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CENTREBET

Veyron Bale strikes in Centrebet Paws of Thunder

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In a night of long price winners, it was Veyron Bale which posted the fastest heat win in last Saturday night (January 12) Centrebet Paws of Thunder (520m) series.

With eight qualify events run and won, each winner will now line up in next Saturday's (January 19) \$100,000 to the winner final.

The opening heat was taken out by Cavendish Flyer, which snuck under early leader Grigorieva Bale in the home straight to snatch victory. Owner/Trainer Geoff Sattler, from Marks Point in NSW, was elated with the victory, and now hopes to make the most of next week's final birth.

Arguably the toughest qualifier of the night went to John Finn's runner Sheikha. Having shown plenty of ability to date, the daughter of Collision x I'm Exceptional was able to lead all the way in 29.93, and returned over \$30 for punters in NSW.

Graeme Bate's Fully Advanced continued the large returns for punters in the third heat, leading all the way in 29.72 over Miss Mozoltov and Pop's Max. The Victorian trainer continued the good run in the next heat with Imry Bale scoring the chocolates for connections, after receiving a start from box two. The first reserve was able to make the most of her strong beginning, holding out Closing Time and Magnum Blast in the run to the line.

For the punters which stuck with the interstate raiders, heat five again proved profitable with Victorian runners finishing one-two. After setting up a dominant lead in the back straight, 2012 Adelaide Cup winner Spud Regis, was overpower on the line by Oomoo. The win a reward for connections who had contemplated scratching the greyhound on Saturday morning due to fires in regional Victoria.

Andrea Dailly got her chance to take centre stage in heat six and seven with Veyron Bale and Streetbike Tommy both recording good wins. Veyron Bale's 29.64 win, the quickest of the night, was a dominant display with the greyhound recording his second win from just three starts at Wentworth Park.

NSW starter, Ritza Ryder, landed the final win of the night in 29.69, winning by 5¼ lengths and booking his spot in the \$100,000 final for Mark Gatt and his team.

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AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION

GROUP ONE – Centrebet Paws Of Thunder \$100,000 to the winner



Cavendish Flyer

24 starts 9-3-2 (\$22,480)

El Galo – Gogo Sutro

Black Bitch February'10

Owner/ Trainer: **Geoff Sattler**

Wentworth Park best: 30.07 (8) (7 Starts 3-2-1)

Solid record at Wenty without setting the world on fire, three wins from seven. Box one will help in this field a big thrill for connections to make a Group 1. Came from third down the back last week in a handy win. Needs to begin flawless and put herself in the race early. Place chance looks best.



Sheikha

18 starts 7-2-4 (\$17,920)

Collision – I'm Exceptional

Black Bitch September'10

Owners: **Gerard Guthrie, Anthony Lyons & Peter Davis.** Trainer: **John Finn**

Wentworth Park best: 29.93 (4) (4 Starts 2-1-1)

Bolter last week at \$34 she left a few big names in her wake notable the series favourite Proven Nitro. Good effort to run 29.93 in her second Wentworth Park win. This is a better draw than last week's box four and if she can come out and find the lead she'll be a winning chance. In good hands.



Imry Bale (VIC)

49 starts 21-8-6 (\$105,365)

Go Wild Teddy – Amity Bale

Black Dog April '10

Owner: **Paul Wheeler**

Trainer: **Graeme Bate**

Wentworth Park best: 29.87 (2) (3 Starts 1-0-0)

Can be a top class sprinter on his night, looked good last week when fourth and third early to come away with a win. Lucky to gain a run from the reserve bench and recorded a solid 29.87. Bred in the purple and it won't surprize to see him win if he has some luck at the start and some more at the first turn. Not without a chance.



Fully Advanced (VIC)

43 starts 14-8-7 (\$101,860)

Collision – Okay Supreme

Black Dog February'10

Owner: **Ron McCullagh**

Trainer: **Graeme Bate**

Wentworth Park best: 29.72 (6) (2 Starts 1-0-0)

Another handy sprinter and Group winner in Victoria the second of G Bate's finalists he may need some luck early from box four. Good effort first up last week to record 29.72 but from box four it will be a tough assignment in this company. A place chance looks best.



Veyron Bale (VIC)

17 starts 6-3-2 (\$31,640)

Meticulous – Blachura Bale

Black Dog March '11

Owner: **Paul Wheeler**

Trainer: **Andrea Dailly**

Wentworth Park best: 29.65 (2) (2 Starts 2-0-0)

Went outstanding for a youngster last week to record the fastest time of the night 29.65. Only had 17 starts but a perfect record here two from two. If he can repeat what we saw last week he certainly would be the dog to beat. Can he do it again that's the burning question? Box five no help he just has to begin clean and be handy at the first turn. Great winning chance.



Ritza Ryder

56 starts 19-9-12 (\$127,623)

Where's Pedro – Midnight Flare

Blue Dog January'09

Owners: **Mark Gatt**

Trainer: **Mark Gatt**

Wentworth Park best: 29.69(4) (24 Starts 8-5-8)

A very honest high class chaser with a fantastic record at Wentworth Park 8 wins and 13 placings from 24 starts. Has a best of 29.69 recorded last week and is well fancied to perform well again after getting back to his best. Might need a bit of luck from box six. However is a solid winning chance. In capable hands.



Streetbike Tommy (VIC)

49 starts 15-3-5 (\$43,865)

Velocette – Paris St Germain

White & Brindle Dog March'09

Owner: **C Nutt & S Evans**

Trainer: **Andrea Dailly**

Wentworth Park best: 30.01 (4) (1 starts 1-0-0)

Has been in good form of late racing well in Victoria with city wins to his credit. Scored last week first up on the track in a good effort to run 30.01. Will need a bit of luck early from the wide draw but is capable of winning if he comes out and is handy to the lead.



Oomoo (VIC)

28 starts 6-7-3 (\$26,96-0)

Bombastic Shiraz – Tizz Magic

Black Dog May'10

Owner: **Wick Syndicate**

Trainer: **Neville King**

Wentworth Park best: 30.14 (1) (1 Starts 1-0-0)

Another Victorian that run down some handy types last week in a good performance from the red box first up on the track. Only ran 30.14 and would have to improve on that time to be a winning chance but a big thrill for connections to make a group 1. Place chance is best.



Joshua (VIC)

39 starts 12-3-9 (\$27,560)

Collision – Okay Supreme

Handy Victorian sprinter he finished fastest second last week behind Veyron Bale. Will start big odds if he gained a start.



Miss Mozoltov (VIC)

13 starts 4-3-2 (\$17,615)

Where's Pedro – Mozoltov

Made the Group 1 Laurels in December and is a talented youngster, could make her presence felt if she gained a start.

Local expert's selections for the Centrebet Paws Of Thunder final are as follows.

Adam Dobbin

1st Veyron Bale
2nd Ritza Ryder
3rd Sheikha


Ron Arnold

1st Veyron Bale
2nd Cavendish Flyer
3rd Imry Bale

Gerard Guthrie

1st Imry Bale
2nd Sheikha
3rd Fully Advanced

Fixed Market for the CENTREBET Group 1 Paws Of Thunder Final:

Group 1 CENTREBET PAWS OF THUNDER (520m)			
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price
 1	<i>Cavendish Flyer</i>	<i>Geoff Sattler</i>	<i>\$4.20</i>
 2	<i>Sheikha</i>	<i>John Finn</i>	<i>\$11.00</i>
 3	<i>Imry Bale</i>	<i>Graeme Bate</i>	<i>\$5.00</i>
 4	<i>Fully Advanced</i>	<i>Graeme Bate</i>	<i>\$5.00</i>
 5	<i>Veyron Bale</i>	<i>Andrea Dailly</i>	<i>\$3.30</i>
 6	<i>Ritza Ryder</i>	<i>Mark Gatt</i>	<i>\$13.00</i>
 7	<i>Streetbike Tommy</i>	<i>Andrea Dailly</i>	<i>\$8.00</i>
 8	<i>Oomoo</i>	<i>Neville King</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>
 9	<i>Joshua</i>	<i>Graeme Bate</i>	<i>\$11.00</i>
 10	<i>Miss Mozoltov</i>	<i>Jason Thompson</i>	<i>\$11.00</i>

What's happening on race night?

Gates open at 5.30pm for Saturday's meeting. NSW GBOTA Members are reminded that on presentation of a valid membership card at the Wentworth Park Rd entrance, entry will be granted to members and a friend. It is the perfect reason to get trackside and witness two great feature finals.

Paws of Thunder sponsors Centrebet are also offering Greyhound Recorder readers the opportunity to attend the Paws of Thunder Gala Dinner on January 19 at Wentworth Park. Get a copy of this week's edition for full details. The final goes as race 8 at 9.57 pm on Saturday's ten race program.

2013 Centrebet Paws Of Thunder Final Dinner

Looking for a great way to watch the 2013 Centrebet Paws Of Thunder?

Why not join invited guests and trainers on Level 1 for a spectacular 3 course meal at \$60 per person.

Packages include entry, racebook, plated entrée, mains from the buffet table, dessert, tea or coffee and cheese platter.

With \$100,000 up for grabs in the final there will be great racing and the Level 1 Function Centre is just the place to see the action from.

For bookings or further information please call Ellen on 02 85871210 or email: ellen@gbota.com.au

The 2013 'Collerson' conducted in recognition of Daily Telegraph Journalist Jeff Collerson's contribution to the Greyhound Industry is also on the great race card this Saturday night.

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Listed below are the past winners of Paws Of Thunder which was formerly known as the St.Leger and first run in 1957. The NSW NCA restructured the prizemoney and the race name in 2001.

1957 **Idle Sign**, 1958 **Ebony Minda**, 1959 **Super Samson**, 1960 **Constant Raider**, 1961 **Elsie Moss**, 1962 **Black Top**, 1963 **Miss Warcroft**, 1964 **Revival King**, 1965 **Daily Tide**, 1966 **Sunset Fire**, 1967 **Another Glitter**, 1968 **Zoom Top**, 1969 **Beau Brin**, 1970 **Size Seven**, 1971 **Romantic Top**, 1972 **Likely Light**, 1973 **Trella Light**, 1974 **Busy's Chief**, 1975 **Mighty Aussie**, 1976 **Palaver**, 1977 **Fine Arama**, 1978 **Oberon Lily**, 1979 **Lord Raleigh**, 1980 **Glider's Son**, 1981 **Promises Free**, 1982 **Winifred Bale**, 1983 **Winston Lass**, 1984 **Beach Rhythm** 1985 **Another Flash**, 1986 **Memories Gate**, 1987 **See Yah**, 1988 **Grizzly Bear**, 1989 **Jessica Kate**, 1990 **Dixie Lass**, 1991 **Little Denver**, 1992 **Iago**, 1993 **Leon Mal**, 1994 **Zazziam**, 1995 **Nine Inch Nails**, 1996 **Tamborine Dancer**, 1997 **Elle's Commando**, 1998 **Waiwera Marika**, 1999 **Stately Bird**, 2000 **Some Secret**, 2001 **Suellen Bale**, 2002 **Modern Assassin**, 2003 **Winsome Shot**, 2004 **Kobble Rock** 2005 **Pure Octane** 2006 **Suave Fella**, 2007 **Leprechaun Pace**, 2008 **One Tree Hill**, 2009 **Cindeen Shelby**, 2010 **Lochinvar Marlow** and 2011 **Fancy Will**.

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