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Boxing Day Final A One Act Affair?

By GRV Media

Is there a greyhound capable of stopping Phenomenal in the Group 1 Gold 1242 Sale Cup?

The Jason Thompson-trained son of Collision was the quickest heat winner by four and a half lengths last night, and come Boxing Day's final he will be entitled to odds-on favouritism.

Leading the plot behind Phenomenal's downfall is experienced trainer Robert Britton, who has three greyhounds in the 650m final – Czar, Lucy Wires and Born Ali – the latter qualifying for the final as one of the two fastest runners-up in the heats despite being beaten almost 10 lengths by Phenomenal.

However, perhaps the biggest threat to Phenomenal's expected dominance is fellow headline act Dyna Nalin.



Phenomenal fastest heat winner of the Sale Cup (Pic Clint Anderson)

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The West Australian star, who made his name as a strong sprinter winning this year's Group 1 Perth Cup and the Group 1 Topgun, has been stepped up in distance specifically for this race. He ran second to Czar in his heat.

"He likes his trips to Melbourne," said trainer Paul Stuart. "I've had the Sale Cup in mind for him for a while now even though I don't think he can run much further than 600m at this stage of his career."

The Sale Cup final – worth \$75,000 to the winner – has also thrown up a couple of fairytale scenarios with Kayo Marciarno and Noaki Spitfire, the only finalists not from big name kennels, drawn in box 1 and 2 respectively.

At three and a half years of age, the Greg Neocleous-trained Kayo Marciarno has made his first group final in a career that spans eight wins from 66 starts.

Meanwhile, Garry Selkrig's Noaki Spitfire is also into his first group final after 14 wins from 36 starts.

GROUP ONE – GOLD 1242 SALE CUP - \$75,000 to the winner

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Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	H/T
	Kayo Marciarno	Greg Neocleous	\$20	37.64
	Noaki Spitfire	Garry Selkrig	\$12	37.74
	Czar	Robert Britton	\$15	37.48
	Lucy Wires	Robert Britton	\$8	37.51
	Born Ali	Robert Britton	\$20	R/U
	Dyna Nalin	Paul Stuart	\$5.50	R/U
	Phenomenal	Jason Thompson	\$1.80	36.96
	Dyna Willow	Steve Collins	\$6.50	37.23
	Destini Fireball (RES)	Norm Rinaldi	RES	
	Cheetah Zorro (RES)	Robert Britton	RES	

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

James Van Der Maat

1st Phenomenal

2nd Lucy Wires

3rd Dyna Willow

Des Dooley

1st Phenomenal

2nd Dyna Willow

3rd Dyna Nalin

Peter Eustace

1st Phenomenal

2nd Dyna Nalin

3rd Noaki Spitfire



What's happening on race night?

Final held next Thursday (Boxing Day) 1st race 6.49pm Cup final Race 8 run 9.20pm

Patrons on course will share in the \$30,000 voucher giveaway by being one of the first 2000 people through the gates. Every patron will also receive an entry for a chance at spinning the Big Wheel for a chance to win \$20,000 cash or a Mazda 3 Neo.

Admission is FREE with complimentary Carnival Rides (including the Giant Slide and F1 Racing Cars), musical entertainment, Koko the Clown and face painting available from 5.30pm.

Sky Channel on course with Simone Fisher.
On course host James Van Der Maat.

Honour Roll

Year	Dist	First	Breeding	Trainer	2nd	3rd	Time
1970	484m	Radiant Quan	Spotted Lightning - Quan's Flash	Neville Gieschen	Cheryl Moss	Quan's Delight	N/A
1971	484m	Stripper Sam	Sammie Sparrow - Probex	Don Hay	Yinnar Lass	Classy King	30 10/16
1972	484m	Midnight Avon	Fawn Scout - Blackall Babe	John Norden	Tarado Belle	Danbry	29 15/16
1973	484m	Rerod	Haydale - Lucky Chimes	Don Hay	Lawsons Pride	Gramax	28.83H
1974	484m	Rebel Rena	Edison Record - Natrena	Arthur Perrin	Castle Street	Intuition	29.75
1975	484m	Shikar	Half Your Luck - Sinful	B Richards	Play For Keeps	Hawaii Flash	29.37
1976	484m	Dargaville	Ragsie - Worthy Mandy	Bob Anton	Hazelwood Lass	Macks Way	29.2
1977	484m	Daalko Boy	Clay Moss - Tarman Glen	J. Hickson	Cascilla's Boy	Imperial Magic	29.52
1978	484m	Cascilla's Lad	Half Your Luck - Cascilla	Arthur Schlipalius	Shae Dylan	Temlees Image	29.22
1979	484m	Newmores Heart	Newmore King - Anita Reward	Jim Polson	Reckless Runner	Nancy Ann	29.23
1980	484m	Bushy Prince	Half Your Luck - Saucy Action	Bill Hutty	King Walter	Celtic Saint	29.49
1981	484m	Forceful Lad	Cascilla's Son - Tapio Lass	Arthur Schlipalius	Narracan Boy	Rodella Lass	29.18
1982	484m	Charcia	Rockem - Betsy Clark	Paddy Fitzpatrick	Linda Note	Delpha Lee	29.09
1983	424m	Collinda Flyer	Riviera Tiger - Miss Valencia	Donald Cameron	Clydebank Lad	Linda Note	24.62
1984	424m	Chariot Supreme	Waverley Supreme - Mixed Blessing	Kevin Richards	Flying Fast	Linden South	24.35rec
1985	424m	Johnny Caprice	Johnny's Monaro - Minute Joy	Charlie Mallia	Kilmarney Lad	Flying Fast	24.3
1986	424m	Top Shroud	Satan's Shroud - Corio Course	Thelma Broughton	Diana	Flying Fast	24.57
1987	424m	Quick Royal	Royal Rumpus - Jessie Dingaan	Fred Knee	Collinda Star	True Vintage	24.4
1988	424m	Blackman Ray	Tangairn - Cha Cha	David Nowland	Myella's Supreme	Quick Royal	24.18
1989	424m	Mr. Chatters	Kid Campbell - Blue Louise	Alan Evans	The Earbrander	Best of Blue	24.36
1990	424m	Chief Magundi	Regional Wave - Salamagundi	Greg Martin	Spearfelt	Centrefire	24.53
1991	424m	Malawi's Prince	Malawi - Duchess Marina	Brian Barnsley	Eureka Man	Imagine	24.31
1992	424m	Premier Pete	Chariot Supreme - Wanzel	Albert Critchlow	Worthy Bear	Killy Ale	24.33
1993	511m	Linebacker	Freewheeler - Clever Vixen	Charles Nagle	Merideth's Dream	Dallas Duo	29.85
1994	511m	Jamb Kid	Ginger - La Elegance	Ken Virtue	On The Payroll	Quaroun	29.59
1995	511m	Wylie Boy	Kareem - Fantasy's Halo	George Rose	City Blitz	Initiative	29.31rec
1996	511m	Wylie Boy	Kareem - Fantasy's Halo	George Rose	Zealous Guy	Miss Boudicea	29.66
1997	511m	Shannen's Storm	Iago - Cryers Gal	Alan Britton	Mepunga Streak	Flood Gun	29.76
1998	511m	Awesome Assassin	Light of Fire - Tranquil Flame	Jason Thompson	Our Bronson	Power Thriller	29.32
1999	511m	Brookside Red	Head Honcho - Mancunian Girl	Stan Wardle	Hi Yi Yippee	Petes Boss	29.58
2000	511m	Vino Veritas	Black Shiraz - Scholar's Choice	Chris Johannsen	Bach's Maestro	Coulta Bandit	29.43
2001	630m	Bentley Babe	Head Honcho - Malawi Blue	Peter Dapiran	Beauhaven Escape	Magnitude	36.54
2002	630m	Beljay Velvet	World Title - Patsy Cline	Jason Scott	Jennev	Boomeroo	36.25
2003	630m	Draino	Black Shiraz - Rita's Image	Peter Dapiran	Major Payment	Waiting List	36.74
2004	650m	Arvo's Junior	Arvo's Express - Arvo's Alarm	George Arvanitis	Master Lightfoot	Little Things	37.26
2005	650m	Hercules	Hotshot - Arresting	Jason Thompson	Mid City Mandy	Rocky	37.51
2006	650m	Electra	Primo Uno - Natural Class	Graeme Bate	Turbo Uno	Andy Palmer	37.55
2007	650m	Miss Brook	Ballistic Jet - Brandon Sky	Paul Felgate	Sky Hazzard	Sweet Fancy	37.50
2008	650m	Vintage Octane	Pure Octane - My Girl Georgina	Darren McDonald	Burrawonga Brett	Purple Range	37.33
2009	650m	Mantra Lad	Pure Octane - Al Fresco	Graeme Jose	Next Top Model	Smokin Ichiban	36.89
2010	650m	Symmetry	Flying Penske - Classy Creek	Robert Britton	Sitka	Bobby Boucheau	37.06

2011	650m	Mystic Apple	Hallucinate – Spiral Siyan	Val Awramenko	Zippling Lad	Granduer	37.42
2012	650m	Destini Fireball	Where's Pedro – Grey's Destiny	Norm Rinaldi	Czar	Bagget Bale	37.61



Last year's winner Destini Fireball (Pic Daniel Gangur)

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