



## **Barber Motorsports Park to Host 40<sup>th</sup> Annual WERA Grand National Finals**

Birmingham, Ala. (Dec 6) – Barber Motorsports Park and ZOOM Motorsports announced today that the picturesque Alabama facility will host the 40<sup>th</sup> annual WERA Grand National Finals in 2012.

Scheduled for Oct. 25-28 next year, the WERA Grand National Finals is the marquee event for WERA Motorcycle Roadracing with participants from across the globe.

“The Barber Motorsports Park has been hosting WERA events several times a year since it opened,” said Rick Humphrey, Vice President of ZOOM Motorsports, the exclusive event promoter at the Park. “To host the WERA Grand National Finals is certainly a compliment to the relationship that has been developed over the years. We’re very excited to add this to our 2012 schedule of events.”

The WERA Grand National Finals culminates a more than 30 race season that includes races at 15 tracks across the country. The WERA season typically begins in January each year.

To qualify for the WERA Grand National Final a rider must have competed with WERA Motorcycle Roadracing in 2012 and must be in the point standings for the class(es) they run. This event sees riders from across the US compete for Sportsman Championships in a winner take all race for each class and it is the final round for the Pro-Am Michelin/WERA National Challenge Series where Championships are awarded by points accumulated at the National Events across the US in 2012. The WERA Grand National Final is the place where scouts for the Pro Teams find their riders and where the fans can see if they can pick out the riders that will shine in the following season. The competition is fierce at this event and fans always see some really close and competitive racing.

“WERA Motorcycle Roadracing is very excited to be taking the 40<sup>th</sup> WERA Grand National Final to Barber Motorsports Park,” said Evelyne Clarke, President of WERA Motorcycle Roadracing, Inc. “The facility offers WERA riders a challenging circuit and great paddock, fans great viewing and the staff at Barber Motorsports Park, Zoom Motorsports and WERA Motorcycle Roadracing have built a good relationship over the years so we feel the event will be both welcomed and supported.”

### **About WERA Motorcycle Roadracing**

WERA Motorcycle Roadracing was founded in 1973 and remains the foremost place to develop talent in the sport of motorcycle Roadracing. The legacy of Pro riders on a National and World level is legendary. All events are run by WERA Motorcycle Roadracing and they go coast to coast offering entry level racing with the Pirelli/WERA Sportsman Series as well as a Pro-Am Series with the Michelin/WERA National Challenge Series which includes the only traveling Endurance Series in the US using the World Endurance platform for most of the rules. For more information please visit [www.wera.com](http://www.wera.com).

### **About Barber Motorsports Park and ZOOM Motorsports:**

Barber Motorsports Park opened in the spring of 2003. Since its inception, ZOOM Motorsports, LLC has been the exclusive event promoter for the events at the Park. The 2.38 mile racing circuit is 45 feet wide, with 17 turns and elevation changes of more than 80 feet. The Barber Motorsports Park has been considered one of North America’s finest road courses for car and motorcycle racing, and has served as the venue for several international product launches. The Barber Motorsports Park also features the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum. This 144,000 square-foot facility houses more than 1,000 vintage and modern motorcycles from 17 different nations and more than 125 manufacturers. For more information, please visit [www.barbermotorsports.com](http://www.barbermotorsports.com).

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