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### ***“Tuiaki’s Mosman Classic”***

Expectation was that one of the three dogs stationed nearest the rails in Saturday's Group Two Peter Mosman Classic would snare the \$25,000 winner's prize - and that's just how the result entered the record books.

Dave Irwin's That's Just Me was sent out the popular elect following his slashing 29.90s semi final win seven days earlier while Ken Cheetham's New Divide, on the score of his 30.08s effort on the same night, was considered a live threat and then came Tuiaki.

The son of Irish star Premier Fantasy was considered unlikely to match the aforementioned pair in the early stages and started a \$7.50 chance but it was he which reigned supreme in 30.23s.

A slow start proved critical to the chances of That's Just Me. He was tightened for room in the run to the first turn and checked, losing all chance. And, in the blink of an eye, those who had gambled on New Divide were dealt a similar blow. Checked and back to fifth at the first turn was New Divide.

Racing through the catching pen, Cool Scooby (\$12.50) had wrested the lead held a break over Super Laurie (\$10.40) to the back straight but Tuiaki was lurking.

He loomed large with 200m to run and looked all over a winner before the home turn. After drawing to the lead in the latter stages, he raced clear to salute by 2 3/4 lengths from a gallant Cool Scooby.

Super Laurie (\$10.40) battled away to finish third ahead of Hitman Sandow.

The win represents a career highlight for trainer Neville Brown and just reward for a dog which has always shown the potential to win at the elite level.

Tuiaki made his debut in the prestigious Dapto Maiden in September and now boasts 12 wins from just 30 starts - earning just on \$56,000 in stakes.

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First run in 1952 as the Bi Annual Classic, the series was re-named in honour of former GBOTA Chairman Peter Mosman in 1988.

After the placings the field finished in the following order 4<sup>th</sup> Hitman Sandow (\$30.10), 5<sup>th</sup> New Divide (\$3.50), 6<sup>th</sup> That's Just Me (\$2.20) 7<sup>th</sup> Flying Airlie (\$18.80) and Tiger Sing Man (\$18.30).

Tuiaki is a Black dog whelped March '08 by Premier Fantasy from Shireen's Habit (Trendy Leigh x Crazy Habit). He raced and trained by Neville Brown and the Group 2 Mosman Memorial was Tuiaki 14th win with nine placings from 33 starts. The \$25,000 first prize took his stake earnings to \$56,050.

The Classic was first run at Harold Park in 1952 when won by Robin Buchanan. In those days the race was called the Bi-Annual Classic and remained the same until 1988 when the GBOTA renamed the Classic honouring legendary administrator the late Peter Mosman. Like all other GBOTA features it moved with the club to Wentworth Park in 1987. Some outstanding sprinters have won the race over its journey going back to Miss Oakey (53), Tell You Why (59), Classy Jane (the dam of Black Top 60), Rokoko (68), The Smoother (70), Satan's Legend (78), Tegimi (79), Promises Free (82), Brother Fox (85), Farmer Wilson (91), How's The Fort (92), Worthy Reward (93), Tap Dance (94), Solve The Puzzle (98), Great Wish (99), Winsome Dollars (2001), Elite State (2003), Surf Lorian (2004) and last year's winner Devine Road. Listed below is the honour roll in full.

1952 **Robin Buchanan**, 1953 **Miss Oakey**, 1954 **Farrago Hawk**, 1955 **Proto Girl**, 1956 **Double Jade**, 1957 **Fine Earl**, 1958 **Town Ghost**, 1959 **Tell You Why**, 1960 **Classy Jane**, 1961 **Silver Khan**, 1962 **Nimble Aye**, 1963 **Keen Linen**, 1964 **Sudden Linen**, 1965 **Satyr Rocket**, 1966 **Perfect Socks**, 1967 **Dark Durante**, 1968 **Rokoko**, 1969 **Silent Ring**, 1970 **The Smoother**, 1971 **Alray Lad**, 1972 **Toouli**, 1973 **Dusty Trail**, 1974 **Early Copy**, 1975 **Arctic Raider**, 1976 **Proper Calibre**, 1977 **Ripa's Regard**, 1978 **Satan's Legend**, 1979 **Tegimi**, 1980 **Dick's Gem**, 1981 **Merry Tempest**, 1982 **Promises Free**, 1983 **Acacia Park**, 1984 **Crathie Drive**, 1985 **Brother Fox**, 1986 **Yob Yobbo**, 1987 **Paris In Spring**, 1988 **Kinjara**, 1989 **Style Leader**, 1990 **Classy Spider**, 1991 **Farmer Wilson**, 1992 **How's The Fort**, 1993 **Worthy Reward**, 1994 **Tap Dance** 1995 **Patchtime**, 1996 **Casino Jack**, 1997 **William Wallace**, 1998 **Solve The Puzzle**, 1999 **Great Wish**, 2000 **Token Wave**, 2001 **Winsome Dollars**, 2002 **Big Sam Banner**, 2003 **Elite State**, 2004 **Surf Lorian**, 2005 **Over Flo**, 2006 **Faithful Love**, 2007 **Run The Risk**, 2008 **Lend Us Fifty** and 2009 **Devine Road**.

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