

## Media Release 2nd May 2022 GCA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD APRIL 2022 \*\*KNICKS BALE\*\*

The GCA Run of the Month for April 2022 has been awarded to brilliant all distance campaigner Knicks Bale. She caused a boil-over at \$36 when she came from last to win the Group 3 Easter Gift at Sandown on April 14th.



Knicks Bale winning the Easter Gift at Sandown Park

Knicks Bale staged an incredible performance of hard chasing when she started the \$36.90 rank outsider in the Group 3 Easter Gift a Sandown feature on Launching Pad final night.

A grand campaigner Knicks Bale has been a giant killer before at group level after she started \$21 for a brilliant win in the 2021 Hume Cup a Group 1 final at the Meadows over 600m. The brindle chaser has won over many distances in a long career of 93 starts. She's won over distances from 450m to 730m in both the country and Metropolitan tracks Albion Park and Cannington.

The versatile hard chaser is one of very few greyhounds to have won over all three distances at both Sandown and the Meadows. Winning group races at both Metro venues. Her run in the Easter Gift was one of her best. Falling out of boxes last, she could only improve to sixth for most of the journey when the field packed coming around the home turn, having never left the fence the entire trip. She took the inside gap on straightening; racing pass the field on the inside to record a brilliant victory in 29 and 63. Knicks Bale is just another wonderful chaser from the Wheeler kennel who seems ageless still able to performing at the highest-level week in week out.

As usual there were some great greyhounds competing in April on various tracks around Australia. However, it was a super chasing effort to come from last, travel in sixth most the journey before racing home hard to get up and win in top company. The performance won her the Run of the Month.

Knicks Bale is a Brindle bitch whelped December 2018 by Kinda Cruel Red from Dyna Willow (Collision x Horizon Bale). She is raced by Brendan Wheeler and trained by Samantha Grenfell at Anakie in Victoria. She has now won 22 and 34 placings from 93 starts. Knicks Bale's overall prizemoney stands at \$298,635.

GCA congratulates owner Brendan Wheeler, trainer Samantha Grenfell and Knicks Bale on winning the April 2022 Award. She joins Zipping Novak, Aston Rupee twice, Wow She's Fast, Jayville Slick, Extra Malt, Collinda Patty and Equalizer as the monthly winners of the GCA Run of the Month award for the financial year of 2021-2022.

By Neil Brown.

Checkout the GCA Website at <a href="https://www.greyhoundclubsaustralia.com.au">www.greyhoundclubsaustralia.com.au</a> for a replay of the run of the Month

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