



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **AGRA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD – JANUARY 2013 “HELLO GOOD BYE”**

The AGRA's Run of the Month for January 2013 has been awarded to Hello Good Bye after his extraordinary performance in recording 29.09 at Sandown Park on January 3rd. Hello Good Bye's effort came as a surprise as it was race 12 on the card, a grade usually producing the slowest time of the night.



**Hello Good Bye stretching to the line to stop the clock at 29.09s at Sandown Park  
(Pic Paul Munt)**

However maybe it was not that big a shock that a grade five performer could record such an outstanding time, since the black Bombastic Shiraz chaser started racing he has recorded fast times on more than a few occasions.

Hello Good Bye commenced racing in New South Wales back in September and recorded a best of the night maiden win at Bulli in 22.46. He then went up a grade and again posted best of the night figures at Maitland where he run 25.22. Next he scored back to back wins at Richmond over the 535 commencing with a fast 30.81, then a best of the night 30.79 a week later. He first start in Victoria was at Geelong on December 7 and again he won in the best time of the meeting a smart 25.67 for the 460 metres.

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Perhaps the writing was on the wall but it does take some sort of effort to run quicker than any other dog has recorded for a period of 14 months when you consider the class of sprinter that have raced at Sandown in that period. The previous fastest time was recorded in November 2011 by Heston Bale when he ran 29.02.

Hello Good Bye is a Black Dog whelped October 2010 by Bombastic Shiraz from Hello Sienna (Bond x Hello Sienna) he is raced and trained by Paul Galea at Rosedale in Victoria. He has raced 13 times for six wins and four placings with his overall stake earnings standing at \$13,390.

As usual there were some outstanding runs recorded in January on various tracks around Australia. However given the fact that it was 14 months since any dog had run such a fast time on a metropolitan track like Sandown Hello Good Bye got the nod.

AGRA congratulates owner-trainer Paul Galea and Hello Good Bye after being judged the AGRA Run of the Month for January 2013. He is the first this year with 11 more to come.

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

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