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Juncos Racing Impresses: Guerra and Ballario Shine in Mazda Road to Indy Open Test



Brownsburg, IN (October 12, 2012) – Juncos Racing shows impressive on track capabilities in Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear with South American’s Renan Guerra and Julia Ballario at the second annual Chris Griffis Memorial Mazda Road to Indy Open Test. Drivers from around the world tested October 10-11 in the USF2000, Star Mazda, and Firestone Indy Lights series on the Indianapolis

Motor Speedway F1 circuit.

Stand out Brazilian Renan Guerra, 22, had no issues adjusting to the #2 Juncos Racing machine finishing the test second quickest overall with a time of 1:25.027 in the Star Mazda Series. Guerra was thrilled with his results and looks to compete in the Star Mazda Championship next year.

“It was a really good test at Indianapolis, a legendary and historic track,” said Guerra. “The track was amazing with being both on the oval and on the road course. The structure at Juncos Racing is amazing and they were able to teach me a lot. We received great results by having a great set up on the car and I believe it was the fastest car on track. I’m really happy with the results and with Juncos Racing. I hope to be back with them in 2013 Star Mazda Championship.”

Argentinean female driver Julia Ballario, 20, who drove the #22 Juncos Racing car, succeeded both days gaining speed and learning the open wheel car to finish with a time 1:26.765, eighth quick overall at the two day test.

“I’m really happy and thankful for Juncos Racing giving me this opportunity to come test at Indianapolis,” said Ballario. “I enjoyed the work we did together and I learned a lot during each

practice session. The car really impressed me even though it was a little hard to get used to in the beginning, but in the end the experience with the team was amazing.”

Juncos Racing Team Owner, Ricardo Juncos, was impressed with the strong results his Star Mazda team at their first trip to the historic speedway and pleased with both drivers ability to adapt to the car and track in a short time.

“We had a lot of success with both drivers this week in Indianapolis,” said Juncos. “Renan was able to finish second quickest overall and showed a promising future in the American open wheel series. Julia did an excellent job adjusting to the car and finished the test with great times. I hope we can add these two drivers to the Star Mazda Series in the future, as their results showed they are ready to make the move to this series. My Star Mazda team did an excellent job in their first visit to the speedway, with no pervious data to go off of we were able to produce one of the fastest cars this week. I want to thank both Renan and Julia for joining Juncos Racing this week and to all of their families and supporters for giving them the opportunity to run here in America. I also want to thank my team for their great results in their first visit to the speedway and helping both drivers with their adjustments to the car.”

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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