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AGRA GREYHOUND OF THE MONTH – MARCH 2011

“ST PIERRE”

AGRA's Greyhound of the Month for March is New South Wales owned and Tasmanian trained sprinter St. Pierre. In March St. Pierre scored a career best performance to account for an outstanding field in the final of the Group 1 Australian Cup at the Meadows.



St . Pierre races away with the Australian Cup (All Pics Paul Munt)

St. Pierre caused a huge boilder starting at the outsiders odds at \$16.80 as many observers felt he may not be up to the class of the Group 1 field.

However the son of Surf Lorian and Paris St Germain jumped very well from box two, but was immediately under siege, with favourite High Earner (\$2.00) ranging up ominously on the first turn. But the blue-brindle chaser showed his mettle, holding the fence and kicking clear as he reached the second section in 17.75.

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With High Earner and Mid Levels bumping as they neared the home turn St. Pierre set up a race-winning lead, eventually upsetting his more fancied rivals to win one of Australia's premier races in 29.90.

After winning the Cup St. Pierre returned home to Tasmania for two more wins in Invitation class at Launceston on March 21st and 28th.

St. Pierre next racing assignment will be in the heats of the Group 1 Macro Meats Golden Easter Egg at Wentworth Park in Sydney on Saturday night, with the semis on April 16 and the final worth \$250,000 to the winner on Easter Saturday night the 23rd of April.



St. Pierre with the happy connections after winning the Australia Cup

St. Pierre is a Blue Brindle Dog whelped December 2007 by Surf Lorian from Paris St Germain (Bright Ebony x Gold Serenade) he is raced by Christopher Nutt and trained by Debbie Cannan at Mangalore in Tasmania. St. Pierre has raced 62 times for 23 wins and 17 placings and his overall stake earnings stand at \$241,200.

The month of March has seen a number group races decided. St. Pierre beat Group 1 winner Bobby Boucheau, plus Group 2 winners Slick Lee, Decembrist, Imposing Jett, Enry Walt, Bogie King and Dance A Jig who were all up for the monthly award.

AGRA congratulates the owner Christopher Nutt, trainer Debbie Cannan and St. Pierre on being awarded the AGRA Greyhound of the Month for March 2011.

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