



MEDIA RELEASE

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“National’s Battle Begins State Finals This Week”



The heats of the State National Sprint and Distance Titles were held last week in Victoria, South Australia, West Australia, New South Wales and Queensland. Host State Tasmania will conduct their heats and finals over the next two Mondays the 21st and 28th of August at Tasman Park Launceston.

Listed below State by State is the box draw and summary of the possible outcome of the finals ready for decision this coming Thursday the 17th and Saturday the 19th.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Box draw for the National Sprint Championships –South Australia Final (515m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1.	Quinyana	Troy Murray
2.	Howdy Den Boy	Chris Cotton
3.	Nirimba Belle	Peter Luxton
4.	Madam Lash	Carol Scott
5.	Jumbo Forrest	Petar Jovanovic
6.	Rellim Thomas	Petar Jovanovic
7.	Rusty Chainsaw	Colleen Bailey
8.	Ten Tornados	Troy Murray
^t Res	Obstetrix	Michael Stewart
nd Res	Brandeen Nick	Petar Jovanovic

Troy Murray’s Ten Tornados qualified in the fastest time recording 29.71 and he could win through to the National final which would give him some consolation after losing kennel star Miss Spicy only a week ago. Madam Lash won in 30.11, while other heat winners were Murray’s second finalist Quinyana 30.13 and Nirimba Belle recording 30.33. In an open affair perhaps Ten Tornados from Madam Lash and Quinyana.

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Box draw for the National Distance Championships – South Australia Final (731m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1.	Stunning Toots	Kelly Stott
2.	Talanjee Queen	Kaye Burns
3.	Millers Princess	Yvonne King
4.	Bothing	Bosco Stamenkovic
5.	Skybird Sue	Marea Nicholson
6.	Proven Lucky	Terry Cahalan
7.	Yo Yo's Flyer	Laurie Cahalan
8.	Casa Bonita	Steven Davies
1 st Res	True Sign	Michael Giniotis
2 nd Res	Futon Flyer	Donna Donaldson

Bothing is in outstanding form and will start a very short quote to win the Distance final she recorded an effortless win running 43.17 a full second quicker the other heat winner Millers Princess (44.17). A recent group finalist in Victoria it would be a major upset if she was beaten. No real danger.

VICTORIA

Box draw for the National Distance Championships – Victorian Final (715m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Katie Current	Stephen McKenna
2	Turbo Uno	Chris King
3	Valley Girl	Darren McDonald
4	Springvale Jinx	Len Ketelaar
5	Elektra	Graeme Bate
6	Itza Bee	Darren McDonald
7	Rocky	Stephen McKenna
8	Mid City Mandy	Lauren Gorman
1 st Res	Odnoc Alorac	Chris Johannsen
2 nd Res	Mixed Up Mary	David Burnett

The Victorian distance final looks a very even final on paper Mid City Mandy has done little wrong hanging on to win her heat in 42.50 and will probably lead again. Rocky has found a new lease on life of recent weeks and should also figure in the finish. Other chances are given to Elektra, Itza Bee and Turbo Uno.



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Box draw for the National Sprint Championships – Victorian Final (715m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Pyramid Eyes	Sharyn Cambridge
2	Vapour Whirl	Darren Murray
3	See You Later	Jason Thompson
4	Dyna Redbull	Graeme Bate
5	Awesome Jack	Darren McDonald
6	Path To Power	Darren McDonald
7	Cromlah Bale	Andrea Dailly
8	Fenceline	Engin Gemci
1 st Res	Baron Allen	Andrea Dailly
2 nd Res	Superman	Emin Aydemir

This is no doubt this is the most competitive final of the sprints around Australia. Fenceline has been in career best form and comes into the race following his Group One Winter Carnival Cup win in Brisbane and qualifying in the fastest time of 29.76. He has in the past raced well from outside draws and is certainly the dog to beat. Dyna Redbull ran 29.96 and Path to Power 30.01. Cromlah Bale recorded a fast 29.65 at the Meadows only a week ago so he also has claims if we take a line through that run. A great final.

QUEENSLAND**Box draw for the National Sprint Championship - Queensland Final (520m)**

Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Buckingham Chuck	Greg Cannon
2	Rylee's Romeo	Michelle Stella
3	Batista	Ron Ball
4	Berella Electra	Ron Ball
5	Ashburn Express	Ron Ball
6	Ellie's Diamond	John Edwards
7	Brett's Rival	Dave Irwin
8	Majority Rules	Ron Ball
1 st Res	Leica Ruby	Tony Brett
2 nd Res	Midnite Matini	John Rutherford

This race is another very competitive final with a number of chances. Ron Ball in a great training feat has four runners his best chance appears to be Majority Rules from box eight who ran 30.24 in his heat. Brett's Rival qualified in the fastest time recording 30.14 and has claims, while the very talented Buckingham Chuck might be the dog to beat from box one.

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Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Tricode Star	Glen Smith
2	Special Diamond	Steve Wilkes
3	Magic Best	Paul Felgate
4	Viva La Feva	Sandra Giles
5	Lucy's Light	Elaine Williamson
6	Jack's Angel	Paul Felgate
7	Miss Brook	Paul Felgate
8	Miss Becky Blue	Paul Felgate
1 st Res	Optimum Angel	Paul Felgate
2 nd Res	Peter Gee	Paul Felgate

The much anticipated final with Australia's best two stayers Lucy's Light and Miss Brook going head to head once again at Albion Park. In recent clashes Lucy's Light has had the upper hand and besides recording new figures for the 710m of 41.60, she ran a blistering 41.63 in last weeks heat. Miss Brook was also impressive winning in 42.01. It's Lucy's Light for me but it will be a great final with only one heading for Launceston, Paul Felgate like Ron Ball has four in the final plus the two reserves.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Box draw for the National Sprint Championships – New South Wales Final (520m)

Box	Dog	Trainer	
1	Poppy's Angel	Mathew Reid	
2	Modern Love	Andrew Drapiewski	
3	Midnight Drama	Roseleen Pringle	
4	Big Wave Dave	Don McMillan	
5	Banklee	Don McMillan	
6	Stryker's Shadow	Anthony Pagano	Scratched
7	Natural Love	Ruth Matic	
8	Immortal Love	Jason McKay	
1 st Res	Demand	Matthew Reid	(Box Six)
2 nd Res	Magnificent Love	Harry Markou	

Again this final is very even Stryker's Shadow was the form dog coming into the series but unfortunately was hurt on Saturday night. Up and coming youngster Big Wave Dave looked good when winning in the fastest heat time of 30.12 but will also have to overcome the bad draw in four. Midnight Drama has some claims along with the consistent Banklee (30.22) who with a bit of luck could feature. However I like Big Wave Dave a greyhound on the up.

***** News was received this morning that Stryker's Shadow had dropped a back muscle in qualifying for the Final and the greyhound has now been retired to stud. The Matthew Reid trained Demand will now start from box six in the Sprint Final.

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Box draw for the National Distance Championships – New South Wales Final (725m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
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1	Gazumped	Alan Laverty	
2	Chilling Subject	Dave Righetti	Scratched
3	Miss Grub	Glenda Dart	
4	Manizzy Hypo	Russell Mansley	
5	Angel Doll	Sharron Webster	
6	Royal Riddle	Robert Littlefield	
7	Holly Rock	Jason Mackay	Scratched
8	Best Quoted	John Mooney	
1 st Res	Out Sider	Vince Multari	(Box Seven)
2 nd Res	Tadmore Lynx	Tom Astbury	(Box Two)

Both Royal Riddle and Best Quoted have been grand campaigners with Royal Riddle recording the fastest heat time of 43.16. Miss Grub has some top performances at Albion Park and isn't without a chance. In a wide open final an upset is on the cards with first and second heading to Tasmania.

***** More bad news followed during the day when trainer Jason McKay withdrew Holly Rock from the Final, when it was found the greyhound had suffered a stress fracture of the hock.

Later in the day, Chilling Subject was also withdrawn when it was confirmed that the greyhound had broken a bone in a leg and will not race again. The injury to Dave Righetti's greyhound continues an absolute horror run of luck for him over recent months.

WEST AUSTRALIA

Box draw for the National Sprint Championships –West Australian Final (530m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Assassin Gal	Linda Britton
2	Ebony Jean	Peter Sayer
3	Swift Sphinx	Terry Erinshaw
4	Ironstein	John Carmody
5	Wizard Power	Peter Sayer
6	Golden Son	Peter Sayer
7	Tuqiri	Linda Britton
8	Regal Brett	Brad Keel
1 st Res	Jomato Pedro	John Carmody
2 nd Res	Kobble Rock	Linda Britton

In the West the sprint final is a difficult race to read Assassin Gal has drawn the rails and worked hard to win her heat in 30.72. In a fine training effort Peter Sayer has three in the final with his best chance Ebony Jean. Regal Brett has plenty of ability but will need luck from box eight and Tuqiri who has had nearly 100 starts but has certainly recorded a couple of nice wins recently.

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Box draw for the National Distance Championships – West Australian Final (715m)

Box	Dog	Trainer
1	Samrakan	Linda Britton

2	Cees Little Sis	Shane Beard
3	Gangland	Brad Keel
4	Miss Marly	Peter Sayer
5	Tahitian Dancer	Max Julien
6	Nickawin	Peter Sayer
7	Senorita Sue	Brad Keel
8	Ronray Dancer	Barry McPherson
1 st Res	Tiny Sienna	Michael Green
2 nd Res	Lochinvar Strike	Nick Minutillo

Top sprinter-stayer Ronray Dancer has been in outstanding form and although beaten last week can't be left out, but the box is a worry. Samrakan won well all be it by the narrowest of margins and is a chance from the rails draw along with Miss Marly and Nickawin. Another wide open final with an upset not out of the question.

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