## **MEDIA RELEASE**





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## **BRING ON THE NATIONALS**

The Nationals is Australia's most prestigious Greyhound racing event on the Annual Calendar, attracting the very best chasers from around the Nation. State pride is always on the line and participants love nothing more than to represent their state in the National finals.

This year's finals of the UBET AGRA National Championships will be held at Albion Park in Brisbane next Friday night August 25.

The two local Finals were held last Thursday night and a smart mid-race move by odds-on favourite Outside Pass allowed the Tony Apap-trained greyhound to take the Queensland UBET National Distance Final ahead of Big Easy Red at Albion Park on Thursday.

Despite missing the kick and looking to be in trouble heading through the first turn, the black bitch would be within striking distance as they passed the post for the first time.

Outside Pass went on to win in 31.8 with the ultra-strong Big Easy Red mounting a late challenge to finish second.

Apap's other fancied runner Jalapeno spent much of the race in the back half of the field, before charging late to snare third and book a spot as an emergency.

Champagne Sally will also gain a spot as an emergency runner after finishing fourth.

The southern brigade look the major threats in next Friday's final (August 25), with Burn One Down, Fanta Bale and Ebby Ripper all enjoying runs previously at Albion Park.

Tony Brett has eyes for just one box – box one – at Friday's 2017 UBET National Greyhound Sprint Championship Final draw, after Jury proved too slick from the same box in Thursday's Queensland qualifier.

However, he was content with box three as the inside draw was what he was hoping for.

Brett's runners made up half of the field with his fast Group 1-winner Thirty Talks being the best-backed runner to represent Queensland in the big final next Friday night.

Jury pinged the boxes to lead the field from kennelmate Opal Nera (3), with Gunnadoo Rev (4) overcoming early trouble to hold third throughout the run.

Gunnadoo Rev made a late challenge near the post but was unable to bridge the gap, with Jury winning in a quick 29.75sec.

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Both progressed to next week's final, with Opal Nera and Slick filling third and fourth to confirm their place as the emergencies.

Brett said Jury would always be hard to beat from the inside box.

"Boxes are a big part of it because there's not a lot between them," he said.

"To have half the field I was stoked to start with, so to get the winner and represent (Queensland) is enormous."

Competing in just his 18th start, Brett believes Jury still has some improvement ahead of the big final.

"That's his third run back after a three-month lay-off so there should be progression," he said.

"He's just running nice and consistent so if he can keep doing that and draw a nice box, he'll be in it up to his ears."

Jury and Gunadoo Rev round out the field, with qualifiers held across the country in the last fortnight.

Major opposition will come from the Victorian pair Aston Dee Bee and Bewildering both outstanding sprinters with big motors.

### GROUP ONE - UBET AGRA NATIONAL SPRINT \$75,000 to the winner

Box	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	B/T
1	On Fire (SA)	Cameron Butcher	\$6	NBT
2	Gunnadoo Rev (QLD)	Selena Zammit	\$16	29.81
3	Jury (QLD)	Tony Brett	<i>\$9</i>	29.75
4	Max Profit (WA)	Corey White	<i>\$26</i>	NBT
5	Bekim Street (NSW)	Christine Proctor	\$10	NBT
6	Gold Lenny (TAS)	Rodney Walker	\$101	NBT
<b>7</b>	Bewildering (VIC)	Seona Thompson	\$11	NBT
8	Aston Dee Bee (VIC)	Seona Thompson	\$1.50	NBT
9/2	Opal Nera (QLD) (RES)	Tony Brett	\$26	29.94
10	Slick (QLD) (RES)	John McCarthy	\$17	29.94

Note Fixed odds shown are UBET pricing on August 20th

### National expert's selections for the Sprint final are as follows.

3rd On Fire

3<sup>rd</sup> Gunnadoo Rev

Ron Arnold  1 <sup>st</sup> Aston Dee Bee  2 <sup>nd</sup> Jury  3 <sup>rd</sup> Bekim Street	<u>John Brash</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> Aston Dee Bee 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bewildering 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jury	Peter O'Neill 1 <sup>st</sup> Jury 2 <sup>nd</sup> Max Profit 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aston Dee Bee	Rob Testa  1 <sup>st</sup> Aston Dee Bee  2 <sup>nd</sup> Bewildering  3 <sup>rd</sup> On Fire
<u>Paul Dolan</u>	<u>Greg Fahey</u>	<u>Shaun Mathieson</u>	<u>Dave Carlson</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Aston Dee Bee	1 <sup>st</sup> Jury	1 <sup>st</sup> On Fire	1 <sup>st</sup> Bewildering
2 <sup>nd</sup> Jury	2 <sup>nd</sup> Aston Dee Bee	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jury	2 <sup>nd</sup> Aston Dee Bee

3<sup>rd</sup> Gunnadoo Rev

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## **National Sprint Honour Roll**

1965	HAROLDPARK	BEST SUN (NSW)	500 yds.	26.6/10
1966	OLYMPIC PARK	KINTA'S SON (VIC)	560 yds.	30.9/16
1967	WENTWORTH PARK	METEOR PASO (NSW)	580 yds	31.8/16
1968	SANDOWN PARK	PRINCESS KERRY (VIC)	555 yds.	31.2/16
1969	HAROLD PARK	RED ZERO (NSW)	500 yds.	26.71
1970	OLYMPIC PARK	REGAL HERMES (VIC)	560 yds.	30.7/16
1971	WENTWORTH PARK	KING MILLER (NSW)	580 yds	31.1/16
1972	SANDOWN PARK	LORD GALAXY (NSW)	555 yds.	30.91
1973	HAROLD PARK	NEW MARINER (VIC)	457 mts.	26.28
1974	OLYMPIC PARK	TEMLEE (VIC)	511 mts.	29.71
1975	WENTWORTH PARK	COOPERROO FLYER (NSW)	530 mts	31.36
1976	SANDOWN PARK	CLOVER DUKE (NSW)	513 mts.	30.65
1977	GABBA	BOWETZEL (VIC)	558 mts.	32.70
1978	ANGLEPARK	MR TOEWHYTE (WA)	512 mts.	30.69
1979	CANNINGTON	ACCLAIM STAR (NSW)	530 mts.	30.95
1980	HAROLD PARK	FAST SAPPHIRE (NSW)	457 mts.	26.72
1981	OLYMPIC PARK	KATE'S A SCANDAL (SA)	511 mts.	30.70
1982	GABBA	MADONNA LEE (QLD)	558 mts.	32.73
1983	HAROLD PARK	WINIFRED BALE (NSW)	457 mts.	26.13
1984	HAROLD PARK	BUSY VINTAGE (TAS)	457 mts.	26.38
1985	SANDOWN PARK	SCENIC SPA (SA)	513 mts.	30.70
1986	ANGLEPARK	STETSON (SA)	512 mts.	29.98
1987	HOBART	FREMANTLE ECHO (WA)	457 mts.	26.39
1988	GABBA	DANCING GAMBLE (QLD)	558 mts.	32.89

1989	CANNINGTON	SANDI'S ME MUM (WA)	530 mts.	31.78
1990	SANDOWN	SANDI'S ME MUM (WA)	511 mts.	30.70
1991	WENTWORTH PARK	JESSICA CASEY (NSW)	520 mts.	30.66
1992	OLYMPIC PARK	MR. SLICK (VIC)	511 mts.	30.02
1993	ANGLE PARK	CASINO TOM (SA)	512 mts.	29.98
1994	WENTWORTH PARK	GALLANT RULER (NSW)	520 mts.	30.38
1995	SANDOWN PARK	FLYING AMY (QLD)	511 mts.	30.08
1996	ALBION PARK	SHAYNE'S CHAMP (VIC)	520 mts.	30.23
1997	ANGLEPARK	PRINCE OF TIGERS (WA)	512 mts.	29.68
1998	CANNINGTON	RAPID JOURNEY (NSW)	530 mts	31.22
1999	WENTWORTH PARK	HARRY HAND (NSW)	520 mts	30.31
2000	LAUNCESTON	PLACARD (NSW)	522 mts	30.76
2001	MGRA (MEADOWS)	HENERIK BALE (VIC)	518 mts	29.82
2002	ALBION PARK	IN THE FRAME (VIC)	520 mts	30.26
2003	ANGLE PARK	ELITE STATE (QLD)	515 mts	29.33
2004	CANNINGTON	IN FOR LIFE (NSW)	530 mts	30.78
2005	WENTWORTH PARK	PURE OCTANE (VIC)	520 mts	29.91
2006	LAUNCESTON	IMMORTAL LOVE (NSW)	515 mts	29.52 (Rec)
2007	SANDOWN PARK	BIT CHILLI (NSW)	515 mts.	29.88
2008	WENTWORTH PARK	KNOCKA NORRIS (QLD)	520 mts.	29.83
2009	CANNINGTON	DASHING CORSAIR(QLD)	530 mts.	30.29
2010	ANGLE PARK	SMOOTH FANCY (NSW)	515 mts	29.49
2011	ALBION PARK	METZ MAGIC (QLD)	520 mts.	30.04
2012	HOBART	FABREGAS (VIC)	461 mts.	25.85
2013	MEADOWS	XYLIA ALLEN (VIC)	525 mts.	29.63
2014	CANNINGTON	CHICA DESTACADA (NSW)	530 mts.	30.27
2015	WENTWORTH PARK	FERNANDO BALE (VIC)	520 mts.	29.26
2016	ANGLE PARK	WORM BURNER (SA)	515 mts.	29.17

## GROUP ONE - UBET AGRA NATIONAL DISTANCE \$75,000 to the winner

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Вох	Greyhound	Trainer	Price	B/T
<b>1</b>	Fanta Bale (VIC)	Robert Britton	\$2.75	41.66
2	Bogie Bekim (SA)	Ben Rawlings	\$13	NBT
3	Ebby Ripper (NSW)	Michael Eberand	\$13	41.81
4	Ramifications (WA)	Chris Halse	<i>\$26</i>	NBT
5	Shima Sun (TAS)	Margaret Rossendell	\$101	NBT
6	Big Red Easy (QLD)	Kevin Bryant	\$8	41.86
7	Burn One Down (VIC)	Seona Thompson	\$2.50	41.71
8	Outside Pass (QLD)	Tony Apap	\$4.50	41.83
/9//	Jalapeno (QLD) (RES)	Tony Apap	\$15	41.78
10	Champagne Sally (QLD) (RES)	Ray Burman	\$31	41.80

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### National expert's selections for the Distance final are as follows.

Peter O'Neill

1st Fanta Bale

2nd Burn One Down

3rd Ramifications

John Brasch 1<sup>st</sup> Fanta Bale 2<sup>nd</sup> Outside Pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Ebby Ripper Ron Arnold

1st Fanta Bale

2nd Ebby Ripper

3rd Burn One Down

Paul Dolan

1st Fanta Bale

2nd Burn One Down

3rd Outside Pass

Shaun Mathieson 1<sup>st</sup> Fanta Bale 2<sup>nd</sup> Bogie Bekim 3<sup>rd</sup> Burn One Down <u>Greg Fahey</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Fanta Bale 2<sup>nd</sup> Outside Pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Ebby Ripper Ron Hawkswell

1<sup>st</sup> Burn One Down

2<sup>nd</sup> Fanta Bale

3<sup>rd</sup> Ebby Ripper

<u>Dave Carlson</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Burn One Down 2<sup>nd</sup> Fanta Bale 3<sup>rd</sup> Bogie Bekim

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1969	WENTWORTH PARK	AMERIGO LADY (VIC)	790 yds.	43.7/16ths
1970	SANDOWN PARK	SARGOOD (VIC)	785 yds.	44.00
1971	HOBART	SAKI DASHER (VIC)	737 yds.	40.00
1972	HAROLDPARK	BUBBLE'S LUCK (VIC)	732 mts.	43.40
1973	GABBA	HE'S SOME BOY (VIC)	704 mts.	43.09
1974	ANGLEPARK	CORCORAN (VIC)	731 mts.	44.56
1975	GABBA	DOTIE WILSON (NSW)	704 mts.	41.66
1976	ANGLEPARK	BOLTA'S GIFT (VIC)	731 mts.	44.66
1977	HAROLDPARK	WOOLLEY WONG (NSW)	732 mts.	43.58
1978	HOBART	DUSTY GINNY (NSW)	730 mts.	43.30 (Rec)
1979	OLYMPIC PARK	MARY MARELLA (VIC)	732 mts.	44.09
1980	SANDOWN PARK	ALL PROMISE (VIC)	718 mts.	43.92
1981	LAUNCESTON	SHAMROCK JEWEL (VIC)	722 mts.	44.87
1982	ADELAIDE	BAY ROAD QUEEN (SA)	731 mts.	44.03
1983	HOBART	TEN GUITARS (VIC)	725 mts.	43.91
1984	CANNINGTON	PRINCESS BADEN (SA)	740 mts.	44.32
1985	LAUNCESTON	MELMADE GAZZA (SA)	722 mts.	44.06
1986	GABBA	KIRSTY'S FIRST (QLD)	704 mts.	41.65
1987	OLYMPIC PARK	MYSTIC HOPE (VIC)	732 mts.	44.29
1988	WENTWORTH PARK	HIGH INTENSITY (VIC)	732 mts.	42.93
1989	ANGLEPARK	JULEP (SA)	731 mts.	43.79
1990	OLYMPIC PARK	CLEAN MACHINE (VIC)	732 mts.	44.00
1991	GABBA	JUST A CHARM (QLD)	704 mts.	41.45
1992	WENTWORTH PARK	PACE GALORE (VIC)	720 mts.	42.57
1993	CANNINGTON	BILLY'S BLONDIE (QLD)	740 mts.	44.89
1994	WENTWORTH PARK	MISS CRUISE (NSW)	720 mts.	43.59
1995	OLYMPIC PARK	BORONIA BLOSSOM (QLD)	732mts.	43.72
1996	ALBION PARK	BORONIA BLOSSOM (QLD)	710mts.	42.23
1997	ANGLEPARK	IBROX PARK (NSW)	731 mts.	43.17
1998	CANNINGTON	PARADISE STREET (WA)	700 mts.	41.75
1999	WENTWORTH PARK	KOBBLE CREEK (QLD)	720 mts.	42.55
2000	LAUNCESTON	OSTI'S JOKER (VIC)	743 mts.	45.05
2001	SANDOWN PARK	TIP TOP TEARS (VIC)	715 mts.	42.46
2002	ALBION PARK	BOOMEROO (VIC)	710 mts.	41.61 (Rec)
2003	ANGLE PARK	ARVO'S JUNIOR (VIC)	731 mts.	42.66
2004	CANNINGTON	CLASSY CUSTOMER (NSW)	715 mts.	42.31
2005	WENTWORTH PARK	TEXAS GOLD (NSW)	710 mts.	42.07

2006	LAUNCESTON	BOTHING (SA)	720 mts.	42.49 (Rec)
2007	MEADOWS	FLASHING FLOODS (VIC)	725 mts.	42.95
2008	WENTWORTH PARK	MANTRA LAD (VIC)	720 mts.	42.30
2009	CANNINGTON	JAVIS BALE (VIC)	715 mts.	41.93
2010	ANGLE PARK	BLUE LORIAN (NSW)	710 mts.	43.01
2011	ALBION PARK	DASHING CORSAIR (QLD)	710 mts.	42.09
2012	HOBART	MIATA (WA)	709 mts.	41.24
2013	MEADOWS	SMART VALENTNO (NSW)	725 mts.	42.83
2014	CANNINGTON	SWEET IT IS (VIC)	715 mts.	41.39
2015	WENTWORTH PARK	LADY TOY (VIC)	720 mts.	41.52 (Rec)
2016	ANGLE PARK	RING THE BELL	710 mts.	43.22

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