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AGRA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD – APRIL 2014

“SWEET IT IS”

The AGRA's Run of the Month for April 2014 has been awarded to exciting Victorian stayer Sweet It Is after her extraordinary performance to come from last and win the Group 1 Association Cup. The drop out run home stayer put in the performance of her short career to run down a high quality field of top class stayers scoring in devastating fashion on Easter Egg final night April 15.



*Sweet It Is (6) in action at Cranbourne winning the Victoria Cup
(Pic Courtesy Clint Anderson)*

Veteran Sydney Greyhound Journalist Jeff Collerson asked the question. Has there ever been a more impressive group one long distance win than the last-to-first performance of Sweet It Is in the Association Cup final?

A new \$95,000 acquisition to the Darren McDonald kennel Sweet It Is was tailed off with just over a lap to go and still had only one rival behind her going through the catching pen.

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Yet she gave tearaway leader Xylia Allen "wind burn" in the run home to set a new race record of 41.78 in the 720m Cup final, bettering the old mark by 0.16 set by Miata in 2012 and equalled last year by Fancy Liza. Rocky Bale got home well for second and Xylia Allen hung on for third.

Sweet It Is is a Black bitch whelped November 2011 by Mogambo from Off Springer (Flying Penske x Skullring). She raced by Two Bear's Syndicate and trained by Darren McDonald. She has now won eight races and been placed six times from her 31 starts. The Association Cup first prize of \$75,000 brings her overall prizemoney to \$132,710.

As usual there were some outstanding runs recorded in April in fact it was another month for more track records to tumble particularly the Wentworth Park sprint record to recently retired Shakey Jakey running 29.07 on April 5th in a maiden. However given the fact Sweet It Is was contesting a Group 1 staying final with the best in the land, her amazing feat to win got her the nod as the Run of the Month.

AGRA congratulates owners the Two Bear's Syndicate, trainer Darren McDonald and Sweet It Is after being judged the AGRA Run of the Month for April 2014. She joins January winner Walk Hard, February winner Frosty Jay Jay and March winner Space Star.

Checkout the AGRA Website for a replay of the run of the Month

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