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Kilty Lad leads all the way to his second Group 1 in 2011

VICTORIAN Kilty Lad led all the way in scintillating style to win the Group 1 Adelaide Cup at Angle Park last Thursday night.



The exciting Kilty Lad proves too good in the Adelaide Cup (All Pics Walter Bulyga)
The outstanding sprint talent made it 17 and four from only 27 starts and collected his second
Group 1 in 20 days after scoring in the Silver Chief final at the Meadows on New Year's day.

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The brilliant youngster, had also made the Hobart 1000 in late December 2010 so he was no stranger to elite level racing, he had won the Group 3 WA Young Star Classic at Cannington in November and made the final of the Group 3 SA Derby in October.

The writing was on the wall for many when Kilty Lad was an eye catching semi-final run last week. He was in all sorts of bother early but rattled home behind Greywinds Doll in a top effort.

Box four was not going to make things easy however he had overcome the five in the Silver Chief final and he did the same again with a faultless start and with fast sections he never looked in danger of defeat.

Trainer Kelly Bravo was quietly confident if her young star could begin well enough he had a solid winning chance. "We were hoping he could begin well to give him a chance, from box four you can't make any mistakes. He did a great job last week to make the final I don't know how he got to second but we were very happy he had a chance at another group 1." Bravo said.

"As soon as he led I thought this is great but you worry about the dogs behind him it was a traffic field but he was always going well and the time reflected that, you are going to be difficult to run down if you run in the 29 thirties."

"It's a big thrill for us and we just hope he stays sound too compete in the many big races coming along he'll go to Perth for the heats of the Cup next Saturday and he if can make the final Brett (husband) will stay the week with him there. He hasn't had much of a let up but he has really only contested the main group races and apart from a few small niggles he has been quite sound, he's also a very good traveler but it does take it out of them." Bravo said.

Kelly Bravo's dad Joseph Patterson brought Kilty Lad as a six month old pup for \$1200 from Lara trainer John Maple and remarked to his daughter recently it's a pity we didn't find one as good him 20 years ago, proving once again if you keep looking they are there somewhere.

The Bravo's long term plans after Perth are to come back to Victoria to contest the Australian Cup series then on to Sydney for the Group 1 Golden Easter Egg hoping he stays fit and sound to make his presence felt. He is a massive talent and looks sure for an even more exciting rest of 2011.

For the record Kilty Lad (\$4.00) beat Perfect Fancy (\$3.40) and Penthouse (\$20.70) third. Time for the final was 29.39 with sectional splits of 4.41 and a fast 16.67.

After the placed runners the field finished in the following order 4th Greywinds Doll (\$6.50), 5th Dark Duo (\$7.10), 6th Octane Show (\$7.10) 7th Dyna Forte (\$33.50) and Boozeroo (\$8.00).

Kilty Lad is raced by Joseph Patterson and is trained by Kelly Bravo at Lovely Banks in Victoria. He is a Black Dog whelped January 2009 by Superman from Sisco Train (Primo Uno x Full Streak). Kilty Lad has won 17 of his 27 starts and has been placed on four occasions. With the \$70,000 first prize for the Adelaide Cup it took his current stake earnings to \$189,360.



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Greyhound Racing's only female race caller Irish woman Sarina O'Day was big hit on the night

Adelaide Cup Honour Roll

1972 Bristol Miss, 1973 Valjuka, 1974 Bristol Sue, 1975 Turn Pillage, 1976 Golden Spur, 1977 Cavalier Queen, 1978 Riviera Tiger, 1979 Encanto, 1980 Youthful Prince, 1981 Lady Tornquest, 1982 Smithy's Belle, 1983 Superstar, 1984 Knocklaun Gold, 1985 Thundering Two, 1986 Farquhar, 1987 Club Edition, 1988 High Wonder, 1989 Kuriarkin, 1990 Sandi's Me Mum, 1991 Highly Blessed, 1992 South Road Sid, 1993 Croation Star, 1994 Perplexed, 1995 Forest Fin, 1996 Jurassic Vapour, 1997 Rare Deceit, 1998 Rapid Journey, 1999 Young Harrison, 2000 Jack Junior, 2001 Brett Lee, 2002 Brookside Bear, 2003 Waterview Star, 2004 Hotline Hero, 2005 Collide, 2006 Miss Spicy, 2007 Big Time Max, 2008 Whippy's Image, 2009 El Galo and 2010 Dyna Lachlan.





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