2010 Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Conditions

Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Race Dates:

Thursday 7th January:  
Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Heats (Up to 8) @ $3,250 each or  
The Advertiser Interstate Challenge @ $15,000

Thursday 14th January:  
Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Semi-Finals x 4 @ $6,500 each

Thursday 21st January:  
Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Final @ $85,000

Total Prizemoney & Trophies of $152,000

Nominations:
Close on Thursday 31st December with GRSA at 9.00am. A special nomination form is available from GRSA or nominations can be made on-line, please specify Adelaide Cup.

TOP 16:
The Adelaide Cup Selection Panel will select the TOP 16 greyhounds from the nominations. They will be seeded through to the Adelaide Cup Semi-Finals on January 14th.

From the TOP 16, invitations will be issued to compete in the Interstate Challenge on January 7th (At least 4 SA greyhounds will be included in the TOP 16). Remaining greyhounds will be graded into race/s on the 7th January, unless withdrawn as per acceptance procedure below. Withdrawal by a TOP 16 greyhound at this point does not affect its Cup Semi-Final position.

The winner of the New Year Sprint, run on Thursday 31st December gains automatic selection in the TOP 16 and the Interstate Challenge.

Greyhounds that have won a Group Three race in South Australia or an Open Grade Group One race since July 1st 2009 are automatic inclusions in the Top 16.

Acceptance:
The TOP 16 list will be released on Thursday night (31st December). After release of this list, Trainers not wishing to race on January 7th, will have up until 9.00am on Monday 4th January to withdraw from this meeting. Any withdrawals after this time will be subject to normal scratching penalties.

Remaining greyhounds nominated (outside the Top 16) will compete in the Cup Heats, with 16 qualifying (under normal heat & final rules) for the Adelaide Cup Semi-Finals. The reserves for the semis will be the next eligible qualifiers. Should any of the TOP 16 be withdrawn prior to the box draw for the Cup Semi-Finals, it will be replaced by the next highest qualifier from the Heats.
Adelaide Cup Heats & Interstate Challenge Box Draw:
The Box Draw for the Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Heats & interstate challenge will take place at GRSA on Monday 4th January at approximately 1.30pm.

Adelaide Cup Semi-Finals:
The Semi-Finals of the Sky Racing Adelaide Cup will be run on Thursday 14th January. The first two from each semi will qualify for the Final, with the two fastest thirds declared as reserves (as per heat & final rules).

Adelaide Cup Selection Panel:
A Selection Panel will choose the TOP 16 and the greyhounds to be invited to the Interstate Challenge. This panel will consist of the GRSA Grader (Chairman), Operations Manager, Racing Officer and 2 members of the SA greyhound media.

Dates and Features for the Cup Carnival:

**Thursday 31st December:**
- West End Distance Championship Heats 731m
- New Year Sprint – 515m

**Thursday 7th January:**
- West End Distance Championship Final (Group 3)
- Sky Channel Adelaide Cup Heats (up to 8)
- Advertiser Interstate Challenge

**Thursday 14th January:**
- Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Semi-Finals (4)
- John Gray Memorial Heats - Grade 5

**Thursday 21st January:**
- Sky Racing Adelaide Cup Final (Group 1)
- John Gray Memorial Final