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## **GCA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD MAY 2018**

# **“MY REDEEMER”**

The GCA Run of the Month for May 2018 has been awarded to brilliant Victorian youngster My Redeemer for his outstanding win in the Group 1 Harrison-Dawson at Sandown on May 24th.



**My Redeemer winning the Harrison-Dawson at Sandown Park on May 24th (Pic Clint Anderson)**

Exciting young sprinter My Redeemer followed in the Group 1-winning footsteps of his superstar half-sister Up Hill Jill when he storming to victory in the \$100,000 to-the-winner Harrison-Dawson.

My Redeemer and Up Hill Jill are both out of Lara-based trainer/breeder David Geall's wonderful producer Where's Demonica, with Up Hill Jill having provided Geall and wife Rose with their first Group 1 celebrations in the 2017 Topgun and this year's Golden Easter Egg.

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After finishing runner-up in the Sapphire Crown last year, Up Hill Jill was scratched from the Sapphire heats due to injury, however My Redeemer stepped into the void, winning his heat of the Harrison-Dawson in 29.37sec, ensuring the Gealls had a leading contender in the Group 1 triple header.

After drawing box one for the Harrison-Dawson, My Redeemer started \$2.30 favourite and he settled third behind Bernardo (\$8.10) and Zipping Captain (\$40.80).

My Redeemer was still third turning for home and with plenty of work to do, but he finished powerfully to grab Bernardo in the shadows of the post, scoring by half a length in 29.36sec.

“My Redeemer’s sire, Fernando Bale, won this race and looking up in front of us we see the Henry Harrison Grandstand, so winning this race is a real thrill,” Dave Geall said.

“I’m a bit shocked. He did surprise me down the home straight. I didn’t think he’d get up.”

Rose Geall echoed her husband’s thoughts.

“He was beaten for speed and I was just hoping he would run third.”

The Harrison-Dawson triumph continued a sensational run of form for My Redeemer, which has won seven of his last eight starts and 12 from 23 overall.

My Redeemer will now head to Sydney for the Group 1 Peter Mosman Classic, where he’ll attempt to go one better than sibling Up Hill Jill, which was runner-up in the Wentworth Park feature last year. He has drawn box two in heat two and has been installed pre-post favourite at \$5 to win the final.

As usual there were some outstanding runs recorded in May on various tracks around Australia. Particularly a near track effort at Hobart by second start in a race youngster Peco Can. However, given the way in which My Redeemer went about his win, he got the nod as the Run of the Month.

GCA congratulates owner Brendan Sinfield, trainer David Geall and My Redeemer after being judged the GCA Run of the Month for May 2018. He joins the previous winners Ebby Ripper, Rippin’ Sam, Riveting, Extreme Magic (2), Riley Tokaam, Rockoon, Thirty Talks, Billy’s Bake and On and Off making up all the winners in 2017-2018.

### **Checkout the GCA Website for a replay of the run of the Month**

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