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De Phillippi and Scuncio Complete Juncos Racing Lineup for Star Mazda Championship



Brownsburg, Ind. (March 16, 2012) – Juncos Racing is pleased to announce the addition of Connor De Phillippi and return of Martin Scuncio to battle for the 2012 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear. De Phillippi and Scuncio plan to be one of the strongest duo's competing for the championship this season along with teammates Bruno Palli and Diego Ferreira.

Scuncio, 20, the 2008 Chilean Formula 3 Champion will compete in his second season at Juncos Racing.

Scuncio's racing program came together after Juncos Racing announced its partnership with the Chilean Formula 3 Association and FADECH, an agreement that will provide financial support for each season's Formula 3 Champion to compete with Juncos Racing in its Mazda Road to Indy ladder.

"I'm really excited about this season and want to thank Juncos Racing for another opportunity to race for them again this year," said Scuncio. "Connor joining the team will bring more experience and learning opportunities for me and the other drivers at Juncos."

De Phillippi, 19, who finished second in the 2011 Star Mazda Championship including four wins and two poles, will compete in his third Star Mazda season. De Phillippi's recent partnership with ModSpace Motorsports secured his return to compete in Star Mazda for the 2012 season.

"I think that with the success that Juncos Racing has had in the past, there is a lot of good experience on the team to allow us to be very competitive this year," said De Phillippi. "I'm looking forward to teaming up with Martin and pushing each other to the limit for the championship each and every race. I would like to thank Juncos Racing and ModSpace Motorsports for giving me this opportunity to compete this season."

Ricardo Juncos, Juncos Racing Team Owner, feels confident about the strong duo and what they will bring together to Juncos Racing this season.

"I am thrilled to have Martin back and add Connor to the team," said Juncos. "I think it makes the perfect match. Last year both drivers were fighting for the championship lead in the first half of the season. That says a lot about how strong they will both be on the same team this year and how they can help teammates Palli and Ferreira in their future driver development."

The 2012 Star Mazda Championship season kicks off with an official "Spring Training" test at Barber Motorsports Park March 19-20 followed by the first race weekend of the season in St. Petersburg, Florida March 24-25. For more information, please go to <u>www.juncosracing.com</u>.

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About Juncos Racing: Juncos Racing's headquarters are in Brownsburg, Indiana, U.S.A., just outside of the "racing capital of the world", Indianapolis. The team also has a shop in Fort Pierce, Florida to promote year-round testing. Juncos Racing operates out of a state of the art facility which houses vehicles suitable for all levels of racing, from go-karts to open wheel Formula race cars. It is one of the few teams in the United States which offers a development program starting from racing go-karts to racing professional open wheel race cars. The team's goal is to provide young and older drivers alike with a foundation upon which they can build a career in motorsports. Juncos Racing offers two and three-day racing schools which cover theoretical and hands-on driving techniques. With your dedication and the team's expertise and advanced training techniques, Juncos Racing is confident that you will achieve and master the fundamentals of racing. For more information, please visit <u>www.juncosracing.com</u>.

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