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BRING ON THE NATIONALS

The Nationals is Australia's most prestigious Greyhound racing event on the Annual Calendar, attracting the very best chasers from around the Nation. State pride is always on the line and participants love nothing more than to represent their state in the National finals.

This year's finals of the UBET AGRA National Championships will be held at Angle Park in Adelaide next Saturday night August 27. The two local Finals were held last Thursday night with Parsec Bale for Wendy Matcott causing a minor boilover in the Distance and Worm Burner for Cameron Butcher made it 10 straight when he won the Sprint in brilliant fashion.

In the UBET AGRA SA Distance Final, Springvale Bryne for Gavin Harris was sent out a short price favourite as the rain began to tumble down and favourite backers were happy when she ran to the front in the early stages. She ran a solid race in front however was claimed right on the line by Parsec Bale who swept home from midfield to score a memorable victory. Parsec Bale ran a handy 43.80 for the 731m journey however looks to have the job ahead of her after drawing box 4 in the final. With the host State having two representatives in the National final next Saturday night Springvale Bryne also qualified giving SA a two pronged attack against the Interstaters.

In the UBET AGRA SA Sprint Final, Fabregal for Robyn Mackellar showed super acceleration to lead from box 1 however was no match for the flying Worm Burner who raced away for a solid win in a blistering 29.53 for the 515m trip. The track was now rain affected so the performance of Worm Burner was outstanding and looks SA's best hope in next week's final after drawing box 6. Fabregal held on well for second and also qualified for next week's final and with her brilliant early speed she can put herself right in the mix with some luck.

Major contenders' trialled during the meeting with Victorian Zambora Brockie recording a blistering 4.40, 16.76 and 29.44 with a run home time of 12.68. After he drew box one Nationals sponsor UBET installed him the very short \$1.50 pre-post fixed odds favourite. Other impressive trials saw New South Wales rep Benteke run 4.54, 16.88 and 29.49 with a run home of 12.61. Queenslander Outside Pass ran 4.52, 16.90 and 29.56 with a run home of 12.66. The only other sprinter to trial was West Aussie Times Square she ran 4.56,17.17 and 29.96 with a run home of 12.79.

The only stayer to trial on Thursday night was Tasmanian Mahalo Miss she already trialled over 515 on Monday recording 30.62 and Thursday night over the 600 she ran 9.20, 22.20 and 35.51. Stayers Senator Monelli from the West will trial over 600 and Cardiology from NSW will trial over 731 on Saturday. While on Monday the 22nd Queenslander Big Red Easy will trial over the 600 and Mahalo Miss will have her third look at the track with a run over the 731.

GROUP ONE - UBET AGRA NATIONAL SPRINT \$75,000 to the winner

\$75,000 to the winner Group 1 UBET National Sprint Championship 515m					
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	B/T	
1	Zambora Brockie (VIC)	Anthony Azzopardi	\$1.50	29.44 (t)	
2	Dundee Osprey (VIC)	Geoffrey Scott-Smith	\$11	NBT	
3	Benteke (NSW)	Ruth King	\$10	29.49 (t)	
4	Outside Pass (QLD)	Tony Apap	<i>\$9</i>	29.56 (t)	
5	Fabregal (SA)	Robyn Mackellar	\$16	29.39	
6	Worm Burner (SA)	Cameron Butcher	\$6	29.40	
7	Times Square (WA)	Chris Halse	<i>\$26</i>	29.96 (t)	
8	Buckle Up Beneau (TAS)	Gary Johnson	\$101	29.81	
(9)	Coorong Kid (SA) (RES)	Cameron Butcher	<i>\$26</i>	29.51	
10	Marlow Brown (SA) (RES)	Paula Hearnden	\$17	29.59	

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National expert's selections for the Sprint final are as follows.

Ron Arnold	<u>John Brash</u>	Peter O'Neill	Ron Hawkswell
1 st Zambora Brockie			
2 nd Outside Pass	2 nd Outside Pass	2 nd Dundee Osprey	2 nd Dundee Osprey
3 rd Worm Burner	3 rd Worm Burner	3 rd Benteke	3 rd Worm Burner

Matt Corby	Greg Fahey	Shaun Mathieson	Mark Duclos
1 st Worm Burner	1 st Zambora Brockie	1 st Worm Burner	1 st Zambora Brockie
2 nd Zambora Brockie	2 nd Outside Pass	2 nd Zambora Brockie	2 nd Benteke
3 rd Outside Pass	3 rd Worm Burner	3 rd Benteke	3 rd Outside Pass

What's happening on race night?



SATURDAY 27th AUGUST

2015 UBET National Championships

Bring along a group of friends and enjoy our three-course international buffet while you soak up the atmosphere of SA's biggest night of greyhound racing. Gates open: 4.30pm Buffet available 5.30 – 9pm. First race approximately 5:39 pm.

Seats to Saturday's Gala Dinner can be done through the GRSA website (http://sa.thedogs.com.au)

National Sprint Honour Roll

1965	HAROLDPARK	BEST SUN (NSW)	500 yds.	26.6/10
1966	OLYMPIC PARK	KINTA'S SON (VIC)	560 yds.	30.9/16
1967	WENTWORTH PARK	METEOR PASO (NSW)	580 yds	31.8/16
1968	SANDOWN PARK	PRINCESS KERRY (VIC)	555 yds.	31.2/16
1969	HAROLD PARK	RED ZERO (NSW)	500 yds.	26.71
1970	OLYMPIC PARK	REGAL HERMES (VIC)	560 yds.	30.7/16
1971	WENTWORTH PARK	KING MILLER (NSW)	580 yds	31.1/16
1972	SANDOWN PARK	LORD GALAXY (NSW)	555 yds.	30.91
1973	HAROLD PARK	NEW MARINER (VIC)	457 mts.	26.28
1974	OLYMPIC PARK	TEMLEE (VIC)	511 mts.	29.71
1975	WENTWORTH PARK	COOPERROO FLYER (NSW)	530 mts	31.36
1976	SANDOWN PARK	CLOVER DUKE (NSW)	513 mts.	30.65
1977	GABBA	BOWETZEL (VIC)	558 mts.	32.70
1978	ANGLEPARK	MR TOEWHYTE (WA)	512 mts.	30.69
1979	CANNINGTON	ACCLAIM STAR (NSW)	530 mts.	30.95
1980	HAROLD PARK	FAST SAPPHIRE (NSW)	457 mts.	26.72
1981	OLYMPIC PARK	KATE'S A SCANDAL (SA)	511 mts.	30.70
1982	GABBA	MADONNA LEE (QLD)	558 mts.	32.73
1983	HAROLD PARK	WINIFRED BALE (NSW)	457 mts.	26.13
1984	HAROLD PARK	BUSY VINTAGE (TAS)	457 mts.	26.38
1985	SANDOWN PARK	SCENIC SPA (SA)	513 mts.	30.70
1986	ANGLEPARK	STETSON (SA)	512 mts.	29.98
1987	HOBART	FREMANTLE ECHO (WA)	457 mts.	26.39
1988	GABBA	DANCING GAMBLE (QLD)	558 mts.	32.89
1989	CANNINGTON	SANDI'S ME MUM (WA)	530 mts.	31.78
1990	SANDOWN	SANDI'S ME MUM (WA)	511 mts.	30.70
1991	WENTWORTH PARK	JESSICA CASEY (NSW)	520 mts.	30.66
1992	OLYMPIC PARK	MR. SLICK (VIC)	511 mts.	30.02
1993	ANGLE PARK	CASINO TOM (SA)	512 mts.	29.98
1994	WENTWORTH PARK	GALLANT RULER (NSW)	520 mts.	30.38
1995	SANDOWN PARK	FLYING AMY (QLD)	511 mts.	30.08
1996	ALBION PARK	SHAYNE'S CHAMP (VIC)	520 mts.	30.23
1997	ANGLEPARK	PRINCE OF TIGERS (WA)	512 mts.	29.68
1998	CANNINGTON	RAPID JOURNEY (NSW)	530 mts	31.22
1999	WENTWORTH PARK	HARRY HAND (NSW)	520 mts	30.31
2000	LAUNCESTON	PLACARD (NSW)	522 mts	30.76
2001	MGRA (MEADOWS)	HENERIK BALE (VIC)	518 mts	29.82
2002	ALBION PARK	IN THE FRAME (VIC)	520 mts	30.26

2003	ANGLE PARK	ELITE STATE (QLD)	515 mts	29.33
2004	CANNINGTON	IN FOR LIFE (NSW)	530 mts	30.78
2005	WENTWORTH PARK	PURE OCTANE (VIC)	520 mts	29.91
2006	LAUNCESTON	IMMORTAL LOVE (NSW)	515 mts	29.52 (Rec)
2007	SANDOWN PARK	BIT CHILLI (NSW)	515 mts.	29.88
2008	WENTWORTH PARK	KNOCKA NORRIS (QLD)	520 mts.	29.83
2009	CANNINGTON	DASHING CORSAIR(QLD)	530 mts.	30.29
2010	ANGLE PARK	SMOOTH FANCY (NSW)	515 mts	29.49
2011	ALBION PARK	METZ MAGIC (QLD)	520 mts.	30.04
2012	HOBART	FABREGAS (VIC)	461 mts.	25.85
2013	MEADOWS	XYLIA ALLEN (VIC)	525 mts.	29.63
2014	CANNINGTON	CHICA DESTACADA (NSW)	530 mts.	30.27
2015	WENTWORTH PARK	FERNANDO BALE (VIC)	520 mts.	29.26

GROUP ONE – UBET AGRA NATIONAL DISTANCE \$75,000 to the winner

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Вох	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	B/T
1	Big Red Easy (QLD)	Rusty Dillon	\$4	NBT
2	Ring The Bell (VIC)	Gerard O'Keefe	\$2.50	NBT
3	Senator Monelli (WA)	David Hobby	\$11	NBT
4	Parsec Bale (SA)	Wendy Matcott	\$26	43.27
5	Springvale Bryne (SA)	Gavin Harris	\$9	43.04
6	Cardiology (NSW)	Kayla-Jane Coleman	<i>\$5</i>	NBT
7	Mahalo Miss (TAS)	Scott Bryan	\$101	NBT
8	Whittaker (NSW)	Julie Fletcher	\$7	NBT
/9//	She's A Looper (SA) (RES)	Cameron Butcher	\$26	NBT
10	McLaren Missile (SA) (RES)	Tania Foster	\$101	NBT

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<u>Peter O'Neill</u>	<u>John Brasch</u>	<u>Ron Arnold</u>	<u>Matt Corby</u>
1 st Ring The Bell	1 st Ring The Bell	1 st Cardiology	1 st Big Easy Red
2 nd Cardiology	2 nd Big Easy Red	2 nd Ring The Bell	2 nd Springvale Bryne
3 rd Whittaker	3 rd Cardiology	3 rd Whittaker	3 rd Whittaker
Shaun Mathieson	Greg Fahey	Rob Testa	Mark Duclos
1st Ring The Bell	1st Big Easy Red	1 st Ring The Bell	1st Ring The Bell
2 nd Cardiology	2 nd Cardiology	2 nd Springvale Bryne	2 ⁿ Big Easy Red
3 rd Springvale Bryne	3 rd Ring The Bell	3 rd Whittaker	3 rd Cardiology



National Distance Honour Roll

1969	WENTWORTH PARK	AMERIGO LADY (VIC)	790 yds.	43.7/16ths
1970	SANDOWN PARK	SARGOOD (VIC)	785 yds.	44.00
1971	HOBART	SAKI DASHER (VIC)	737 yds.	40.00
1972	HAROLDPARK	BUBBLE'S LUCK (VIC)	732 mts.	43.40
1973	GABBA	HE'S SOME BOY (VIC)	704 mts.	43.09
1974	ANGLEPARK	CORCORAN (VIC)	731 mts.	44.56
1975	GABBA	DOTIE WILSON (NSW)	704 mts.	41.66
1976	ANGLEPARK	BOLTA'S GIFT (VIC)	731 mts.	44.66
1977	HAROLDPARK	WOOLLEY WONG (NSW)	732 mts.	43.58
1978	HOBART	DUSTY GINNY (NSW)	730 mts.	43.30 (Rec)
1979	OLYMPIC PARK	MARY MARELLA (VIC)	732 mts.	44.09
1980	SANDOWN PARK	ALL PROMISE (VIC)	718 mts.	43.92
1981	LAUNCESTON	SHAMROCK JEWEL (VIC)	722 mts.	44.87
1982	ADELAIDE	BAY ROAD QUEEN (SA)	731 mts.	44.03
1983	HOBART	TEN GUITARS (VIC)	725 mts.	43.91
1984	CANNINGTON	PRINCESS BADEN (SA)	740 mts.	44.32
1985	LAUNCESTON	MELMADE GAZZA (SA)	722 mts.	44.06
1986	GABBA	KIRSTY'S FIRST (QLD)	704 mts.	41.65
1987	OLYMPIC PARK	MYSTIC HOPE (VIC)	732 mts.	44.29
1988	WENTWORTH PARK	HIGH INTENSITY (VIC)	732 mts.	42.93
1989	ANGLEPARK	JULEP (SA)	731 mts.	43.79
1990	OLYMPIC PARK	CLEAN MACHINE (VIC)	732 mts.	44.00
1991	GABBA	JUST A CHARM (QLD)	704 mts.	41.45
1992	WENTWORTH PARK	PACE GALORE (VIC)	720 mts.	42.57
1993	CANNINGTON	BILLY'S BLONDIE (QLD)	740 mts.	44.89
1994	WENTWORTH PARK	MISS CRUISE (NSW)	720 mts.	43.59
1995	OLYMPIC PARK	BORONIA BLOSSOM (QLD)	732mts.	43.72
1996	ALBION PARK	BORONIA BLOSSOM (QLD)	710mts.	42.23
1997	ANGLEPARK	IBROX PARK (NSW)	731 mts.	43.17
1998	CANNINGTON	PARADISE STREET (WA)	700 mts.	41.75
1999	WENTWORTH PARK	KOBBLE CREEK (QLD)	720 mts.	42.55
2000	LAUNCESTON	OSTI'S JOKER (VIC)	743 mts.	45.05
2001	SANDOWN PARK	TIP TOP TEARS (VIC)	715 mts.	42.46
2002	ALBION PARK	BOOMEROO (VIC)	710 mts.	41.61 (Rec)
2003	ANGLE PARK	ARVO'S JUNIOR (VIC)	731 mts.	42.66
2004	CANNINGTON	CLASSY CUSTOMER (NSW)	715 mts.	42.31
2005	WENTWORTH PARK	TEXAS GOLD (NSW)	720 mts.	42.07
2006	LAUNCESTON	BOTHING (SA)	720 mts.	42.49 (Rec)
2007	MEADOWS	FLASHING FLOODS (VIC)	725 mts.	42.95
2008	WENTWORTH PARK	MANTRA LAD (VIC)	720 mts.	42.30
2009	CANNINGTON	JAVIS BALE (VIC)	715 mts.	41.93
2010	ANGLE PARK	BLUE LORIAN (NSW)	710 mts.	43.01
2011	ALBION PARK	DASHING CORSAIR (QLD)	710 mts.	42.09
2012	HOBART	MIATA (WA)	710 mts.	41.24
2013	MEADOWS	SMART VALENTNO (NSW)	725 mts.	42.83
2014		SWEET IT IS (VIC)	715 mts.	41.39
2015	CANNINGTON WENTWORTH BARK	LADY TOY (VIC)	710 mts.	41.52 (Rec)
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