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***Lochinvar Vogue Lands Gold Cup***

Consistent stayer Lochinvar Vogue claimed her first Group victory in Saturday night's Group Two Hesa Felon @ Stud Gold Cup at a damp Wentworth Park.

The Robert Smith-trained daughter of super sire Bombastic Shiraz has been racing well in Group company without tasting success in recent months but it was her time to shine in the \$25,000 to the winner Cup.

Lochinvar Vogue had proven she could match it with the best stayers going around when she ran second to superstar Mantra Lad in the Group One Association Cup at Glebe last month, while she also finished runner-up to Drill 'Em in the Group Three Newcastle Cup in December.

With no Victorians in the Gold Cup, due to the clash with the Zoom Top at The Meadows, Lochinvar Vogue took on an almost exclusively locally trained field in the Cup, headed by favourite Forty Twenty and the in-form Blue Lorian, which was shooting for seven straight wins at the track.

The only interstater was Queensland's National Sprint champion Dashing Corsair.

It was a race that changed complexion several times and the early signs weren't good for Lochinvar Vogue (\$10.20) as she found herself at the tail of the field, with roughie Free Your Mind leading and Blue Lorian and Dashing Corsair (\$3.90) in hot pursuit.

But Lochinvar Vogue steadily improved her position and as the field packed up it was anyone's race turning for home, with Lochinvar Vogue finishing best to defeat Dashing Corsair by two and a quarter lengths in 43.40, the time telling a story in itself, with outsider Chilli Jim (\$32.20) a head away in third place.

Forty Twenty, which was announced as joint winner of the 2009 NSW Stayer of the Year award on Friday night, finished on the heels of the placegetters in fifth but was never a winning chance.

The rest of field after the placed runners finished in the following order. 4th Blue Lorian (\$4.50), 5th Forty Twenty (\$2.20fav), 6th Free Your Mind (\$67.30), 7th Chilli Pug (\$47.90) and Miss Content (\$12.20).

Lochinvar Vogue is a Black whelped July 2007 she is raced by Clair Gordon and trained by Robert Smith. She is by Bombastic Shiraz from Sensation Lee (Brett Lee x Grigorieva) she has raced 28 times for 10 wins and 14 placings with the Hesa Felon @ Stud Gold Cup first prize of \$25,000, it took his overall stake earnings to \$67,275.

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A time-honoured event the NCA Gold Cup was first run in 1966 and has certainly had some name changes over the years. It was first called the Wentworth Park Gold Cup. For one year in 1970 it was called the Sir Joseph Banks Cup and again in 1975 was called the Eastern Suburbs Gold Cup. In 1982 and 83 the race became the Paddy's Market Cup and for one year in 1991 it carried the name of the Premiers Gold Cup. In the main it has always been the NCA Gold Cup until taken over by the GBOTA last year and this year the race was called the Hesa Felon @ Stud Gold Cup after it had enjoying the sponsorship of the Winning Edge Company over the previous few years when conducted by the NCA. Like the Association Cup it has been won by some superstars of the Australian staying ranks. Greyhounds like Zoom Top, Ragsie, Miss High Lo, National Lass, Dalalla, Irinka Barbie, Best Quoted and Miagi. Listed below is the full honour roll.

1966 **Brigdale**, 1967 **Special Pick**, 1968 **Zoom Top**, 1969 **Zoom Top**, 1970 **Heather Rev**, 1971 **Strand Belle**, 1972 **Ragsie**, 1973 **Fantasy Lady**, 1974 **Miss High Lo**, 1975 **Dainty Wanda**, 1976 **That's Eddy**, 1977 **The Wee Lassie**, 1978 **Kawati Boy**, 1979 **Nimble Twinkle**, 1980 **Mercia Bale**, 1981 **"Abandoned"**, 1982 **Any Puzzle**, 1983 **Jane's Replica**, 1984 **Kongwak**, 1985 **Sharyn's Vogue**, 1986 **National Lass**, 1987 **Major Look**, 1988 **Red's Comic**, 1989 **Miss Pegasus**, 1990 **Lilac Livery**, 1991 **Swazi Joker**, 1992 **Equability**, 1993 **Prime Marshall**, 1994 **Rob's Rebel**, 1995 **Keon Star**, 1996 **Groovy Dancer**, 1997 **Red Mystique**, 1998 **Ringside Fire**, 1999 **Dalalla**, 2000 **Amazing Dancer**, 2001 **Pearl Larricki**, 2002 **Outrageous Angel**, 2003 **Bella's Angel**, 2004 **Irinka Barbie**, 2005 **Best Quoted**, 2006 **Royal Riddle**, 2007 **Romantic Diva**, 2008 **Miagi** and 2009 **Gold Slammer**.

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