

Australian Greyhound
Racing Association



2017-2018 GROUP RACE CALENDAR



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Message from the Australian Greyhound Racing Association

Welcome to the Australian Greyhound Racing Association's 2017/2018 Group Racing Calendar. This year's Calendar comprises a total of 121 Group events categorised as 33 Group 1, 28 Group 2 and 41 Group 3 events. In addition, this year we have 6 Group 3 Restricted events as well as a total of 13 Listed events have been included in this year's calendar.

This year's printed calendar breaks the events down into Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, Group 3 Restricted and Listed sections. It also highlights summaries of the distance events and also highlights the premier events for youngsters, the AGRA Aged Classic events in separate sections.

The printed calendar also lists all events in chronological order, a must for those enthusiasts following Group racing on a week by week basis.

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Greyhound enthusiasts are also advised that AGRA has its own website – www.agra.com.au. The site is easy to navigate and is a one stop shop where tracking past, present and future group racing is available.

I wish all involved in supporting, participating or promoting events within the 2017/2018 Group Race Calendar the best of fortunes.

Brenton Scott

AGRA GROUP RACE CO-ORDINATOR

Pictured in this year's cover are the winners of the 2016 National Sprint and Distance Championships held in South Australia at Angle Park, Adelaide on August 27, 2016. The National Sprint Championship was won by Worm Burner, owner; Butcher Butcher Syndicate, trainer; Cameron Butcher. The National Distance Championship was won by Ring The Bell, owner; Four Frothys Syndicate, trainer; Gerard O'Keefe.

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AGRA Group Racing Greyhound of the Year and Associated Awards

AGRA AUSTRALIAN GREYHOUND OF THE YEAR

YEAR	GREYHOUND	YEAR	GREYHOUND
2002	BOOMEROO	2010	EL GRAND SENOR
2003	BOMBASTIC SHIRAZ	2011	DYNA TRON
2004	WHISKY ASSASSIN	2012	MIATA
2005	PURE OCTANE	2013	MIATA
2006	BETTY'S ANGEL	2014	XYLIA ALLEN
2007	FLASHING FLOODS	2015	FERNANDO BALE
2008	EL GALO	2016	DYNA DOUBLE ONE
2009	CINDEEN SHELBY		

AGRA AUSTRALIAN TRAINER OF THE YEAR

YEAR	TRAINER	YEAR	TRAINER
2007	JASON THOMPSON	2012	JASON THOMPSON
2008	REG KAY	2013	GRAEME BATE
2009	GRAEME BATE	2014	DARREN MCDONALD
2010	DARREN MCDONALD	2015	ANDREA DAILLY
2011	GRAEME BATE	2016	ANTHONY AZZOPARDI

AGRA AUSTRALIAN STUD DOG OF THE YEAR

YEAR	STUD DOG	YEAR	STUD DOG
2007	TOKEN PRINCE AND BRETT LEE (JOINT WINNERS)	2010	SURF LORIAN
2008	BOMBASTIC SHIRAZ AND TOKEN PRINCE (JOINT WINNERS)	2011	COLLISION
2009	BOMBASTIC SHIRAZ	2012	BOMBASTIC SHIRAZ
		2013	BOMBASTIC SHIRAZ
		2014	WHERE'S PEDRO
		2015	BEKIM BALE
		2016	KINLOCH BRAE

AGRA AUSTRALIAN BROOD BITCH OF THE YEAR

YEAR	BROOD BITCH	YEAR	BROOD BITCH
2007	FLOOD FAWN	2012	WINSOME BLUEBIRD
2008	CHINATOWN BAE	2013	IT'S A SHE
2009	THAI AGAIN	2014	TAYAH BALE
2010	ROSEMARY BALE	2015	MAPLE BALE
2011	ABBADALE GOLD	2016	CHLOE ALLEN

AGRA RUN OF THE YEAR

YEAR	RUN OF THE YEAR	YEAR	RUN OF THE YEAR
2007	MISS GRUB	2012	BIZARRE BARBIE
2008	CHINATOWN LAD	2013	XYLIA ALLEN
2009	TURANZA BALE	2014	SWEET IT IS
2010	SATANIC CASH	2015	FERNANDO BALE
2011	HE KNOWS UNO	2016	BOURBSKI FEVER

AGRA AUSTRALIAN HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

GREYHOUNDS BASED ON RACING PERFORMANCE

YEAR OF INDUCTION	GREYHOUND
1999	TENTHILL DOLL
1999	FLYING AMY
1999	RAPID JOURNEY
1999	HIGHLY BLESSED
2000	CHIEF HAVOC
2000	ZOOM TOP
2001	MACAREENA
2001	ROOKIE REBEL
2001	SANDI'S ME MUM
2002	BRETT LEE
2002	BOLD TREASE
2003	NATIONAL LASS
2003	WINIFRED BALE
2004	LIZRENE
2005	BOGIE LEIGH
2006	TEMLEE
2006	BLACK TOP
2007	PAUA TO BURN
2016	MIATA

MALE GREYHOUND BASED ON BREEDING PERFORMANCE

YEAR OF INDUCTION	GREYHOUND
2008	TEMLEE
2009	BLACK TOP
2013	BYAMEE / BROTHER FOX
2014	TELL YOU WHY
2016	TUMBLE BUG

FEMALE GREYHOUND BASED ON BREEDING PERFORMANCE

YEAR OF INDUCTION	GREYHOUND
2008	OSTI TOO
2009	WEE SAL

TRAINERS

YEAR OF INDUCTION	RECIPIENT
2007	SAM BLADON
2008	RAY HERBERT
2008	JIM COLEMAN
2009	NED BRYANT
2009	STAN CLEVERLEY
2010	VIVIAN JAMES BERESFORD
2010	DOUG PAYNE
2011	PAUL CAUCHI
2011	TONY ZAMMIT

BREEDERS

YEAR OF INDUCTION	RECIPIENT
2008	RÓD DEAKIN
2008	ALLEN WHEELER
2016	PAUL WHEELER

ADMINISTRATORS

YEAR OF INDUCTION	RECIPIENT
2008	ARTHUR MORGAN
2008	ROY MAIDMENT
2008	HOWARD ASHTON
2009	J.G.(JACK) NELSON
2009	VIC PETERS
2009	HENRY HARRISON
2010	BRIAN JOHNSTONE
2010	NOEL BANKS
2011	ALBERT BUNNY HEWTON
2011	KEN CARR
2013	RAY FOLEY

ASSOCIATES

YEAR OF INDUCTION	RECIPIENT
2008	BILL PEARSON
2008	PAUL AMBROSOLI
2009	DR JIM GANNON
2009	FRANK KENNEDY
2011	DR JOHN MURRAY
2015	GEORGE SCHOFIELD



2017/18 Group 1 Events

<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>BGRC Albion Park Winter Cup 520m June 29 July 6 <i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i></p>	<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>MGRA The Meadows Hume Cup (Sponsored by Hume Council) 600m October 28 November 6 <i>Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens Ineligible.</i></p>
<p>\$100,000 to the winner</p>	<p>MGRA The Meadows Hudson Pacific Maturity Classic 525m July 15, 22, 29 <i>Best 96 Greyhounds whelped on or after April 1, 2015 plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i></p>	<p>\$420,000 to the winner</p>	<p>SGRC Sandown Park Melbourne Cup 515m November 17, 24 <i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i></p>
<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>BGRC Albion Park AGRA National Sprint Championship 520m August 25 <i>Greyhounds to qualify from each State.</i></p>	<p>\$100,000 to the winner</p>	<p>SGRC Sandown Park Bold Trease 715m November 17, 24 <i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i></p>
<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>BGRC Albion Park AGRA National Distance Championship 710m August 25 <i>Greyhounds to qualify from each State.</i></p>	<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>BGRC Albion Park SKY Racing Brisbane Cup 520m November 30 December 7 <i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i></p>
<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>Dapto GRC Megastar 520m September 21, 28 <i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i></p>	<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>Hobart GRC Luxbet Hobart Thousand 461 m December 14, 21 <i>Best 64 Greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i></p>
<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>GRSA Angle Park Adelaide Cup 515m October 5, 13 <i>Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens Ineligible.</i></p>	<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>Sale GRC Sale Cup 650m December 17, 26 <i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i></p>
<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes Vic Peters Classic 520m October 21, 28 November 4 <i>Best 80 greyhounds whelped on or after July 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i></p>	<p>\$100,000 to the winner</p>	<p>MGRA The Meadows AJS Corporation Silver Chief Classic 525m December 23, 30 January 6 <i>Male greyhounds whelped on or after September 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i></p>
<p>\$150,000 to the winner</p>	<p>MGRA The Meadows SKY Racing Topgun 525m October 28 <i>By invitation only.</i></p>	<p>\$75,000 to the winner</p>	<p>NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes Paws Of Thunder 520m January 13, 20 <i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i></p>

\$75,000 to the winner	NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes National Futurity 520m January 27 February 3 <i>Best 40 female greyhounds whelped on or after October 1, 2015 . Maidens ineligible.</i>	\$100,000 to the winner	GWA Cannington SKY Racing Galaxy 715m April 14, 21 <i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
\$75,000 to the winner	NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes National Derby 520m January 27 February 3 <i>Best 40 male greyhounds whelped on or after October 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i>	\$150,000 to the winner	GWA Cannington SKY Racing Perth Cup 520m April 14, 21 <i>Best 64 greyhounds selected by the grading panel plus reserves.</i>
\$100,000 to the winner	MGRA The Meadows Temlee 525m February 17 <i>Best 8 greyhounds by invitation.</i>	\$175,000 to the winner	SGRC Sandown Park Sandown Cup 715m May 17, 24 <i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
\$75,000 to the winner	MGRA The Meadows Rookie Rebel 600m February 17 <i>Best 8 greyhounds by invitation.</i>	\$100,000 to the winner	SGRC Sandown Park Sapphire Crown 515m May 17, 24 <i>Best 32 female greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
\$75,000 to the winner	MGRA The Meadows Zoom Top 725m February 17 <i>Best 8 greyhounds by invitation.</i>	\$100,000 to the winner	SGRC Sandown Park Harrison-Dawson 515m May 17, 24 <i>Best 32 male greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
\$250,000 to the winner	MGRA The Meadows Australian Cup 525m February 17, 24 March 3 <i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>	\$75,000 to the winner	NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes Peter Mosman Classic 520m June 2, 9, 16 <i>Best 80 greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after March 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.</i>
\$100,000 to the winner	MGRA The Meadows Super Stayers 725m February 24 March 3 <i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>	\$75,000 to the winner	BGRC Albion Park Gold Cup 710m June 7, 14 <i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
\$250,000 to the winner	NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Ladbrokes Golden Easter Egg 520m March 17, 24, 31 <i>Best 80 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>	\$75,000 to the winner	BGRC Albion Park Winter Cup 520m June 28 July 5 <i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
\$75,000 to the winner	NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park Association Cup 720m March 24, 31 <i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>		



2017/18 Group 2 Events

HOST	RACE NAME	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
Bendigo GRC	Bendigo Cup 425m	July 2,7	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	McKenna Memorial 595m	July 6, 13	\$40,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
Shepparton GRC	Shepparton Cup 450m	July 24, 29	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
NGRC The Gardens	Black Top 515m	August 18, 25	\$40,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Bob Payne Spring Sprint 520m	September 2, 9	\$40,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
NSW GBOTA Lismore	Lismore Workers Club Cup 520m	October 17, 24	\$40,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Geelong GRC	Geelong Gold Cup 460m	October 20, 27	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated. Maidens ineligible.</i>
GWA Cannington	All Stars Sprint 520m	October 21, 28	\$40,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated. Based on Grade.</i>
MGRA The Meadows	SKY Racing Topgun Stayers 725m	October 28	\$75,000	<i>By invitation only.</i>
Ballarat GRC	Ballarat Cup 450m	December 2, 9	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated. Maidens Ineligible.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Laurels Classic 515m	December 3, 10, 14	\$50,000	<i>Best 64 Female greyhounds whelped on or after September 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i>
NSW GBOTA Gosford	Woy Woy Poultry Gosford Cup 515m	December 26 January 2	\$40,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Warragul GRC	Warragul Cup 460m	January 5, 13	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Summer Distance Plate 720m	January 13, 20	\$40,000	<i>Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Traralgon GRC	Traralgon Cup 525m	January 20, 27	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Cranbourne GRC	Cranbourne Cup 520m	February 3, 10	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Launceston GRC	ATOTAL Car Rentals Launceston Cup 515m	February 5, 12, 19	\$40,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
NSW GBOTA Bulli	Ladbroke's Cyril Rowe Gold Cup 472m	February 17, 24	\$40,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Richmond GRC	Ladbroke's Richmond Oaks 535m	March 2, 9	\$40,000	<i>Best 32 female greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Richmond GRC	Richmond Derby 535m	March 2, 9	\$40,000	<i>Best 32 male greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Horsham GRC	Horsham Cup 485m	March 2, 10	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Launching Pad 515m	March 15, 22, 29	\$150,000	<i>Sweepstake Series \$2000 Entry Fee, max 64 entry forms available.</i>

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HOST	RACE NAME	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
NSW GBOTA Maitland	Maitland Gold Cup 450m	April 5, 12	\$40,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Bogie Leigh Queensland Futurity 520m	April 5, 12	\$40,000	<i>Best female greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after January 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Queensland Derby 520m	April 12, 19	\$40,000	<i>Best male greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after January 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.</i>
Warrnambool GRC	Warrnambool Cup 450m	April 25 May 2	\$47,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
GWA Cannington	WA Derby 520m	May 12, 19	\$40,000	<i>Best male greyhounds nominated whelped on or after February 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.</i>
GWA Cannington	WA Oaks 520m	May 19, 26	\$40,000	<i>Best female greyhounds nominated whelped on or after February 1, 2016 Maidens ineligible.</i>



2017/18 Group 3 Events

HOST	RACE NAME	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
Darwin GA of the NT	Darwin Cup 537m	July 30 August 6	\$25,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Dapto GRC	Dean Industrial Maiden Series 520m	August 17, 24, 31	\$25,000	<i>Best eligible maiden greyhounds nominated.</i>
Townsville GRC	Townsville Cup 498m	August 29 September 5	\$25,000	<i>Open. Maidens ineligible.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Chairman's Cup 720m	September 2, 9	\$25,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Healesville GRC	Healesville Cup 350m	September 3, 10	\$25,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Canberra GRC	Canberra Cup 530m	September 3, 10	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>
GRSA Angle Park	SA Oaks 515m	September 7, 14	\$25,000	<i>Best female greyhounds whelped on or after June 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i>
GRSA Angle Park	BGC SA Derby 515m	September 14, 21	\$25,000	<i>Best male greyhounds whelped on or after June 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i>
Casino GRC	Charcoal Inn Casino Cup 484m	September 15, 22	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
MGRA The Meadows	Top Cat Video Cup 725m	September 23, 30	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Gold Coast Cup 520m	October 5, 12	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
GWA Mandurah	Mandurah Cup 490m	October 6, 13	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Sydney Cup 720m	October 7, 14	\$25,000	<i>Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
GRSA Gawler	Gawler Gold Cup 531m	October 31 November 5	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
MGRA The Meadows	RSN Silver Bullet 525m	November 6	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
GWA Cannington	Young Star Classic 520m	November 11, 18	\$25,000	<i>Greyhounds whelped on or after August 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.</i>
Shoalhaven GRC	Ladbroke's Nowra Spring Puppy Classic 520m	November 13, 20, 27	\$25,000	<i>Greyhound whelped between July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.</i>
Ipswich GRC	City of Ipswich Gold Cup 520m	November 18, 25	\$31,500	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Sir John Dillon Memorial 595m	November 24	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Summer Cup 720m	December 2, 9	\$25,000	<i>Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Christmas Gift 520m	December 9, 16	\$25,000	<i>Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Shootout 515m	January 1	\$25,000	<i>Best 4 greyhounds nominated to the format, winner takes all.</i>
GWA Mandurah	Mandurah Mail Birthday Cup 405m	January 5, 12	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated based on grade.</i>
GWA Cannington	The Miata 715m	January 6, 13	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated. Based on Grade.</i>
North West Greyhound Racing Club	Hankook Tyres Devonport Cup 452m	January 9, 16	\$25,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Queensland Cup 600m	January 18, 25	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated.</i>
Ipswich GRC	Vince Curry Memorial Maiden 520m	February 9, 10, 17, 24	\$40,250	<i>Best Maiden greyhounds nominated.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ladbroke's Magic Maiden 520m	March 14, 21, 31	\$25,000	<i>Best 88 Maiden greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>

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HOST	RACE NAME	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	New Sensation 520m	March 21, 31	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves, whelped on or after 17.11.2015, which have no more than 10 race wins from no more than 20 race starts.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Easter Gift 515m	March 29	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	The Ambrosoli 520m	March 31	\$25,000	<i>For greyhounds that contested the semi-finals of the Golden Easter Egg and finished 3rd and 4th. Fastest 2 x 5th placegetters to become reserves.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Gold Cup 720m	April 7, 14	\$25,000	<i>Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Shoalhaven GRC	Ladbrokes Nowra Summer Puppy Classic 520m	April 16, 23, 30	\$25,000	<i>Greyhounds whelped between January 1, 2016 and June 30, 2016.</i>
GWA Cannington	SKY Racing Perth Cup Consolation 520m	April 21	\$25,000	<i>Second eight qualifying greyhounds from Perth Cup heats.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Evans & Son Jewellers Ladies Bracelet 520m	April 28 May 5	\$25,000	<i>Best 32 female greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Bill Collins Speed Star 515m	May 10	\$25,000	<i>Fastest 8 nominations as determined by times recorded at Sandown Park from February 1st 2018.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	The Racecallers 595m	May 10	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	The Lizrene 715m	May 10	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Flying Amy Classic 520m	June 7, 14	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated whelped on or after March 1, 2016.</i>
BGRC Albion Park	Superstayers Invitational 710m	June 21	\$25,000	<i>By invitation only.</i>

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Cranbourne GRC	Cranbourne Classic 520m	August 19, 26	\$25,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds whelped on or after March 1, 2015 Maidens ineligible.</i>
MGRA The Meadows	GRV Great Chase 525m	October 25	\$47,000	<i>Victorian bred and trained greyhounds with 1 – 5 wins. Maidens ineligible.</i>
GRSA Angle Park	Brian Johnstone 515m	November 15, 23, 30	\$25,000	<i>SA bred greyhounds whelped between July 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015 Special Futurity Conditions.</i>
MGRA The Meadows	GRV Vic Bred Series 525m	February 14, 21 March 3	\$25,000	<i>Victorian Bred Maidens Only.</i>
Ipswich GRC	Rosewood and District Community Bank Auction Series 520m	March 16, 17, 24, 31	\$40,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated, purchased through 2016 Auction.</i>
Angle Park GRSA	Howard Ashton 515m	May 16, 24, 31	\$25,000	<i>SA bred greyhounds whelped between January 1, 2016 and June 30, 2016 Special Futurity conditions</i>



2017/18 Listed Races

HOST	RACE NAME	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
MGRA The Meadows	Destini Fireball Stayers 725m	July 22, 29	\$25,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens Ineligible.</i>
Shepparton GRC	Northern Districts Cup 450m	October 30 November 4	\$25,000	<i>Best 64 greyhounds nominated which are eligible.</i>
Richmond GRC	Globe Memorial Maiden 535m	November 3, 10, 17	\$15,000	<i>Best 80 maiden greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Cup Night Sprint 515m	November 24	\$25,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
NGRC The Gardens	Newcastle Cup 715m	December 15	\$15,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
GRSA Angle Park	SA Sprint Championship 515m	January 11, 18	\$15,000	<i>Best SA trained & domiciled greyhounds nominated.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	The Collerson 520m	January 20	\$15,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated plus reserves which meet conditions.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Australian Sprint 515m	January 25	\$15,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Maidment Memorial 595m	January 25	\$15,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>
GRSA Mount Gambier	Mount Gambier Cup 512m	February 25 March 4	\$15,000	<i>Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens Ineligible.</i>
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ultra Sense 520m	March 24, 31	\$15,000	<i>Best 4/5th grade greyhounds nominated plus reserves.</i>
Richmond GRC	Globe Memorial Richmond Riches Puppy Classic 535m	May 11, 18, 25	\$40,000	<i>Greyhound whelped 1/1/16 - 30/6/16 Open to greyhounds which have purchased nomination entries prior May 2017.</i>
SGRC Sandown Park	Cup Night Stayers 715m	May 24	\$15,000	<i>Best 8 greyhounds nominated.</i>

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Middle Distance & Staying Events Summary

HOST	RACE NAME	GROUP DATE	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
SGRC Sandown Park	McKenna Memorial 595m	2 July 6, 13	\$40,000	Best greyhounds nominated.
MGRA The Meadows	Destini Fireball Stayers 725m	Listed July 22, 29	\$25,000	Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens ineligible
BGRC Albion Park	AGRA National Distance Championship 710m	1 August 25	\$75,000	Greyhounds to qualify from each State.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Chairman's Cup 720m	3 September 2, 9	\$25,000	Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
MGRA The Meadows	Top Cat Video Cup 725m	3 September 23, 30	\$25,000	Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Sydney Cup 720m	3 October 7, 14	\$25,000	Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
MGRA The Meadows	SKY Racing Topgun Stayers 725m	2 October 28	\$75,000	By invitation only.
MGRA The Meadows	Hume Cup (Sponsored by Hume Council) 600m	1 October 28 November 6	\$75,000	Best greyhounds nominated. Maidens ineligible.
SGRC Sandown Park	Bold Trease 715m	1 November 17, 24	\$100,000	Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
SGRC Sandown Park	Sir John Dillon Memorial 595m	3 November 24	\$25,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Summer Cup 720m	3 December 2, 9	\$25,000	Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
NGRC The Gardens	Newcastle Cup 715m	Listed December 15	\$15,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
Sale GRC	Sale Cup 650m	1 December 17, 26	\$75,000	Best 64 greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.
GWA Cannington	The Miata 715m	3 January 6, 13	\$25,000	Best greyhounds nominated. Based on Grade.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Summer Distance Plate 720m	2 January 13, 20	\$40,000	Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
BGRC Albion Park	Queensland Cup 600m	3 January 18, 25	\$25,000	Best greyhounds nominated.
SGRC Sandown Park	Maidment Memorial 595m	Listed January 25	\$15,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated.
MGRA The Meadows	Rookie Rebel 600m	1 February 17	\$75,000	Best 8 greyhounds by invitation.
MGRA The Meadows	Zoom Top 725m	1 February 17	\$75,000	Best 8 greyhounds by invitation.
MGRA The Meadows	Super Stayers 725m	1 February 24 March 3	\$100,000	Best greyhounds nominated plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Association Cup 720m	1 March 24, 31	\$75,000	Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Gold Cup 720m	3 April 7, 14	\$25,000	Best 24 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
GWA Cannington	SKY Racing Galaxy 715m	1 April 14, 21	\$100,000	Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
SGRC Sandown Park	The Lizrene 715m	3 May 10	\$25,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated.
SGRC Sandown Park	The Racecallers 595m	3 May 10	\$25,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated.
SGRC Sandown Park	Sandown Cup 715m	1 May 17, 24	\$175,000	Best 32 greyhounds nominated plus reserves.
SGRC Sandown Park	Cup Night Stayers 715m	Listed May 24	\$15,000	Best 8 greyhounds nominated.
BGRC Albion Park	Gold Cup 710m	1 June 7, 14	\$75,000	Best greyhounds nominated.
BGRC Albion Park	Superstayers Invitational 710m	3 June 21	\$25,000	By invitation only.

HOST	RACE NAME	GROUP	DATES	FIRST PRIZE	ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS
MGRA The Meadows	Hudson Pacific Maturity Classic 520m	1	July 15, 22, 29	\$100,000	Best 96 Greyhounds whelped on or after April 1, 2015 plus reserves. Maidens ineligible.
GRSA Angle Park	SA Oaks 515m	3	September 7, 14	\$25,000	Best female greyhounds whelped on or after June 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
GRSA Angle Park	BGC SA Derby 515m	3	September 14, 21	\$25,000	Best male greyhounds whelped on or after June 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ladbrokes Vic Peters Classic 520m	1	October 21, 28 November 4	\$75,000	Best 80 greyhounds whelped on or after July 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
GWA Cannington	Young Star Classic 520m	3	November 11, 18	\$25,000	Greyhounds whelped on or after August 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
SGRC Sandown Park	Laurels Classic 515m	2	December 3, 10, 14	\$50,000	Best 64 Female greyhounds whelped on or after September 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
MGRA The Meadows	AJS Corporation Silver Chief Classic 525m	1	December 23, 30 January 6	\$100,000	Male greyhounds whelped on or after September 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ladbrokes National Futurity 520m	1	January 27 February 3	\$75,000	Best 40 female greyhounds whelped on or after October 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ladbrokes National Derby 520m	1	January 27 February 3	\$75,000	Best 40 male greyhounds whelped on or after October 1, 2015. Maidens ineligible.
BGRC Albion Park	Bogie Leigh Queensland Futurity 520m	2	April 5, 12	\$40,000	Best female greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after January 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.
BGRC Albion Park	Queensland Derby 520m	2	April 12, 19	\$40,000	Best male greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after January 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.
GWA Cannington	WA Derby 520m	2	May 12, 19	\$40,000	Best male greyhounds nominated whelped on or after February 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.
GWA Cannington	WA Oaks 520m	2	May 19, 26	\$40,000	Best female greyhounds nominated whelped on or after February 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.
NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park	Ladbrokes Peter Mosman Classic 520m	1	June 2, 9, 16	\$75,000	Best 80 greyhounds nominated plus reserves whelped on or after March 1, 2016. Maidens ineligible.
BGRC Albion Park	Flying Amy Classic	3	June 7, 14	\$25,000	Best Greyhounds nominated, whelped on or after March 1, 2016.

2017/18 Chronological Calendar

JULY 2017

BGRC Albion Park
Winter Cup 520m

Group 1
June 29 July 6

Bendigo GRC
Bendigo Cup 425m

Group 2
July 2,7

SGRC Sandown Park
McKenna Memorial 595m

Group 2
July 6, 13

MGRA The Meadows
Hudson Pacific Maturity Classic 525m

Group 1
July 15, 22, 29

MGRA The Meadows
Destini Fireball Stayers 725m

Listed
July 22, 29

Shepparton GRC
Shepparton Cup 450m

Group 2
July 24, 29

Darwin GA of the NT
Darwin Cup 537m

Group 3
July 30 August 6

AUGUST 2017

Dapto GRC
Dean Industrial Maiden Series 520m

Group 3
August 17, 24, 31

NGRC The Gardens
Black Top 515m

Group 2
August 18, 25

Cranbourne GRC
Cranbourne Classic 520m

Group 3R
August 19, 26

BGRC Albion Park
AGRA National Sprint Championship 520m

Group 1
August 25

BGRC Albion Park
AGRA National Distance Championship 710m

Group 1
August 25

Townsville GRC
Townsville Cup 498m

Group 3
August 29 September 5

SEPTEMBER 2017

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Bob Payne Spring Sprint 520m

Group 2
September 2, 9

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Chairman's Cup 720m

Group 3
September 2, 9

Healesville GRC
Healesville Cup 350m

Group 3
September 3, 10

Canberra GRC
Canberra Cup 530m

Group 3
September 3, 10

GRSA Angle Park
SA Oaks 515m

Group 3
September 7, 14

GRSA Angle Park
BGC SA Derby 515m

Group 3
September 14, 21

Casino GRC
Charcoal Inn Casino Cup 484m

Group 3
September 15, 22

Dapto GRC
Megastar 520m

Group 1
September 21, 28

MGRA The Meadows
Top Cat Video Cup 725m

Group 3
September 23, 30

OCTOBER 2017

GRSA Angle Park
Adelaide Cup 515m

Group 1
October 5, 13

BGRC Albion Park
Gold Coast Cup 520m

Group 3
October 5, 12

GWA Mandurah
Mandurah Cup 490m

Group 3
October 6, 13

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Sydney Cup 720m

Group 3
October 7, 14

NSW GBOTA Lismore
Lismore Workers Club Cup 520m

Group 2
October 17, 24

Geelong GRC
Geelong Gold Cup 460m

Group 2
October 20, 27

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Ladbrokes Vic Peters Classic 520m

Group 1
October 21, 28 November 4

GWA Cannington
All Stars Sprint 520m

Group 2
October 21, 28

MGRA The Meadows
GRV Great Chase 525m

Group 3R
October 25

MGRA The Meadows
SKY Racing Topgun 525m

Group 1
October 28

MGRA The Meadows
SKY Racing Topgun Stayers 725m

Group 2
October 28

MGRA The Meadows
Hume Cup (Sponsored by Hume Council) 600m

Group 1
October 28 November 6

Shepparton GRC
Northern Districts Cup 450m

Listed
October 30 November 4

GRSA Gawler
Gawler Gold Cup 531m

Group 3
October 31 November 5

NOVEMBER 2017

Richmond GRC
Globe Memorial Maiden 535m

Listed
November 3, 10, 17

MGRA The Meadows
RSN Silver Bullet 525m

Group 3
November 6

GWA Cannington
Young Star Classic 520m

Group 3
November 11, 18

Shoalhaven GRC
Ladbrokes Nowra Spring Puppy Classic 520m

Group 3
November 13, 20, 27

GRSA Angle Park
Brian Johnstone 515m

Group 3R
November 15, 23, 30

SGRC Sandown Park
Melbourne Cup 515m

Group 1
November 17, 24

SGRC Sandown Park
Bold Trease 715m

Group 1
November 17, 24

2017/18 Chronological Calendar

Ipswich GRC
**City of Ipswich
Gold Cup 520m**
Group 3
November 18, 25

SGRC Sandown Park
**Sir John Dillon
Memorial 595m**
Group 3
November 24

SGRC Sandown Park
Cup Night Sprint 515m
Listed
November 24

BGRC Albion Park
**SKY Racing Brisbane
Cup 520m**
Group 1
November 30 December 7

DECEMBER 2017

Ballarat GRC
Ballarat Cup 450m
Group 2
December 2, 9

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Summer Cup 720m
Group 3
December 2, 9

SGRC Sandown Park
Laurels Classic 515m
Group 2
December 3, 10, 14

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Christmas Gift 520m
Group 3
December 9, 16

Hobart GRC
**Luxbet Hobart
Thousand 461m**
Group 1
December 14, 21

NGRC The Gardens
Newcastle Cup 715m
Listed
December 15

Sale GRC
Sale Cup 650m
Group 1
December 17, 26

MGRA The Meadows
**AJS Corporation Silver Chief
Classic 525m**
Group 1
December 23, 30 January 6

NSW GBOTA Gosford
**Woy Woy Poultry
Gosford Cup 515m**
Group 2
December 26 January 2

JANUARY 2018

SGRC Sandown Park
Shootout 515m
Group 3
January 1

Warragul GRC
Warragul Cup 460m
Group 2
January 5, 13

GWA Mandurah
**Mandurah Mail
Birthday Cup 405m**
Group 3
January 5, 12

GWA Cannington
The Miata 715m
Group 3
January 6, 13

North West Greyhound
Racing Club
**Hankook Tyres Devonport
Cup 452m**
Group 3
January 9, 16

GRSA Angle Park
**SA Sprint
Championship 515m**
Listed
January 11, 18

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
**Ladbroke Paws Of
Thunder 520m**
Group 1
January 13, 20

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
**Summer Distance
Plate 720m**
Group 2
January 13, 20

BGRC Albion Park
Queensland Cup 600m
Group 3
January 18, 25

Traralgon GRC
Traralgon Cup 525m
Group 2
January 20, 27

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
The Collerson 520m
Listed
January 20

SGRC Sandown Park
Australian Sprint 515m
Listed
January 25

SGRC Sandown Park
Maidment Memorial 595m
Listed
January 25

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
**Ladbroke National
Futurity 520m**
Group 1
January 27 February 3

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
**Ladbroke National
Derby 520m**
Group 1
January 27 February 3

FEBRUARY 2018

Cranbourne GRC
Cranbourne Cup 520m
Group 2
February 3, 10

Launceston GRC
**ATOTAL Car Rentals
Launceston Cup 515m**
Group 2
February 5, 12, 19

Ipswich GRC
**Vince Curry Memorial
Maiden 520m**
Group 3
February 9, 10, 17, 24

MGRA The Meadows
GRV Vic Bred Series 525m
Group 3R
February 14, 21 March 3

MGRA The Meadows
Temlee 525m
Group 1
February 17

MGRA The Meadows
Australian Cup 525m
Group 1
February 17, 24 March 3

MGRA The Meadows
Rookie Rebel 600m
Group 1
February 17

MGRA The Meadows
Zoom Top 725m
Group 1
February 17

NSW GBOTA Bulli
**Ladbroke Cyril Rowe
Gold Cup 472m**
Group 2
February 17, 24

MGRA The Meadows
Super Stayers 725m
Group 1
February 24 March 3

GRSA Mount Gambier
Mount Gambier Cup 512m
Listed
February 25 March 4

MARCH 2018

Richmond GRC
**Ladbroke Richmond
Oaks 535m**
Group 2
March 2, 9

Richmond GRC
Richmond Derby 535m
Group 2
March 2, 9

2017/18 Chronological Calendar

Horsham GRC
Horsham Cup 485m

Group 2
March 2, 10

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Ladbroke Magic Maiden 520m

Group 3
March 14, 21, 31

SGRC Sandown Park
Launching Pad 515m

Group 2
March 15, 22, 29

Ipswich GRC
Rosewood and district Community Bank Auction Series 520m

Group 3R
March 16, 17, 24, 31

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Ladbroke Golden Easter Egg 520m

Group 1
March 17, 24, 31

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
New Sensation 520m

Group 3
March 21, 31

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Association Cup 720m

Group 1
March 24, 31

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Ultra Sense 520m

Listed
March 24, 31

SGRC Sandown Park
Easter Gift 515m

Group 3
March 29

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
The Ambrosoli 520m

Group 3
March 31

APRIL 2018

NSW GBOTA Maitland
Maitland Gold Cup 450m

Group 2
April 5, 12

BGRC Albion Park
Bogie Leigh Queensland Futurity 520m

Group 2
April 5, 12

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Gold Cup 720m

Group 3
April 7, 14

BGRC Albion Park
Queensland Derby 520m

Group 2
April 12, 19

GWA Cannington
SKY Racing Galaxy 715m

Group 1
April 14, 21

GWA Cannington
SKY Racing Perth Cup 520m

Group 1
April 14, 21

Shoalhaven GRC
Ladbroke Nowra Summer Puppy Classic 520m

Group 3
April 16, 23, 30

GWA Cannington
SKY Racing Perth Cup Consolation 520m

Group 3
April 21

Warrnambool GRC
Warrnambool Cup 450m

Group 2
April 25 May 2

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Evans & Son Jewellers Ladies Bracelet 520m

Group 3
April 28 May 5

MAY 2018

SGRC Sandown Park
Bill Collins Speed Star 515m

Group 3
May 10

SGRC Sandown Park
The Racecallers 595m

Group 3
May 10

SGRC Sandown Park
The Lizrene 715m

Group 3
May 10

Richmond GRC
Globe Memorial Richmond Riches Puppy Classic 535m

Listed
May 11, 18, 25

GWA Cannington
WA Derby 520m

Group 2
May 12, 19

Angle Park GRSA
Howard Ashton 515m

Group 3R
May 16, 24, 31

SGRC Sandown Park
Sandown Cup 715m

Group 1
May 17, 24

SGRC Sandown Park
Sapphire Crown 515m

Group 1
May 17, 24

SGRC Sandown Park
Harrison-Dawson 515m

Group 1
May 17, 24

GWA Cannington
WA Oaks 520m

Group 2
May 19, 26

SGRC Sandown Park
Cup Night Stayers 715m

Listed
May 24

JUNE 2018

NSW GBOTA Wentworth Park
Ladbroke Peter Mosman Classic 520m

Group 1
June 2, 9, 16

BGRC Albion Park
Gold Cup 710m

Group 1
June 7, 14

BGRC Albion Park
Flying Amy Classic 520m

Group 3
June 7, 14

BGRC Albion Park
Superstayers Invitational 710m

Group 3
June 21

BGRC Albion Park
Winter Cup 520m

Group 1
June 28 July 5

The AGRA NATIONALS

2017 UBET NATIONALS SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP 520M

GRAND FINAL – ALBION PARK – FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2017

First Prize \$75,000 – Grand Final (Group 1)

Club	Track	Distance	Heat	State Final
HGRC	Launceston	515m	July 31	August 7
SGRC	Sandown Park	515m	August 3	August 10
GRSA	Angle Park	515m	August 3	August 10
NSW GBOTA	Wentworth Park	520m	August 5	August 12
GWA	Cannington	520m	August 5	August 12
BGRC	Albion Park	520m	August 10	August 17

2017 UBET NATIONALS DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIP 710M

GRAND FINAL – ALBION PARK – FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2017

First Prize \$75,000 – Grand Final (Group 1)

Club	Track	Distance	Heat	State Final
HGRC	Launceston	720m	July 31	August 7
GRSA	Angle Park	731m	August 3	August 10
MGRC	The Meadows	725m	August 5	August 12
NSW GBOTA	Wentworth Park	720m	August 5	August 12
GWA	Cannington	715m	August 5	August 12
BGRC	Albion Park	710m	August 10	August 17

Selection Criteria for Group and Listed Races

Applicable to applications for 2017/18 Group Calendar

PRIMARY CRITERIA



1. Group 1 status shall apply to established events which carry a minimum prizemoney of \$75,000 cash to the winner and have been conducted for at least eight years or are 'protected status' or 'special status' Group 1 events. Winner's prizemoney must be between 65% and 74% of the total prizemoney paid to the first three placegetters.



2. Group 2 status shall apply to established events which carry prizemoney of between \$40,000 and \$74,999 cash to the winner and have been conducted for at least four years or are 'special status' Group 2 events. Winner's prizemoney must be between 65% and 74% of the total prizemoney paid to the first three placegetters.



3. Group 3 status shall apply to established events which carry prizemoney of between \$25,000 and \$39,999 cash to the winner and have been conducted for a minimum of two years or are 'special status' Group 3 events. Winner's prizemoney must be between 65% and 74% of the total prizemoney paid to the first three placegetters.



4. Group 3 (Restricted) shall apply to charts that have met the prize money and years of conduct requirements for Group 1, Group 2 or Group 3 status but have race entry eligibility restrictions which do not allow them to be considered for Group Status above Group 3 (Restricted). The events confined to Group 3 (Restricted) status are outlined in the general criteria.



5. Listed status shall apply to events which carry between \$15,000 and \$24,999 cash to the winner. Winner's prizemoney must be between 65% and 74% of the total prizemoney paid to the first three placegetters.

GENERAL CRITERIA

1. Application Eligibility and Group Race Committee

All registered greyhounds clubs in Australia are eligible to apply to the Group Race Co-Ordinator of the AGRA to have their respective feature events classified according to this criteria and must do so annually on the special Group and Listed Race application form. All Group and Listed Race applications will be subject to consideration by the AGRA Group Race Committee. The Group Race Committee will comprise the Chief Executive Officers of all AGRA Member Organisations as applies at any time. Once the Group and Listed Race Calendar has been approved by the Group Racing Committee and ratified at an AGRA General Meeting the following conditions apply to any organisation proposing a date change:

- (a) *That any changes to Group dates proposed by a club subsequent to the calendar approval by AGRA, be requested via the AGRA Group Race Committee.*
- (b) *The decision of the AGRA Group Race Committee is to be upheld by the applying club.*
- (c) *Where a club disregards the decision of the AGRA Group Race Committee or changes a Group race dates without advising the AGRA Group Race Committee, then the future Group status of the said event maybe reviewed.*

2. New Events

- i. A new event must pay a minimum of Group 3 prize money for a period of two years before being considered for Group Status.
- ii. In the third year, if the event continues to pay a minimum of Group 3 prize money, it will be awarded Group 3 status.
- iii. In the third year, if the event pays Group 2 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 3 status and must continue to pay Group 2 prize money or above for a further two years to be considered for an upgrade in Group status.
- iv. In the fifth year, if the event continues to pay Group 2 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 2 status.

Selection Criteria for Group Races

- v. In the fifth year, if the event pays Group 1 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 2 status and must continue to pay Group 1 prize money or above for a further four years to be considered for an upgrade in Group status.
- vi. In the ninth year if the event continues to pay Group 1 prize money or above it will be awarded Group 1 status.

3. Existing Group 3 Events – Upgrading of Group Status

- i. The event must pay Group 2 prize money or above for a period of two years to be considered for an upgrade in Group status.
- ii. In the third year, if the event continues to pay Group 2 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 2 status.
- iii. In the third year, if the event pays Group 1 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 2 status and must continue to pay Group 1 prize money or above for a further four years to be considered for an upgrade in Group status.
- iv. In the seventh year, if the event continues to pay Group 1 prize money or above it will be awarded Group 1 status.

4. Existing Group 2 Events – Upgrading of Group Status

- i. The event must pay Group 1 prize money or above for a period of four years to be considered for an upgrade in Group status.
- ii. In the fifth year, if the event continues to pay Group 1 prize money or above, it will be awarded Group 1 status.

5. Group 3 Restricted Events

- i. Events, restricted to greyhounds bred, and/or owned and/or trained in a particular State will be categorized as Group 3 (Restricted).
- ii. State Restricted Events, Auction Events or Events carrying multiple nomination fee above \$50 will be categorized Group 3 (Restricted).

6. Maiden Event Restrictions

No event for Maiden greyhounds shall be classified higher than Group 3, irrespective of the prizemoney paid to the winner.

7. Protected Event Status

The Group Race Committee is entitled to use its discretion, by invitation, to enable a Group 2 event to be ranked Group 1 irrespective of the minimum prizemoney requirement, or maintain such event as a Group 1 event in circumstances where the event has been conducted for a period in excess of 25 years. Where the Group Race is ranked Group 1 under this clause, it will be referred to as a 'protected' Group 1 event. Any event granted 'protected status' will have such status reviewed annually by the Group Race Committee.

8. Special Event Status

The Group Race Committee may consider applications for events to receive Group ranking outside the primary and general criteria set down, provided the Group Race Committee is satisfied with the reasons detailed in the special application. Where the Group Race Committee agrees to provide a ranking outside of primary and general criteria, the event will be considered to have received 'special status'. All 'special status' rankings will be reviewed by the Group Race Committee annually.

9. Condition of Entry Variations

Any event, which in the opinion of the Group Race Committee, has its conditions of entry or eligibility conditions significantly amended and which is therefore considered to be a 'new' event, may be classified as such and be subject to the criteria for new events.

Selection Criteria for Group Races

10. Drop in Status Penalty

Should any event drop in status for whatever reason, that event shall not be elevated to its former Group or Listed status until it has been conducted for a minimum period of three years and carried appropriate prizemoney for the new ranking.

11. Cautions

The Group Race Committee is empowered to issue a 'caution' to any club conducting a Group Race advising that consideration may be given to downgrading a race should the event not meet the required standard of its classification.

- i Should the event attract nominations of mediocre standard;
- ii Should the event lack nomination numbers;
- iii The hosting club be struggling to sustain prizemoney levels.

(The caution clause would be applied with a majority vote of the Group Racing Committee determining that the clubs be so advised and they be given two years until further review. The Committee will then decide whether there has been improvement in the event over the past three years and conducts a vote to determine whether the event should be downgraded, de-listed in the case of Group 3 or retain its status).

12. Ratification of Group Race Committee Decisions

The Australian Greyhound Racing Association will ratify all Group and Listed Race applications and decisions of the Group Race Committee at its Annual or Bi-Annual General Meetings.

Levies for Group Races

Levies apply to all Group Races which are approved by the Group Race Committee and included in the Group Race Calendar. Invoices are forwarded to each club by the AGRA Treasurer. The levies payable are as follows: Group 1 \$400 plus GST. Group 2 \$255 plus GST. Group 3 \$125 plus GST. Group 3 (Restricted) \$100 plus GST. Listed \$50 plus GST.

Age Restricted Classic Events

As part of its promotion of Group Racing AGRA classifies a series of Age Restricted Events as Age Restricted Classics.

To be eligible for consideration and categorisation as an Age Restricted Classic, the said race must meet the following requirements:

- The event must be ranked as a Group 1, Group 2 or Group 3 event.
- The event, whether open to male greyhounds only, female greyhounds only or both, is to be restricted to greyhounds that were no older than 27 months of age on the first day of the month in which the heats of the event are scheduled to be staged when dates are initially approved by AGRA. The age restriction is open to ongoing review by AGRA.
- The event must not be (a) restricted to greyhounds bred and/or owned and/or trained in a particular State or Territory or (b) restricted to greyhounds sold through a particular sale or auction or (c) require the payment of a nomination, commission or entry fee higher than \$150 or (d) require a nomination fee to be paid prior to eligible greyhounds becoming 12 months of age.
- Greyhounds that have not won a maiden race will be ineligible to contest any event approved as an Age Restricted Classic within the AGRA Group Racing Calendar.

AGRA has classified the following events as Age Restricted Classic Events:

- Maturity Classic 525m (The Meadows)
- SA Oaks 515m (Angle Park)
- SA Derby 515m (Angle Park)
- Vic Peters Classic 520m (Wentworth Park)
- Young Stars Classic 530m (Cannington)
- Laurels Classic 515m (Sandown Park)
- Silver Chief 525m (The Meadows)
- National Derby 520m (Wentworth Park)
- National Futurity 520m (Wentworth Park)
- Queensland Derby 520m (Albion Park)
- Bogie Leigh Futurity 520m (Albion Park)
- WA Derby 530m (Cannington)
- WA Oaks 530m (Cannington)
- Peter Mosman Classic 520m (Wentworth Park)
- Flying Amy Classic 520m (Albion Park)



Australian Greyhound Racing Association

Member Organisations

The Australian Greyhound Racing Association comprises in its membership all of the major racing bodies in Australia. AGRA seeks to promote and improve racing on a National basis and co-ordinates the Group Racing Calendar annually.



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