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JDC MOTORSPORTS STAR MAZDA RACERS SHOWCASE SPEED AND SKILL AT IOWA SPEEDWAY

De Phillippi and Lara made it five top-10s in five races to start the 2010 season

NEWTON, IOWA (June 22, 2010) – JDC MotorSports has once again showed it has the drivers and cars to challenge for a third series title, earning two additional two-10 positions in Round Five of the *Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear* on Saturday night (June 19) at the Iowa Speedway. Connor De Phillippi led the squad's charge on the short oval, finishing fourth, just ahead of Caio Lara in seventh. Chris Miller was poised to make it three JDC racers among the top-10, before a late race incident relegated him to 13th in the final results.

Given the traditional two-day format for Star Mazda oval races, the JDC MotorSports drivers spent the opening two test sessions and lone practice run on day one in lowa focusing on car setups. In what was ultimately a successful day of on-track action, De Phillippi and Miller were among the top-10 in all three sessions, while Lara was not far behind on the speed charts.

Returning to the high-speed 7/8-mile oval one day later, afternoon single-car qualifying presented the first real opportunity for the JDC trio to go after a quick lap. While Miller, De Phillippi and Lara couldn't quite muster a challenge for the pole position, all three were among the top-10 and poised to move forward in the 100-lap night race.

When the green flag waved in front of a large and enthusiastic crowd, De Phillippi's No. 11 MAZDASPEED Motorsports Development/Justice Brothers/Sparco/Rock View Farms/Oaklev/Power Balance/Reline Athletic/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry was among the early cars to watch, rapidly moving into the top-five. Making it two JDC cars worth keeping an eye on, Miller followed in his teammates tire tracks early on, joining the multi-car fight for positions among the top-10. Behind the duo, Lara recovered from a less than ideal start in his No. 19 MLD/ATW/Molecule/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry - losing a couple positions - to make it three JDC cars in the top-10. Showing good speed, car control and patience, all three racers were headed towards strong results on the short oval until Miller's No. 85 Miller Milling/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports made light contact with the turn four safety barrier. While able to continue, the Minnesota driver was forced to pit for repairs, losing several laps. De Phillippi and Lara however kept the JDC charge for vital points going. In the end, De Phillippi just missed his first series podium finish, crossing the stripe in fourth, earning his fifth consecutive top-10 result to start his Star Mazda career. Three places adrift, Lara continued his impressive run of 16 top-10s in 18 races, taking the checkered flag in seventh. Thanks to some superb work by the JDC crew and a spirited charge upon rejoining the race, Miller secured 13th place points in his second-ever oval race.

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The JDC MotorSports crew and drivers will immediately resume their pursuit of a third championship title this weekend (June 26-27), when Rounds Six and Seven of the *Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear* takes place at New Jersey Motorsports Park as part of the Mazda Motorsports Festival event. Currently fourth in the team standings, the Minnesota-based squad will expand to five cars, with De Phillippi, Lara and Miller being joined by current Masters Series leader Gerry Kraut and Expert Series race winner Patrick O'Neill.

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. In 2008, JDC MotorSports was the runner-up in the Star Mazda Championship and finished fourth in its inaugural season F2000 Championship Series competition. The Minnesota-based team won the Star Mazda Championship Series title with Rookie of the Year Adam Christodoulou, and the F2000 Championship Series title with Chris Miller in 2009.