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**AGRA Announce Finalists for the 2012
Sky Channel Greyhound Of The Year**

The AGRA today announced the three finalists for the 2012 AGRA Sky Channel Greyhound of the Year. Don't Knocka Him, Got A Moment and Miata were judged the top three after the judging Panel considered the achievements of five greyhounds nominated by the AGRA committee.

The judging panel consisting of administrators and media representatives from each state plus a group of national media representatives from Print, Radio and Television.

The panel allocated votes 3, 2 and 1 on what they considered to be their top three finalists in order of each judge's preference in a secret vote. The votes have been tallied and one of the finalists will be crowned the winner of the coveted award at AGRA's National Awards night to be held at the Rupertswood Mansion in Sunbury Victoria on Friday February the 22nd.

On this exciting night the other National Award winners will also be announced they are Trainer of the Year, Sire and Dam of the Year and the Run of the Year. Sky Channel camera's will be in attendance at the Rupertswood Mansion to capture a presentation package which will be shown on the "Catching Pen" the following Monday.

The previous eight winners of the AGRA Australian Greyhound of the Year are 2002 **Boomeroo**, 2003 **Bombastic Shiraz**, 2004 **Whisky Assassin**, 2005 **Pure Octane**, 2006 **Betty's Angel**, 2007 **Flashing Floods**, 2008 **El Galo**, 2009 **Cindeen Shelby**, 2010 **El Grand Senior** and 2011 **Dyna Tron**.

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Listed in alphabetical order are the three finalists and their achievements during 2012.

DON'T KNOCKA HIM

(November 2009 Blue Brindle Dog Knocka Norris – Surf Queen)

Race starts: 2012: 37 – 20 wins, 5 seconds, 4 thirds.

Owner: Reg Kay

Trainer: Jason Thompson (Pearcedale, Victoria)

Winner: Group 1 Golden Easter Egg; Group 3 Rover Mowers Cup.

Finalist: Group 2 Horsham Cup (2nd); Group 3 Harrison- Dawson (6th); Group 2 Shepparton Cup (5th); Group 1 Top Gun (3rd); Group 3 Shootout (2nd); Group 1 Melbourne Cup (6th); Group 1 Brisbane Cup (4th).

Total Career Prizemoney: \$380,089.



GOT A MOMENT

(February 2010 Brindle Bitch Collision – Splitting Hairs)

Race starts: 2012: 29 – 14 wins, 5 seconds, 3 thirds.

Owner: Dianna Buxton.

Trainer: Jason Thompson (Pearcedale, Victoria)

Winner: Group 1 Melbourne Cup; Group 1 Brisbane Cup.

Finalist: Group 2 Bogie Leigh Futurity (4th).

Total Career Prizemoney: \$476,151.



MIATA

(October 2009 Red Fawn Bitch Bombastic Shiraz – Winsome Bluebird)

Race starts 2012: 26 – 22 wins, 1 second, 1 third.

Owner: Paul Stuart & Nicole Wheeler-Whye.

Trainer: Paul Stuart (Oakford, Western Australia)

Winner: Group 1 Galxay; Group 1 Association Cup; Group 1 National Distance Championship; Group 1 Bold Trease; Group 2 Zoom Top.

Finalist: Group 1 Sandown Cup (3rd); Group 1 Albion Park Gold Cup (5th).

Total Career Prizemoney: \$592,008.



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