



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **AGRA GREYHOUND OF THE MONTH – SEPTEMBER 2010**

## **“KALDEN ATHENA”**

AGRA's Greyhound of the Month for September 2010 is young Western Australian sprinter Kalden Athena. In September the talented West Aussie sprinter had four starts for three wins and a second with the highlight a come from behind victory in the SA Oaks at Angle Park on September 30.



### **Kalden Athena storms home to win the SA Oaks**

What a performance in the final it was if she had not won the Greyhound of the Month her effort to get up and win the Oaks final would have won run of the month. From box eight she was slow out and last, then checked and pushed wide at the first turn, Kalden Athena got motoring down the back but was still giving the leaders a big start.

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At the home turn she had got to third and flashing home late to get up and win very impressively by a length and a quarter in 30 even.

Starting the popular elect at \$2.10 after a best of the night semi-final win of 29.58 for the second week in a row she defeated talented Victorian Galaxy High. In her heat on September 15 she had finished second behind Wikenia in 30.15 at her first look at Angle Park.

This followed her second win at Cannington on September the 8<sup>th</sup>. In her short career so far she shapes as a real star with a future having also won two races at Northern including the 509 metre track record of 29.23 on July 19 after a previous win there on July 5 in 29.73 scoring by 14  $\frac{3}{4}$  lengths after missing the start and coming from near last.

We will no doubt see her in the eastern states again in 2010 as she looks an ideal prospect for the running of the Sandown Laurels for the second time this year. The Group 1 age classic will be held on December 19, 23 and 30.



### **Owner-trainer Dan Biddle with Kalden Athena after the presentation of the Oaks (Pics Walter Bulyga)**

Kalden Athena is a Blue Fawn Bitch whelped October 2008 by Big Daddy Cool from Abbadale Gold (Brett Lee x Miss Fancy). She is raced and trained by Dan Biddle. She has raced on only 11 occasions for six wins and three placings and her current stake earnings stand at \$29,165.

The month of September contained seven group races and the up and coming Kalden Athena beat Group 2 winner Snozz. Plus group 3 winners Blue Lorian, Kinga Zac, Mythological, Your Signature and Cathella Ice for the monthly award.

AGRA congratulates the owner-trainer Dan Biddle and Kalden Athena on being awarded the AGRA Greyhound of the Month for September 2010.

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