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Ayre Delighted With Derby

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He came, he saw, he conquered - that was the scenario at Betchoice Gardens on Friday night, with Bogie King's stirring last stride win in the Group 1 Newcastle Herald National Derby (515m).

In front of a bumper crowd amid oppressive weather conditions, young Queensland trainer Ryan Ayre notched up his maiden Group 1 victory with the son of Collision, who has been a model of consistency throughout the series.



Bogie King with trainer Ryan Ayre after winning the Derby

Group 1 success is nothing new however for his owner Les Bein, who raced champion race bitch Bogie Leigh with so much success throughout her career.

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There were jubilant scenes at the presentation following Bogie King's derby triumph, his seventh race win from 12 starts.

The scene was set for a great finish down the back straight, with Jason Mackay's Noar In Knocka (\$6.80) leading, setting a cracking pace up front. It was a last stride win for Bogie King (\$9.10), grabbing Mackay's charge on the line to salute by a head in 29.67.

Race favourite Prince Diablo (\$2.10) finished third, only half a length away from the eventual winner at the end, confirming his superstar potential.

Bogie King makes his way onto an illustrious honours list for National Derby glory, and a veteran of only 12 starts, he looks to have the world at his feet.

Earlier in the evening it was the girls out strutting their stuff in the final of the Forsythes National Futurity (515m).

Victorian trainer Graeme Bate had the favourite for the event, recent Group 1 Laurels heroine, Up And Away (\$1.70).

She had to work hard to find the lead heading through the first turn, and in an incredible set of circumstances, was gunned down late by outsider Crystin Bale (\$14.20), going down by a length in 29.95.

Tonnelli Bale (\$4.70), a kennelmate to Up And Away, finished third another length away.



Happy Group after the Futurity Presentation

Crystin Bale's trainer Brendan Wheeler wasn't trackside, as he's in Western Australia overseeing preparations for Numero Uno Bale, who ran fourth in the Perth Cup Consolation.

Handler Chris Nutt spoke in glowing terms at the presentation, and as mentioned before, the circumstances were quite unique, with Wheeler and Bate having a hand in first, second, and third.

Surely it's the first time a trailer has shuttled home the trifecta in a Group 1 feature.

The remainder of the meeting was a particularly spirited one, with some interesting results for punters. The weather didn't deter a strong crowd from rolling up, with another successful National Derby/Futurity Carnival now in the record books.

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After the placed runners in the Derby the field finished in the following order 4th Adam Meway (\$5.90), 5th Kinga Zac (\$6.50), 6th Allen Elroy (\$12.10) 7th Kingpin Star (\$32.30) and Chronicle Cracka (\$42.20).

Bogie King is raced by the Eagle Rock Syndicate and trained by Ryan Ayre he is a Black dog whelped March 2009 by Collision from Bogie Skye (Surf Lorian x Bogie Benz). Bogie King has won seven of his 12 starts and has been placed on three occasions and his current stake earnings stand at \$62,340.

After the placed runners in the Futurity the field finished in the following order 4th Bogie Beltah (\$7.50), 5th Sienna's Delight (\$11.40), 6th Shy Flyer (\$30.60) 7th Latina (\$17.30) and Cawbourne Haze (\$39.70).

Crystin Bale is raced by Paul Wheeler and trained Brendan Wheeler, she is a Red Brindle bitch whelped January 2009 by Buttsie Bale from Sorrento Bale (Bomb Threat x Oshkosh Bale). Crystin Bale has won six of her 17 starts and has been placed on eight occasions and with the \$50,000 first prize for the National Futurity it took her current stake earnings to \$64,705.

The National Derby was first run in 1963 and has long been the NCA's Group 1 flagship, at one time was worth \$100,000 to the winner. The club changed its direction a few years ago making the St Ledger better known as the Paws Of Thunder the richer of the two events settling on \$50,000 to the winner for the Derby. Listed below is the full honour roll.

1963 **Keen Linen**, 1964 **Flying Myobb**, 1965 **Chariot Charm**, 1966 **Roman Earl**, 1967 **Mister Moss**, 1968 **Second Stage**, 1969 **Abbey Road**, 1970 **Arthur's Desire**, 1971 **Bomber's Gift**, 1972 **Young Moss**, 1973 **Rushin' Moss**, 1974 **Steelflex**, 1975 **Steelflex**, 1976 **Baguio**, 1977 **Chief Holly**, 1978 **True Leader**, 1979 **Tegimi**, 1980 **General Jeff**, 1981 **Handicap**, 1982 **Lord Tegimi**, 1983 **World Park Ned**, 1984 **Inch Time**, 1985 **Rapid Supreme**, 1986 **Holstein Boy**, 1987 **Shy Sultan**, 1988 **Clover Chief**, 1989 **Worth Doing**, 1990 **Master Hilo**, 1991 **Pretty Tardy**, 1992 **Little Denver**, 1993 **Major Gossip**, 1994 **Indian Dance**, 1995 **Dallas Man**, 1996 **Cattle Drive**, 1997 **Comrade In Arms**, 1998 **Mepunga Blaze**, 1999 **Hahn Bale**, 2000 **Fond Regards**, 2001 **Mean Bean**, 2002 **Medinah**, 2003 **Greasy Grizzly**, 2004 **Pacific Sky**, 2005 **Eiffella**, 2006 **Brother Knows**, 2007 **Slater**, 2008 **Borat**, 2009 **Fedex** and 2010 **Elite Blue Size**

The National Futurity is another time honoured flagship event for the NCA first run in 1964 it has been won by some wonderful sprinting bitches' over the years most of which continued to carve out outstanding race careers. Listed below is the full honour roll.

1964 **Cultured Girl**, 1965 **West Opal**, 1966 **Miss Lane**, 1967 **Pearl Moss**, 1968 **Rocket Bridge**, 1969 **Anne Lewis**, 1970 **Tidal Mist**, 1971 **Top Saba**, 1972 **Spanish Dancer**, 1973 **Likely Light**, 1974 **Tintawin**, 1975 **Night Aim**, 1976 **Woolley Wong**, 1977 **Little Fresh**, 1978 **Tearaway Owl**, 1979 **Baretop Girl**, 1980 **Beumaris Sue**, 1981 **Zany Zen**, 1982 **Promises Free**, 1983 **Winifred Bale**, 1984 **Turbo Top**, 1985 **Sophistication**, 1986 **Flash Jass**, 1987 **Expensive Lee**, 1988 **Tiger's Sunset**, 1989 **Mary Casey**, 1990 **Gozo Nicolola**, 1991 **Just Jedda**, 1992 **November Sunset**, 1993 **National Night**, 1994 **Mystery Idle**, 1995 **Tar Dinn**, 1996 **Holiday Belle**, 1997 **Rare Missile**, 1998 **Fine Devil**, 1999 **Crystal Light**, 2000 **Junoesque**, 2001 **Queen Muffin**, 2002 **Hotshow Lil**, 2003 **Lissiloo**, 2004 **Nulkaba**, 2005 **Lukeamy** 2006 **Jinderra Flame**, 2007 **Bralyn Maisie**, 2008 **Elite Oriental**, 2009 **Digital Magic** and 2010 **Daydream**.

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