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### Group 2 City of Hume Cup final closest in years

Next Monday night's Group 2 City of Hume Cup at The Meadows looks set to be one of the closest contested Australian Group races in years, with just a length separating the four heat winners over the 600-metre journey.

The decision by the Melbourne Greyhound Racing Association to this year change the distance of the Group 2 City of Hume Cup to 600 metres (previously 725 metres) has certainly paid dividends, with four hotly contested heats on Saturday and a final with eight genuine chances. The race will be one of two Group events on the night, with the Group 3 Silver Bullet over 525 metres adding to an already power packed evening of racing.

Lara Trainer Robert Britton is well represented in the \$30,000-to-the-winner final with three of his charges qualifying, including first heat winner Cool Wabbit (34.63), the impressive Philby (34.65) and Symmetry, who was runner-up in heat two.

Britton's chasers will have to compete with the likes of Decembrist, who took out the second heat in 34.66, and Allen Zander, who qualified for his third Group final, winning the last heat in 34.69. Flash Of Light will be looking for her third Group win – and first race win since July - after finishing two and a quarter lengths behind Allen Zander in the last heat. Victory would push the daughter of Premier Fantasy and Trendy La Maze's prizemoney to over \$260,000.

Trainer Anthony Azzopardi – who had no luck with Smooth Fancy in the Group 1 Sky Racing TOPGUN on Saturday night – will be looking to quickly turn his Group form around with the flying Seek And Destroy starting from box five in next Monday's final after running second to Philby in heat three.

Interstate raider Sandhog, who will start from box two in the final, will be aiming to win a race in his fifth Australian State or Territory if successful next Monday night, with victories in Tasmania, Western Australia, South Australia and the ACT in his impressive, jet-setting career.

Next Monday night at The Meadows (Melbourne Cup eve) will be the perfect place to be for you and your family. Along with free kids activities, including face painting and rides, children also go into the draw to win one of 10 bikes. Adults can go into a draw to win a Sharp large screen LCD and surround sound system.

To view the box draw of the Group 2 City of Hume Cup, click [here](#)

*For affordable dining packages during the Group 1 TOPGUN and Group 2 Hume Cup series, contact The Meadows on 9355 5222.*

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