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JDC MOTORSPORTS QUEST FOR 2014 USF2000 CHAMPIONSHIP WINS STARTS IN FLORIDA

Toppe ready to build on Winterfest victory during St. Petersburg twin bill

MINNEAPOLIS, MN (March 27, 2014) – JDC MotorSports' on-going pursuit of race wins and championship titles resumes this weekend (March 29-30) with the Cooper Tires USF2000 Championship Powered by Mazda season-opener in St. Petersburg, Fla. Returning up-and-comer Clark Toppe will be behind the wheel when the action gets underway on the Florida street circuit, ready to build on what was a solid rookie campaign and a recent superb victory in the Cooper Tires Winterfest for the Cooper Tires USF2000 Championship Powered by Mazda series.

When the USF2000 Championship cars roll on-course to start the 2014 season in Florida, one of the teams worth watching will be JDC MotorSports, given its race-winning history, and its focus on developing talented drivers. With second-year driver Toppe leading the charge, the Minnesota-based team is confident that trend will continue right from the get go this season.

The 16 year-old Texas native enters races one and two on the 14-round calendar ready to make the most of the knowledge and experiences gained as a teenage rookie last season. The No. 97 Toppe Motorsports/Red Line Oil/HR-Sportswear pilot has already indicated he is ready to take the next step behind the wheel, showcasing his ever-growing talents during the 'off-season' Winterfest series. Mixing both pace and racecraft during the tripleheaders at NOLA Motorsports Park and Barber Motorsports Park, Toppe was a consistent front-runner. In the end, he exited the six-race championship with a superb inaugural USF2000 win and five additional top-10 finishes. Given Toppe's pre-season run of form, along with the fact JDC MotorSports has previously visited the post-race podium on the streets of St. Petersburg, a good start to 2014 looks to be in the cards.

"Going back to St. Pete really makes me think of how much I have improved over this past year," stated Toppe. "Looking back to last year, I feel much more confident and well connected to the team at this point. I really believe these factors will help us get good results, and I'm ready to get on the track."

The 2014 Cooper Tires USF2000 Championship Powered by Mazda chase for top honors gets underway for JDC MotorSports and Toppe with two practice runs in St. Petersburg on Friday (March 28). Qualifying around the 1.8-mile street circuit takes place one day later, prior to Round One at 4:40 pm local time. Race two of the season-opening twin bill, as part of the Verizon IndyCar Series opener, is slated for 8:50 am local time on Sunday (March 30). Live timing and audio will be available at www.USF2000.com/results/live-timing

JDC MotorSports races with associate sponsorship from RedLineOil.com and HR-Sportswear

Additional information on JDC MotorSports can be obtained from the team's website @ jdcmotorsport.com For direct contact, please contact John Church @ 952-233-3075

Learn more about Clark Toppe at ClarkToppeRacing.com and keep up to date via Twitter @ [ClarkToppe](https://twitter.com/ClarkToppe) and Facebook @ [Clark Toppe Racing](https://www.facebook.com/ClarkToppeRacing) Videos also available on YouTube @ [Clark Toppe](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

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About JDC MotorSports:

Involved in formula car racing since its inception in 1994, JDC MotorSports has established itself as one of the leading junior open-wheel teams in North America. Initially making its mark in the F2000 class of club racing competition, JDC MotorSports was soon a team worth watching in the pro ranks. Competing in the Formula Ford 2000 Zetec Championship, the team not only won races, but also helped develop multiple young drivers. In 2005, JDC MotorSports expanded its efforts, entering the Star Mazda Championship. Quickly becoming one of the top teams in the series, JDC captured both the driver and team titles in 2007, as well as Rookie of the Year honors, with Dane Cameron scoring a series-high three wins. In 2008, JDC MotorSports was the runner-up in the Star Mazda Championship and finished fourth in its inaugural season of F2000 Championship Series competition. The Minnesota-based team won the Star Mazda Championship title with Rookie of the Year Adam Christodoulou, and the F2000 Championship Series title with Chris Miller in 2009. The following year, JDC continued its winning ways, earning the Rookie of the Year award in the Star Mazda Championship with Connor De Phillippi, and scoring a non-points win in the USF2000 National Championship. In 2011, the Minneapolis-based squad captured its third Star Mazda Championship title with Tristan Vautier, scored a win in the USF2000 National Championship, and made its Prototype Lites Championship debut, earning five podium finishes. JDC MotorSports added to its Star Mazda Championship win tally, USF2000 Championship podium total, and finished as the Prototype Lites Championship runner-up in 2012. Last year, the squad continued its run of Pro Mazda and USF2000 podium finishes, and was third in the Prototype Lites title fight.

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Possible Caption: JDC MotorSports and Clark Toppe set to start chase for USF2000 Championship wins on the streets of St. Petersburg. (Photo: USF2000 Championship)