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Red Road (\$1.80) will be aimed for the Macro Meats Golden Easter Egg series after he took out the Group 2 Eco Friendly Building Systems Richmond Derby on Saturday night.

The Mark Gatt-trained chaser justified his favouritism for the \$40,000-to-thewinner final, jumping straight to the front and leading all the way to hold out a gallant Evil Punk by 3/4 of a length in 30.34.

The win was Red Road's 11th from 15 starts and first at Group level.

Gatt was extremely impressed with the win.

"When a dog runs a time like Red Road just did and leads, it's very hard for any other dog to get around them," he said.

"If the situation had been reversed and Evil Punk (\$4.80) had led, it probably would have been a completely different result,

"Red Road just had the better box and begun a little better and that was probably the difference in the end."

Gatt said he has always had a high opinion of Red Road and believes the son of Collision will measure up well in the Golden Easter Egg series.

"Red Road really likes Wentworth Park, so hopefully his good form continues and you will see us in the (Golden) Easter Egg," Gatt said.

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"Right from the start I knew he was a group dog. I earmarked him as a good dog from the start but they still have to go on and prove it, which he has now done."

Red Road was one of four runners in the Richmond Derby for Gatt, with Ritza Raider the best of his other runners, finishing in fourth.

Boyce Road had a troubled run but battled well to finish fifth, while Ritza Ryder finished sixth.

For Evil Punk, it was the second time he has finished runner-up in a derby this year. The James Coyle-trained chaser finished second to Zipping Brock in the National Derby at Unibet Gardens in February.

After the placings in the Derby the field finished in the following order 4<sup>th</sup> Ritza Raider (\$6.00), 5<sup>th</sup> Boyce Road (\$6.50), 6<sup>th</sup> Ritza Ryder (\$13.00) 7<sup>th</sup> Romantic Affair (\$13.00) and Calamity Tiger (\$31.00).

Red Road is raced by Edwin Kingswell and trained by Mark Gatt he is a Black dog whelped February 2012 by Collision from Mystic Pace (Spiral Nikita x Leprechaun Pace). Red Road has won 11 of his 16 starts and has been placed on two occasions after the first prize of \$40,000 for the Derby his current stake earnings stand at \$74,265.

Listed below is the Richmond Derby honour roll first run up the straight 320 yards in 1957 it then changed to a grass circle over 537 metres in 1974. In a major revamp the club put down a new loam surface and track re-shape in 1999 and the Derby is now run over the new distance of 535 metres.

1957 Lilac's Luck, 1958 Some Clue, 1959 Sudden Glory, 1960 Little Budgie, 1961 Dodger's Luck, 1962 Gold Packet, 1963 Flying Myobb, 1964 King Ming, 1965 Top Mitch, 1966 African Ballet, 1967 Fleetfoot Joe, 1968 Red Park, 1969 -1973 "Not Held" 1974 Roomatic, 1975 Ainslie Boy 1976 Wade Park, 1977 Woodburn Wonder, 1978 Leon Kuley, 1979 Major Willa, 1980 Papuana, 1981 Timeaclog, 1982 Peter Glider 1983 Opal Columbus, 1984 Bindall's Hope / Ceamy Koco (DH) 1985 Rapid Supreme, 1986 Tiger Country, 1987 Buka Sunset, 1988 Maggiore, 1989 Rumpus Brandi, 1990 Whisky Bale, 1991 Kedo's Image, 1992 Tallest Peer, 1993 National Leader, 1994 Wiljarra, 1995 Fabian, 1996 Antique Vision, 1997 Spanish Master, 1998 Murphy's Benji, 1999 Royal Pilgrim, 2000 Stately Bird, 2001 Zingalong Red, 2002 Tourist Dan, 2003 Cyrus The Virus, 2004 Spring Secret, 2005 Gozo Master, 2006 Cool Matt, 2007 Laurie's Tigers, 2008 Mandagery Man, 2009 Cool Flight, 2010 Bogie Brave 2011 Decembrist, 2012 Path To Vegas and 2013 Jagger Swagger.

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