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GRV Media Release – Redemption achieved at TAB Melbourne Cup

Superstar greyhound My Redeemer (\$4.60) secured breeder trainer David Geall his first Melbourne Cup win with a stunning performance on a wet Sandown Park track last night.

Drawn in box one in the \$630,000 Group 1 final, My Redeemer used the inside draw to full advantage, holding the rail throughout the 515m feature to hold off previously unbeaten Black Opium (\$3.00Fav) by four lengths with She's Gifted (\$6.50) third.

It was the second time Geall has had a runner in the Melbourne Cup, with My Redeemer's older half sister Up Hill Jill missing a place last year.

"As a trainer we all just hope we can one day win a Melbourne Cup, but you never really think you will," Geall said.

"My Redeemer is such a courageous dog. He's a great little chaser and he's so powerful."

"I'm so proud of him. To breed a greyhound that goes on to win what is regarded as the world's greatest greyhound race is so surreal."

It was My Redeemer's 20th win from 42 starts with the \$435,000 first prize taking his career earnings up to \$647,870.

It was his second Group 1 win after taking out the Harrison-Dawson at Sandown Park in May.

Later in the night the Robert Britton-trained Barcali won the \$150,000 Group 1 Bold Trease (715m).

Barcali was bred in Warrnambool by Noel Mugavin, an uncle of AFL great Jonathan Brown.

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