

Thunder From Down Under: The Australian V8 Supercars blaze into the UAE for the 2010 season opener



Tickets now available for the YAS V8 400

Abu Dhabi, UAE, 12th January, 2010: Tickets have gone on sale for the eagerly anticipated season opener of the V8 Supercars Australia Championship Series, held at Yas Marina Circuit on February 19 – 20.

The YAS V8 400 weekend will provide great entertainment for families and friends with tickets starting from just AED 325. Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by a paying adult, in general admission.

The Australian V8 Supercars will race at night under lights for the first time in history. They will also be the first to use an exciting feature of Yas Marina Circuit - a high speed off-camber left, right, left turn sequence - known as 'the Corkscrew', which drops 15 metres in elevation across 100 metres in distance – a feature that is sure to pose big challenges to the drivers.

Four additional support races will complete the entertainment: Chevrolet Supercars Middle East Challenge, Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge, UAE GT Championship, and the Gulf Sport Radical Cup.

Richard Cregan, CEO of Yas Marina Circuit, said, "Having the first round of the 2010 V8 Supercars Australia Championship Series is great for Yas Marina Circuit. On top of that, to run this series' first ever night race and use a special circuit configuration designed to emphasise the specific performance characteristics of these cars, will make these races unforgettable."

"We look forward to welcoming the organisers, teams, drivers, sponsors and fans to the UAE for the YAS V8 400. When you add four regional support races, spectator access to the pit and paddock areas, plus all the family friendly entertainment that will be staged in our Oasis, this is a great opportunity to enjoy another great weekend of motorsport."

Tony Cochrane, Chairman of V8 Supercars Australia Championship Series, said, "We could not have asked for a better way to start the 2010 season: the first V8

Supercar race at Yas Marina Circuit, the first V8 Supercar race under lights. Fans and spectators are going to get a fantastic show at this amazing new world class circuit.”

“The phenomenal facilities at Yas Marina Circuit are absolutely mind-blowing and the lighting is out of this world,” Mr Cochrane said, “Utilising the ‘corkscrew’ section of the track for the first time of any race category is also a huge honour for our sport and will provide some of the best racing imaginable.”

Tickets for the YAS V8 400 race event are now on sale, prices starting from AED 325, with children 12 and under free, for general admission only.