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GCA RUN OF THE MONTH AWARD APRIL 2018

“EBBY RIPPER”

The GCA Run of the Month for April 2018 has been awarded to New South Wales consistent top line stayer Ebbby Ripper for her win in the Group 3 Gold Cup at Wentworth Park on April 14th.



Ebbby Ripper winning at Sandown Park last November in a heat of the Bold Trease (Pic Greyhound Recorder)

After contesting a string of Group race finals the Michael Eberand owned, trained and bred Ebbby Ripper finally broke through for a richly deserved win in the Wentworth Park Gold Cup.

It's hard to recall a more popular big race success because Ebbby Ripper, who had been placed twice in group ones, notched her 10th win in 30 Wentworth Park 720m starts in the Group 3 event.

And in typical Ebbby Ripper fashion she thrilled the fans, coming from a seemingly impossibly distant fourth on the back straight to snatch victory over Big Daddy Bee on the line.

After the race a relieved Michael Eberand said: "When they were going down the back straight I was thinking she was going to disappoint us tonight because she wasn't taking off like she normally does.

"And I noticed the outsider Steve Keeping making a run with her so I was resigned to seeing her finish no better than third.

"But Ebby simply flew in the straight and ran home in 12 seconds flat, which is phenomenal considering she usually gets home in 12.18.

"When I took her to the presentation dais trackside Ebby Ripper went to jump up on the little steps, she is so used to finishing second or third!"

Ebby Ripper is a Brindle bitch whelped February '15, she is raced by the Eberand Taylor Syndicate & trained by Michael Eberand at Oakville in New South Wales. Ebby Ripper is by Sh Avatar from Ebby Miss (Head Bound x Senza Nome). Her record is 72 starts for 22 wins and 27 placings and prizemoney earnings of \$214,244.

As usual there were some outstanding runs recorded in April on various tracks around Australia. However, given the way in which Ebby Ripper went about her win, she got the nod as the Run of the Month.

GCA congratulates owner - trainer Michael Eberand and Ebby Ripper after being judged the GCA Run of the Month for April 2018. She joins the previous winners Rippin' Sam, Riveting, Extreme Magic (2), Riley Tokaam, Rockoon, Thirty Talks, Billy's Bake and On and Off making up all the winners in 2017-2018.

Checkout the GCA Website for a replay of the run of the Month

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