

Is Bogie our best ever?

After four
Group 1
wins, many
say she is



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EVEN a few months ago it would have been heresy in Queensland to have even suggested Flying Amy is not the best greyhound this state has seen.

But how times change ... even in a few months.

And Bogie Leigh, a black bitch by Just The Best-Hypo Havoc, raced by Les Bein and trained by Tony Brett has changed all that.

In the space of a couple of months, Bogie Leigh has taken her record to four Group 1 victories, the latest in the Golden Easter Egg at Wentworth Park.

Only a few weeks before she had crushed the best in the land in the Group 1 Australian Cup ... two \$100,000 to the winner races in a row.

And add to that her previous victories in the Group 1 Sapphire Classic at Sandown and the Group 1 Brisbane Cup at Albion Park and all of a sudden the legion of Amy fans are starting to think.

Just for the record, Bogie Leigh took her career stats to 47 starts for 29 wins and 12 placings and \$420,000 in earnings. It is the highest ever by a bitch in this country.

Les Bein will not come into the comparison debate. "I don't believe you can compare dogs of yesteryear with those racing today," he said.

While Amy is legendary and already in the Australian greyhound Hall of Fame, she won only two Group 1 events and both of those were at Albion Park.

Even her 29.73 Albion Park track record, which has stood since 1995, got a nudge from Bogie Leigh back in December last year when she went 29.83.

(Of course Surf Lorian has since equalled the record.)

And while Bogie Leigh is on the crest of a winning wave, Bein and Brett have no thoughts about retiring

the bitch.

"Why shouldn't she keep going," asked Bein. "She'll point towards the Ladies Bracelet at Wentworth Park and then go on to the Topgun and Melbourne Cup later in the year.

"She'll retire after that."

By then, those Amy fans might be singing the praises of the greatest of all time.

Now that's something for Surf Lorian to think about!

