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# *Two Victorians win the Richmond Classics*

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NANGAR Flame (\$16.60) has produced a powerful finish to take out the Group 2 Richmond Derby (535m) final on Friday night.

Jumping from box eight, the black dog was fairly into stride, slipping into fourth position around the first turn.

Meanwhile, showing the way out in front was Mack Tux (box three) which began beautifully, leading over Barking Bad (box two) and Wicked Warrior (box five).

Down the back straight, Barking Bad (\$6.40) moved up to challenge the leader which was able to kick clear once again approaching the home turn.

Entering the home straight, Mack Tux (\$14.10) had increased his margin, however Nangar Flame was gathering plenty of momentum and swiftly took the lead half way down the straight.

In the run to the line, Nangar Flame slipped into top gear, sprinting away from his opponents to score by one-and-one-quarter lengths in 30.58.

Mack Tux was gallant in defeat, finishing second, with Barking Bad rounding out the trifecta in third spot.

Trained by Anthony Azzopardi, Nangar Flame is a son of Collision and Flash Fancy and has now won 18 of his 57 starts with an additional 23 minor placings.

Friday night's winner's cheque also bolstered his prize money earnings, with the black dog now boasting \$109,126 to his name.



**Nangar Flame runs home the stronger to win the Richmond Derby (Official Photo Finish)**

VICTORIAN chasers secured the quinella in the Group 2 Richmond Oaks (535m), with Mumma Josie (\$5.20) defeating Up Hill Jill (\$5.70) to collect the \$40,000 winner's cheque.

When the lids flew open it was a mad scramble for the lead, with Mumma Josie (box one) pushing up along the fence to charge to the front around the first turn.

However, the Jeff Britton-trained bitch wasn't left alone out in front, with Up Hill Jill (box four) and Striker Light (box eight) applying the pressure down the back.

Swinging around the home turn it was still a line of three, with Mumma Josie with her head just in front.

Despite a late challenge from Up Hill Jill, Mumma Josie was able to hold on to score, winning by a nose in 30.76.

Local chaser Where Art Thou (\$4.80) produced a massive run to finish third, with race favourite Striker Light tiring after doing plenty of work throughout the race, finishing sixth.

A daughter of Barcia Bale and Charming Louise, Mumma Josie has now won 19 of her 60 starts with an additional 17 minor placings, whilst the 29-kilogram bitch has now earned \$117,010 in prize money earnings.

Both Richmond races are steeped in history having first been run in the 50's the early classics were run up the Richmond straight of 320 yards with some Fields numbering 10 runners.



**Mumma Josie just holds off Up Hill Jill in a tight photo to win the Oaks (Official Photo Finish)**

Some of the great champions to have won the Richmond Oaks including Zoom Top & Winifred Bale. While in the Derby past winners include Peter Glider, Rapid Supreme, Buka Sunset, Cyrus The Virus and Mandagery man.

After the placings in the Derby the field finished in the following order 4<sup>th</sup> El Magnifico (\$3.90), 5<sup>th</sup> Wicked Warrior (\$5.30), 6<sup>th</sup> Winsome Mission (\$25.40) 7<sup>th</sup> Patch Adams (\$4.60) and Ritz Lenny (\$5.20).

Nangar Flame is raced by the Tracsan Racing and trained by Anthony Azzopardi at Myrning in Victoria, he is a Black dog whelped August 2013 by Collision from Flash Fancy (Brett Lee x Miss Fancy). Nangar Flame has won 18 and been placed 23 times from his 57 starts and with the \$40,000 first prize for the Richmond Derby it took his current stake earnings to \$109,126.

After the placings in the Oaks the field finished in the following order 4<sup>th</sup> Kilkee May (\$33.20), 5<sup>th</sup> Mitcharlie Mia (\$7.30), 6<sup>th</sup> Striker Light (\$2.50) 7<sup>th</sup> Utah Miss (\$53.40) and Uno Arjo (\$49.00).

Mumma Josie is raced by Vincent Borg and trained by Jeff Britton at Anakie in Victoria, she is a Brindle bitch whelped April 2014 by Barcia Bale from Charming Louise (Knocka Norris x Charming Miss). Mumma Josie has won 19 and been placed 17 times from his 60 starts and with the \$40,000 first prize for the Richmond Oaks it took her current stake earnings to \$117,010.

Listed below is the Richmond Derby honour roll first run up the straight 320 yards in 1957 it then changed to a grass circle over 537 metres in 1974. In a major revamp the club put down a new loam surface and track re-shape in 1999 and the Derby is now run over the new distance of 535 metres.

1957 **Lilac's Luck**, 1958 **Some Clue**, 1959 **Sudden Glory**, 1960 **Little Budgie**, 1961 **Dodger's Luck**, 1962 **Gold Packet**, 1963 **Flying Myobb**, 1964 **King Ming**, 1965 **Top Mitch**, 1966 **African Ballet**, 1967 **Fleetfoot Joe**, 1968 **Red Park**, 1969 -1973 **"Not Held"** 1974 **Roomatic**, 1975 **Ainslie Boy** 1976 **Wade Park**, 1977 **Woodburn Wonder**, 1978 **Leon Kuley**, 1979 **Major Willa**, 1980 **Papuana**, 1981 **Timeaclog**, 1982 **Peter Glider** 1983 **Opal Columbus**, 1984 **Bindall's Hope / Ceamy Koco (DH)** 1985 **Rapid Supreme**, 1986 **Tiger Country**, 1987 **Buka Sunset**, 1988 **Maggiore**, 1989 **Rumpus Brandi**, 1990 **Whisky Bale**, 1991 **Kedo's Image**, 1992 **Tallest Peer**, 1993 **National Leader**, 1994 **Wiljarra**, 1995 **Fabian**, 1996 **Antique Vision**, 1997 **Spanish Master**, 1998 **Murphy's Benji**, 1999 **Royal Pilgrim**, 2000 **Stately Bird**, 2001 **Zingalong Red**, 2002 **Tourist Dan**, 2003 **Cyrus The Virus**, 2004 **Spring Secret**, 2005 **Gozo Master**, 2006 **Cool Matt**, 2007 **Laurie's Tigers**, 2008 **Mandagery Man**, 2009 **Cool Flight**, 2010 **Bogie Brave** 2011 **Decembrist**, 2012 **Path To Vegas**, 2013 **Jagger Swagger**, 2014 **Red Road**, 2015 **Quasi Bale** and 2016 **Knight Sprite**.

Listed below is the known past winners of the Richmond Oaks it is somewhat incomplete and is still being researched to bring it up to date. Like the Derby the Oaks was first run in 1957 up the straight 320 yards and it then changed to a grass circle over 537 metres in 1974. In a major revamp the club put down a new loam surface and track re-shape in 1999 and the Derby is now run over the new distance of 535 metres.

1957 **Winter Sweet**, 1958 **Queen Rhombo**, 1959 **Eve's Joy**, 1960 **Crofton Light**, 1961 **Evandale Babe**, 1962 **Sandalla**, 1963 **Top Nell**, 1964 **Social Rose**, 1965 **Tina Capri**, 1966 **Star Stripper** 1967 **Brenda Rene**, 1968 **Zoom Top**, 1969 – 1978 **Not Held**, 1979 **Matana Gee**, 1980 **Eat Your Words**, 1981 **Busy's Bullet**, 1982 **Gwendalyn Bale**, 1983 **Winifred Bale**, 1984 **Werosie Again**, 1985 **Brave Gambler**, 1986 **Current Design**, 1987 **Letrac's Choice**, 1988 **Expensive Lee**, 1989 **Little Apex**, 1990 **Butterfly Blue**, 1991 **Gracious**, 1992 **Amy's Doll**, 1993 **Silver Cassie** 1994 **Mystery Idle** 1995 **Summer Blitz** 1996 **Dashing Mittens** 1997 **Silent Tribute** 1998 **Sailing**, 1999 **Lyntanga** , 2000 **Arenia Miss**, 2001 **Creative Whisky**, 2003 **Mariska**, 2005 **Frosty Fruits**, 2007 **Sweet Fancy**, 2009 **Kelmatt's Melody**, 2010 **Little Sparkle**, 2011 **Premier Journey**, 2012 **Zippping Catra**, 2013 **Calm Model**, 2014 **Smashing Sally**, 2015 **Rue De Khan** and 2016 **Mitchcharlie Mia**.

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