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Quality fields chase Group One Glory in the West

Heat one of the Sky Racing Perth Cup saw Accounts lead from box 1 going off the back straight heading off Uno Kendra who checked the favorite Symmetry at a vital time and Accounts for Greg Martin won by 2 ½ lengths in 30.36 from Kalden Athena and Symmetry. Accounts is owned by former Hey Dad actor Paul Smith and has been racing over the past few months in Tasmania. Accounts finished second to Blue Lorian in last years Paradise Street trophy final.

Victorian Gold Heritage almost broke a long standing first sectional clocking 5.57 as she led easily before winning by 2 lengths from another Victorian Ima Hologram and last years finalist Oxley Spirit in 30.35. Gold Heritage is trained by Bendigo 80 year old trainer Des Downing who has been involved with greyhounds since he was 12 years old. The black bitch has won her past seven consecutive races which include the Group 2 Cranbourne Cup.

In Heat three classy youngster Kilty Lad smashed into Octane Show at box rise and the two Victorian dogs were second last and last going past the judge the first time. He then railed through going down the back before being checked again and then some how got through on the inside of Warabrook Boy to win by a neck in 30.74 for Vic trainer Kellie Bravo. The dog has won the recent Group 1 Silver Chief on New Years Day and last weeks Group 1 Adelaide Cup. He is the son on Superman who won the Perth Cup in 2006.

Superstar High Earner won heat four after he led from box 8 and clocked 5.74 first split, 13.44 to the back and 18.83 off the back winning by 4 lengths in 30.25. Ever Grace and He Knows Uno filled the placings. The Kel Greenough trained Queensland dog won last years Perth Cup final and holds the equal second quickest and sixth quickest times ever recorded at Cannington with a personal best of 29.93 behind the holder Velocette 29.92. No dog or bitch has ever won two Perth Cups.

Local star Pedrosa led from box 5 in heat five and was never headed winning by 8 lengths in 30.32 after early sectionals of 5.66 and 13.39 before going off the back in 18.82. The Paul Stuart trained chaser defeated WA Oaks winner Rock Pool and Vocal Enforcer. The white and fawn dog has had 25 starts at Cannington for 20 wins and 5 seconds.

Another Local sprinter won heat six, Liquigas led from box 3 clocking 5.67 before the remainder of the field found trouble and he held onto score by 4 lengths from Numero Uno Bale in 30.61 for trainer Ben Abercrombie and the Elecdogs syndicate.

Blue Goose led from box 8 in heat seven clocking 5.74 before 13.42, and 18.80 off the back winning by 10 lengths from After The Ball and Baja Bale in the quickest of the night 30.12 for trainer Terry Erenshaw. The blue dog has had some injury concerns, however showed his old dash to win easily.

In the final heat of the cup Bramley won after coming from third early to get over the leader Booming Action and then holding off Marked Down to give Dan Biddle a runner in both Group 1 features next week. He also qualified Pillow Torque for the Galaxy. Bramley won by 1 length in 30.57.

GROUP ONE – SKY RACING PERTH CUP \$140,000 to the winner



Liquigas

50 starts 15-6-4 (\$55,085)

Hallucinate – Taunting

Black Dog February '08

Owners: **Elecdogs Syndicate**

Trainer: **Ben Abercrombie**

Cannington best: 30.34 (2) (28 Starts 6-3-3)

Local sprinter he won his heat in 30.61. Has reasonable form around Cannington with six wins. Would have to improve his best winning time of 30.36 to trouble this lot. Does have box one but will start big odds.



High Earner (QLD)

63 starts 31-11-8 (\$362,675)

Collision – Double Guess

Black Dog May '07

Owner :**Christine Robartson**

Trainer : **Kelvyn Greenough**

Cannington best: 29.93 (3) (5 Starts 3-1-0)

Superstar sprinter he won the Cup last year and has recorded the sixth fastest time ever here at Cannington. Again looked impressive last week when he recorded the second best of the heats 30.25. Has made the Cranbourne and Warragul Cup in recent starts only to miss the jump in both. Probably needed an inside draw and has got it, certainly a big show.



Kilty Lad (VIC)

28 starts 18-4-0 (\$199,360)

Superman – Sisco Train

Black Dog January '09

Owner: **Joseph Patterson**

Trainer: **Kelly Bravo**

Cannington best: 30.25 (1) (3 Starts 3-0-0)

A real hot young dog from Victoria he comes into the final after winning the Group 1 Silver Chief and Adelaide Cup. He put up an extraordinary performance last week to win his heat and he can lead. Unbeaten here and has already won a group feature, he is the dog to beat no doubt.



Pedrosa

38 starts 24-6-1 (\$175,855)

Big Daddy Cool – Brooklyn Rain

White & Fawn Dog February '08

Owner / Trainer: **Paul Stuart**

Cannington best: 29.96 (8) (25 Starts 20-5-0)

Brilliant local star he has an imposing record here 20 wins and five seconds from 25. Won with style from box five and has best time of 29.96. Will need to come out quick again to overcome box four. Has solid claims and with luck a winning chance.



Accounts (NSW)

87 starts 35-9-11 (\$129,595)

Where's Pedro – Emily Wonder

Red Fawn Dog February '07

Owner: Paul Smith

Trainer: Greg Martin

Cannington best: 30.36 (1) (15 Starts 5-0-1)

Much travelled sprinter he has won in a number of states. Has been racing well in Tassie of late but back at Cannington had a bit of luck in his heat to win in 30.36. Five wins on the track is a solid record. However he'll need luck from this draw. Place chance best



Bramley

23 starts 10-3-3 (\$45,185)

Big Daddy Cool – Abbadale Gold

Black Dog October '08

Owners: D Pearce, D Biddle

Trainer: Dan Biddle

Cannington best: 30.33 (6) (18 Starts 9-2-2)

Local sprinter he has been racing in Victoria of late. Has nine Cannington wins to his credit, did well last week to come from box five but needs to improve on his best of 30.33. Might just be out of his class at this stage of his career. Place chance best.



Blue Goose

56 starts 20-9-6 (\$92,725)

Collision – National Joy

Blue Dog July '07

Owners: Shaun Miller

Trainer: Terry Erinshaw

Cannington best: 30.05 (3) (48 Starts 18-7-4)

Plenty of Cannington experience at the top level and 48 starts for an impressive 18 wins won his heat well from box eight last week in the best of the night 30.12 not far off his best of 30.05. Honest type he is sure to run a handy race. Place chance best.



Gold Heritage (VIC)

21 starts 13-2-2 (\$56,315)

Texas Gold – Hot Heritage

Black Bitch May '08

Owner: D Downing, Y Downing

Trainer: Des Downing

Cannington best: 30.35 (5) (1 Starts 1-0-0)

Smart Victorian bitch she is racing brilliantly winning her last seven straight including the Group 2 Cranbourne Cup. Fast early and a pretty reliable beginner she has claims if she can get to the lead early won her heat from five in a good effort and should improve with the run. With a bit luck in running could be right in the finish.



I'm A Hologram

29 starts 10-6-2 (\$27,350)

Hallucinate – Fast Liner

Honest Victorian sprinter he finished second last week behind Gold Heritage will start big odds if he gains a start.



Kalden Athena

19 starts 9-4-1 (\$57,585)

Big Daddy Cool – Abbadale Gold

Talented local that just missed winning the Group 1 Laurels at Sandown not out of place in this company, chance if she gains a start.

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

Peter O'Neill

1st Kilty Lad

2nd Pedrosa

3rd High Earner

Ryan Lavitzke

1st Pedrosa

2nd Kilty Lad

3rd Liquigas

David Simonette

1st Kilty Lad

2nd Pedrosa

3rd High Earner



Local Market for the Sky Racing Perth Cup:

\$140,000 to the winner Group 1 SKY RACING Perth Cup (530m)			
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price
	Liquigas	Ben Abercrombie	\$15.00
	High Earner	Kelvyn Greenough	\$3.20
	Kilty Lad	Kellie Bravo	\$2.20
	Pedrosa	Paul Stuart	\$3.50
	Accounts	Greg Martin	\$21.00
	Bramley	Dan Biddle	\$10.00
	Blue Goose	Terry Erinshaw	\$8.00
	Gold Heritage	Des Downing	\$5.50
	I'm A Holgram	Jason Thompson	RES
	Kalden Athena	Dan Biddle	RES

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The History of the Perth Cup

In the 33 years since Dennis Calleja's greyhound Marcus Rate took out the first running of the *W.A. Gold Cup*, as it was then known, the Sky Channel Perth Cup, has developed into one of the country's most important group one classics. His first prize of \$1300 pales when compared to the \$140,000 on offer to the winner of this year's cup on April 21st.

The race has had a number of sponsors over the years and was known as the Brownes Gold Cup from 1976 to 1986. In 1987 it was called the Australis Mining Gold Cup, in 88 it was the Fairplay Gold Cup then from 1989 until 1992 it was called the Winfield Gold Cup. In 1993 a long sponsorship begun with Be Active and it was known as the Be Active Gold Cup in 1993 and 94 before being called the Be Active Perth Cup until 2007 when the club welcomed their new sponsor Sky Channel.

The Sky Channel Perth Cup has an honour role the envy of many, with some of the nation's top performers claiming the trophy.

While local dogs have at times had their fair share of success, more often than not in the last two decades the winner has been the best-performed chaser in the country at the time.

Possibly the best dog to have raced in the West enjoyed a stella run of success at Cannington in 1998. Jane Carruthers arrived in town for the big race that year with the mighty Rapid Journey. He had just won the Golden Easter Egg in Sydney and was keen for more Group One success.

That year local star Reggemite didn't let his fans down when he ran a slashing 30.54 in his heat. He had the crowd buzzing with his near track record run, but then Carruthers unleashed her brindle sensation on Cannington bettering Reggemite's time by a neck and equalling his track record of 30.52 in an awesome heat winning display.

Rapid Journey dominated the final of '98 and justified the second shortest odds offered in Cup history winning by almost 8 lengths at the quote of 1/3. Later in 1998 he again showed his liking of the Cannington 530m by returning and claiming the National Sprint Championship.

It was apparent in 1994 that having the best dog in the country was no guarantee of conquering one of the Nation's toughest sprint challenges. Star Queenslander Worthy Reward smashed the track record in his heat win that year and backed it up with a faultless display in his semi-final. Although drawing poorly in six he was sent out a 2/5 favourite but found trouble and was no match for the Troy Provost trained Just Like Whiskey who held off the fast finishing Worthy Reward to win by two lengths.

Harry Sarkis ventured west in 1996 fresh from taking out the Easter Egg with his smart black bitch Tenthill Doll. Harry showed his confidence early by supporting his bitch heavily in the traditional Calcutta and she didn't disappoint equalling the track record in her heat. When she drew the cherry in the final, bookmakers sent her out the shortest priced favourite in history at 2/7. The race was never in doubt and she cruised in to beat Jurassic Vapour and top local bitch Storm Act.

Seven of the last nine winners have come from interstate. Victorian Amy's Doll remained undefeated in the series when she claimed the trophy in 1993 for young trainer Paul Mills. Paul enjoyed a great visit that year also qualifying City Success for the final and was to become a regular over the next few years at Cannington as he tried to recapture the Cup.

Queensland had won the first of its two Perth Cups in 1987 when Pretty Fearless out kicked Scot A Win in one of the closest finishes on record, and claimed its second cup in 1995 with the Michael Zammit prepared Brisk Bill.

That same year a super smart local bitch by the name of South Georgia was emerging and many thought she had the speed to match Brisk Bill in the final. She led them into the back straight but could not hold on as Brisk Bill raced away for a convincing win over another visitor Baltusrol with South Georgia a gallant third.

Star Tribute for Dave Irwin overcame box eight with a barnstorming finish to win in 1997. That year NSW dog Welsh Duo put in a slashing performance in the heats and after drawing box one was expected to jump a short-priced favourite in the final. In possibly the most sensational incident in Group One racing, the stewards at kennelling, due to weight variation, scratched Welsh Duo.

Marcus Rate's 1976 annihilation of the field stands as the second biggest winning margin in Cup history.

It would take another 14 years before his winning margin of 10 lengths would be bettered. It was broken in 1990 when one of the smartest bitches to race at Cannington finally emerged from the shadow of her famous litter sister. Sand Pebble, trained in the hills east of Perth by Ron Timms, won the first Gold Cup of the nineties by an emphatic 10-¾ lengths to easily hold off Grant Langston's Quit and her mighty sister Sandi's Me Mum. Sand Pebble's race career was cut short by injury but many who saw her run remember her as the equal of Sandi's Me Mum in ability.

Perhaps the most remarkable Perth Cups came in the two years following Sand Pebbles win.

Frantic Night was purchased for \$200 by a group of owners headed by Billy Choules shortly before the 1991 series. He was not fancied in either the heat or semi final but made his way through to the final, drew the checks and the rest is history. A bad scrimmage on the first turn allowed him to rail through and pinch the race as a rank outsider with the celebrations from exited owners continuing for many days.

In 1992 the Cup was run as Perth experienced its wettest February day on record. Former Victorian chaser Wynlee Supreme ploughed through the bog to win in the slowest time in history. His win as a 50-month old dog also made him the oldest winner of a Perth Cup. The conditions were so bad that officials had to cancel the last race on the program when the sea of water on the infield made it impossible for the below ground lure system to operate.

Wynlee Supreme gave trainer Linda Britton her biggest win in the sport and was to be the first of two wins in the race. She qualified four runners for the final in 1999 with all eyes on the superstar Reggemite.

In a major shock Reggemite began well but was injured driving into the first corner, he battled on strongly to finish fourth but sadly it was the last time he was to race at Cannington. Britton trained the quinella that year as Bliss Bale held off kennel mate Shirdon's Alarm to win by a half length.

Nifti Fire went into the first Perth Cup of "the naughties" as the form greyhound for popular trainer Jodie Harding. When he drew the cherry in the final, many thought the race was as good as over. As luck would have it, Nifti Fire began only fairly and copped a buffeting going into the first turn. His chances looked remote going down the back straight but he showed great fighting qualities to get up in the last bound to grab the 2000 Cup.

Grant Langston dominated training ranks in the late eighties and early nineties qualifying three runners for the final on four occasions. He managed to win the race only once. Miss Crisp will always be remembered as the bitch that took out the last Cup run on grass at Cannington. She began brilliantly from the white and was never troubled in beating the croweater Faust's Legend in quick time. She'll also be remembered as the mother of Paradise Street, the best stayer produced in the West and a three-time winner of the State Distance championship and National Champ in 1998.

In 2001 Graeme Bate sent over the brilliant Kantarn Bale for the series and he quickly emerged as Cup favourite with dashing wins in the lead up Interstate Challenge and Perth Cup heat. He drew well in box two in the final but totally bombed the start and ran a remarkable race to finish second to the Jason Thompson-trained Sammy Mint.

Sammy Mint had qualified with a tough-as-teak performance from box six in his heat. When Thompson drew out the envelope to give his dog the coveted rails in the final, he knew he had the chance to end Sammy Mint's racing career with a Group One victory. He was right as Sammy Mint easily held off Kantarn Bale and hometown favourite Cobram Storm.

The 2002 cup saw group one success for Victorian super sprinter Modern Assassin often the bridesmaid in the many major finals he gave nothing else chance after sweeping to the front at the first turn and led from that point on to win in 30.60. Favourite was the all conquering Carlisle Jack who had breezed into town to take the Interstate Challenge in track record time and after a brilliant heat win he was all the rage for the final but early trouble after a slow start left him near the rear and struggling. Trained by Mary Mugavin-Brown the Perth Cup was a highlight of a stellar career for the talented black chaser.

Outstanding Gippsland sprinter Elgrando had been most unlucky not to snare a Group 1 victory in 2002. Travelling to the West in 2003 in search of the Perth Cup, the "big fellow" showed a distinct liking for the Cannington circuit. After a brilliant heat win, he made a sweeping run down the back straight in the final to claim the leader Rifle Street in the shadows of the post. The \$60,000 first prize took his stake tally to over \$184,000. Elgrando trained by Carolyn Jones was one of five Victorians to make the final.

Victoria provided the winner of the Perth Cup for the fourth time in succession in 2004. Many were surprised by the performance of relatively unknown sprinter Kilby Supreme when she gave some of the big names a run for their money. Her star was to shine brightly as the speedy black bitch made Cannington her own not only accounting for a top class field but taking a big chunk of the 530 metre track record in the process.

It was a tremendous thrill for Victorian trainer Elaine Vigor with Kilby Supreme becoming her first Group One success and she shared the night with "Kilby" owner popular MGRA employee Jackie Davis.

A well deserved Group One glory was finally posted by Sun Hero in the Perth Cup of 2005. The Andrea Dailly trained super sprinter had made nineteen group finals, with his closest finish at Group One level being third in the Paws Of Thunder of 2004.

It was a happy return to Perth for former Sandgropers Tom and George Dailly who had been introduced to the sport by their late father, George Senior. The Perth Cup was proving easy pickings for Victorian trainers with Sun Hero's win the fifth in succession. It was also a big "V" trifecta with Go Forever finishing second and Black Lee third.

2006 and Greyhounds WA were delighted with a spectacular evening of greyhound racing. A record crowd in excess of 5300 the biggest ever assembled at Cannington since the opening night back in 1974. Victorious in the big final was up and coming Victorian sprint sensation Superman after establishing a new track record in his heat win Superman begun well from box seven and finding the front early he careering away to win comfortably from fellow Victorians Trewly Special and Pororoca.

2007 and superstar Victorian sprinter and reigning AGRA Australian Greyhound of the Year Betty's Angel captured the Sky Channel Perth Cup with a brilliant win.

Beginning well from box 1 Betty's Angel (\$1.80) was beaten for the early lead by the locally trained Decathalon (\$26.10) he held that advantage through the first turn and down the back, with "Betty" in hot pursuit. Unfortunately at the first turn youngster Kostic Burns fell heavily causing havoc for a number of finalist's behind the two leaders.

Decathalon was still in front into the home straight and for a fleeting moment looked like winning, but the last section has always been Betty's Angel's best and she raced pass Decathalon going on to win by one length and three quarters with Brother Knows (\$29.80) seven back in third, time for the final was 30.47.

2008 and high speed Queensland youngster Size Can Matter captured the Group 1 Sky Channel Perth Cup final in brilliant fashion with a very impressive all the way win.

Beginning like a rocket from the "squeeze" box 4 Size Can Matter (\$5.00) took control in the run to the first turn with the favourite Whippy's Image after a slow start in hot pursuit, the classy white chaser held the fence around the first turn and down the back straight he showed the superior speed. The Adelaide Cup winner was trying hard but wasn't making any ground. As "Whippy's" started to wilt new challengers appeared on the scene with West Australian track specialist Back Tonight (\$9.40), racing into the picture from well back. He looked a winning chance as they came into the home straight however Size Can Matter found another gear kicking near the line to win by a length and half in 30.22.

2009 and Max and Pam Julien enjoyed their greatest moment in the sport when Miss Slick (\$4.00) scored a last stride victory in the Cup final with the super star bitch they bred defeating the leader Victorian Trew Millions (\$10.90) for trainer Tina Womann.

Miss Slick (Bombastic Shiraz- Little Lamplight) settled in second some four lengths behind the leader Trew Millions, however as she approached the home corner she dug deep and reeled in the Victorian as they got to the line to score WA's first victory since local chaser Nifti Fire won in 2000 for Jodie Harding.

2010 and it seemed like it was always going to happen but as we all know something's are easy said than done. Plus the fact if you continue to draw box five it can make your task all that bit harder. However Queenslander High Earner scored his first Group 1 success in the most emphatic way. It was an extremely impressive performance in the final of the 2010 Sky Racing Perth Cup at Cannington.

The Queenslander dominated from the front and went within .05s of Velocette's 12 month-old track record in snaring the \$140,000 to the winner feature.

Always a dominant favourite in betting, High Earner (\$2.10) assumed control of the 530m sprint before the winning post the first time and dominated thereafter. Carving out record breaking splits of 5.65, 13.25 and 18.61 he raced away from Victorian Arvo's Breeze (\$19.20) and local Wassim Bale (\$25.90) to win by seven lengths in 29.97.



The Outstanding High Earner winning the cup last year (Pic Courtesy Joe Mulder)

In 35 times the Perth Cup has been staged winners have come from every corner of the country. Victoria leads the interstate invaders with eight wins from New South Wales with six victories, four from South Australia (all in the eighties) and four from Queensland making Western Australia's showpiece a Group One race a very National event.

Perth Cup Honour Roll

Listed below is the Perth Cup honour roll it has been won by some outstanding sprinters over the years most coming from the eastern states.

1976 **Marcus Rate**, 1977 **Canonero's Gift**, 1978 **Biafra's Son**, 1979 **Rare Discovery**, 1980 **White Panther**, 1981 **General Jeff**, 1982 **Wotta Wizard**, 1983 **Superstar**, 1984 **Legatee**, 1985 **Supreme Carmen**, 1986 **Farquhar**, 1987 **Pretty Fearless**, 1988 **Karinya Flash**, 1989 **Miss Crisp**, 1990 **Sand Pebble**, 1991 **Frantic Night**, 1992 **Wynlee Supreme**, 1993 **Amy's Doll**, 1994 **Just Like Whisky**, 1995 **Brisk Bill**, 1996 **Tenthill Doll**, 1997 **Star Tribute**, 1998 **Rapid Journey**, 1999 **Bliss Bale**, 2000 **Nifti Fire**, 2001 **Sammy Mint**, 2002 **Modern Assassin**, 2003 **Elgrando**, 2004 **Kilby Supreme**, 2005 **Sun Hero**, 2006 **Superman**, 2007 **Betty's Angel**, 2008 **Size Can Matter**, 2009 **Miss Slick** and 2010 **High Earner**.



GROUP ONE – SKY RACING GALAXY \$80,000 to the winner



Mega Pixel

45 starts 6-8-8 (\$28,235)

Texas Gold – Villainous Vixen

Black Bitch October '07

Owner: **Compass Racing Syndicate**

Trainer: **John Paikos**

Cannington best: NBT (3 Starts 0-1-1)

Chased home Dashing Corsair in her heat last week in 41.79. Hasn't won on the track over this distance and will find this final perhaps a tough ask. Place at best.



Hallpack Jack

74 starts 23-15-8 (\$113,715)

Hallucinate – Ko Ko Capri

Black Dog January '08

Owner: **Robert Meade**

Trainer: **David Hobby**

Cannington best: 41.91 (9 Starts 4-4-1)

Handy local stayer he has won here in 41.91 and has a record of four and five from nine. Would need luck in running to trouble the more fancied in this quite classy final of young up and comers and seasoned performers. Place best.



Scuttlebut

16 starts 4-1-5 (\$6,555)

Big Daddy Cool – Ranger Kaitlyn

Black Bitch May '08

Owner / Trainer: **Rickey Valenti**

Cannington best: NBT (1 Starts 0-0-1)

Local stayer she comes into the final at the expense of the scratched Seek And Destroy. Finished the fastest third behind Pillow Talk in a fast 41.54. It was also her first start over 715 on the track. Place chance at best.



Blue Lorian (NSW)

56 starts 25-12-9 (\$230,750)

Surf Lorian – Winsome Bluebird

Blue Dog December '07

Owner/ Trainer: **Peter Whye**

Cannington best: 41.52 (3) (4 Starts 2-0-1)

Has made numinous Group finals including last year's Galaxy. Outstanding stayer he has stood the test of time and is always thereabouts. He has a couple of brilliant performances here at Cannington and a win in 41.52. Never to be underestimated he is always a chance in this company.



Pillow Torque

29 starts 11-7-3 (\$44,975)

Big Daddy Cool – Abbadale Gold

Blue Fawn Bitch October '08

Owner / Trainer: **Dan Biddle**

Cannington best: 41.54 (3) (3 Starts 2-1-0)

Brilliant local stayer she recently raced in Victoria where she lowered the long standing Sandown distance record. Was impressive again in her heat last week scoring in 41.54. Certainly another great winning chance, racing well and looks top class.



So Seductive (VIC)

49 starts 18-11-4 (\$149,300)

Go Wild Teddy – Smiles Are Free Black Bitch

December '07

Owner: **Tyson Barton**

Trainer: **Kelvyn Greenough**

Cannington best: 41.92 (1 Starts 1-0-0)

Outstanding Victorian trained stayer she took all before her in the second half of last year winning Group races and setting track records. Had a lengthy spell before a very impressive heat win here last week. Certain to improve on her winning time of 41.92, she's certainly a winning chance.



Bobby Boucheau (VIC)

15 starts 9-2-1 (\$31,630)

Bombastic Shiraz – Dallas Gypsy

Black Dog May '08

Owner/ Trainer: **Angela Jackson**

Cannington best: 41.54 (8) (1 Starts 1-0-0)

Young Victorian stayer with a bright future. Ran third in the Sale Cup before smashing the 595 metre record at Sandown defeating Pillow Torque by 20 lengths. Came out in his heat last week on debut over 700 and beat the Association Cup winner by 10 lengths in 41.54. Hard to beat.



Dashing Corsair (QLD)

104 starts 45-15-12 (\$309,230)

Malfoy – Rose Flamenco

Red Fawn Dog April '07

Owner: **Paddy Finch**

Trainer: **Dwyer Lennon**

Canning ton best: 41.79 (3 Starts 1-1-1)

Amazing performance again last week to win at his 104th start. Started favourite in the Group 1 Association Cup but had all sorts of trouble in the lead up due to the Queensland floods. Fantastic performer he is always a live chance. Won the National Sprint title here in 2009. Great dog in a great field.



Westend Thomas

43 starts 10-11-8 (\$42,830)

Surf Lorian – Westend Kaitlyn

Local stayer he finished third behind Bobby Boucheau a long way from the winner. Will start big odds if he gains a start.



Nellie Noodles

23 starts 10-2-5 (\$78,825)

Flying Penske – Classy Creek

Star Victorian stayer with a stack of ability she seems to be off her best at the moment she would be some sort of chance if she gain a start.

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

Peter O'Neill

1st Bobby Boucheau

2nd Pillow Torque

3rd Blue Lorian

Ryan Lavitzke

1st Pillow Torque

2nd Bobby Boucheau

3rd Hallpack Jack










David Simonette

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3rd So Seductive

Local Market for the Group 1 Sky Racing Galaxy

\$80,000 to the winner Group 1 SKY RACING Galaxy (715m)			
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price
 1	Mega Pixel	John Paikos	\$21.00
 2	Hallpack Jack	David Hobby	\$9.00
 3	Scuttlebutt	Ricky Valenti	\$15.00
 4	Blue Lorian	Peter Whye	\$6.00
 5	Pillow Torque	Dan Biddle	\$2.40
 6	So Seductive	Kelvyn Greenough	\$4.00
 7	Bobby Boucheau	Angela Jackson	\$2.70
 8	Dashing Corsair	Dwyer Lennon	\$4.50
 9	Westend Thomas	Ben Abercrombie	RES
 10	Nellie Noodles	Robert Britton	RES

The Galaxy first became a group race in 2002 as the major distance support race to the Perth Cup Carnival prior to then it was conducted as a minor feature and was first run in 1982.

1982 **Afro Freeway**, 1983 **Supreme Carmen**, 1984 **Aulfee**, 1985 **Lady Temlock**, 1986 **Abilene**, 1987 **Lassie's Girl**, 1988 **Red Rambo**, 1989 **Ghetto's Glider**, 1990 **Busy City**, 1991 **Galahad County**, 1992 **Petite Emma**, 1993 **Cousin Johnny**, 1994 **Floral Kwondo**, 1995 **Wits End**, 1996 **Rocket Racer**, 1997 **Gemary Park**, 1998 **Paradise Street**, 1999 **Harvard Bale**, 2000 **Alencia Bale**, 2001 "Not held" 2002 **Jennev** 2003 **Why Complain** 2004 **Winter** 2005 **Best Quoted**, 2006 **Ronray Dancer**, 2007 **Flashing Floods**, 2008 **Elektra**, 2009 **Western Land** and 2010 **Drill' Em**.

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