



GREEN LEGEND GROWING -- CONOR DALY WINS FROM THE POLE IN STAR MAZDA RACE 1 AT NEW JERSEY MOTORSPORTS PARK MAZDA FORMULA X DOUBLE-HEADER

-- Six Hours of Mazda-Powered Racing Action Live on HDnet --



New Jersey Motorsports Park (June 12, 2009) – His bright green #22 Andersen Racing / College Network / Indeck / Cytomax Mazda leading the way from start (more or less) to finish, Conor Daly, son of racing legend Derek Daly, began growing his own legend with a win from the pole in Race 1 of a Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear double-header weekend at the Mazda Formula X Event at New Jersey Motorsports Park. It was his

first victory of the season and vaulted him to 4th from 7th in the championship points.

Leading Daly into Turn 1, but giving up the lead in Turn 3 and ultimately following Daly across the finish line was Englishman Adam Christodoulou, the current championship leader and winner of two races so far this season. He started his #11 JDC Motorsports / Molecule Mazda on the outside of the front row. The final podium finisher, scoring his first top-3 finish of the season, was Canadian racer Mikael Grenier, who qualified 8th after a late-night setup adjustment to his #17 Andersen Racing / NAPA Auto Parts / CAA-Quebec / HS Telecom Mazda went awry.

"I didn't get a great start because my car was creeping even with the clutch in, so I had to work the clutch, gas and brake all at the same time; that's why Adam was ahead of me going into the first turn," said Daly. "But I got past him again in three and from there on had a really good race. It probably wasn't as exciting as the TV people would like, but I enjoyed it and the car was perfect. I was able to drive really consistent laps and was fortunate to be open up a gap at the beginning of the race, and after the re-start as well. I knew Adam was back there behind me and if there was an opportunity for him to pass he'd take it, so I had to focus on opening up a gap and once I was able to do that I just concentrated on managing my tires and conserving my car to go the full distance. Everyone will be working on their cars



overnight, but my car is so good right now that I feel pretty good about being able to do this again tomorrow."

The top-finishing Master Series (aged 45 and over) driver was Gerry Kraut, co-owner of JDC Motorsports who brought his #55 JDC Motorsports / Dougherty & Co. / Dougherty Funding LLC Mazda home in 20th overall. In addition to his victory here, he has scored three in-class top-3 finishes so far this season and is second in the points battle for the Master Series Championship. Bringing his #16 Kester Racing Team 3G / Texas World Speedway / Motul Oil Mazda home 17th overall and first in the Expert Series was Chris Cumming of Vancouver B.C. He is the reigning 2008 Expert Series champion and is currently leading the 2009 Expert battle with two class wins and two in-class podium finishes.

In the 2009 Star Mazda Championship points battle, Adam Christodoulou leads with two wins, two poles a podium and one 7th-place finish totaling 159 points. Peter "The Irish Steamroller" Dempsey, who won four Star Mazda Championship races during the 2008 season and finished third in the championship, sits second in the championship battle with 144 points. He won Round Two at Virginia International Raceway, finished on the podium at Miller Motorsports Park and came through the New Jersey field from 15th on the starting grid to finish 6th. American Joel Miller, the 2008 MAZDASPEED Motorsports Driver Development Ladder driver, is third with 138 points, two podiums and two top-5 finishes. Race winner Conor Daly, the 2008 Skip Barber champion and this year's MAZDASPEED ladder driver, sits in fourth with one pole, one win, one podium, one top-5 and 128 points.

Pos	No.	Name	Laps	Total Tm	Diff	Gap	Hometown	Club	Sponsor
1	22	Conor Daly	28	41:09.021			Noblesville, In	Andersen Racing	Indeck/Cytomax/Merchant Services/College Network
2	11	Adam Christodoulou	28	41:10.313	1.292	1.292	Birmingham, England	JDC Motorsports	Molecule/Alpine Stars
3	17	Mikael Grenier	28	41:11.487	2.466	1.174	Stoneham, Canada	Andersen Racing	NAPA Auto Parts/CAA-Quebec/HS Telecomm/Allied Interior Products
4	19	Caio Lara	28	41:13.152	4.131	1.665	Sao Paulo, Brazil	JDC Motorsports	MLD/ATW/Molecule
5	2	Joel Miller	28	41:13.863	4.842	0.711	Hesperia, Ca	JDC Motorsports	Fader High Productions/eSoles/Doug Mockett & Co
6	3	Peter Dempsey	28	41:15.358	6.337	1.495	Ashbourne, Ireland	Aim Autosport	Irish Sports Council/Queyside.ie
7	13	Michael Furfari	28	41:16.317	7.296	0.959	Toronto, Canada	Juncos Racing	Furfari Paving
8	33	Richard Kent	28	41:20.620	11.599	4.303	Millton Keynes, England	Andersen Racing	Traka/Allied Interior Products/LaFarge N.A.
9	72	Jorge Goncalvez	28	41:21.293	12.272	0.673	Los Teques, Venezuela	Aim Autosport	
10	71	David Ostella	28	41:21.708	12.687	0.415	Maple, Canada	Aim Autosport	GP Global Precast
11	82	Billy Goshen	28	41:22.961	13.940	1.253	Brea, CA	Goshen Motorsports	Baker Commodities/GPSTrackit/OTTO
12	27	Anders Krohn	28	41:27.510	18.489	4.549	Sandnes, Norway	Mundill	Trallfa/Colosseum

13	48	Kristy Kester	28	41:27.826	18.805	0.316	College Station, Tx	Kester Racing with Team 3G	Texas World Speedway/Motul Oil/K&N Filters +
14	77	Kevin Toledo	28	41:31.728	22.707	3.902	Rancagua, Chile	Eliseo THL Motorsports	
15	30	Rick Rosin	28	41:32.419	23.398	0.691	Brusque, Brazil	Team GDT	FundeSporte/Governo Do ESTADO SANTA Catarina
16	15	Taylor Hacquard	28	41:32.794	23.773	0.375	Vancouver, Canada	Kester Racing with Team 3G	Wolfe Automotive Group/
17	16	Chris Cumming	28	41:33.272	24.251	0.478	Vancouver, Canada	Kester Racing with Team 3G	Texas World Speedway/Motul Oil/K&N Filters +
18	24	J.C. Kester	28	41:33.521	24.500	0.249	College Station, Tx	Kester Racing with Team 3G	Texas World Speedway/Motul Oil/K&N Filters +
19	21	Denis Navarro	28	41:34.058	25.037	0.537	Sao Paulo, Brazil	Andersen Racing	Navarro Medicines Distribution/Allied Interior Products/LaFarge N.A.
20	55	Gerry Kraut	28	41:35.190	26.169	1.132	North Oaks, Mn	JDC Motorsports	Doherty and Co./Doherty Funding LLC.
21	61	Sean Burstyn	27	41:21.274	1 Lap	1 Lap	Miami Beach, Fl	Juncos Racing	V Collection
22	31	Carlos Conde	27	41:31.160	1 Lap	9.886	San Juan, Puerto Rico	American Speed Factory	MIO.TV
23	23	Walt Bowlin	27	41:53.682	1 Lap	22.522	Tarpon Springs, Fl	Juncos Racing	Hooters/Tampa Bay Jaw Surgery
24	80	Toshihiro Deki	27	42:06.115	1 Lap	12.433	Yokohama, Japan	Goshen Motorsports	
25	51	Alex Ardoin	18	23:25.259	10 Laps	9 Laps	Lafayette, La	JDC Motorsports	Oral & Facial Surgery Center/Twister Trailer
26	91	Michael Guasch	18	23:52.652	10 Laps	27.393	Benicia, Ca	JDC Motorsports	Molecule
27	66	Rusty Mitchell	18	23:58.855	10 Laps	6.203	Midland, Tx	Mitchell Motorsports	Motorola

The Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear is a main race at the multi-event Mazda Formula X returns to New Jersey Motorsports Park this weekend – including Atlantic, Skip Barber, MX-5 and IMSA Lites; also featured Time Attack and Drifting exhibitions, tuner car and audio show.

All the weekend's Mazda-powered races will be broadcast live on HDnet. There will be a live three hour broadcast each day from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm EDT. The broadcast team will be led by veteran commentator Rick Benjamin and legendary race-driver Elliott Forbes Robinson. Despite the fact that it's listed on the HDnet schedule at an Atlantic Championship broadcast, with no mention of any of the other races during the weekend, all the wheel-to-wheel Star Mazda Championship action will be covered live on both days. To receive HDNet information via email simply go to www.hd.net/listpage.

It's a double-header weekend for the Star Mazda Championship with races on both Saturday and Sunday. The standing start for Race 2 on Sunday will take place at 2:00 pm.

For more information on the Star Mazda Championship and its drivers, as well as the Mazda Motorsports ladder system, please visit www.starmazda.com and www.mazdausa.com. For information, interviews and photos, contact Star Mazda Communications Director Peter Frey at (818) 398-5733 or StarMazdaPR@aol.com.

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For more information on the various Mazda spec series, visit:

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