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To: Star Mazda Championship teams and drivers  
From: Star Mazda Championship / Gary Rodrigues  
Date: July 27, 2011  
Re: Some details of upcoming events

Star Mazda teams,

We need to get some information to you, so you can be ready for the events ahead. In roughly chronological order:

### **Trois-Rivieres**

- 1) The Series has arranged for catering on the days we have cars on track – Lunch 1100-1300 hrs and dinner 1600-1800 hrs Friday, lunch 1100-1300 hrs Saturday, breakfast 0630-0830 hrs and lunch 1200-1400 hrs Sunday. All drivers and crewmembers are invited. No charge.
- 2) We would like to hold a car owners meeting Thursday at the end of the day. Details will be worked out while we are together Thursday.
- 3) Qualifying procedures – Qualifying for Race 1 will be per the schedule, one group. Grid for Race 2 will be based on Race 1 fast lap for each car. A second set of tires will be marked by Tech for each car to be used for Sunday's warm-up and race. Otherwise, the usual rules and procedures will apply.
- 4) After Trois-Rivieres, there may be an opportunity for one Star car to do a short, one day test for a magazine on the road course at IMS before we go to Infineon. **Volunteers should let Gary know of their interest asap.** Details are being developed.

### **Infineon**

- 1) The test schedule for 17 Aug series authorized test – 0830 to 1030, 1045 to 1245, 1345 to 1545, 1600 to 1700 open testing on the IndyCar configuration. Star Mazda Championship cars only.
- 2) Series assigned garages will be available for the test day. We anticipate moving in Wednesday afternoon. Reservations suggested. Contact Gary by e-mail or phone (818) 686-3350.

- 3) We are going to need to bolt out of Infineon Saturday after our race, due to the Baltimore move-in schedule for the indoor paddock. We had intended to prep at Infineon before leaving, but now it looks like we will have more time at Baltimore than we thought, and an early move-in schedule.

### **Baltimore**

- 1) They want us to move into the arena at Baltimore that will serve as our paddock on Tuesday evening. That will be a challenge for our rig drivers, roughly 2900 miles. That will require a team effort. The paddock layout will be nice, like what Indy Lights does at Long Beach, if you have seen that. We have Wednesday and Thursday to prep.
- 2) Qualifying procedures – 20 minutes, one group, then 10 minutes for the top 7 drivers only if they wish to try to improve their times. Usual tire rules apply, change tires and the previous times are deleted.

### **Mazda Raceway**

- 1) The year end awards party will be Sunday night on Cannery Row in Monterey – 6 p.m. reception, 7 p.m. dinner, awards start at 8 p.m. **Save the date**. It is going to be special.
- 2) Rigs can stay overnight Sunday at the track, if you wish to pull out Monday.

We will send out nomination forms for the special year-end awards, and also a survey form. Please take the time to use them. We do.

See you at the races!

Regards,

Gary Rodrigues