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## **AGRA GREYHOUND OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER 2016**

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AGRA's Greyhound of the Month for November is Queensland sprint star Thirty Talks. The talented sprinter has been in devastating form in the month of November finishing the month with a win in the Group 3 lpswich Cup at Ipswich on Saturday night.

Starting a \$2.30 favourite Thirty Talks led all-the-way from box one to win in race record time of 30.21. The 2014 winner Happy Haswell held the race record at 30.23.

Thirty Talks, owned by octogenarian Len Antonio, won by five lengths over another Brett trained runner Zabdon Ferrari. A nose way third was Major Jackpot for Robert Cooke of northern New South Wales.

Brett also had youngster Jury in the race and he ran a creditable fourth.



"To run first, second and fourth in any race, well, you would have to be happy with that. To do it in my hometown Cup is very special, particularly because that was a really good quality field. I'm proud of the efforts of each of my dogs," Brett said.

Thirty Talks, so named because he was bought as a puppy by Antonio for \$30,000 at the 2014 Richmond Riches sale, has been a great investment for his owner. Saturday night's prize of \$31,500 took the earnings of Thirty Talks to \$196,251, achieved in 19 wins from 30 starts.

When Thirty Talks drew box one for the Ipswich Cup final he was immediately installed as the \$1.65 favourite in fixed odds betting. But during the week there wasn't much support and the dog eventually started \$2.30 on both the fixed odds and the Ubet tote.

His next assignment will be at Albion Park tonight in a heat of the Brisbane Cup. Thirty Talks is the prepost favourite for the event and jumps from box one in the first heat race four and will start odds on to make it through to next week's Group 1 decider.

Thirty Talks is raced by Leonard Antonio and trained by Tony Brett of Grandchester in Queensland. Thirty Talks is a Brindle dog whelped June 2014 by Where's Pedro from Unfinished (Bombastic Shiraz x Stylish Scene). He has won 19 of his 30 starts and has been placed on two occasions and with his current stake earnings standing at \$196,251.

AGRA congratulates owner Leonard Antonio, trainer Tony Brett and Thirty Talks on being awarded the AGRA Greyhound of the Month for November 2016. He joints last month's winner Ando's Mac, plus the previous month's winners Let It Develop, Worm Burner, Kilty Express, Buck Forty, Narralee, Ima Wagtail, Moreira, Dyna Double One and Cash In Motion as the winners so far this year.

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