

MINI MOTORSPORTS WEEKEND



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MINI USA AND MINI JOHN COOPER WORKS TEAM READY WITH THREE CARS FOR TC AMERICA SERIES FINALE AT INDIANAPOLIS

Derek Jones and Clayton Williams will be joined by 18-year-old rookie racer Cristian Perocarpi at home track for LAP Motorsports team

Woodcliff Lake, NJ, October 14, 2021. [MINI USA](#) and the [MINI John Cooper Works Team](#) are making the short trip to [Indianapolis Motor Speedway](#) for the final race weekend of the [2021 SRO TC America](#) series. The Brownsburg, Ind. -based [LAP Motorsports](#), which operates the MINI JCW Team, will field three cars at their home track this weekend, including the #60 MINI JCW PRO piloted by veteran driver [Derek Jones](#) in the Touring Car (TC) class, as well as the #62 MINI JCW driven Clayton Williams and the #61 MINI JCW driven by Cristian Perocarpi, both in the Touring Car A (TCA) class. Perocarpi will ride the momentum of two podium finishes in his professional racing debut two weeks ago at Sebring International Raceway.

“We are excited about the opportunity to close out the season at our home track this weekend in front of our family and friends,” said Luis Perocarpi, team owner, LAP Motorsports. “We are bringing everything we have to the track this weekend, including three race cars and five local MINI service technicians, with the hopes of bringing home some trophies from our home track.”

The MINI JCW Team will have their usual fulltime race crew supported by five service technicians from three different MINI dealerships in the Central Region, including one from [Cincinnati MINI](#) in Cincinnati, Ohio, one from [MINI of Ft Wayne](#) in Ft. Wayne, Ind. and three from [Dreyer & Reinbold MINI](#) right down the road in Indianapolis. These are the same technicians that repair customer MINIs and have proven time and again that their knowledge transfers to the racing world.

About the MINI JCW PRO

Visually inspired by the third generation MINI John Cooper Works GP launched in 2020, the #60 MINI JCW PRO is a MINI John Cooper Works Hardtop that has been engineered and modified using both original equipment manufacturer (OEM) and components from across the MINI line up and aftermarket performance parts in order to meet the technical rules and regulations required to compete in the TC class. The GP-inspired visual cues presented on the #60 MINI JCW PRO, including the paint scheme and front grill and fender, also help to meet requirements of the series to differentiate the TC versus TCA race cars while on the track.

The MINI John Cooper Works team started the season taking three podiums at [Sonoma Raceway](#) in pursuit of the team's third Manufacturer's Championship in a row in the series. The MINI JCW Team also won Manufacturer's Championship in 2018 in the final season of the Street Tuner class of the [International Motor Sports Association](#) (IMSA) [Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge Series](#), where the team finished ahead of BMW, Porsche and Mazda.

About the MINI JCW Team

The MINI JCW Team, operated by [LAP Motorsports](#), drives MINI's most powerful Hardtop ever in the two-door MINI John Cooper Works Hardtop. The team competes in the fiercely competitive SRO TC America Series. For additional information please visit [minijcwteam.com](#) or email luis@minijcwteam.com.

About MINI in the US

MINI is an independent brand of the BMW Group. In the United States, MINI USA operates as a business unit of BMW of North America, LLC, located in Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey and includes the marketing and sales organizations for the MINI brand. The MINI USA sales organization is represented in the U.S. through a network of 112 MINI passenger car dealers. MINI USA began selling vehicles in the U.S. in 2002 with the introduction of the MINI Cooper and MINI Cooper S Hardtops. Since then, the MINI Brand in the U.S. has grown to encompass a model range of five unique vehicles.

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