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ANDERSON SOLID IN RETURN TO ST. PETERSBURG

"Two top ten results mark a solid weekend for Fort Collins, CO driver as he makes his first start on the Florida street circuit in a Pro Mazda Championship car."



Fort Collins, Colorado - Scott Anderson, the 2011 Skip Barber National Champion and former MAZDASPEED Motorsports Development scholarship recipient, put the wraps on a good weekend of competition making a return visit to the Honda Grand Prix of St. Petersburg. Last

year Anderson ran in the USF2000 Championship Series and looked to use that experience as he made his first start on a street circuit in a Pro Mazda machine. Anderson paced the #44 Juncos Racing/Laser Nail Centers/Neuropathy Testing Center/Foot Surgery Center of Northern Colorado car around the 1.8 mile temporary street course taking a solid seventh place finish in race one and backing that up with an eighth in race two.

"St. Petersburg did not go very well for me," comments Anderson. "Our pace wasn't bad, but I had a pretty poor qualifying, which on a track like this and with the times being so close, makes it extremely difficult to make up positions in the race. So I was basically stuck mid-pack for both races."



In Friday practice Anderson posted the eighth quickest time in both sessions as he looked to find a rhythm on the street circuit. Saturday brought quicker times and a changing track resulting in a difficult qualifying session that saw Anderson only able to log the 11th best lap. Needing to move forward Anderson got a great start in race one and moved forward quickly to cross the line in seventh place. Race two would run on Sunday afternoon following the IndyCar race tossing another challenge at the Pro Mazda pilots. Anderson ran another good race completing all the all laps and crossing in eighth place.

"I think my focus now needs to be on qualifying and getting the tires to come in quicker," continues Anderson. "We are fifth in points so not in a bad spot at all, but we are definitely capable of better. Next up is the oval race at Lucas Oil Raceway and I'm looking forward to that."

After four rounds of racing action Anderson now sits in fifth place in the championship point standings just three points back from fourth spot. The 2013 Pro Mazda Championship Presented by Cooper Tires now takes a mini break as teams and drivers prepare for the Night Before the 500 taking place at Lucas Oil Raceway in Indianapolis, Indiana on May 25th. Anderson and fellow Pro Mazda drivers will take part in the Road to Indy Oval Clinic on May 10th as part of the unique IndyCar ladder system.

About Scott Anderson:

Scott is an expert skier from Fort Collins, Colorado and a past MAZDASPEED Motorsports Development scholarship winner having won the 2011 Skip Barber National Championship Presented by Mazda (six wins). In the 2012 Cooper Tires USF2000 Championship powered by Mazda, Scott scored two wins, a pole position and set a new lap record (Road America) on his way to finishing third in the season's championship. Scott is backed by Laser Nail Centers, Neuropathy Testing Centers of Colorado and Foot Surgery Center of Northern Colorado and is a Derek Daly Academy managed driver.

Learn more about Scott at www.scottandersonracing.com, For more information on Scott and his racing program please contact Jeff Grist at the [Derek Daly Academy](http://DerekDalyAcademy.com), jeff@derekdalyacademy.com or by phone at 905.327.7458.

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