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It Takes A Village To Race A Nelson

New York, NY (13 November 2002)—Red Bull Energy Drink on Tuesday, 12 Nov., wrapped up the agreement for Nevada's Joel Nelson to race in the 2003 Euro 3000 championship with John Village Automotive (JVA). The Village team, winners in Formula Ford, Formula Vauxhall Junior and European F3000, has a long, successful history of running American drivers.

The Euro 3000 championship is a single-marque championship, created in 1999 as an offshoot of sorts to F3000. All teams utilize Lola B99/50 carbon fiber chassis and 480h.p. Zytek V8 engines.

Driving for Village in the 2002 Euro 3000 title chase was Frenchman Romain Dumas, who won three races and just missed winning the championship - he was nipped by only seven points by Brazil's Jaime Melo, Jr. In five races with JVA in 2002, Rhode Island's Peter Boss had a best finish of seventh, at the Jerez circuit in Spain. The series website is <http://euro3000.tiscali.co.uk>.

Nelson is the third of the four American Red Bull Driver Search winners to conclude his 2003 European racing plans: Scott Speed is with Alan Docking Racing for British F3, and Grant Maiman has been set up with Jenzer Motorsport's Formula Renault operation.

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