

Media Release

Extra incentive to contest Gold Rush Maiden series

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Greyhound Racing Victoria recently announced a \$100 unplaced payment to greyhounds that contest GRV Vic Bred maiden series' for the remainder of this financial year and now GRV have agreed to support the annual Jarrod Larkin Concreting Gold Rush Maiden series with the same incentive for greyhounds contesting all three rounds of the \$10,000 to the winner event at Easter.

Now in its fifteenth year the Gold Rush Maiden is renowned for unearthing some of the stars of the track but the series also relies on attracting a high number of entries to ensure its success and viability.

Despite the decreased pool of available greyhounds in 2018 the Gold Rush attracted enough entries for sixteen heats and the Club is hoping the latest incentive provided by GRV will ensure that is the case again in 2019.

"We schedule two days of heats and with semi finals still being conducted it is ideal to have a minimum of sixteen heats, obviously a maximum of twenty four" said BGRA Manager Troy Harley. Last year was a pleasant surprise to still be able to attract sixteen heats but this year is a bigger test again with the lower racing population and the BGRA is grateful for the incentive being provided by GRV with the \$100 unplaced payment applying to heats, semi finals and final".

The Jarrod Larkin Concreting Gold Rush Maiden is the flagship event of the annual Gold Rush Carnival with heats set down for Thursday April 11 and Friday April 12, semi finals Wednesday April 17 and the final headlining Easter Sunday racing on April 21 with four other feature events on the support card.

