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Top 10 Day for Juncos Racing at Iowa Speedway

Newton, Iowa (June 22, 2012) –Juncos Racing finished a successful first day of practice in battle for the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear at Iowa Speedway. Connor De Phillippi, Martin Scuncio, Diego Ferreira, and Bruno Palli finished within the Top-10 in both practice sessions.

Coming off a win at “Then Night Before the 500” at Lucas Oil Raceway, De Phillippi, 19, driving the #2 ModSpace Motorsports One24 / Juncos Racing car finished his day second with a time of 21.936 (146.724 mph) during the last practice session.

“Both sessions went extremely well today as we ended the day running position 2,” said De Phillippi. “Now we will continue to develop our own program and focus on what we need to do to get the car upfront for qualifying tomorrow.”

Scuncio, 20, in the #22 Pullman Bus / Juncos Racing car who is currently third in the Star Mazda Championship, started the day running second in the first session with a time 21.983 (146.404 mph) and ended the last practice session running fifth in the field of 16 cars.

“I’m happy with how today went as I started the day running in second and finished the day running in fifth,” said Scuncio. “I think tomorrow we are going to have a really good race and I’m looking forward to finishing upfront tomorrow night.”

Rookie Diego Ferreira, 18, in the #57 Team Viso Venezuela / Juncos Racing car running in only his second oval of his career finished the second practice session in seventh position with a time 22.114 (145.537 mph).

“I feel pretty good about how today went, especially since it’s my first time to run at Iowa Speedway,” said Ferreira. “I’m still learning a lot about ovals, but finishing in the Top 10 in both practice sessions gives me confidence that I will have a solid race tomorrow.”

Rookie Bruno Palli, 20, in the #15 Team Viso Venezuela / Juncos Racing car also running in his second oval of his career, ended both practice sessions in ninth position with a best time 22.219 (144.849 mph).

“Today I am happy with my performance finishing both practice sessions in ninth position on only my second oval,” said Palli. “I’m really excited to be here and look forward to a successful race tomorrow night.”

Juncos Racing’s Ricardo Juncos, Team Owner, is thrilled to go into the race leading the team championship points and all drivers finishing both practice sessions inside the Top 10 at Iowa Speedway.

“I really couldn’t have asked for a better day from my Star Mazda drivers,” said Juncos. “We still have work to do, but with today’s results from all of my drivers I know we will have a successful night tomorrow night. I want to thank my crew for continuing to keep these cars in the top of the field, all of our supporters and my family.”

The 2012 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear will tomorrow June 23, 2012 at Iowa Speedway with practice from 10:45AM-1:40PM CST, qualifying 2:55-3:40PM CST, and finish the day with the Iowa Speedway Foundation Star Mazda 100 . Live timing and scoring will be available via www.starmazda.com/timing/. For more information, please go to www.juncosracing.com.

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About Juncos Racing: Juncos Racing is based in Brownsburg, Indiana, U.S.A. just outside the “racing capital of the world,” Indianapolis, Indiana. In 1997 Ricardo Juncos, Team Owner, established Juncos Racing, a full-service Formula Racing Team, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina. For five years Juncos Racing competed in various National Championships throughout South America and eventually made their way to the United States, opening the doors in 2003 to their first karting shop based in Miami, Florida. During the next few years Juncos Racing captured 19 Local, Regional, and National karting Titles. Juncos Racing entered into the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear in 2009 and claimed their first championship in the 2010 Star Mazda Championship with driver Connor Daly. 2012 will be the biggest year for Juncos Racing marking the third year in the Star Mazda series and entering their first year in the Firestone Indy Lights Series. For more information, please visit www.juncosracing.com.

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