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AGRA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD – MAY 2014 “SWEET IT IS”

She has done it again the AGRA's Run of the Month for May 2014 has been awarded to exciting Victorian stayer Sweet It Is after her extraordinary performance to come from last and win the Group 1 Sandown Cup the richest staying race in the world. The drop out run home stayer, put in another gob smacking performance when she run down a high quality field of top class stayers scoring in devastating fashion on May 22.



Sweet It Is races to the line to win the Sandown Cup
(Pic Courtesy Clint Anderson)

A quarter of a century after the great Bold Trease claimed his fourth and final Sandown Cup, Sweet It Is turned in a performance that matched any of the 'Warrnambool Warrior.' Sent to the boxes an easing \$1.90 favorite, Sweet It Is jumped well from box seven before being shuffled back and finding herself last, 10 lengths adrift of the leader with a lap to run.

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After riding a substantial bump going through the catching pen, Sweet It Is rallied to weave her way through and with the roar of the big crowd spurring her on, unleashing a devastating finishing burst to sweep to a jaw-dropping 1.5 length victory in 42.04 seconds. It was a performance that left her trainer Darren McDonald gob smacked.

"I have goose bumps after watching that," said McDonald.

"You see the interference she cops – that check through the 'pen would stop most dogs. It was heart in your mouth stuff but she has a tremendous will to win."

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 nine races and been placed eight times from her 34 starts. Her stake earnings stand at \$217,210.

As usual there were some outstanding runs recorded in May in fact it was another month for more track records to tumble particularly the Cranbourne and Warragul sprint distance records fell for a second time this year. However given the fact that Sweet It Is was contesting another 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 again in May making it happen twice on end.

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 May 2014. With her second award in as many months 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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