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Box draws complete for the Group-racing Extravaganza at the Meadows

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The Meadows will host one of the most anticipated nights of greyhound racing next Saturday as box draws were finalised for the Group 1 Temlee (\$75,000 to the winner), Group 2 Rookie Rebel (\$40,000) and Group 2 Zoom Top (\$40,000).

Sponsored by Macro Meats, the three Group races will herald the start of the Australian Cup Carnival, with over \$800,000 in prizemoney given away over the three-week festival of racing.

As always, the box draws have thrown up some interesting scenarios. Freakish West Australian chaser Miata - who will start a short-priced favourite next Saturday night - has drawn box one in the Group 2 Zoom Top, while Group 1 Silver Chief runner-up Glen Gallon has drawn favourably in box one for the Temlee.

The Rookie Rebel looks to be a very open race, with leading fancies Noble Pedro and Don Chendo drawing awkwardly in boxes four and five, respectively.

Saturday's meet will also see the running of Group 1 Rover Mowers Australian Cup preliminaries, with eight greyhounds progressing to Australian Cup heats on February 25 with 56 previously seeded greyhounds.

AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION

GROUP ONE – Macro Meats Temlee \$75,000 to the winner



Glen Gallon (QLD)

26 starts 14-6-1 (\$160,779)

Flying Stanley – Incoherent

Red Brindle Dog August '09

Owner: **Velocity Lodge (PTN) Syndicate**

Trainer: **Tony Brett**

Meadows beat: 29.69 (3) (3 Starts 2-1-0)

Group race honours: 1st G1 Brisbane Cup, 2nd G1 Silver Chief, 3rd G2 Gold Coast Cup.

Perfectly drawn was a certainty beaten here in the Silver Chief final then went like a jet in Perth but fell out of boxes in the final. Very smart sprinter been in some group finals for a dog that has only had 26 starts looks hard to beat and will start favourite. Been there and done it.



Radley Bale

97 starts 36-21-6 (\$494,493)

Big Daddy Cool – Minkara Bale

Red Fawn Dog February '08

Owner: **Paul Wheeler**

Trainer: **Graeme Bate**

Meadows beat: 29.84 (9 Starts 4-1-0)

Group race honours: 1st G1 Golden Easter Egg, 1st Launceston Cup, 2nd G1 Adelaide Cup, 3rd G2 Warragul Cup, 3rd G2 Traralgon Cup.

Grand campaigner for G Bate has made a heap of finals getting the prize in the Easter Egg and the Launceston Cup this week. Well fancied to run a big race knows his way around okay and has finished second here in the Top Gun. Has loads of early speed and if found the front could prove hard to catch.



Godsend

17 starts 7-4-1 (\$111,415)

Bombastic Shiraz – Sensation Lee

Black Dog September '09

Owner: **Sergio Buccilli**

Trainer: **Jason Thompson**

Meadows best: 29.93 (1) (8 Starts 4-2-0)

Group race honours: Won Gr 1 Silver Chief 2012.

Group 1 Silver Chief winning from box one had some luck that night, but he did beat a few of these for the cash. Will start long odds to repeat the dose which looks tough in this company. Races well on the track.



Bogie King (QLD)

48 Starts 20-15-4 (167,354)

Collision – Bogie Skye

Black Dog March '09

Owner: **Eagle Rock Syndicate**

Trainer: **Ryan Ayre**

Meadows best: 30.22 (1) (4 Starts 1-1-1)

Group race honours: 1st G1 National Derby, 1st G2 Queensland Derby

Speedy Queenslander he has some experience on the track. Tough draw so he will need some luck early and have to be on the pace to trouble the more fancied. Will start long odds.



Oaks Road (NSW)

37 starts 14-10-5 (\$293,130)

Spiral Nikita – Leprechaun Pace

Black Dog November '08

Owners: **Edwin Kingswell**

Trainer: **Mark Gatt**

Meadows best: NBT (525) (1Start 0-0-0)

Group race honours: 1st Perth Cup, 1st Bob Payne Summer Sprint, 2nd G3 Canberra Cup, 2nd Gr 1 Paws Of Thunder.

Hit crack form in 2012 won the Perth Cup impressively with early speed, he is a strong type that has always shown plenty of ability. 2012 might just be his time has only had the one run here when he finished unplaced in the Top Gun. Poorly boxed and will rely on a bit of luck.



Dyna Tron

50 starts 25-6-5 (\$423,518)

Collision – Gold Rush Bale

Red Brindle Dog February '09

Owner: **Brendan Wheeler**

Trainer: **Andrea Dailly**

Meadows best: 29.96 (4) (13 Starts 6-2-1)

Group race honours: Won Gr 1 Melbourne Cup, Won Gr 1 Hobart 1000, 2nd Gr 1 Brisbane Cup, Won G2 Geelong Cup.

Had a purple patch of form in October- November last year when he won the two Group 1's and a Group 2 finishing runner up in another Group 1. Isn't racing anywhere near that form of late and will find it difficult to match this lot from box six. However we know what he can do the question is can he do it again.



Mystic Apple

59 starts 26-11-1 (\$231,260)

Hallucinate – Spiral Siyan

Black Dog January '08

Owner / Trainer: **Val Awramenko**

Meadows best: 29.84 (3) (9 Starts 3-2-0)

Group race honours: Won Gr 1 Sale Cup, Won Gr 2 Cranbourne Cup, 2nd G2 Shepparton Cup, 2nd McKenna Memorial.

Handy sprinter come brilliant middle distance chaser. Can't help thinking he would have been better off in the Rookie Rebel. But he has won three sprint races here and has a best of 29.84. Won the Group 1 Sale Cup over 650 then went to Cranbourne and won that Cup over 520 big ask here.



Cape Hawke

25 starts 14-0-3 (\$52,225)

Where's Pedro – Viva Odessa

Black Dog October '09

Owner: **Terry Wales**

Trainer: **Jamie Ennis**

Meadows best: 29.73 (8) (7 Starts 5-0-0)

Group race honours: 3rd Gr 1 Adelaide Cup.

Has made a number of Group finals without winning has a best here of 29.73 from box 8 and is given a solid winning chance in some quarters. Would need a bit luck early and if he found the front would prove hard to beat. Has plenty of ability keep safe.



Shereen Bale

57 starts 19-13-12 (\$238,420)

Over Flo – Horizon Bale

Group race honours: Won G1 Maturity, 2nd G1 Melbourne Cup, 3rd G2 Geelong Cup, 2nd G2 WA Oaks, 2nd G2 Ladies Bracelet.

Speedy type she was also first reserve for the Top Gun won the Maturity in 2011 and has made a few group finals. Has loads of early speed, and has won here in 29.68.



Prince Diablo (NSW)

40 starts 21-3-4 (\$146,138)

Premier Fantasy – Best of Diablo

Group race honours: Won Gr 2 Gosford Cup, Won G2 Bulli Gold Plate, Won G3 Canberra Cup, 3rd National Derby.

Talented chaser from New South Wales he has won the Group 2 Gosford Cup and Bulli Gold Plate this year. More than likely won't get a run, but could match these if given the chance.

Local expert's selections for the Macro Meats Temlee are as follows.

Ron Hawkswell

1st Glen Gallon
2nd Radley Bale
3rd Godsend



George Farrugia

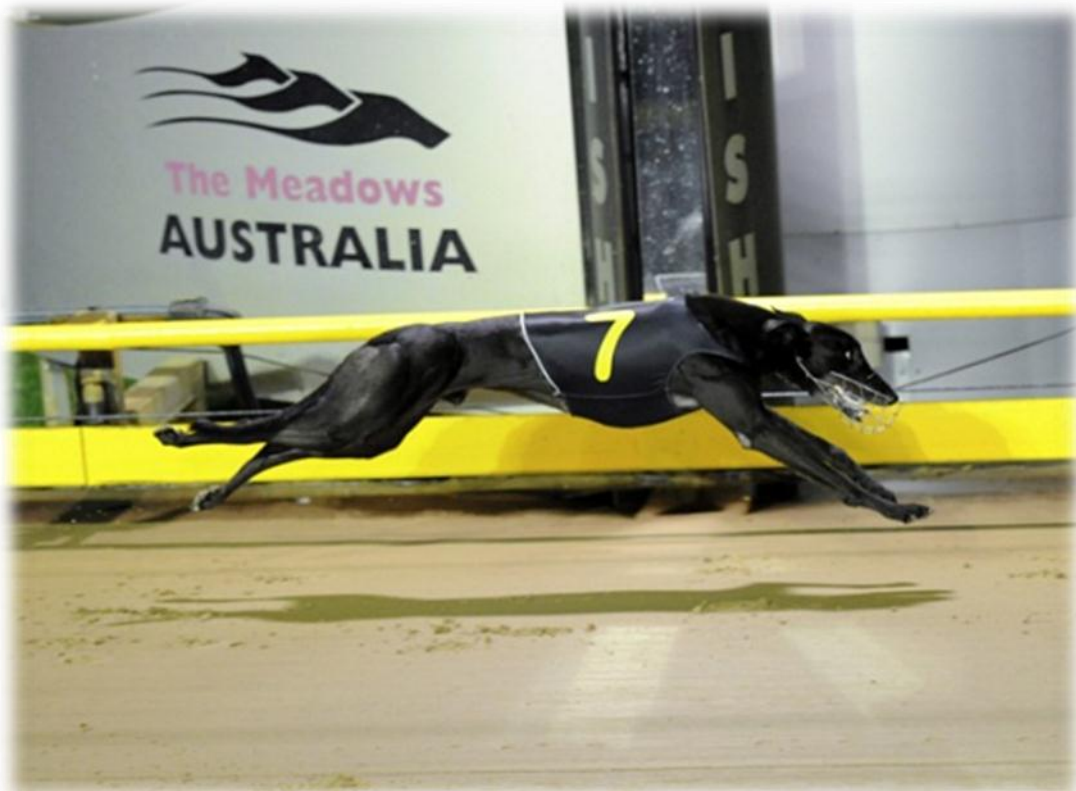
1st Glen Gallon
2nd Dyna Tron
3rd Cape Hawke

Rob Testa

1st Glen Gallon
2nd Radley Bale
3rd Bogie King

Tab Sportsbet Current Fixed Odds for the Macro Meats Temlee:

\$75,000 to the winner Group 1 Macro Meats Temlee (525m)			
Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price
 1	Glen Gallon	Tony Brett	\$2.80
 2	Radley Bale	Graeme Bate	\$8.00
 3	Godsend	Jason Thompson	\$31.00
 4	Bogie King	Ryan Ayre	\$21.00
 5	Oaks Road	Mark Gatt	\$6.00
 6	Dyna Tron	Andrea Dailly	\$3.00
 7	Mystic Apple	Val Awramenko	\$12.00
 8	Cape Hawke	Jamie Ennis	\$4.50
 9	Shereen Bale (RES)	Graeme Bate	\$12.00
 10	Prince Diablo (RES)	John Finn	\$5.50



Last Year's Temlee Winner Queenslander High Earner he was runner-up in 2010
(Pic Paul Munt)

The Temlee became part of the Australian Cup Carnival in 2003 listed are the past winners.

2003 **Excite Ability**, 2004 **Hotline Hero**, 2005 **Paua To Burn**, 2006 **Closing Argument**, 2007 **Slater**, 2008 **Whippy's Image**, 2009 **El Galo**, 2010 **Fedex** and 2011 **High Earner**.

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