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Rocket Hot Again

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QUEENSLAND'S most exciting greyhound Red Rocket added even further to his growing reputation with a commanding victory in his heat of the Group 1 Brisbane Cup (520m) at Albion Park.

The son of Surf Lorian-Yo Yo String ran 30.16 to win by a length and a half over Blazing Chaos with a length and three-quarters to Late Show Lee in third.

It was the brilliant dog's 10th victory in just 13 starts for owner Mick Zammit and his wife, trainer Selena. Selena was emotional again after the victory.

Mick was ecstatic.

"It was a good step up to top grade," said Mick. "If he hadn't won tonight, he was still eligible for a Class 2 fifth grade race."

That is testament to Selena's expertise at training and placing the dog.

He has already won the Corporate Dollars at Ipswich and the Young Guns final at Albion Park. Red Rocket was beautifully boxed in the eight for his heat and he utilized it perfectly. Late Show Lee led easily but Red Rocket quickly loomed up on his outside into the back straight and he proved too strong from then.

Blazing Chaos, who took a couple of wrong options during the running, rattled home late to get second and force his way into the Cup final next week.

Zammit admitted his dog had been lucky with good box draws in his brief career to date.

"But you can't do any more than win," said Mick. "And that's what he has been doing."

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AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION

GROUP ONE – SKY RACING BRISBANE CUP

\$55,000 to the winner



Diamond Stan

24 starts 7-7-4 (\$17,960)

Black Enforcer – Diamond Deb

Black Dog October '08

Owner/ Trainer: **Mark Saal**

Albion Park best: 30.40 (1) (14 Starts 4-4-2)

Handy performer well drawn in box one, has recorded his best winning time from an inside draw and has some claims here with a good record on the track of four and six from 14 starts. Has a chance to win if he can lead clearly. Could run a cheeky race certainly a place chance.



Too Foolish

25 starts 8-6-4 (\$12,855)

Made To Size – Frisky Fool

White & Fawn Dog July '08

Owner: **We're On It Syndicate**

Trainer: **Russell McBride**

Albion Park best: 30.18 (4) (9 Starts 3-2-0)

He would have to improve on last week's second behind He Knows Uno. Has three wins on the track with a best of 30.18. First Group 1 a thrill for connections, place chance best.



Blazing Chaos

22 starts 7-10-1 (\$29,140)

Surf Lorian – She's Adams

Black Dog March '08

Owners: **John Hanley**

Trainer: **Adam Hines**

Albion Park best: 30.13 (7) (13 Starts 6-7-0)

Very Smart type he won his way into the National Sprint Championship finishing unplaced. Has a great record on the track six and seven from 13. Finished second behind Red Rocket in last week heat and he would need to improve to win. Solid place chance if he finds some luck in running, nice type.



Red Rocket

13 starts 10-1-1 (\$29,060)

Surf Lorian – Yo Yo String

Red Fawn Dog June '08

Owner: **Mick Zammit**

Trainer: **Selena Zammit**

Albion Park best: 29.91 (8) (9 Starts 8-1-0)

Outstanding young sprinter in the right hands. Seems to love Albion Park where he has won eight times from nine starts. Not the best of draws, but he has some early toe and a smart win of 29.91 from the outside draw here. Well fancied and a solid winning chance.



Octane Show

64 starts 28-8-7 (\$132,845)

Pure Octane – Black Chantilly

Red Fawn Dog July '07

Owner: **Tyron Whittington**

Trainer: **Tony Brett**

Albion Park best: 30.08 (1) (1 Starts 1-0-0)

The in-form sprinter of the race, he comes into the final after winning the Ipswich Cup leading all the way. Looked good last week winning first up on the track in 30.08. Box five won't help his chances, but with the Tony Brett's polish he is given a very solid winning chance and with a bit of luck in running he should feature.



Hillcrest Gwen

39 starts 9-9-5 (\$19,310)

Regal Brett – Proper Jessica

Brindle Bitch June '08

Owner: King, King & Partners

Trainer: Glenda Dart

Albion Park best: 30.31 (6) (16 Starts 3-6-4)

Surprise winner last week in 30.31 from an outside draw she has plenty of experience on the track with three wins and ten placings from 16 starts. Not the best of draws in six and she'll need a bit of luck to trouble this lot. Will start nice odds and is a place chance at best.



Farmor See You

55 starts 16-6-9 (\$22,230)

Black Enforcer – Farmor Zippy

Black Bitch May'07

Owner: Wayne Scott

Trainer: Peter Wilson

Albion Park best: 30.04 (1) (10 Starts 6-0-1)

Won well last week from Box 1 and this outside draw doesn't appear to suit. Has a great record here at Albion Park with six wins from 10 starts. Big thrill for connections to make a Group 1 and she will have to have plenty go her way if she is to trouble this lot. There will be nice odds on offer.



He Knows Uno

15 starts 7-4-2 (\$16,900)

Primo Uno – Honeymoon's Over

Black Dog December '08

Owners: Lillian Patterson

Trainer: Michael Patterson

Albion Park best: 29.96(6) (5 Starts 4-0-1)

Smart youngster he has only had 15 starts for seven wins four of those here at Albion Park. Only ran 30.32 last week but has won in 29.96. There is no doubt he has a lot of ability and a terrific record on the track not without a chance but will need some luck. Place chance best.



Dee Winter (VIC)

26 starts 6-10-5 (\$74,270)

Big Daddy Cool – Flaming Nikita

Group winning Victorian he finished third in the Melbourne Cup a couple of weeks ago. He could feature here if he gains a start.



Kinka Bale (VIC)

70 starts 15-16-16 (\$70,525)

Over Flo – Daphne Bale

Smart Victorian sprinter from the Graeme Bate kennel. Brilliant on her night and would be a place chance he she gained an unlikely start.

Local expert's selections for the final are as follows.

Paul Dolan

1st He Knows Uno

2nd Blazing Chaos

3rd Red Rocket

John Brasch

1st Red Rocket

2nd Octane Show

3rd He Knows Uno

David Brasch

1st Red Rocket

2nd Octane Show

3rd Diamond Stan

Luke Gatehouse

1st Octane Show







2nd Red Rocket

3rd Diamond Stan



AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION

Local Market for the Sky Racing Brisbane Cup:

\$55,000 to the winner Group 1 Sky Racing Brisbane Cup (520m)			
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price
	Diamond Stan	Mark Saal	12/1
	Too Foolish	Russell McBride	16/1
	Blazing Chaos	Adam Hines	7/1
	Red Rocket	Selena Zammit	5/2
	Octane Show	Tony Brett	5/2
	Hillcrest Gwen	Glenda Dart	33/1
	Farmor Cee You	Peter Wilson	16/1
	He Knows Uno	Michael Patterson	8/1
	Dee Winter (RES)	Ray Henness	5/1
	Kinka Bale (RES)	Graeme Bate	12/1

What's happening on race night?

Each year the Brisbane Greyhound Racing Club stages plenty of entertainment to celebrate its Group One Brisbane Cup race, part of the Club's Summer Carnival of greyhound racing.

This year the club has a partnership with the Brisbane Roar – all of their members have been invited on Thursday and when they present their Roar membership card they will get free entry to the track and a \$10.00 betting voucher

The Mitchelton womens soccer side will parade with the greyhounds before the final and they will be doing fundraising on the night.

A corporate suite for 10 people at a Brisbane Roar match will be given away on the nights along with 5 double passes to the next Roar home game.



Last Year's winner Mt Metz leads all the way (Pic Corey Pearce)

The Brisbane Cup has had a few name changes when it was first run in 1972 and won by Victorian Garron Court the race was known as the Gabba Sprint Championship. It remain that name until 1976. It was then called the Brisbane Cup from 1977 until 1981 changed in 1982 to be known as the Coca-Cola Cup until 1999 when it changed back to the Brisbane Cup. The race was conducted at the Gabba until the track closed in 1992 and since has been staged at Albion Park. Listed below is the Honour Roll containing some of the champion greyhounds among the past winners.

COCA-COLA CUP WINNERS		
GABBA 558M		

1972	GARRON COURT (VIC)	33.67
1973	TOP SIMBI	32.85
1974	MISTER OOLLEE	32.90
1975	ALPHA BRAVA (NSW)	32.70
1976	CLOVER DUKE (NSW)	32.74
1977	REBEL ATTACK	32.61
1978	YOUNG BREEZE (NSW)	33.31
1979	ACCLAIM STAR (NSW)	32.73
1980	GENERAL JEFF (NSW)	32.72
1981	PICTURE THIS (VIC)	32.95
1982	PETER GLIDER (NSW)	32.89
1983	ACACIA PARK (NSW)	32.58
1984	NATIONAL LASS (NSW)	32.60
1985	SUPER MAX (VIC)	32.74
1986	PRETTY FEARLESS	32.69
1987	WHIP TIP (NSW)	32.64
1988	DANCING GAMBLE	32.57
1989	GOLDEN FOX (NSW)	32.63
1990	WHISKY BALE (NSW)	32.99
1991	NO IT'S NOT - Group 1	32.32
1992	WHITE COONOWRIN - Group 1	32.83

BRISBANE CUP WINNERS			
ALBION PARK 520M			

1993	STAR TITLE (NSW)	30.34	Grp 1
1994	TOSS THE TEDDY	30.50	Grp 1
1995	FLYING AMY	29.89	Grp 1
1996	SILVER PAGEANT	30.46	Grp 1
1997	BARRIO BABE	30.24	Grp 1
1998	QUESTIONS (NSW)	30.21	Grp 2
1999	BOB'S ONE (NSW)	30.02	Grp 1
2000	KANTARN BALE (VIC)	30.05	Grp 1
2001	TRICKY CREEK	29.97	Grp 1
2002	TRICKY CREEK	30.15	Grp 1
2003	BOGIE LEIGH	29.85	Grp 1
2004	MALFOY	30.16	Grp 1
2005	POROROCA	29.66	Grp 1
2006	PURE BURST	30.10	Grp 1
2007	UNO JOEL	30.39	Grp 1
2008	EL GALO	29.84	Grp 1
2009	MR METZ	30.11	Grp 1

This event was known and sponsored by the following:-

1972 - 1999 - Coca-Cola Cup

2000 - Brisbane Cup

2001 - Virbac-Vetsearch Brisbane Cup

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