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AGRA GREYHOUND OF THE MONTH DECEMBER 2016

"DUNDEE OSPREY"

AGRA's Greyhound of the Month for December is Victorian star middle distance performer Dundee Osprey. The talented chaser became the first greyhound in 2016 to win three Group One events when he proved too good in the final of the Sale Cup on Boxing day.



Star of the show at Sale was Cup winner Dundee Osprey (Pic Clint Anderson)

Having won two Group 1s as a sprinter, including the prestigious Topgun at The Meadows, Dundee Osprey showed his class and versatility with an easy win by four lengths over Chrichton Bale (\$13.60) (Darren Fisher) and Aston Harvey (\$30.80) (Eddie Lieshout).

"He has really exceeded my expectations," Scott-Smith said after the win. "It's always nerve-wracking being in big races like this, but it's also very rewarding."

The Pakenham south trainer will now decide whether to continue racing Dundee Osprey over longer distances or whether to drop him back to the sprint.

"I'm in no real hurry to make a decision, but I'll see how he pulls up after tonight."

"Sometimes he can pull up a bit flat because he tries so hard, so we'll just wait and see."

Earlier in the month Dundee Osprey finished second in the Group 3 Dillon Memorial (595) on his favourite track at Sandown the scene of his first Group 1 victory the Harrison – Dawson. The talented hard chaser also made the finals of the Group 2 Launching Pad, Group 2 McKenna Memorial, Group 2 Shootout, and Group 3 Speed Series at Sandown Park. Plus he also made the finals of the Group 2 Queensland Derby at Albion Park and the Group 1 National Sprint Championship at Angle Park, he has had a fantastic year in 2016.

Dundee Osprey was last week a unanimous choice for the Sandown Greyhound of the Year. The Greyhound of the Year is decided by a vote of the club directorate based on performances at the track through the 2016 calendar year.

Dundee Osprey is raced and trained by Geoff Scott-Smith he is a Black dog whelped December 2013 by Fabregas from Dundee Rose (Where's Pedro x Cora Bale). Dundee Osprey has won 17 of his 41 starts and has been placed on 12 occasions his current stake earnings stand at \$451,975.

AGRA congratulates owner- trainer Geoff Scott-Smith and Dundee Osprey on being awarded the AGRA Greyhound of the Month for December 2016. He joints last month's winner Thirty Talks, plus the previous month's winners Ando's Mac, Let It Develop, Worm Burner, Kilty Express, Buck Forty, Narralee, Ima Wagtail, Moreira, Dyna Double One and Cash In Motion as the winners for 2016.

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