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## FLAG-TO-FLAG -- CONNOR DE PHILLIPPI SCORES HIS SECOND WIN OF THE 2011 STAR MAZDA SEASON IN THE 'NIGHT BEFORE THE 500' AT LUCAS OIL RACEWAY

Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis (May 28, 2011) – Connor De Phillippi, starting from the pole and leading from flag-to-flag, won Round 3 of the 2011 Star Mazda Championship presented by



Goodyear, the 85-lap 'Night Before the 500' at Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis; this was the California driver's second victory of the season driving the #11 Team Pelfrey / Justice Brothers Products / Trademark Garage Floors Mazda; he won the season-opener at the Grand Prix of St. Petersburg.

De Phillippi crossed the finish line two hours late due to a rain delay, but still with 2.4 seconds

in hand over his Team Pelfrey teammate Nick Andries of St. Petersburg, FL, who started from the outside of the front row in the #81 Team Pelfrey / Lithionics Battery / GS610 Brake Fluid / Trademark Garage Floors Mazda. Andries started from the pole in St. Pete and finished 2nd in Round 2 at Barber Motorsports Park.

Rounding out the top-5 were 2010 USF2000 champion and Mazda Road to Indy scholarship winner Sage Karam, of Nazareth, PA, who qualified and finished 3rd in the #88 Andretti Autosport / MAZDASPEED / Comfort Revolution Mazda. Finishing fourth was French racer Tristan Vautier in the #5 JDC Motorsports / Cecibon / Circuit du Laquais Mazda; won Round 2 at Barber Motorsports Park and came into the race leading the championship.

Finishing 5th was Brazilian racer J.V. Horto, who started from 6th on the grid. The top-finishing driver in the Expert Series for racers 30 and older was last year's Expert Series champion, Texan J.W. Roberts who came home 12th overall in the #65 Team GDT / General Data Tech Mazda.

The race went green all the way and the top half of the field finished pretty much in starting order, moving up only as 4th-place qualifier Tatiana Calderon, the lone female driver in the field and faced with handling woes, faded back to finish 9th in the #10 Juncos Racing / JAC Motors Mazda.

Tristan Vautier remains in the championship points lead with 117 points, while De Phillippi, despite two wins from the pole, stays in 2nd with 116 due to a 10th-place finish in Round 2. In third with 101 points is Nick Andries, who, in addition to 2nd-place points tonight, earned an extra point for the quickest race lap, a 20.510 (120.410 mph).

Pos No.	Name	Laps	Diff	Gap	Best Tm	Best Speed	In Lap	Sponsor
1	11 Connor De Phillippi	85			20.556	120.140	4	Justice Brothers Products / Trademark Garage Floors
2	81 Nick Andries	85	2.440	2.440	20.510	120.410	5	Lithionics Battery / GS610 Brake Fluid / Trademark Garage Floors
3	88 Sage Karam	85	2.915	0.475	20.653	119.576	6	MAZDASPEED / Comfort Revolution
4	5 Tristan Vautier	85	4.208	1.293	20.803	118.714	9	Cecibon, Circuit du Laquais, Fontanel
5	7 J.V. Horto	85	4.385	0.177	20.807	118.691	6	Programa LeiLoes
6	60 Martin Scuncio	85	5.862	1.477	21.014	117.522	5	Bia Comunicaciones / Cable Del Pacifico
7	28 Gustavo Menezes	84	1 Lap	1 Lap	21.077	117.170	7	www.truecar.com / Truecar, Inc.
8	27 Nick Mancuso	83	2 Laps	1 Lap	21.205	116.463	4	Jimmy Johns Sandwiches /Indeck / Lake Forest Sportscars
9	10 Tatiana Calderon	83	2 Laps	1.067	20.896	118.185	4	JAC Motors
10	26 Jérimy Daniel	83	2 Laps	2.848	21.493	114.903	6	FixAuto / Sherwin-Williams
11	48 Patrick McKenna	82	3 Laps	1 Lap	21.527	114.721	6	Mosport Ireland / Irish Sports Council / General Data Tech
12	65 J.W. Roberts	81	4 Laps	1 Lap	21.784	113.368	6	
13	20 Carlos Linares	79	6 Laps	2 Laps	21.476	114.993	8	Mindeporte
14	39 Joao Jardim	47	38 Laps	32 Laps	21.033	117.415	11	Shopping M

Round 4 of the 2011 Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear is the Milwaukee Mile on June 19. This is the second of three ovals in a row, followed on June 25 by Iowa Speedway. Both events are IndyCar race weekends.

For more information on the Star Mazda Championship and its drivers, as well as the Mazda Road to Indy, please visit [www.starmazda.com](http://www.starmazda.com) and [www.mazdausa.com](http://www.mazdausa.com). For information, interviews and photos, contact Star Mazda Communications Director Peter Frey at (818) 398-5733 or [StarMazdaPR@aol.com](mailto:StarMazdaPR@aol.com).

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