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**GARRARD'S
HORSE & HOUND**

Queensland Vs Victoria in Group 1 Winter Cup Final

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The G1 Garrards Horse and Hound Winter Cup Final has turned into a Queensland versus Victoria affair after trainers Tony Apap and Anthony Azzopardi secured two finals births each in the heats tonight at Albion Park.

The full field is made up of five Queensland chasers and three Victorian.

Victorian Trainer Anthony Azzopardi has the highly lauded Zambora Brockie and Master Jackpot in the final, coming first and second in separate heats.

Zambora Brockie won his heat (H2) by eight and-a-half lengths to Apap's Vegas Bound, Azzopardi extremely happy with the dogs run on the night.

"It was a good run, he sort of didn't do everything right out of the boxes, he could have come out a bit better but he's done enough to get to the final,"

"I think he ran extraordinarily well, couldn't be any happier really . . . if he can repeat that run I think he can be right in it," said Azzopardi.

Asked about the local dogs in contention, he was quick to name some quality Queensland chasers.

"Outside Pass is definitely the one to beat in the final with local knowledge, Cindy's Magic and Thirty Talks, you know . . . they're all great greyhounds, anyone can win the race, Brockie's not just going to step out and win it, you know what I mean?"

"I'm just proud of the dog, he made it and he's done his best," added Azzopardi.

Another Victorian trainer in the mix is Darren Pattinson whose charge Blazin' Bomber won the first heat in 29.71 sec with Tony Brett's Split Image taking out second.

Azzopardi had the eight and –a-half length win with Zambora Brockie in Heat 2 with Tony Apap's Vegas Bound taking second, with a race time 29.64 seconds.

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In the third heat Tony Apap swapped places with Azzopardi to take out the race with Outside Pass, while Azzopardi settled for second with Master Jackpot.

In a great finish to the heats tonight, the final qualifying race was taken out by two top-line Queensland dogs with Thirty Talks (Tony Brett) coming home for the win and the William Elson-trained Cyndie's Magic closing in the final stages for second.



The Group 1 Garrards Horse and Hound Winter Cup will be held on Thursday, July 7 at Albion Park and carries total stakes of \$110,000.

GROUP ONE – GARRARDS WINTER CUP

\$75,000 to the winner

Box Draw and Local Market for the Garrard's Winter Cup Final 520m:

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Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	B/T
	Cyndie's Magic	Bill Elson	\$15	29.94
	Vegas Bound	Tony Apap	\$51	30.34
	Outside Pass	Tony Apap	\$8.50	29.68
	Zambora Brockie (VIC)	Anthony Azzopardi	\$1.75	29.64
	Master Jackpot (VIC)	Anthony Azzopardi	\$12	30.04
	Thirty Talks	Tony Brett	\$6	29.66
	Split Image	Tony Brett	\$21	29.94
	Blazin' Bomber (VIC)	Darren Pattinson	\$5	29.71
	Abby's Magic (RES)	Bill Elson	\$51	30.06
	Cheeky Chance (RES)	Ray Burman	\$51	30.00

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

John Brasch

1st Zambora Brockie

2nd Thirty Talks

3rd Outside Pass

Paul Dolan

1st Zambora Brockie

2nd Thirty Talks

3rd Cyndie's Magic

Luke Gatehouse

1st Zambora Brockie

2nd Blazin' Bomber

3rd Cyndie's Magic

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE NIGHT

Whether you are looking for a Corporate, Birthday, Social or Bucks night. A Night at the Brisbane Greyhound Racing Club is THE PLACE TO PARTY! At the Brisbane Greyhound Racing Club we offer a unique complete entertainment package.

Garrard's Winter Cup come and play in our Winter Wonderland * Live Acoustic Music by Bella *Meet the Greyhounds at the Greyhound Adoption Stall * Kids Face Painting; Frozen Jumping Castle; Photo-Booth plus * 10 Kids Bikes to Giveaway.

For further information contact the Functions department on (07) 3862 1744 or email info@brisgreys.com

HISTORY

The Winter Carnival Cup has taken on many different forms over the years and has been conducted also at different times during those years. It was first staged at the Gabba in 1978 and sponsored by famous Queensland brewing company Castlemaine XXXX and known as their Trophy, it was run over the testing 558 metre sprint course. It remained the Castlemaine XXXX Trophy right up until 1992 apart from one year in 1987 when it was called the Christmas Trophy. When racing moved to Albion Park in 1993 the race was called the Christmas Stocking for one year and it continued its Group 1 status that the race had gained in 1991 and

maintains currently. The feature dropped back to Group 2 in 1997 and 1998, but returned to Group 1 in 1999. Like many other feature races around Australia in the 90's it was sponsored by the Pet food company Eukanuba from 1994 to 1997 and its subsequent company Nutrience in 1998 and 1999. In the year 2000 the club developed the now successful Winter Carnival at the suggestion of race caller John Brasch and the race became that Carnival's major Group 1 feature the Winter Carnival Cup. It has been won by some champion sprinters over the years and the following is but a few of those stars. Call Me Roscoe 81, Glanzend 82, Acacia Park 84, Dancing Gamble 87, Golden Fox 88, Highly Blessed 90, Icen Princess 92, Toban Leah 94, Flying Amy 95, Roanokee 96, Wine Glass 97, Winged Runner 99, Mint Mojo 2001, Elite State 2003, 2004 Trewly Special and the only duel winner Glen Gallon in 2012-13. Listed below is the full honour roll.

Year	Winner	Trainer	Time	Year	Winner	Trainer	Time
1978	Brigadier North	Harold Follett	33.00	1999	Winged Runner	John Reimer	30.19
1979	Katie's Disco	Steve Coleman	32.74	2000	Short Model	Lorraine Patterson	30.00
1980	Wings Of Steel	David Keep	32.92	2001	Mint Mojo	Ray Watson	30.59
1981	Call Me Roscoe	Ray Gatti	32.84	2002	Awesome Machine	Greg Stella	30.11
1982	Glanzend	Ernie Hill	32.60	2003	Elite State	Reg Kay	29.97
1983	Duration	Jim Roy	32.91	2004	Trewly Special	Tina Womann	30.16
1984	Acacia Park	Ron Brown	32.90	2005	Hades Rocket	Darren McDonald	29.90
1985	Amber Flash	Tony Zammit	32.89	2006	Fenceline	Engin Gemci	29.92
1986	Sharyn's Vogue	L Plunkett	33.08	2007	Big Swell	Tina Womann	30.06
1986	Fifi She's Not	Bill Moawad	32.61	2008	Made To Size	Reg Kay	30.39
1987	Dancing Gamble	Pauline Freund	32.75	2009	Trew Millions	Tina Womann	30.17
1988	Golden Fox	Dennis Reid	32.99	2010	(Not Held)		
1989	Son of Ella	Pat Masters	32.63	2011	Iso Octane	Tony Brett	29.93
1990	Highly Blessed	Doug Ferremi	32.47	2012	Glen Gallon	Tony Brett	29.86
1991	Soldier On	R Drummond	32.60	2013	Glen Gallon	Tony Brett	29.80
1992	Icen Princess	Peter Gilmore	32.93	2014	Flash Reality	Tony Brett	29.71
1993	National Leader	Pat Davis	30.39	2015	Fabulous Storm	Reg Hazelgrove	29.83
1994	Toban Leah	Dave Brett	30.35	2016			
1995	Flying Amy	Ron Ball	29.99	2017			
1996	Roanokee	Roger Green	30.06	2018			
1997	Wine Glass	Pat Ryan	30.34	2019			
1998	Shady Macbeth	Dave Brett	30.28	2020			

***Event held twice in 1986 January & December. Held at the Gabba 1978 – 1992. Albion Park 1993 to Present.



Winter Cup favourite Zambora Brockie (Pic Clint Anderson)

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