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**De Phillippi Claims Podium Finish in Race 1 at Baltimore – Top-5 Finish for Rookie Ferreira**  
Baltimore, MD (September 1, 2012) – Juncos Racing's Connor De Phillippi finished a mostly yellow flag Race 1 in second place in the battle for the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear. Teammate Diego Ferreira claimed a Top-5 finish while rookie Bruno Palli finished in the Top-10 at the Grand Prix of Baltimore.

Adding another podium finish to his season, Connor De Phillippi, 19, in the ModSpace Motorsports One24/Juncos Racing car started today in fourth and moved up to finish second with only 13 laps under green flag.

"Today was a great day for the whole team," said De Phillippi. "It felt great to be back on the podium where we belong. Now it's time to go for the win tomorrow. Thank you to the whole team and for ModSpace Motorsports for making this all possible. "

Rookie Diego Ferreira, 18, driving the #57 Team Viso Venezuela/Juncos Racing car made his way through the field to finish fifth after a ninth place start.

"I'm really happy for the result, again in the Top-5" said Ferreira. "It was a short race since we had a lot of yellow flags. I improved a lot with some passes and was able to finish fifth. The car was really good and I have to thank my team Juncos Racing for all of their support. Thank you to E.J. Viso for all of his help on this track."

Rookie Bruno Palli, 21, in the #15 Team Viso Venezuela/Juncos Racing car had a strong start to his day gaining eight positions to run sixth for most of the race, but a late mistake caused him to finish in 10<sup>th</sup> place.

"Today I ran a pretty successful race after starting 14<sup>th</sup> and moved up to sixth," said Palli. "I'm really proud of all I was able to do to run as well as I did today. Unfortunately during the last restart I tried to make a move in turn one and ended up losing four positions to finish 10<sup>th</sup>. Overall we had a really good effort and I'm proud with all of the hard work the team has been doing. Now we look forward to tomorrow's race."

Martin Scuncio, 20, in the #22 Pullman Bus/Juncos Racing car day ended early after a differential broke at the start of the race causing him to complete no laps and finish in 18<sup>th</sup> position.

“It was a rough day for me, the diff broke at the start so I couldn’t run the race,” said Scuncio. “It’s a shame because the guys on the team worked really hard. Tomorrow will be a new day and I look forward to moving up through the field. Thank you to my team, sponsors, and family for all of their support.”

Ricardo Juncos, Team Owner, was pleased overall with the team’s performance and looks forward to tomorrow’s Race 2 at Baltimore.

“I’m really happy with how we finished today, even with a tough break for Martin in the beginning of the race,” said Juncos. “Connor ran a strong race to add another podium finish to the season and Diego worked really hard to gain as many positions as he did to finish a solid fifth place. Bruno was running a very strong race, but made a mistake late in the race to lose a couple of places. I’m looking forward to a better finish for the team tomorrow and want to thank everyone for their continue support.”

The 2012 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear will continue tomorrow September 2, 2012 at the Grand Prix of Baltimore with Race 2 at 11:35AM-12:15PM EST. Live timing and scoring will be available via [www.starmazda.com/timing/](http://www.starmazda.com/timing/). For more information, please go to [www.juncosracing.com](http://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](http://www.juncosracing.com).

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