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JDC MOTORSPORTS READY FOR NEXT STAR MAZDA CHALLENGE IN ALABAMA

Vautier and Mancuso seeking to build on strong start to 2011 season

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (April 7, 2011) – JDC MotorSports, having started its 2011 *Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear* campaign with a visit to the podium via a third place in Florida, will be seeking to go even better this Sunday (April 10), when Round Two takes place at Barber Motorsports Park. French standout Tristan Vautier will once again lead the charge for the Minnesota-based team, partnering with Rookie of the Year candidate Nick Mancuso, giving JDC a potent one-two punch in Alabama.

After a strong season-opening outing on the streets of St. Petersburg, the JDC drivers and crew are excited to return to action for race two of the 11-race Star Mazda season. While both Vautier and Mancuso showed good speed and racecraft on the tight street circuit – Mancuso overcoming late race contact by another car – with third and seventh place finishes respectively in Round One, both racers believe even better things lay ahead in the return to a more traditional road course. That belief appears well justified, as Vautier's No. 5 Cecibon/Circuit du Laquais/Fontanel/Red Line Oil JDC MotorSports led the way in five of the six official pre-season test sessions at Barber Motorsports Park, while Mancuso's No. 27 Jimmy John's Sandwiches/Indeck/Lake Forest Sportscars/Red Line Oil JDC MotorSports was a regular among the top-10, despite his very limited open-wheel racing experience.

The talented JDC duo, however, will have an added challenge this coming weekend, as a unique race schedule will result in the Star Mazda cars running practice and qualifying on Thursday (April 7), followed by a two-day layoff before the race action takes place on Sunday morning (April 10). This will place an even greater emphasis on finding the right car setup for the undulating road course and conditions. Fortunately, JDC MotorSports is regarded as one of the best technical squads in the Star Mazda paddock, with a highly-skilled engineering line-up working with its drivers. Vautier and Mancuso therefore enter the event as two racers worth keeping an eye on.

"I'm really looking forward to the second round of the championship this weekend," stated Vautier. "We got a good result at St. Pete, but we want more, and we'll push as hard as we can to pursue the good job we did here in testing. It's going to be a special weekend with two days of not driving between qualifying and the warm-up and race on Sunday, and reading the way the track changed during this time is going to be an important key."

"I am really looking forward to our next race at Barber Motorsports Park," stated Mancuso. "Not only is the facility itself amazing, but the track is an absolute blast to drive. For me personally it's a great chance to experience the levels of downforce that these cars produce. I know that JDC is

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going to give me a great car for the race, so I am looking to put together another solid finish in the No. 27 Jimmy John's/INDECK car.”

The on track action for the skilled JDC MotorSports duo begins on Thursday morning (April 7), with the lone practice session at Barber Motorsports Park. Qualifying will take place after the lunch break, setting the grid for Round Two in Alabama. Following a two-day break, a brief morning warm-up will be contested on Sunday morning (April 10), prior to the traditional *Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear* standing start at 11:30 a.m. local time as part the IZOD IndyCar Series Grand Prix of Alabama event.

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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 of F2000 Championship Series competition. The Minnesota-based team won the Star Mazda Championship title with Rookie of the Year Adam Christodoulou, and the F2000 Championship Series title with Chris Miller in 2009. This past year, JDC continued its winning ways, earning the Rookie of the Year award in the Star Mazda Championship with Connor De Phillippi, and scoring a non-points win in the USF2000 National Championship. The Minneapolis-based squad will compete in the Star Mazda Championship, USF2000 National Championship and Prototype Lites Championship in 2011 via multi-car operations.

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