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STAR MAZDA CHAMPIONSHIP CHASE CONTINUES FOR JDC MOTORSPORTS IN CALIFORNIA

Former champions lead title fight entering Round Nine at Infineon Raceway

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (August 25, 2011) – JDC MotorSports' on-going chase for race wins and a third Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear title resumes this weekend (August 26-27), with Round Nine at Infineon Raceway. With championship leader Tristan Vautier being joined under the team awning by rookies Joao Jardim and Nick Mancuso, as well as series returnee Mikhail Goikhberg; the stage is set for the Minnesota-based squad to add to its impressive trophy case.

For close to a decade, the Star Mazda Championship has headed west for a late season race. That trend continues in 2011, with not one, but two trips to California. First up is a visit to Infineon Raceway just outside of Sonoma. While the Mazda Road to Indy series has not competed at the well-liked facility since 2005, JDC MotorSports and the majority of the field do not enter the event with no data or track time, thanks to a recent official series test.

JDC, not surprisingly, was one of the leading forces during the one-day test outing at the northern California road course. Vautier displayed his innate ability to quickly come to grips with an unfamiliar track, immediately turning times near the top of the speedcharts. Focused on working with his race engineer and continually developing the car for the 2.52-mile, 12-turn road course, the No. 5 Cecibon/Circuit du Laquais/Fontanels/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports racer was quickest in the third session, and ended the day second fastest overall. Vautier as a result enters Round Nine of the 11-race campaign seeking to not only increase his current 13-point championship advantage, but also looking to add a third win to his 2011 racing resume.

"I've loved the Sonoma track during our official test day last week!" said Vautier. "It's a great place, and we'll do all we can to keep our momentum from the test!"

Jardim, like his teammate, used the recent test day at Infineon to not only gain valuable seat time around the undulating track, but also build momentum entering the two-day event. The No. 39 Shopping M/Red Line Oil JDC MotorSports entry was never outside of the top-10 in the four test sessions, with the Brazilian rookie continually working with the JDC crew to fine-tune his car. Jardim is now poised to better his best road course result of seventh come race time in California.

After a three-race hiatus, having missed the Canadian swing of the schedule, Mancuso returns to series action during Round Nine. For the Illinois racer, the trip to California represents a great opportunity to further showcase his talents behind the wheel, having earned his best results to date on road/street courses. With the information garnered during the official test, the stage is set

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for the No. 27 Jimmy John's Sandwiches/Indeck/Lake Forest Sportscars/F.A.S.T Race Products Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports car to challenge for a top-five finish.

"I can't wait to be back in a JDC prepared Mazda this weekend!" stated Mancuso. "I got to knock the rust off during testing last week after being out of the car for the past three races, so that was nice. Infineon is an amazing track, and I'm looking forward to a satisfying result and a tired neck come Saturday evening!"

When Goikhberg rolls on-course at Infineon Raceway, it will mark the first race action for the Russian in close to a year, having finished third in the 2010 USF2000 Championship with JDC, and made his Star Mazda debut at Mosport International Raceway. That being said, the recent series test allowed the No. 19 Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports pilot to shake off the dust, and given Goikhberg won a USF2000 race last year in California, he is poised to make his presence felt.

"I'm ecstatic to be back in the car," added Goikhberg. "Hopefully this race will provide experience and a foundation for next year."

The JDC MotorSports racers first take to the Infineon Raceway road course on Friday (August 26), with a pair practice sessions. Qualifying for Round Nine of the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear takes place on Saturday morning (August 27), followed by the traditional Formula One style standing start late in the day. The Minnesota-based squad travels to the northern California track currently third in the Team standings, while Vautier leads the championship chase.

Fans and supporters of JDC MotorSports can keep abreast of the action at Infineon Raceway via – <http://livetiming.net/StarMazda/html.asp> – Live Timing.

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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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