



Rusty Mitchell Ready For Mazda Formula X Double-Header in New Jersey

HDNet to bring race coverage LIVE



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(Millville, NJ) 10 June, 2009—Rusty Mitchell is ready to go this weekend as the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear returns to race action at New Jersey Motorsports Park for rounds 4 and 5 of the 2009 championship.

The double-header south Jersey race weekend is slated to be a big event, with the Star Mazda Championship being one of four Mazda-based and supported series in action this weekend as the manufacturer has also signed on to bring a remarkable live race-day television package for the event weekend.

Mitchell, who was impressive in his first taste of paved oval action as the Series recently staged tests at both Iowa Speedway and the fabled Milwaukee mile in preparation for the series visits to the tracks this year, is looking forward the weekend as he makes a return visit to the Millville, New Jersey track.

"Milwaukee went really well-I didn't even push the car at all," said Mitchell, who had only previously run on dirt ovals. "We have a little more work to do on our set-up for Iowa because we were a little off there. I enjoyed them both. I'm not sure what the race at Iowa will be like because I think it is going to be a tough place to pass. It will either be a boring race, or a really crazy one!"

The New Jersey Motorsports Park event not only marks a return to road course running for Mitchell and his Motorola Mazda, but it is also the first race of the year where the young Texan won't be looking to orient himself, as he has previous race experience on the track having raced in the 2008 Mazda event at the track.

"I like the layout, it's a fun track to run on and there are a few good passing areas," said Mitchell. "The fact that we have two races doesn't really change anything for me in terms of my approach to the weekend. It kind of reminds me of the karting weekends with having two races. I am excited that Mazda is making the HDNet broadcast happen. I think it's really a cool opportunity for all of us. I have a lot of confidence heading into the weekend because I already know what I need to do out there, so I'm really looking forward to it."

Practice will get underway on Friday, with round 4 qualifying setting the grid on Friday afternoon before Saturday's race. Sunday will be a busy day for Mitchell, as he'll be qualifying in the morning before returning to the Motorola machine to race on Sunday afternoon.

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