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## POWERS REUNITES WITH LIBERTY MOTORSPORTS DURING USF2000 TESTING

## Californian got behind the wheel at Road America and Autobahn in preparation for full second half campaign

ROCKFORD,, ILL. (July 18, 2010) – Liberty Motorsports in its constant quest to improve and get better, recently returned to action via official *Cooper Tires presents the USF2000 National Championship powered by Mazda* testing at both Road America and Autobahn Country Club. American Matthew Powers, in preparation for a full second half of the season campaign in the highly rated development series, got behind the wheel in both days of testing, showing good skill as he further bonded with the Illinois-based squad.

For both Liberty Motorsports and Powers, the two single-day USF2000 National Championship tests were all about gaining valuable seat time and experience. Given the former karting champion from California had not gotten behind the wheel of race car or kart since his season-opening outing back in late March on the streets of St. Petersburg, the focus during the opening test at Road America was on getting re-acclimated to the No. 41 Liberty Motorsports Van Diemen and the Liberty crew. In what proved to be a successful outing, Powers ran mistake-free lap after lap on the famed four-mile Wisconsin road course. In the end, the Liberty Motorsports crew was impressed with Powers progress both behind the wheel - steadily going quicker each time oncourse – and out of the cockpit – improving his communication with the engineers and mechanics.

The Liberty Motorsports/Powers partnership continued to grow during the second day of testing at Autobahn. Powers, working with the squad through a planned program for the day, not only further improved his pace, but also fine tuned the car to better respond to his driving style. After close to 250 miles of trouble-free action, both the teenager and crew were already looking forward to the upcoming races at the Illinois facility.

"Matt performed flawlessly at both tests, he focused primarily on getting comfortable in the F2000 car and he built speed as the program progressed," said Chuck Lessick, Liberty Motorsports Team Manager.

Liberty Motorsports resumes its pursuit of *Cooper Tires presents the USF2000 National Championship powered by Mazda* glory on July 31-August 1, when Rounds Seven and Eight take place at the Autobahn Country Club. Powers will be back behind the wheel, with the Californian scheduled to contest the remaining six races on the series calendar.

Additional information on Liberty Motorsports can be obtained from their website @ <a href="www.LibertyMotorsports.net">www.LibertyMotorsports.net</a>. For direct contact, please email Brian Belardi at Libertyinfo@LibertyMotorsports.net or call 414-916-6715.



## **About Liberty Motorsports:**

Liberty Motorsports is an organization comprised of experienced individuals in the racing industry with an aggressive growth strategy and a strong commitment to finishing up front. No stranger to winning, team members having been achieving success in both the amateur and pro ranks for over a decade, winning numerous junior formula car races and championships. Liberty Motorsports will compete in the USF2000 National Championship, F2000 Championship Series and SCCA Club Racing in 2010, with the goal of not only winning, but helping develop the next stars of motorsports.