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2010 Glen Helen Off-Road Short Course Series Schedule at Glen Helen Raceway

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. – The Glen Helen Off-Road Short Course Series, a series designed to accommodate all off-road racers, will make its 2010 debut March 13 at Glen Helen Raceway Park.

Off-road director Bob Beyer has spent the past year building and refining the race series that offers an affordable alternative for race teams to test and compete. The course, approximately 1 mile in length, is a permanent addition to the existing facilities that have made Glen Helen one of the busiest and most versatile motor sports venues in the nation.

The raceway just north of San Bernardino annually hosts a round of the AMA Motocross Championship series each May as well as the ITP Quadcross Series, the Yamaha Dealer Series, the (6, 12 and 24 hour) Endurance Grand Prix Races, the Baja Cup Challenge along with numerous other events throughout the year.

Beyer, a veteran official with a passion for off-road racing, made it a priority in creating the Short Course Series to produce an affordable, family-oriented series that bridges the gap between rudimentary weekend competition and the higher-profile, pressure-filled touring series.

That's been accomplished by establishing entry fees (\$300 for the truck and buggy classes) and ticket prices tailored to the current economy, by giving everyone from professional drivers to novices classes in which to compete, and by putting together a solid schedule of seven points-paying races to determine a champion in every class.

In addition, the track will be available as a testing and practice facility throughout the year by reservation and with select open practice days.

The track has an extremely spacious staging area, approximately 100 feet wide, that is perfect for the exciting "land rush" starts. From there the racers will funnel onto a long (1,000-foot-plus), fast front straightaway and into the banked, 60-foot wide first

turn, and the track is open enough to offer the drivers numerous opportunities for passing.

The entire track is visible from the spectator area (camping chairs and ice chests are welcome) and the pit area will be open to spectators, teams and competitors at no extra cost. Overnight camping also is free. The current format calls for teams to move in and set up on Friday or Saturday morning and for all racing activity to take place on Saturday.

There will be classes for current and older short course, stadium and desert vehicles ranging from limited to unlimited trucks and buggies, Redline Revolts, Stadium Lites, Pilots and Odysseys.

The complete 2010 off-road short course schedule is:

Round 1 – Saturday, March 13

Round 2 – Saturday, April 24

Round 3 – Saturday, June 12

Round 4 – Saturday, July 10

Round 5 – Saturday, August 28

Round 6 – Saturday, October 2

Round 7 – Saturday, November 13

There also is ample opportunity for expanded and crossover marketing for team and series sponsors thanks to the Baja Cup Challenge off-road races and the numerous motocross events at the versatile track.

The Challenge races, primarily designed for desert vehicles, will be run on longer, natural terrain courses and will offer an exciting contrast to the fender-to-fender competition so common in short course racing.

For more information on the Glen Helen Short Course Series and the Baja Cup Challenge, contact off-road director Bob Beyer by telephone at 909-815-5811, by e-mail at bbmracing@aol.com or visit www.glenhelenoffroad.com

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