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## **West On Augie records fastest heat for Sky Racing Perth Cup**

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**Come On Emmaline** (Fernando Bale-Come On Luann) led from box 2 in the first heat of the Group 1 Sky Racing Perth Cup. The Victorian based Joe Borg's black bitch held on to defeat Astrozone and Fernando Express by 3/4 length in 29.82.

Striker Light (Kc and All-Pretty Fancy) was beaten to the first corner by Slingshot Gypsy before dropping into another gear a long the back straight. The Brett Bravo trained star raced to the lead going off the back and stopped the clock at 29.87, winning by 4 lengths in the second heat of the Perth Cup at his first look at the track.

Up Hill Jill (Premier Fantasy-Where's Demonica) flew into next weeks Group 1 final, leading throughout to defeat Benali by 4 lengths in 29.60. The recent Easter Egg winner will improve with her first look at the track for trainer David Geall. Up Hill Jill will reacquaint herself with Striker Light in the final, with the two clashing 12 times prior with Up Hill Jill finishing in front of her arch rival 7 of the 12 times.

Trouper Monelli (Fernando Bale-Bingle Monelli) began well from box 1 and was able to work past the leaders in the back straight before winning the 4th heat of the Perth Cup. The David Hobby trained dog won by 5 lengths over last year's winner Equanimity in 29.93.

Alpha Georgiou (Magic Sprite-Queen Of Cyprus) was able to run down the leader Vanderworp, claiming him right on the line to win by a head in 30.11. The Jeffrey Britton trained dog was having his first look at the track and recently won a heat of the Golden Easter Egg in Sydney.

West On Augie (Fernando Bale-Te Amo) clocked the quickest heat win after leading throughout from box 8. The Chris Halse trained WA bred star stopped the clock at 29.55 in scoring by 9 lengths over Waterloo Monelli in the 6th heat. The red fawn dog has a PB of 29.40 set in the middle of March.

Hecton Bale (Fernando Bale-Searle Bale) was too strong for the WA hope Mandjoogoordap down the back straight and went on to win his heat of the Perth Cup by 5 lengths in 29.70. The Andrea Dailly trained dog won the Australian Cup in March and Dailly won the Perth Cup herself as a trainer in 2005 with Sun Hero.

Black Bombshell (Barcia Bale-Tearsabout Tears) scored a 1 3/4 length win in the final heat of the Group 1 Sky Racing Perth Cup defeating the leader Max Profit in 29.88. The win kept the dream of trainer Enzo Crudeli' hope of winning back to back Cups alive after winning with Equanimity last year.

**Moment To Jive** (Mogambo-Sharon Monelli) raced into next week's Group 1 Sky Racing Galaxy final with a 6 length win over Zipping Katelyn (NSW) in a PB 41.78. For expecting mother and trainer Sarah Appleton, the black bitch has now won 9 in a row as she chases her first Group 1 victory.

Rippin' Sam (Fernando Bale-Tears Siam) was last out of the boxes in his heat and then showed his brilliance as he weaved his way through the field in the second heat. The Robert Britton trained star scored in a slick 41.70, just less than a length outside of Neil Monelli' track record. The white and brindle dog defeated Jeebus Bird and Myrniong Corner by 9 lengths.

Quick Jagger (Dyna Nalin-Saving Bundles) returned to his best form with a brilliant 8 length win in the third heat of the Group 1 Sky Racing Galaxy. The Chris Halse trained chaser found the lead after a lap and raced away to score in 41.72 defeating the NSW star Simon Keeping. Myrniong Corner and Beryllium were the two quickest thirds making it through to next week's Group 1 final.

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**GROUP ONE – SKY RACING PERTH CUP \$150,000 to the winner**  
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<b>\$150,000 to the winner Group 1 Sky Racing Perth Cup 520m</b>				
<b>Box</b>	<b>Greyhound</b>	<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>B/T</b>
	<b>Trouper Monelli</b>	<b>David Hobby</b>	<b>\$9.00</b>	<b>29.66</b>
	<b>Striker Light (VIC)</b>	<b>Brett Bravo</b>	<b>\$3.90</b>	<b>29.87</b>
	<b>Hecton Bale (VIC)</b>	<b>Andrea Dailly</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>29.70</b>
	<b>Up Hill Jill (VIC)</b>	<b>David Geall</b>	<b>\$3.60</b>	<b>29.60</b>
	<b>Alpha Georgiou (VIC)</b>	<b>Jeff Britton</b>	<b>\$26.00</b>	<b>30.11</b>
	<b>Come On Emmaline (VIC)</b>	<b>Joe Borg</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>29.82</b>
	<b>Black Bombshell</b>	<b>Enzo Crudeli</b>	<b>\$23.00</b>	<b>29.71</b>
	<b>West On Augie</b>	<b>Chris Halse</b>	<b>\$3.30</b>	<b>29.40</b>
	<b>Astrozone (RES)</b>	<b>Paul Stuart</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>29.49</b>
	<b>Benali (VIC) (RES)</b>	<b>Robert Britton</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>29.66</b>

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

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1<sup>st</sup> Up Hill Jill  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Striker Light  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Hecton Bale

Ryan Lavitzke

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 2<sup>nd</sup> West On Augie  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Striker Light

Dennis O'Brien

1<sup>st</sup> West On Augie  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Hecton Bale  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Up Hill Jill

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# The History of the Perth Cup

In the 38 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 February 8th.

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 Shiridon'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 careered away to win comfortably from fellow Victorians Trewly Special and Pororooca.

2007 and superstar Victorian sprinter and reining 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 past 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.

2011 almost seemed like it was deya wu when Queensland superstar High Earner (\$5.10) flew the boxes in the Sky Racing Perth Cup final setting up his second consecutive win in the Group 1 feature when he again racing away in exactly the same way he did the previous year. High Earner had a different trainer and he had a different preparation however the result was the same and he was as impressive as ever.

The son of Collision-Double Guess gave a faultless display of power sprinting when he gave his rivals no chance winning the Cup easily in 30.37 beating Victorian pair Gold Heritage (\$6.20) and Kilty Lad (\$2.90).

2012 Oaks Road (Spiral Nikita- Leprechaun Pace) gained his first Group 1 success for owner Edwin Kingswell and trainer Mark Gatt when he scored a run away win in the Cup final. Showing early speed from box 2, Oaks Road (\$5.80) led and then with race favourite Heston Bale getting severely checked and allowed the son of Leprechaun Pace to race clear to win by 7 lengths in 30.22 from Lektra Jay (\$28.00) and Autoamerican (\$23.70). The \$140,000 took Oaks Road earnings along to \$293,130 from just 37 starts where he has won 14 times.

2013 the race was built as a battle between Victorians Renegade Chief (Box 5 - \$5.70), Hello Good Bye (Box 3 - \$10.00) and Grigorieva Bale and Queenslander Glen Gallon, but it was the local greyhound that stole the show.

Grigorieva Bale (\$9.10) left beautifully from Box 1 while Harry Monelli (\$32.00) for David Hobby swept across from Box 8 to hold the early lead with local champion Hot Irish (Box 6 - \$5.30) also pressuring the leaders.

After the first corner the race opened up as Grigorieva Bale scooted to the lead in front of Harry Monelli and Dyna Nalin (Box 4 - \$7.10) with the Victorian looking everything of a winner.

As the field rounded the final bend, Paul Stuart's young greyhound stormed home over the top of Grigorieva Bale to claim an emphatic win and cap off a memorable night for the young trainer.

2014 New South Wales owned and Victorian trained Keybow started \$5.00 when he defeated Saving Bundles and Star Recall after springing to the lead, thus avoiding a crucial collision that saw the other Victorian-trained finalist, Allen Deed, fell. Keybow needed to begin well from box 3 as all the early pace was drawn on his outside. He did just that and found the early lead, which was the place to be when all the trouble happened behind him and he was able to skip clear for brilliant all the way win.

2015 My Bro Fabio (\$4.60) scored a brilliant come from behind win in the \$140,000 to-the-winner Group 1 Sky Racing Perth Cup final for trainer Brooke Ennis.

The Victorian chaser who won the Group 1 Hume Cup in November, stayed out of trouble from box eight after plenty happened on the first corner. He found himself in a winning position coming to the home turn when he took off after the leader Whodat Knockin', all eyes had become fixed on the big-striding My Bro Fabio, after he had circled the field and around the home turn, he looked the winner as he raced up to Whodat Knockin', pasting him in the straight to race away and score by a length in 30.34.

2016 It was a case of third time lucky for John Iwanyk in the Cup final at the old Cannington for the last time when the leading WA mentor landed a last stride victory in the Group 1 event with Ima Wagtail.

The black dog was only fair to begin from the inside alley but was able to push up along the fence around the first turn to sit in third spot behind the leaders Shared Equity (box six) and Tiggerlong Await (box five), before switching to the outside in the home straight to hit the lead right on the line in 30.29.

2017 Enzo Crudeli took some time coming to terms with being a group 1 winning trainer after with his classy sprinter Equanimity won the 2017 Perth Cup. Having drawn beautifully in box one, Equanimity (\$14.70) speared the lids in the \$150,000-to-the-winner final, rolling straight to the early lead over Pepper Fire (box five) in the race around the first turn. The leading pair maintained their positions throughout the entirety of the race, with Equanimity defeating Pepper Fire (\$5) by one-and-three-quarter lengths in a fast 29.94.



**Last year's Perth Cup winner Equanimity (Pic Courtesy Joe Mulder)**

In the 42 times the Perth Cup has been staged winners have come from every corner of the country. Victoria leads the interstate invaders with 11 wins from New South Wales with seven victories, four from South Australia (all in the eighties) and four from Queensland making Western Australia's showpiece 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**, 2010 **High Earner**, 2011 **High Earner**, 2012 **Oaks Road**, 2013 **Dyna Nalin**, 2014 **Keybow**, 2015 **My Bro Fabio**, 2016 **Ima Wagtail** and 2017 **Equanimity** .

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	<b>Ziping Katelyn (NSW)</b>	<b>Jason Mackay</b>	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>NBT</b>
	<b>Jeebus Bird</b>	<b>David Hobby</b>	<b>\$51.00</b>	<b>42.42</b>
	<b>Rippin' Sam (VIC)</b>	<b>Robert Britton</b>	<b>\$1.80</b>	<b>41.70</b>
	<b>Beryllium</b>	<b>Bill Choules</b>	<b>\$51.00</b>	<b>42.49</b>
	<b>Moment To Jive</b>	<b>Sarah Appleton</b>	<b>\$4.40</b>	<b>41.78</b>
	<b>Simon Keeping (NSW)</b>	<b>Martin Hallinan</b>	<b>\$14.00</b>	<b>NBT</b>
	<b>Quick Jagger</b>	<b>Chris Halse</b>	<b>\$3.70</b>	<b>41.68</b>
	<b>Kirk Bale (RES)</b>	<b>Enzo Crudeli</b>	<b>\$81.00</b>	<b>42.78</b>
	<b>Winsome April (RES)</b>	<b>John Iwanyk</b>	<b>\$81.00</b>	<b>42.02</b>

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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 Gemarly 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, 2010 Drill' Em, 2011 Blue Lorian, 2012 Miata, 2013 Miata, 2014 Born Ali, 2015 Space Star, 2016 Seeking Justice and 2017 Bogie Bekim.

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