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ANDERSON READIES FOR RETURN TO LUCAS OIL RACEWAY

"Multiple test outings fill the long gap between races as Anderson looks to capture the same pace he had last season at first oval race of the year."

Fort Collins, Colorado - Scott Anderson, the 2011 Skip Barber National Champion and former MAZDASPEED Motorsports Development scholarship recipient, has been hard at work aboard the #44 Juncos Racing/Laser Nail Centers/Neuropathy Testing Center/Foot Surgery Center of Northern Colorado, Pro Mazda machine. Scott and the team have taken part in no fewer than four separate test programs since the last round of racing back in March. This included two official series tests at Mid-Ohio and Lucas Oil Raceway to kick off the month of May.



"The Pro Mazda official series tests at Mid-Ohio had some up and down moments but for the most part it went great," commented Anderson. "It was the team's first time at Mid-Ohio so we were going there with very little setup knowledge, but considering that, we started off with some very good times in the morning session, and ended up fourth fastest. In the afternoon we kept up the progress, and towards the middle of the session we were posting some of the fastest times but a red flag and car stuck on track ended the session early so we never got to complete a sticker tire run and see what we could really do. I felt like we made some big improvements throughout the day so overall it was a productive test."

Anderson made his first start at Lucas Oil Raceway last year in the Cooper Tires USF2000 Series Presented by Mazda where he took fifth place and set some of the quickest times in the race. Prior to the one day official series test, Anderson took in the Mazda Road to Indy Oval Clinic where IndyCar racers, both past and present, were on hand to provide valuable advice to the next generation of American open wheel racers.



"Lucas Oil Raceway was more of a learning curve for us," continues Anderson. "It was our first oval test on the new tires and my first time in the Pro Mazda car on an oval, so we were just trying to get a good idea of how this car behaves on the new Cooper tires. We started out surprisingly quick, with the fifth fastest time in the first session. In the second and third sessions we tried some changes that didn't work and went a bit slower, but it was necessary to try as we were just gathering information at that point. We actually had the car working very well and posted our most competitive times at the end of the session."

A busy week sees Anderson and all the Mazda Road to Indy drivers taking in several off track activities including the Mazda Road to Indy Summit, autograph sessions, photo opportunities and industry meetings at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the American center of motor racing.

"We left both tests on a high note, heading in the right direction. We took in another two days of oval testing last week so I'm feeling a lot more comfortable in the car. I have some high expectations for our next couple of race weekends," stated Anderson.

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, teams and drivers take in the Night Before the 500 taking place at Lucas Oil Raceway in Indianapolis, Indiana on May 25th.

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.

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