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Racing update

Community groups to share in \$24,000 in greyhound racing's TAB Great Chase Grand Final on Wednesday

Twenty two Victorian community groups that care for the intellectually or physically disabled are in the running for a \$10,000 windfall in greyhound racing's TAB Great Chase Grand Final at The Meadows on Wednesday.

While crowds are currently not allowed on course because of the COVID-19 pandemic, eight of the 22 groups - all of which attended last year's final at The Meadows – will be randomly drawn and allocated a greyhound in this year's final, to be run at 5.24pm.

The draw will take place at around 5.15pm on Wednesday via a private zoom link for all 22 groups, who will be greeted by GRV Chair Peita Duncan, CEO Alan Clayton and TAB General Manger Wagering, Trevor Parkes.

The eight groups selected are sure to be cheering frantically for their greyhounds from afar, with the organisation matched to the Grand Final winner to receive \$10,000, while the other seven groups will collect \$2,000 each, equating to \$24,000.

First run in 2003, the annual TAB Great Chase is a state-wide event which traditionally sees groups that care for the disabled enjoy free days out at their local greyhound racetrack, where they receive meals, showbags and are allocated greyhounds for the day. The better-performing dogs win prize money for their group, with almost \$650,000 distributed to Victoria's disability sector so far.

The TAB Great Chase series is open to greyhounds with 1-5 wins, and has been won by many champions over the years, including last year's winner Simon Told Helen, who has since gone on to win four Group 1 races while amassing more than \$640,000 in prize money.

The 2020 Grand Final has no shortage of quality, featuring up-and-coming stars including Equalizer and Dr. Tucker, who have both won four races on end, as well as with Jepara (won 5 from 7) and Sovereign Wind (6 from 10). First prize is \$47,000.

Group 3 TAB Great Chase Grand Final Wednesday 21 October, 5.24pm The Meadows (525 metres)

1 EQUALIZER (Jason Thompson, Pearcedale)
2 JEPARA (Angela Langton, Anakie)
3 CARRY ON MAXWELL (Tim Britton, Lara)
4 SOVEREIGN WIND (Des Douch, Maffra)
5 DR. TUCKER (William McMahon, Darriman)
6 EARN THE ANSWERS (Lyn Smith, Nambrok)
7 MEPUNGA SPARKLE (Samantha Hooke, Bushfield)
8 PAINT PEELER (Jason Whybrow, Wangaratta)
Reserves
9 ALAMOSA BILL (Glenn Rounds, Devon Meadows)

10 CAPTAIN DYNAMITE (Kelvyn Greenough, Pearcedale)

How to follow Wednesday's TAB Great Chase Grand Final:

- Watch LIVE and FREE on The Watchdog app or on Sky Racing.
- Tune into Midweek Meadows on SEN TRACK (1593 AM) from 4-6pm.
- RSN Racing and Sport (927 AM).
- Live Twitter coverage with 'Watchdog Racing' and 'The Meadows Dogs'.

Groups in the running to draw a greyhound in the 2020 TAB Great Chase Grand Final

COMMUNITY GROUP	LOCATION	LOCAL RACE CLUB
Riding Develops Abilities	Maryborough	Ballarat
Riding for the Disabled	Ballarat	Ballarat
McCallum Disability Services	Alfredton	Ballarat
Kalianna Special School	Bendigo	Bendigo
Scope Fenton Street & De Gille Street	Bendigo	Bendigo
Scope Weeroona Avenue	Bendigo	Bendigo
Vahland Complex	Bendigo	Bendigo
Blairlogie Living and Learning	Cranbourne South	Cranbourne
The Bridge Connects	Dandenong	Cranbourne
Scope Muscovy Drive	Grovedale	Geelong
Estia Health Yarra Valley	Yarra Junction	Healesville
Manna Gums Nursery	Ararat	Horsham
Wood 'n' Crete	Ararat	Horsham
Goulburn Options	Seymour	Shepparton
Rangeview Nursing Home	Wangaratta	Shepparton
Araluen	Lower Plenty	The Meadows
Aurora - Social Links	Thomastown	The Meadows
Aurora - Vasey Venue	Lalor	The Meadows
Nextt	Sunshine	The Meadows
Riding Develops Abilities	Oaklands	The Meadows
All Abilities Sports	Latrobe Valley	Warragul
Life Skills Community centre	Мое	Warragul

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