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“Miss Slick goes one better for the Juliens”

Brilliant WA bred bitch Miss Slick proved too good in the run home for early leader Miss Call in the Group 2 WA Oaks at Cannington last Saturday night.

Miss Slick qualified for the Group 2 Final with an impressive heat win in a fast 30.32 best of the night win last Saturday and after drawing the covered box one she was sent out the popular elect at a very short \$1.40 favourite.

She has impressed many in her short career so far and after recording a brilliant best of the night 30.02 at Cannington on Perth Cup night she was all the rage for the age restricted bitch only feature final.

Miss Call (\$20.40) began well from box eight and crossed to lead from Miss Slick and West On Paris (\$8.10). Miss Call led to the home turn but left a gap on the rail for Miss Slick to charge through and take over. Once she hit the front she raced home brilliantly. Miss Call was a gallant run in second, whilst West On Paris ran a handy race throughout. Chloe's Star a litter sister to the winner ran home well to grab fourth.



Miss Slick a brilliant winner of the Oaks

The Oaks was a sweet victory for owners Max & Pam Julien who not only bred the winner but finished second with her dam Little Lamplight in the 2002 WA Oaks behind Macbeth's Image.

The Juliens' previous biggest success was in the 2001 WA Derby when they won with Clear Havoc.

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The Oaks was always a race that trainer Max Julien had targeted with the talented Miss Slick the minute he knew of her outstanding ability. This was evident after Miss Slick finished second to Eye Murunna at only her fifth career start in the final of the Young Stars.

Long priced outsider Miss Call surprised many on course when she led early curving out sections of 5.78 and 13.56 before Miss Slick got the upper hand racing away to win in 30.28. The time was a new race record lowering the previous record set by Miss Hot Gossip of 30.43 last year.

Miss Slick's 30.02 recorded on cup night made her WA's fastest ever chaser so she has been a dream come true for the Juliens' to have bred such a talented greyhound with such a promising future.

The Juliens' will campaign Miss Slick in the eastern states in the coming months with no doubt her main mission the Sandown Laurels a race won by last year's Oaks winner Miss Hot Gossip. Miss Slick has certainly had an ideal preparation for the Group 1 and will be full of confidence going into the heats on June 12th with semi's on the 19th and the final on June 26.

After the placed runners the field finished in the following order 4th Chloe's Star (\$19.40), 5th Zoo Magic (\$27.40), 6th Kumar Bale (\$8.10), 7th Calandre (\$43.20) and Lake Jewel (\$12.60).



A Happy Team after the Presentation following the win (All Pics Courtesy Joe Mulder)

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Miss Slick is raced, trained and was bred by Max & Pam Julien she is a Black bitch by Bombastic Shiraz from Little Lamplight (Light Of Fire x Ginsin). Miss Slick has won eight of her 23 starts and has been placed on 12 occasions with the \$33,250 first prize for the Oaks took her current stake earnings to \$69,330.

The WA Oaks was first conducted as a feature in 1976 when won by Venus Ice it started as a Group 3 race and was elevated to Group 2 status in 2003 when a substantial increase to prizemoney affected the change. Listed below is the full honour roll.

1976 **Venus Ice**, 1977 **Fashion Flo**, 1978 **Pisces Attack**, 1979 **Lunar Rose**, 1980 **Next In Line**, 1981 **Fiery Message**, 1982 **Orient Star**, 1983 **Candid Star**, 1984 **Repeat Design**, 1985 **Lady Kiwi**, 1986 **Pebbles**, 1987 **Sable Rose**, 1988 **Woofie's Wonder**, 1989 **Super Swinger**, 1990 **Zoila's Crown**, 1991 **Capobianca**, 1992 **Expected Riches**, 1993 **Sandameri**, 1994 **Sunshine Molly**, 1995 **Isn't She Lovely**, 1996 **Cherry Kongwak**, 1997 **Billy's Echo**, 1998 **Balance Sheet**, 1999 **Roxy Reason**, 2000 **Antiki Bale**, 2001 **Grace's Choice**, 2002 **Macbeth's Image**, 2003 **Dance Portrait**, 2004 **Kola's Pride**, 2005 **Estella**, 2006 **Leprechaun Kate** and 2007 **Miss Hot Gossip**.

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