

Glenn's the King of Rocky

TWO years ago, Glenn Smith needed a pup to be a mate for one he already had. He got a Rockhampton Cup winner as well.

"I raced a bitch called Twenty Two, sent her to Bundaberg to race and when they bred with her (to Bobniak), I got a pup from the litter," he told The Journal.

"But I needed another one to rear with her. I thumbed through The Journal and found a litter by Shape Shifter-Queen Size for sale from Julie Edmondson for \$800 and bought the only pup left."

And that's how Hitech King came to join the Glenn Smith kennel.

In hindsight it was an astute buy for Smith. The dam Queen Size is a litter sister to Group 1 winner Short Model and his brilliant brother Keen Model.

Her Shape Shifter litter has been outstanding already. It also includes Greg Stella's Rylee's Reward and Edmondson's own Size Matters.

"This dog has always shown ability and I took him to Rockhampton late last year with Gozo Monk for the Young Guns thinking my dog could win," said Smith.

"But Gozo Monk won it because Hitech King didn't travel well and got crook after the run."

The dog showed just how good he is by coming back to Brisbane and winning a heat of the Silver Dollars in 30.29.

Smith sent him to Melbourne for the Maturity but he did not settle in well.

The Rockhampton Cup trip was his first since then. "He was lucky to get into the final after being run off at the first turn when second in his heat to Real Attitude," said Smith.

"He was drawn nicely in the final and I reasoned that if he could head the speed dogs on his outside he could win. That's how it turned out."

It was a good trip for Smith. He won the Maiden 1000 final with Hitech Stanley (Just The Best-Courageous Joyce), the Cup with Hitech King and that Bobniak- Twenty Two bitch, now racing as Hitech Bullet, also won on Cup night.

While Smith laments that the country cups are not worth what they once were, he admits the Rocky Cup was a good one to win.



He has high hopes for Hitech Stanley, and believes King still has plenty more wins in him. "And Hitech Star has just whelped a litter of six pups to No Intent which I have syndicated to my owners," he said.

Glenn Smith is working on his future in greyhound racing.

	Acacia Ablaze	Acacia Park
		Watusi Rose
Shape Shifter		Pretty Fearless
	Pretty Wanderer	Fifi She's Not
HITECH KING		Worthy Reward
	Deep North	Brute Girl
Queen Size		Ultravana
	Ultra Queen	Crescent Queen

Rockhampton Cup (510m)

1 HITECH KING \$4.60

(Shape Shifter-Queen Size)

Owner: Tricia Fuller

Trainer: Glenn Smith

2 REAL ATTITUDE \$4

(Bonjase-Subanski)

3 TWIN CAM ANNIE \$4.60
(Prince Of Tigers-Plunky's Girl)

Others: 4 Izy Fast \$3,

5 Awesome Cruiser \$15,

6 Lavender Bear \$15,

7 Kiss A Lillie \$7,

8 Dream Journal \$11.

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