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***High Earner wins his second Group One
Perth Cup***

It almost seemed like it was deya wu when Queensland superstar High Earner (\$5.10) flew the boxes in the Sky Racing Perth Cup final setting up his second consecutive win in the Group 1 feature when he again racing away in exactly the same way he did last year. High Earner has a different trainer and he had a different preparation however the result was the same and he was as impressive as ever.



High Earner races to the line the Perth Cup (All Pics Courtesy Joe Mulder)

The son of Collision-Double Guess gave a faultless display of power sprinting when he gave his rivals no chance winning the Cup easily in 30.37 beating Victorian pair Gold Heritage (\$6.20) and Kilty Lad (\$2.90).

It vindicated the decision of owners Christine and Dave Robartson to bring the dog back from a stud career last year to the racetrack.

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In winning, High Earner took his fabulous career record to 62 starts for 31 wins and 19 placings. His stakes have reached \$502,675 to make him only the third greyhound ever to win more than half a million dollars and puts him in third place on all-time leading money earners list behind Rapid Journey and El Galo.

The Robertson's did not travel to Perth for the final, leaving the dog's preparation to Victorian trainer Kel Greenough who has had the black speedster in his kennel for the past six weeks.

In the past month, High Earner has been a finalist in the Cranbourne Cup and Warragul Cup, and now becomes the first dog to win two Perth Cups.

Gold Heritage and Kilty Lad ran home strongly, but the winner was too good. He already holds the race record for the Cup which he set last year.

The champion will now take his place in the Group 1 Temlee invitational on February 19 then on to the Australian Cup.

"Dave said there is no reason to stop racing him now and all being well we'll look toward to the Easter Egg after the carnival at the Meadows." Kel Greenough said in Melbourne today.

"It's harder to keep them going when they get to four years of age but we'll take it as it comes and see what happens, at least he may generate a bit more interest when he goes to stud next time. I was surprised he could only attract 18 bitches when he has the same damline as El Galo." Greenough said.

After the placed runners the field finished in the following order: Accounts (\$25.80), Pedrosa (\$3.90), Bramley (\$24.10), Blue Goose (\$11.60) and Liquigas (\$16.80).

High Earner is a Black dog whelped May 2007 by Collision from outstanding dam line and brood bitch Double Guess (Wild Season x Roxy Reason) he is owned by David & Christine Robartson and trained by Kel Greenough from Pearcedale in Victoria. High Earner has raced 62 times for 31 wins and 19 placings, his prizemoney earnings took a big boost with the Cup's first prize of \$140,000 taking his overall stake money to \$502,675.



Kel Greenough with High Earner post-race

Listed below is the Perth Cup honour roll it has been won by some outstanding sprinters over the years most coming from the eastern states. The race has had a number of sponsors over the years and was known as the Brownes Gold Cup from 1976 to 1986. In 1987 it was called the Australis Mining Gold Cup, in 88 it was the Fairplay Gold Cup then from 1989 until 1992 it was called the Winfield Gold Cup. In 1993 a long sponsorship begun with Be Active and it was known as the Be Active Gold Cup in 1993 and 94 before being called the Be Active Perth Cup until the last three years when the club welcomed their new sponsor Sky Racing.

1976 **Marcus Rate**, 1977 **Canonero's Gift**, 1978 **Biafra's Son**, 1979 **Rare Discovery**, 1980 **White Panther**, 1981 **General Jeff**, 1982 **Wotta Wizard**, 1983 **Superstar**, 1984 **Legatee**, 1985 **Supreme Carmen**, 1986 **Farquhar**, 1987 **Pretty Fearless**, 1988 **Karinya Flash**, 1989 **Miss Crisp**, 1990 **Sand Pebble**, 1991 **Frantic Night**, 1992 **Wynlee Supreme**, 1993 **Amy's Doll**, 1994 **Just Like Whisky**, 1995 **Brisk Bill**, 1996 **Tenthill Doll**, 1997 **Star Tribute**, 1998 **Rapid Journey**, 1999 **Bliss Bale**, 2000 **Nifti Fire**, 2001 **Sammy Mint**, 2002 **Modern Assassin**, 2003 **Elgrando**, 2004 **Kilby Supreme**, 2005 **Sun Hero**, 2006 **Superman**, 2007 **Betty's Angel**, 2008 **Size Can Matter**, 2009 **Miss Slick** and 2010 **High Earner**.

GALAXY FINAL

In the second leg of Saturday night's Group One double header at Cannington, NSW's reigning National Distance Champion Blue Lorian continued his remarkable record of success 'on the road', when racing away with the \$80,000-to-the-winner Galaxy.

A finalist in the 2010 Betfair NSW Greyhound of the Year, which will be announced this Friday night at the Sydney Hilton, Blue Lorian (\$9.60) chalked up his fifth Group victory when romping home to defeat Victorian star So Seductive (\$6.70) by seven lengths in 41.97s. Local Pillow Torque (\$3.00) was third.

The Galaxy success continued rookie owner/trainer Peter Whye's dream run with Blue Lorian and it's interesting to note that each of his Group victories have come at interstate venues, so there's no doubt a hometown feature success in coming weeks would provide the icing on Whye's already very sweet cake.



Blue Lorian proves too strong when takes out the Galaxy

In the meantime, Blue Lorian will continue campaigning interstate, when he takes his place in the Group Two invitational Zoom Top at The Meadows, on February 19. He is already a two-time Group winner at the Meadows in 2010 and races brilliantly on the northern city circuit.

After the placed runners the field finished in the following order: Hallpack Jack (\$16.10), Scuttlebut (\$31.60), Bobby Boucheau (\$3.00), Dashing Corsair (\$7.70) and Mega Pixel (\$31.30).

Blue Lorian is a Blue dog whelped December 2007 by Surf Lorian from Winsome Bluebird (Lansley Bale x Winsome Duchess). He raced and trained by Peter Whye at Narellan in New South Wales. He has now won 26 races and been placed on 21 occasions from his 57 starts. The Galaxy first prize of \$80,000 brings his overall prizemoney to \$310,750.



A happy team post-race with Blue Lorian

The Galaxy first became a group race in 2002 as the major distance support race to the Perth Cup Carnival prior to then it was conducted as a minor feature and was first run in 1982.

1982 **Afro Freeway**, 1983 **Supreme Carmen**, 1984 **Aulfee**, 1985 **Lady Temlock**, 1986 **Abilene**, 1987 **Lassie's Girl**, 1988 **Red Rambo**, 1989 **Ghetto's Glider**, 1990 **Busy City**, 1991 **Galahad County**, 1992 **Petite Emma**, 1993 **Cousin Johnny**, 1994 **Floral Kwondo**, 1995 **Wits End**, 1996 **Rocket Racer**, 1997 **Gemaryl Park**, 1998 **Paradise Street**, 1999 **Harvard Bale**, 2000 **Alencia Bale**, 2001 "Not held" 2002 **Jenev** 2003 **Why Complain** 2004 **Winter** 2005 **Best Quoted**, 2006 **Ronray Dancer** 2007, **Flashing Floods**, 2008 **Elektra**, 2009 **Western Land** and 2010 **Drill 'Em**.

Greyhounds WA delivered once again with a spectacular evening of greyhound racing, in very windy conditions a healthy cup crowd 4775 turned out to greyhound racing main night in the west.

The curtain fell on very successful \$500,000 Autumn Chasing Carnival that appears to be continuing to get bigger and better each year. The West has again showcased Australia's best chasers in the Sky Racing Group 1 Perth Cup (\$140,000 to the winner) and Group 1 Galaxy (\$80,000) and there is no doubt West Australia is a great place to race.



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