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**AGRA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD
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“KNOCKA NORRIS”



Knocka Norris winning earlier in the year at Capalaba (Club Photo)

AGRA's Run of the Month for September 2007 has been awarded to brilliant young Queensland sprinter Knocka Norris. The youngster came out at the Gold Coast on September 12th and smashed the 457 metre track record at only his fifth start.

The blue brindle son of Elite State-Oriental Angel remains unbeaten in five starts and was making his track debut when he recorded 25.43 seconds.

He scored by 10 lengths over Ultra Swift with Glenkerry Magic in third.

Reg Kay owns and trains the star pup who is named in honour of Kay's long-time friend, fellow trainer Syd "Knocka" Norris.

Vizard had held the record at 25.57 set in March this year.

The merit of the victory was in the fact runner-up Ultra Swift, beaten 10 lengths, was second to Buckingham Chuck in the state final of the National Sprint at Albion Park.

He stormed through a first split of 7.86 and came home 17.57.

Even more extraordinary during the run half way up the home straight Knocka Norris baulked when he almost hit a bird that flew across in front of the field, experts believe it cost him at least a length.

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Knocka Norris hasn't raced since the record breaking performance after being hit with a bout of kennel cough and his immediate plans are up in the air.

Owner- trainer Reg Kay is undecided just what to do with Knocka Norris but indicated he was looking at the up-coming Group 1 Peter Mosman at Wentworth Park on October 11.

Kay raved about Knocka Norris and the ability he has.

"The run at the Gold Coast last week when he broke the record was only his fourth time on a circle track," he said.

"I was very confident he could break the record when he came up with the eight box."

Kay said a guide on just how good the dog was, came from his own straight track.

"I have electric timing on my straight and not too many dogs can break 11 seconds," he said. "Made To Size (a 29.88 winner at Albion Park) runs about 10.70.

"Elite State, his own father, could run 10.80. But Knocka Norris has run 10.43 here." Kay said.

Knocka Norris is Blue Brindle Dog whelped February '06 he is raced and trained by Reg Kay of Lowood and is by Elite State from Oriental Angel (Knockabout Wok x Anniston). He has raced 5 times for 5 wins and has prizemoney earnings of \$2,620.

Knocka Norris was the stand out performance for the month, as always there were some outstanding runs recorded in September.

Knocka Norris joins the previous AGRA Run of the Month winners Miss Grub (3), Miss Brook, Cromlah Bale, Betty's Angel and Pete's Conquest.

AGRA congratulates owner-trainer Reg Kay and Knocka Norris on being judged the AGRA Run of the Month for September 2007.

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