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Kenda Cup West Opener Drawing Top Talent

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The **Kenda Cup West Series opener at Sage Brush**, brought to you by **Team Duke.Org** is drawing top pro and amateur athlete's for 2010.

Last years Sage Brush men's pro winner; **Sho-Air/Specialized rider Sid Taberlay**, brings with him a 2010 Australian National Short Track title to this year's event, as the Aussie looks to make it two for two.

Taberlay will be hard pressed in 2010 however, as **newly signed Cannondale Factory riders Jeremiah Bishop and Tinker Juarez are set to race this weekend**. Add in 2009 La Ruta and Cost Rican XC Champion Manny Prado of the Sho-Air/Specialized team, and the 2010 Kenda Cup West Series opener is shaping up to be a slug fest.

2009 women's race winner, Pua Sawiki, of Team Mata/Okle Stuff.com looks to repeat as a two time race winner. Sawiki will have a solid line up of women racer's with Rock N Road's Allison Mann and others trying to knock off the six time National Endurance Champion.

About Sage Brush: Located east of San Diego off Interstate 8, the Sage Brush course is a throw back to a more traditional mountain bike loop, with multiple distances ranging from 26.8 miles and 3,500 feet of climbing for the Pro and CAT 1 loop, to a shorter 18 mile loop for the CAT 2 and 3 riders.

The course uses existing jeep and motorcycle trails of the Lake Morena OHV park and offers racers a wide variety of terrain, with rolling Whoop De Doo's, banked berm corners and a fun flowy style of riding. For the mountain bike purist, Sage Brush is a must attend event!

Sage Brush course map http://www.geoladders.com/gps_route_racer.php?route_id=21974

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