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## Mission accomplished for Jean-François Dumoulin

First race on oval circuit - Autodrome Chaudière

Vallée-Jonction (Québec, Canada), June 14, 2015 – A specialist of road circuits, it's with eagerness that Jean-François Dumoulin successfully tackled the challenge of taking part in his first race on oval track at Autodrome Chaudière yesterday, behind the wheel of the #04 Dodge Bernier Crépeau / Groupe Bellemare / MIA. With the precious contribution of Éric Laperle, crew chief, the goal was met for the one who wanted to gain experience and, above all, to finish the race.

Action and strategy were the centerpiece yesterday for the hundredth event of the NASCAR Canadian Tire series, which was punctuated with eight caution (56/300 laps). Jean-François Dumoulin skillfully managed to avoid incidents, and maintained his position to finish in fourteenth place. Through learning and settings management, maintaining consistency and speed was complex in these conditions.

"It was a fantastic experience, the driving is completely different. The teammates were all motivated. It was a lot more intense than I thought; it wasn't easy, especially after the first 100 laps. The #04 Dodge Bernier Crépeau / Group Bellemare / MIA was pushing. A few incidents made us lose laps and I was more comfortable on the outside than on the inside. The driving strategy during restarts will notably need improvement. During the last caution, we've tried another adjustment in order to improve the car. We will need to do our homework and show up with determination at Sunset Speedway," explains Jean-François Dumoulin.

## Second race on oval track for Jean-François Dumoulin

Sunset Speedway (Innisfil, Ontario) – The Leland Industries 300 presented by Johnsonville

Every track has its particularities. There are effects on driving to adapt to, and the mechanical tweaks that have to be made are just as important. Like series veterans, Jean-François Dumoulin will compete for the first time on the Sunset Speedway track this upcoming Saturday (June 20). Since its acquisition by new owners in 2009 (track in operation since 1968) – Mark Dilley, a veteran of the NASCAR Canadian Tire series, is one of the co-owners – the circuit has undergone improvement work (extended the track for 50', a pit road was added, and more) in order to be more accessible for fans and to host different important series.

"Adjustments will be made to the car, and with the advice of my crew chief, Éric Laperle, we wish to improve the speed and driving strategy for Sunset. Once again, we want to finish the race above all else, and develop the necessary skills to make our way across the traffic on the track," shares the driver of the #04 Dodge Bernier Crépeau / Group Bellemare / MIA / Trois-Rivières Mitsubishi.

\*Race results below and here: http://hometracks.nascar.com/061315 Chaudiere NCATS Results

\*The race will be **broadcast** on TSN on June 21 at 12 p.m. and on July 3 at 10 p.m on RDS2.

#### FEATS AND HIGHLIGHTS JEAN-FRANÇOIS DUMOULIN

- First podium in the NASCAR Canadian Tire series on May 17, 2015 (3<sup>rd</sup> place Canadian Tire Motorsport Park)
- The first Quebec-born driver to win twice the Rolex 24 in Daytona; 2004 (SGS and 2007 (GT).
- The youngest racer to have been part of the Player's Development Team.
- Champion of the Grand-Am Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge GS, USA in 2003 (9 podiums).
- Champion of the Grand-Am Continental Tire Sport Car Challenge ST, USA in 2002 (5 podiums).
- In Montreal's 2009 edition of **Nascar Nationwide**, he finished his first race in the 7<sup>th</sup> position aboard a badly damaged car and wins the heart of numerous fans and reporters.
- In 2000, earns a 2<sup>nd</sup> place championship win in the **Motorola Cup Series** in which he racked a 1<sup>st</sup> podium after having begun the race 52<sup>nd</sup> at the Molson Indy event in Ontario, Canada.

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# RÉSULTATS / RESULTS

Évènement / Event	Date	Horaire / Schedule	Road Oval	L.P. Dumoulin			J.F. Dumoulin		
				Dép. Start	Arr. Finish	Pos. Points	Dép. Start	Arr. Finish	Pos. Points
Pinty's pres. the Clarington 200 Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (Bowmanville, Ont.)	16-05	Pract.: 11:35/12:05 & 12:45/1:15 pm Qualif.: 3:45 to 4:35 pm	R	4	6	6/38	13	3	3/41
	17-05	Race: 12:30 (200km - 51 laps/tours - 125.4mi.)							
Budweiser 300 – Autodrome Chaudière – (Vallée-Jonction, Qc)	13-06	Pract.: 12:00/12:30 & 1:00/1:30 pm Qualif.: 4:15 pm (2 tours/laps) Race: 8:05 pm (300 tours/laps)	0	2	10	5/73	15	14	6/71
Leland Industries 300 pres. by Johnsonville - Sunset Speedway (Innisfil, Ont.)	20-06	Pract.: 11:30/12:00 & 12:30/1:00 pm Qualif.: 3:45 pm (2 tours/laps) Race: 6:30 pm (300 tours/laps)	О						
NCATS Circuit ICAR (Mirabel, Qc)	04-07	Pract. : Qualif. : Race :	R						
Alberta Has Energy 300 – Edmonton International Raceway (Wetaskiwin, Alberta)	11-07	Pract. HNE: Qualif. HNE: Race HNE:	О						
Velocity Prairie Thunder 250 Auto Clearing Motor Speedway (Saskatoon, Sask.)	15-07	Pract. HNE: Qualif. HNE: Race HNE:	О						
NCATS 250 Autodrome StEustache (St-Eustache, Qc.)	25-07	Pract. : Qualif. : Race :	О						
Le 50 tours Juliawine.com Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières (Trois-Rivieres, Qc.)	01-08	Pract. : Qualif. : Race :	R						
NCATS - Riverside Int'l Speedway (Antigonish, NS.)	15-08	Pract. HNE: Qualif. HNE: Race HNE:	О						
Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (Bowmanville, Ont.)	29-08	Pract. : Qualif. :	R						
	30-08	Race:							
NCATS - Kawartha Downs Speedway (Fraserville, Ont.)	19-09	Pract.: Qualif.: Race:	О						