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Freedom Autosport Holds Test Day Ahead of May 2nd Grand-Am KONI Challenge ST Race Drivers Maloof and White Head to Virginia International Raceway

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (April 8, 2009) – Drivers Christian Maloof and Mark White, co-drivers of the #147 Team Freedom Autosport MX-5, are heading to Virginia International Raceway (VIR) to participate in a team test-and-tune day. Scheduled for April 16th, the test day affords Freedom drivers the opportunity to spend time in the cars before the May 2nd Grand-Am KONI Challenge race at Thunderbolt (New Jersey Motorsport Park).

During Maloof's first race with Freedom at Homestead-Miami Speedway, car #147 experienced mechanical troubles during practice, qualifying and the race itself. Team Freedom met these challenges head on and have been working tirelessly to resolve them before the Thunderbolt race. Said Maloof, "our team put forth a heroic effort at Homestead, overcoming various issues," adding, "I am looking forward to spending the test day getting seat time in the MX-5 without the constraints of a race weekend, driving the car and having fun!"

Mark White agreed: "the Freedom crew really performed like heroes at Homestead. The work they put in to get Christian and I in the race was monumental. I'm confident that the setbacks we had with #147 will ultimately result in an awesome car for the next race. Adapt and overcome, right?"

Freedom Autosport Team manager Tom Long, fresh from a second-place finish at the Homestead-Miami ST KONI Challenge, is looking forward to Maloof and White spending the day at VIR, Freedom's home track. "Test days are the perfect opportunity for our team to work closely, examine data with the team engineer, and discuss strategy."

Although the race weekend at Homestead was not short on challenges, Maloof (who even grappled with lost luggage) affirms, "I really enjoyed our car and I am excited about getting up to the front of the grid at Thunderbolt and beyond!" White shares his enthusiasm: "the Mazda MX5 is really a great package for the class as proven by the #145's podium finish at Homestead. Consequently, Christian and I are planning on being part of the *Freedom Invasion* at Jersey!" For the remainder of the season, Maloof and White are scheduled to share driving duties for car #147 in the KONI Challenge at Watkins Glen on June 4th and VIR on October 2-4.

More information about the upcoming race at New Jersey Motorsports Park can be found at <http://www.grand-am.com/koni/schedule/event.cfm?eid=879>. For more information about Freedom Autosport drivers Christian Maloof and Mark White please visit christianmaloof.com and gomarkwhite.com.

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