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***MACKAY LANDS SECOND
RICHMOND DERBY***

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The group racing spotlight shifted to Richmond on Saturday night where Jason Mackay claimed his second Group 2 World 4 Pets Richmond Derby with progressive youngster Path To Vegas.

Not only did Mackay scoop the \$45,000 winner's prize with Path To Vegas in a sizzling 30.39s, he also trained the runner-up Chiseled (\$8.20) – a litter brother to the group 2 victor.

The litter brothers Path To Vegas (box two) and Chiseled (box three), both won their heats last week leading all the way and having the inside running in the drive to the first turn proved an advantage in the final.

Path To Vegas (\$4.40) jumped perfectly and was never headed while his litter brother tacked on early and chasing him all the way home. Third was Undisputed Dos (\$10.10).

Path To Vegas remains unbeaten in four Richmond starts, all coming over the past 28 days, while Chiseled had recorded 30.54s, second best of the heats has only been beaten twice in five starts at the track.

Mackay had only a week ago experienced another NSW Greyhound Of The Year win with Zippling Lad and the Derby victory concluded a fabulous week for one of Australia's best conditioners.

Path To Vegas and Chiseled are from the Path To Power x Runaway Model litter. Runaway Model's dam is Steffi Grace, who is from the outstanding litter of Brett Lee x Elusive Rebel which includes Where's Pedro.

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Mackay claimed his first Richmond Derby back in 2010 with Queensland-owned sprinter Bogie Brave, with the 2011 event taken out by the Bob Douglas-trained Decembrist, a close friend of Mackay's.

Mackay will no doubt look towards a berth in the upcoming Group 1 Macro Meats Golden Easter Egg for the talented pair of youngsters.

After the placings the field finished in the following order 4th Mr. Gazmick (\$5.70), 5th Go Mighty Shiraz (\$9.80), 6th Paua Of Darkness (\$4.50) 7th Fancy Dean (\$5.00) and El Caballo (\$31.90).

Path To Vegas is raced by You knowit Company and trained by Jason Mackay. He is a Black Dog whelped June 2010 by Path To Power from Runaway Model (Larkhill Jo x Steffi Grace) he has raced 18 times for 11 wins and one placing with the \$45,000 first prize for the Derby took his overall stake earnings to \$68,780.

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** and 2011 **Decembrist**.



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