

Indy Lights: Renowned Driver Coach Bentham Re-Joins Jensen MotorSport

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*Lee Bentham won the 1998 Atlantic Championship with two wins and eight podiums in 13 races
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Jensen MotorSport is pleased to announce that Lee Bentham is re-joining the team as Driver Coach for its Firestone Indy Lights program.

Bentham (40) previously managed Driver Development for Jensen MotorSport during the 2007 ChampCar Atlantic season, working with drivers Tom Sutherland and Frankie Muniz. Bentham's resume also includes his Head of Driver Development role at Forsythe Championship Racing, where he developed successful drivers including Robert Wickens, John Edwards, and newly announced IndyCar driver James Hinchcliffe.

A native of Toronto, Ont., Bentham also has an impressive resume as a race car driver. Bentham won the 1998 ChampCar Atlantic Championship driving for the Player's/Forsythe Racing Team, and also won races in the 1997 Firestone Indy Lights Championship en route to a fifth overall finish in the season standings.

"I am proud to announce that our team has been bolstered with another extremely talented person joining," stated Team owner Eric Jensen. "Lee Bentham is one of the best driver coaches in open-wheel racing, and I am certain his guidance will further enhance the competitiveness of our drivers Juan Pablo Garcia and David Ostella."

"Jensen MotorSport has quickly established itself as one of the most competitive teams in Indy Lights," said Bentham. "David Ostella's pace in pre-season testing and his strong 4th place finish in the first race at St. Pete bode well for a very successful season. It's an exciting time to re-join the IndyCar community, and I am thrilled to be doing with the talented Jensen squad many of whom I've previously worked with at the team."

Bentham and the Jensen MotorSport team return to action for race two of the 2011 season at Barber MotorSport Park in Birmingham, Ala., on the weekend April 9-10.