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## **SRT Motorsports - Nationwide Advance - Road America**

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**SAM HORNISH JR.**

– No. 12 Alliance Truck Parts Dodge Challenger

Crew Chief: Chad Walter

Career Stats:

Starts: 46

Wins: 1

Top Fives: 4

Top 10s: 12

Poles: 0

Laps Led: 179

2012 Season Stats

Starts: 13

Wins: 0

Top Fives: 2

Top 10s: 6

Poles: 0

Laps Led: 64

- Fourth in Nationwide standings, 45 points behind leader Elliott Sadler and 36 ahead of fifth-place Cole Whitt.
- One previous NNS road course start came in 2008 at Mexico City, where he started 11th and finished 13th on the lead lap.
- Has finished 11th or better in his last six races.

**JACQUES VILLENEUVE**

– No. 22 Discount Tire Dodge Challenger

Crew Chief: Jeremy Bullins

Career Stats:

Starts: 7

Wins: 0

Top Fives: 3

Top 10s: 4

Poles: 1

Laps Led: 42

2012 Season Stats

Starts: 0

Wins: 0

Top Fives: 0

Top 10s: 0

Poles: 0

Laps Led: 0

- Has made seven previous Nationwide starts, all on road courses. Has one pole, three top-five and four top-10 finishes.
- Will be making his first NNS start of the 2012 season this weekend at Road America.
- Scored a third-place finish in 2011 Road America event in the No. 22 Dodge Challenger. He led twice for five laps in the race.
- Won three CART races at Road America (1985, 1994-95)

#### DODGE QUOTES:

"I like road racing, but I just haven't had much luck. Our Alliance Truck Parts Dodge has been fast all year. Road America is such a wild card race. You almost hope to just get through the race with a good points day. I haven't been to Road America since 1999. I like the track a lot and I'm looking forward to it. You have to make sure that you don't get caught up in the havoc that seems to come with racing up there. That race and Montreal, it seems like it comes down to the last couple of restarts and everybody goes nuts. Hopefully we can just be ahead of it."

--Sam Hornish Jr.

#### ROAD AMERICA NUMBERS

- Dodge drivers have posted top-five finishes in the last two races at the Wisconsin track: Brad Keselowski (fourth) in 2010 and Jacques Villeneuve (third) in 2011.
- The race will cover 50 laps around the 14-turn, 4.048-mile road course.

#### DODGE IN THE NASCAR NATIONWIDE SERIES

- Jacques Villeneuve will make the first of two starts this season in the No. 22 Discount Tire Dodge Challenger from Penske Racing. In addition to Road America, Villeneuve will also drive the No. 22 Dodge Challenger on the road course at Montreal in August.
- Dodge is fielding two full-time entries in the series this year.
- Dodge claimed its first NASCAR championship in 2010 when Penske Racing's Brad Keselowski captured the driver's title.
- Dodge has 42 wins in the series including seven in each of the last two seasons. The first Nationwide Series win came in 2002. In 2005, Dodge had 11 wins in the series.
- A Dodge has started from the pole 48 times.

#### FROM THE CREW CHIEF

"I'm looking forward to Road America. I think the NASCAR world is going to see how good Sam is in a road race this weekend. We had a good day at Michigan but there's stuff we can learn from it. We need to make our Challenger better from the nose to the decklid and work our pit strategy a little bit better."

-- Chad Walter, Crew Chief, No. 12 Alliance Truck Parts Dodge Challenger

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