2018 MELBOURNE CUP

Group 1 - 515 metres

Melbourne Cup Heats 16 November 2018 \$12,000 to each heat winner

\$630,000 Melbourne Cup Final 23 November 2018

WINNER \$435,000

Second \$130,000 Third \$65,000

FOR COMPLETE DETAILS SEE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS OF ENTRY OR CONTACT SANDOWN GREYHOUND RACING CLUB – (03) 9546 9511

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The 2018 Group 1 Melbourne Cup

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Nominations for all greyhounds (including exempted runners) must be received by Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) by 11:00am on **TUESDAY 13 November 2018.***** There is **NO OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM** ***

Nominations can **ONLY** be accepted by Greyhound Racing Victoria by phone (03) 8329 1100or on-line at www.grv.org.au. **The**

Nominator must advise Greyhound Racing Victoria that their nomination is for the Melbourne Cup.

INTERSTATE ENTRIES PLEASE NOTE: GRV recommends that all interstate greyhounds that are racing in Victoria for the first time are nominated early. This is to ensure that there is sufficient time to validate trainer and owner details prior to the close of nominations.

The greyhounds that win the following races **OR** compete in the final of the 2018 Irish Derby, the 2018 English Derby, the 2018 Southland Derby or the SHOOTOUT at Sandown Park on Thursday 8 November 2018 will gain automatic exemption into the **EIGHT HEATS** of the Melbourne Cup to be held on **FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2018**. If the number of exempt runners exceeds 64, the reserves for the EIGHT HEATS will be allocated based on the greyhounds current aged prize money (APM) value from highest to lowest. If the number of exempt runners exceeds 80, runners will be determined based on the greyhounds current aged prize money (APM) value from highest to lowest.

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Group 1 Melbourne Cup (2017)
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Group 1 Silver Chief (2018)

Group 1 Paws of Thunder (2018)

Group 1 Temlee (2018)

Group 1 Australian Cup (2018)

Group 1 Golden Easter Egg (2018)

Group 1 Perth Cup (2018)

Group 1 Sapphire Crown (2018)

Group 1 Harrison-Dawson (2018)

Group 1 Peter Mosman Classic (2018)

Group 1 Winter Carnival Cup (2018)

Group 1 Maturity Classic (2018)

Group 1 National Sprint Championship (2018)

Group 1 Dapto Megastar (2018)

Group 1 NZ Waterloo Cup (2018)

Group 1 Adelaide Cup (2018)

Group 1 Topgun (2018)

Group 1 Vic Peters Classic (2018)

Group 2 Laurels Classic (2017)

Group 2 Traralgon Cup (2018)

Group 2 Warragul Cup (2018)

Group 2 Cranbourne Cup (2018)

Group 2 Horsham Cup (2018)

Group 2 Warrnambool Cup (2018)

Group 2 Bendigo Cup (2018)

Group 2 Shepparton Cup (2018)

Group 2 WA All Stars Sprint (2018)

Group 2 Geelong Cup (2018)

Group 2 Launching Pad (2018)

Group 2 November Shootout (ALL RUNNERS) (2018)

Irish Derby (ALL FINALISTS) (2018)

English Derby (ALL FINALISTS) (2018)

Southland Derby (ALL FINALISTS) (2018)

ALL 2018 MELBOURNE CUP PRELUDES

Any nominated greyhound that is not automatically exempted under these conditions will **ONLY** be eligible for any remaining positions in the eight heats (plus reserves) by having competed (regardless of finishing position) in at least ONE Melbourne Cup Prelude Series during 2018. These remaining positions will be allocated based on the greyhounds current aged prize money (APM) value from highest to lowest.

Order of entry:

- 1. Exempt race winners
- 2. Prelude 2nd placed runners sorted by APM
- 3. Prelude 3rd placed runners sorted by APM
- 4. Remaining Prelude runners sorted by APM

GRV Local Rule 28.2 Graders discretion shall also apply.

Melbourne Cup Preludes series

Series 1 Thursday 27 September 2018

Series 2 Thursday 11 October 2018

Series 3 Thursday 25 October 2018

Series 4 Thursday 8 November 2018

Greyhounds may compete in any number of Preludes to enhance selection chances.

The Selection Committee, which includes the Greyhound Racing Victoria Chief Grader and a representative from Sandown Greyhound Racing Club, will consider performance in Preludes, current form and racing status as criteria for selection in the Heats.

Composition of the heats will be subject to the top 25% of nominated greyhounds being seeded and distributed evenly amongst the heats, with the remaining 75% of greyhounds being drawn randomly into the heats. Guarding of owners and trainers in heats will apply where possible.

The connections agree to the use of their greyhound's name and photograph for promotional and/or advertising purposes by SGRC, or any firm, business or organisation approved by SGRC, arising from it competing in the 2018 Melbourne Cup series.

SGRC and GRV reserves the right to alter and/or add to these conditions. The final field for the 2018 Melbourne Cup final shall be determined in accordance with Greyhound Racing Victoria Rules and the Greyhounds Australasia Rules.