



## Klein Has “Character Building” Weekend at Infineon

Long Grove (July 22, 2005) - Jonathan Klein's double race weekend July 16 and 17 in the Star Mazda Championship at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma, CA was quite challenging. Although he showed his usual determination with strong starts for each race, the qualifying efforts and race results were frustrating.

Two laps into Saturday's qualifying session, Klein experienced a motor failure, resulting in a 24<sup>th</sup> starting position. At the start of the race, he moved up to 11<sup>th</sup>-place in a few laps, only to have his right rear tire fail with a tread de-lamination. Jonathan experienced his first pit stop as the Andersen Walko Racing crew worked to change the tire. Klein came out of the pits a lap down and immediately set the fastest race lap at the time; however, he finished in 32<sup>nd</sup>.

Sunday's qualifying brought new concerns with an electrical problem and a 20<sup>th</sup>-position starting place. Klein's determination had him moving up at the start of the race, gaining seven positions in the first six corners. He went slightly off and when re-entering the track, the car hooked and Klein was t-boned by another car, causing extensive damage and putting him out of the race.

*“I'm obviously unhappy with how last weekend went. However, I am now concentrating on Portland in one week, hoping to bring the #26 Nexus Distribution, Midwest Steel & Services, Ironclad and ProStar car home with some solid points.”*

Jonathan currently stands eleventh in the Championship points. The Star Mazda races from Infineon will be broadcast August 14 (Round 1) at 1 pm EST and August 27 (Round 2) at 1 pm EST.

