring a win during his 2007 Skip Barber National title-winning campaign.

While Ardoin did not get the results he desired or deserved in Florida, the Louisiana native did showcase the speed and skill of a title contender. One of only a few drivers to have raced in the last Star Mazda Championship race at VIR, the No. 51 Oral & Facial Surgery Center/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports driver is a good bet to better his 11<sup>th</sup> place finish in 2007.

Lara returns to the cockpit of his No. 19 Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry having impressed many in his debut with the team. The Brazilian, having been part of the lead pack throughout the weekend, eventually earning a fourth place result, will be looking to build on this performance in his first-ever visit to VIR.

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A native of California, Guasch made it two wins for JDC MotorSports in Round One, thanks to his Masters Series win at Sebring International Raceway. Taking part in the full 13-race campaign this season, the No. No. 91 Molecule/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports driver will not only be seeking to extend his win streak to two in Virginia, but also further enhance his position in the championship fight.

Kraut travels to VIR not only as one of the most experienced drivers in the field, but more than capable of leaving with the race winner's trophy. Piloting the No. 55 Dougherty & Co./Dougherty Funding LLC/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry, the team co-owner was the Masters Series race winner when the series previously visited VIR in 2007.

The six JDC MotorSports drivers will get their first chance to sample the 3.27-mile Virginia International Raceway road course on Thursday (April 23) via a promoters' test day. The official action gets underway with two practice sessions on Friday. Saturday will feature the lone qualifying session at 8:35 a.m. (local time), followed by the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear cars launching from the standing start at 1 p.m. on Sunday (April 26).

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

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## About JDC MotorSports:

Involved in formula car racing since its 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 MotorSports was soon 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 the driver and team titles in 2007, as well as Rookie of the Year honors, with Dane Cameron scoring a series-high three wins. This past season, JDC MotorSports was the runner-up in the Star Mazda Championship and finished fourth in its inaugural season F2000 Championship Series competition.

## **Attached Files:**

**Photo:** 300 x 208 web-ready **Potential Caption:** JDC MotorSports and Adam Christodoulou enter Round Two at VIR seeking to extend its win streak to two. (Photo: Star Mazda Championship)

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