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AGRA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD – APRIL 2010

“NELLIE NOODLES”

AGRA's Run of the Month for April 2010 has been awarded to very exciting Victorian middle distance star come stayer Nellie Noodles. In only nine starts to date she has recorded no less than three track records the most impressive was at the Meadows on Saturday 15th of April when making her distance debut in the city over the 725 metres, the effort earning her the AGRA Run of the Month for April.



Nelly Noodles record breaking run at the Meadows (Pic Paul Munt)

Nellie Noodles exploded on to the staying scene in late January of this year with a 19 length win at Geelong recording 34.29. She then proceeded to smash two middle distance records first at Meadows over 600 recording 34.07 the winning margin was 17 and half lengths. Next it was the Shepparton 650 standard where she recorded 37.20. However her best performance was the Meadows 725 debut.

The daughter of Flying Penske and Classy Creek wiped a whopping four lengths off the previous record held by Amity Bale, stopping the clock at 42.03 in her 16 length victory in a Grade 5 event, despite jumping out of the boxes in last position. Her run home time was equally as astonishing, rounding off her freakish gallop in 12.11 after spotting early leader Jersey Bale seven lengths with a lap to go.

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The Robert Britton-trained up and comer showed why she is rated as one of the most promising stayers seen in years.

Owned by Helen Ivers, Ivers, recently moved to Romsey in Victoria after a distinguished career as a greyhound breeder in Queensland, is no stranger to being involved in top class stayers over the years having bred former champions Texas Gold, Kobble Creek and Tip Top Tears among others.

"This is her third track record as she also holds the 650 metres record at Shepparton in her one and only start at that track", Ivers said.

"It's very hard to compare Nellie Noodles to my other top stayers, but her run home time is incredible, and not dissimilar to Texas Gold, who used to flash home in his races", she added.

Ivers indicated that Britton was likely to enter Nellie Noodles for next month's Group 1 Sandown Cup (715 metres).

Nellie Noodles is Black Bitch whelped March '07 she is by Flying Penske from Classy Creek (Rapid Journey x Sheza Swifty). Her current record stands at nine starts for five wins and one placings and prizemoney earnings at \$8,150. She is raced by the Helen Ivers and trained by Robert Britton at Lara in Victoria.

As usual we had some outstanding runs recorded in April with fast times on both city and country circuits all over Australia. In particular Tasmanian star youngster Demek who lower the Launceston record two weeks in succession was very unlucky not to win the award. Perhaps his time will come but given the way Nellie Noodles has gone about her recent runs the Meadows record was a standout and earned her this month's AGRA Run of the Month.

AGRA congratulates owner the Helen Ivers, trainer Rob Britton and Nellie Noodles on being judged the AGRA Run of the Month for April 2010.

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