

Joe Tandy Racing Academy

Tandy family aims to help junior talent

THE JOE TANDY

Racing Academy is hoping to host a shootout-style event to choose a driver to back with its funds.

Launched at AUTOSPORT International last weekend, the Academy has been set up in memory of JTR team boss Joe Tandy, who was killed in a road accident last year.

The Academy plans to raise funds throughout 2010 before backing an underfunded driver who "shares Joe's enthusiasm for racing

and shows some of the attributes that made him a success".

Joe's brother Nick, who won races in British Formula Ford and F3 for JTR, will act alongside other members of the team as a talent scout

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and judge for the programme.

"We're going to scout everywhere, from oval racing, to grasstrack, to F3," said Nick, "but the level will have to be realistic.

"In an ideal world we'd put on a group test, where we hire a car, hire a circuit and use a team - Formula Ford, GP2, whatever."

Sports 2000 Duratec

Jenvey joins March for title defence

REIGNING SPORTS

2000 Duratec champion Mike Jenvey will defend his crown in Alan Hudd's new March 09R, unveiled at AUTOSPORT International last weekend.

Hudd's March Racing Academy has recruited

Jenvey to turn its new machine into a race winner. The 2004 and '05 Formula Vee champion developed his own Gunn TS-6 into a title winner in less than three seasons of Sports 2000 Duratec competition.

Jenvey, who scored six wins from eight races to take the 2009 title, said: "It's a big challenge for the team and for me. A lot of manufacturers have come into Sports 2000 and not been able to

Jenvey will race the new March in 2010



do it, but March is in it to win it.

"I still want to go to Le Mans and win; that's my goal and this is a good start. I recognised two years ago I needed to be part of a well-funded factory team and this is the first opportunity.

"March is serious about the category and serious about sportscar racing. I'm excited and apprehensive, because I'll be moving out of my comfort zone."