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CHAVES AND RZADZINSKI JOIN JDC MOTORSPORTS QUEST FOR STAR MAZDA CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

Rookie duo expands Minnesota squad's talented driver line-up to four entering St. Pete season-opener

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (March 22, 2012) – JDC MotorSports is excited to announce the addition of Gabby Chaves and Stefan Rzadzinski to its 2012 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear driver line-up. Commencing at this weekend's (March 24-25) season-opening doubleheader during the Grand Prix of St. Petersburg, the highly talented rookies will contest the entire 18-race schedule, giving the Minnesota-based team one of the premier squads on the second rung of the Mazda Road to Indy program.

Only days ahead of the 2012 Star Mazda Championship getting underway on the streets of St. Petersburg, Fla., JDC MotorSports has put the final touches on what it believes will be another championship-winning driver line-up, with Chaves and Rzadzinski joining the squad. Chaves brings extensive junior formula car success to his new motorsports home, having won the Skip Barber Regional Southern Series (2006-07), Formula BMW Americas title (2009), Italian Formula 3 Championship Rookie of the Year award (2010), and been a GP3 Series front-runner last season. Rzadzinski likewise has enjoyed success early in his racing career, capturing the Canadian Automobile Sports Club - Ontario Region Rookie of the Year award (2009), Brian Stewart Racing Award (2009), Ontario Formula Ford Championship Rookie of the Year award (2009) and been a two-time OFFC runner-up (2009 & 2010). Given the 2007, 2009, and 2011 Star Mazda champion had already signed fellow up-and-comers Ashley Freiberg and Juan Piedrahita, JDC MotorSports is further positioned to challenge for top honors each time the cars roll on-course.

"I'm very excited to be competing in the Star Mazda Championship with JDC MotorSports," stated Rzadzinski, who races with support from CanTorque/Northgate Industries/Camex/Goldmark Diesel/Calroc/CSP Engineering/Global Edmonton/West Edmonton Mall/Universe Machine/Diamond International/Shelemey Financial/SuperTint/Amalgamated Mining/GFL Environment Corporation. "It's going to be a fantastic experience going head-to-head against world-class young drivers throughout the season. I am very thankful to all of the partners in my 'Powered by Alberta' business team initiative who have assisted in kicking-off my 2012 campaign. I can't wait to get on track!"

All four JDC racers had a final opportunity to prepare for the season-opening races, as well as get a feel for the competition, on Monday and Tuesday (March 19-20), by taking part in official 'Spring Training' testing at Barber Motorsports Park. While the primary objective was to work with the



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highly-regarded JDC engineers and mechanics to further fine tune their racing steeds ahead of first practice sessions of 2012, the JDC contingent showcased good skill and speed during the two day affair. Chaves was among the top-10 on both days, posting the fifth best time on day two. Piedrahita likewise was among the top-10 on day one, while both Rzadzinski and Freiberg improved their best time by over a second on day two, cracking the top-14.

"I'm very excited for the start of the season, specially at St Pete as last year we were very fast," stated Piedrahita, who is piloting the No. 9 Petrosur/GKF Motors/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports entry. "I think we have a very solid car and my confidence is getting higher. We had a good run at Barber, being pretty close to the top spots in some sessions."

"The test at Barber went well, but we seem to be struggling a bit with the car," commented Freiberg, driver of the No. 91 TrueCar.com/Red Line Oil/JDC MotorSports car. "There definitely seems to be an underlying issue in it, so the team is going to be pulling it completely apart and looking at every inch of it before St Pete. On a good note, I learned a bunch driving wise, and am super excited for this weekend! It will be my first street race, but the videos I have seen look like it is a blast! Let's go racing!!"

The talented four-car JDC MotorSports effort commences its pursuit of Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear wins on Thursday evening (March 22), with the first practice session on the streets of St. Petersburg, Fla. The lone qualifying run for the field during IZOD IndyCar Series season-opening event takes place on Friday afternoon (March 23). Round One is slated to get underway at 1:00 p.m. local time on Saturday (March 24), followed by Round Two one day later at 10:05 a.m. local time. Live timing and scoring will be available at www.starmazda.com/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



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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 won a third Star Mazda Championship with Tristan Vautier in 2011, in addition to being victorious in the USF2000 National Championship and earning multiple podium finishes in its Prototype Lites Championship debut campaign. JDC MotorSports will once again contest full seasons in the Star Mazda Championship, USF2000 National Championship and Prototype Lites Championship in 2012.

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