

C.J.C. NATIONAL MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

CHRISTCHURCH, Wednesday.

A foggy morning gave place to a fine afternoon, and although the course was soft and slow the going was sound. There was a large attendance, including His Excellency the Governor and party. For the first time the Ladies' Handicap Bill Bailey was made a special favorite, but after leading for half the distance he fell back, and Makuri taking up the running and jumping well held command for the rest of the journey, winning easily at the finish. The winner was the absolute outsider of the field. Time, 3.4 1/2. Dividends, £50 17/8 and £1 4/4.

Romeo was scratched for the Trial Hurdles, for which all the starters were well backed. Taxpayer and What made the running for about a mile, when the latter was beaten, and Taxpayer went on in front and led over the last hurdle, and looked like a sure winner, but could not respond to Jewel King's strong final run, and was beaten by a couple of lengths. Time, 3.57. Dividends, £2 17/8 and £2 12/6.

Eighteen horses faced the starter for the Winter Cup. Master Alick (with Derrett in the saddle) kept going to the post of the Yaldhurst stable, and to his credit being unable to make a selection in one of the most open races ever run, and Krennil (who had shown the best training track record) was the ultimate favorite in a well backed field. Romeo, Newland, and What were the leading rivals, but were beaten by Nohin, the English jockey. Did not move when the barrier rose, and was a dozen lengths in the rear throughout. Venerable Master Alick, Krennil, Brighton, and Tirole were the leading track in close order for half a mile, at the end of which Strapped and Full Cry joined them. Krennil then drew out, and the race was to all appearance over, but at the distance Full Cry charged, and Krennil was again beaten. Krennil just held on long enough to win a head, with Emoor three lengths away third. Master Alick, Brighton, and Strapped shared out at the finish. Time, 1.45. Dividends, £6 3/4 and £6 12/6.

All the acceptors for the Grand National Steeplechase went to the post. Haydn looked well, and was made favorite, and Phaeonitis justified his second position, but neither appearance nor on recent track work were the public warranted in making Klater almost as good a favorite as Phaeonitis. Besides these, Inskillen (probably the best-looking of the lot), Comfort, and Pip were soundly supported, while Tom had a good following. Inskillen, Phaeonitis, Pip, and Comfort, in the order named, led past the stand, but Comfort lost his rider at Cutts'. Inskillen increased his lead and showed a fine race, and Klater joined Pip and Phaeonitis, who were racing together second. At the top turn Pip joined Inskillen in the lead, Haydn taking third place, with Phaeonitis fourth. Klater fell at the stand, but was given a second chance for the next half-mile. At the six-furlong post the four leaders were together, Pip then falling back outpaced. At the turn Inskillen and Phaeonitis drew out, but the latter fell over the posts and rail, and Inskillen led over the last fence, when he was challenged by Haydn, but the former had a good bit in hand, and won comfortably by three lengths. Only the placed horses finished, and the grand total of the race was a disappointing spectacle. Even Inskillen hit several fences very hard, but Haydn and Pip fenced faultlessly, and were backing only in pace. Phaeonitis only touched the one which that which brought him down. Kohatu was killed by his fall, but the others escaped serious injury. Time, 1.17 3/5. Dividends, £5 10/0 and £1 2/4.

The Tallyho Plate was another series of blunders, only the first three getting round. Playfair, a very pretty jumper with a bit of quality, and Agilator, which ran first and second, were together in the front practically all the way. Time, 5.29 4/5. Dividends, £20 13/8 and £2 14/2.

Newland won the Jumpers' Flat Race pretty comfortably, but Tupara appeared to be backed on the rails for some distance in the straight. Time, 2.43 1/5. Dividends, £2 7/8 and £2 1/2.

The Ebbish Steeplechase brought another exhibition of lunging, only the first and second horses getting round without mistake. Te Kohau winning by four lengths. Time, 4.18 1/2. Dividends, £32 1/2 and £2 1/2.

The Hack Handicap, the concluding event, was won easily by Jolly Friar from Steppside, Flying Spark, the favorite, who was lame, finishing third. Time, 1.18. Dividends, £2 17/8 and £3 12/6.

Totalisator investments amounted to £15,981.

SECOND DAY.

CHRISTCHURCH, Friday.

The second day's racing opened with the Hunt Club Cup, for which all but Te Kohau started. The jumping was much better than on the first day, but the issue was confined to the placed horses. What eventually, who led from Playfair, for which the distance was a little too far, and Howlock, which led for about two miles. The Whip fell at the stand double, but Mr P. Noble rode the saddle, and the horse, and continued the journey, his clever recovery gaining good cheer. Time, 5.13. Dividends, £5 9/8 and £1 1/4.

Blythemed was always in a good position in the Summer Handicap, and going to the front in the straight, was comfortably won by five lengths from the runner, which ran a good race. Marginal led to the straight, and then collapsed. Time, 2.47 2/5. Dividends, £3 7/8 and 17/8.

Mr G. L. Stead, but was last most of the way. Time, 1.18 2/5. Dividends, £5 17/8 and £3 7/8.

Five surethings, including the steeplechase winner and Haku, both of which had been well backed in doubles, left seventeen starters for the Grand National Hurdles. The juddock during the parade was an animal of new. Romeo, greatly pleased by his appearance, as also did Tromper, Cavalry, and Newtown. Romeo was made a pronounced favorite, Newtown next in demand, but with anything else was 40 to 1, or better, for a win. The big field took the first flight of hurdles in close order, Cavalry falling, Hingurawa and Romeo led over the next flight, where Durable fell. Passing Cutts' Romeo took the lead, but struck the next hurdle heavily, breaking his leg. Tromper falling over him, the Mohican just escaping by a miracle. Newtown then went on in front, followed by Levant, with Tupara at the head of the others, and what made up the rest of the race, and displaced Newtown in the lead, then came Levant, Tupara, Daredevil, Creusot, and Maghouth, all in a cluster, close up. In the straight Creusot went out after Falwell, and the two of the latter hurdle were barely clear of Tupara, Newtown, Daredevil, and Maghouth. Creusot had the best of the race home, eventually winning by a length and a half from Falwell, which had a slender advantage over Tupara. Daredevil was fourth, and Newtown fifth. It was a splendid race but for the accidents. Romeo and Tromper had to be destroyed. Time, 3.49 2/5. Dividends, £38 17/8 and £4 9/8.

The Ladies' Handicap was a very hot race, and was won by a head by the favorite, Romeo, who was fourth, and Newtown fifth. It was a splendid race but for the accidents. Romeo and Tromper had to be destroyed. Time, 3.49 2/5. Dividends, £38 17/8 and £4 9/8.

Knuor entered away with the Idington Handicap, for which he was a very hot favorite. Savony should have been second, but Beat Seaton only beating him a head. Time, 3.47 2/5. Dividends, £2 2/2 and £1 13/8.

The Second Hunters' Hurdles, with only four starters, produced an exciting race. Makuri and Bill Bailey ran together to the last hurdle, where the latter fell, and Grand Jury and Makuri fought out a great finish, the latter just getting the verdict. Makuri is a very useful hunter. Time, 3.33. Dividend, £2 1/6.

The Whataroa winning by a neck from Bill Perkins, with Makuku, who was favorite, next, and several others, including Banazol, who led to the distance, close up. Time, 1.20 1/5. Dividends, £5 1/6 and £2 13/8.

The totalisator investments amounted to £14,420, an increase of £2788 on last year's total.

CONCLUDING DAY.

CHRISTCHURCH, this day.

The cheerless weather conditions continued to the close of the afternoon, but the attendance kept up well.

The opening event, the Ladies' Bracelet, produced a good race between Bill Bailey and Miss Vera Capel, but the former days had the upper hand, eventually winning by a length and a quarter. Time, 3.5. Dividends, £2 3/8 and £2 14/8.

Narcissus and Taxpayer were similarly matched in the Hack Handicap, which resulted in favour of the former. Time, 3.22. Dividends, £4 10/8.

There was a capital race for the Syndicate Hurdle Race, for which Tupara was made favorite, with Comfort, Cavalry and Hingurawa next in demand, while the others were well backed. Daredevil and Hingurawa made the running for about a mile, when the latter broke down, and Daredevil was left in the lead. There was not much change in the positions, the runner, rounding the turn for home, where Cavalry fell, and Tupara closed on the leader. Tupara took command at the distance, where Comfort came with a strong run, and fell at the last hurdle, but eventually beating Daredevil for second place. The Mohican finished strongly fourth, after jumping the last hurdle badly. Tupara's was a popular win. Time, 3.27. Dividends, £3 7/8 and £2 12/2.

There was no pronounced favorite for the Beatrice Handicap. Flower o'Clintia, Crickton, Full Cry and Golden Knight (Jenkins) claiming most support. Crickton achieved a meritorious win. Gentle came finished strongly, but the distance was too far for Full Cry. Golden Knight was resolutely ridden, but was never prominent. Time, 1.32. Dividends, £5 8/8 and £1 10/8.

The previous bad jumping was repeated and Victory once got into safety. Pip entering home by himself and great cheering. The second place, however, was taken by Manaxona, who had refused during the journey. Phaeonitis and Inskillen carried half the money for the winners. Time, 1.30. Dividends, £5 13/8 and £2 8/8.

Jolly Friar won the Solway Handicap, beating Tessera, which had led from the start in the last few strides, the winner, and Beat finishing fourth. Time, 1.30. Dividends, £5 12/8 and £2 5/8.

Daredevil continued the improvement he had shown as the meeting progressed, by winning the Final Hurdle Race, very easily. All the starters were well backed. Time, 3.10. Dividends, £5 14/8 and £2 13/8.

The complaint was paid to Mr Neagle of installing his mount. Kohatu, a noted hunter, but at a distance of six, was a favorite for the Hunters' Plate on 15/1, but Captain Campbell's pair, Makuri and Playfair, had the race to themselves, and only Makuri pulling up allowed Wivaka to get into the race. Time, 2.54. Dividends, £2 18/8 and £1 9/8.

The totalisator investments totalled £41,944, against £28,445 last year.

THE CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

NEW ZEALAND CUP WEIGHTS.

CHRISTCHURCH, Saturday.

Mr Henrys has declared the following weights for the principal event of the C.J.C. Spring Meeting:—

THE NEW ZEALAND CUP OF 1500SOVS.

Two miles.

st. lb.	at. lb.
Achilles	9 8
Mohitonga	9 3
Nightfall	8 12
Yaldhurst	8 0
Nomete	8 0
Quarryman	8 7
Manapoto	8 4
Clabstone	8 3
Oriol	8 2
Scotty	8 1
Patriamus	8 0
Balwado	7 12
Gold Crown	7 11
Melrose	7 10
Convey	7 9
St. Michael	7 9
Yewer	7 8
Roseal	7 8
Gheorka	7 8
Golden Knight	7 8
Jemima Aitch	7 6
Yewer	7 5
Melwood	7 3
Black Bayard	7 2
General	7 0
General Symon	7 0
Yewer	7 0
Lady Wayward	7 0
Sungold	7 0
Sir Telesman	6 13
Boomerang	6 13
Forrestal	6 12
Cuneiform	6 13
Notos	6 13
Strapped	6 11
Calbre	6 10
Flamen	6 10
Probable	6 10
Apolo	6 10
Mullford	6 10
Apoloherbs	6 10
Gay Spark	6 10
Joe Chamber	6 10
Jatu	6 9
Armbicite	6 9
Douche	6 9
Bram Seaton	6 9
Clabstone	6 8
Melrose	6 8
St. Joe	6 8
Blythemed	6 8
Thunderer	6 8
Herselm	6 8
Royal Crown	6 7
Ropa	6 7
Secret Society	6 7
Stephaner	6 7
De la Rey	6 7
Nectarum	6 7
Abdity	6 7
Heywood	6 7
Lyrst	6 7
Grandle	6 7
Manawatu	6 7
King's Birthday	6 7
Rosegrove	6 7
Armbicite	6 7
Assagal	6 7
Sweet Helen	6 7
Luifert	6 7
Talsibar	6 7

THE NEW ZEALAND METROPOLITAN TROTTLING CLUB'S MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

CHRISTCHURCH, Wednesday.

The New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club's Spring Meeting was continued today. Although the weather was cold and dull, there was a good attendance, and speculation was brisk, investments totaling £11,551 10/. The results are as follows:—

- Ladies' Bracelet, 14 miles.—Elsa Iton 1, Myosotis 2, Laughter 3, Scratched: Victoria C, Larry H., and Colonial. Won by four lengths. Time, 3.53. Dividends, £1 12/8 and £2 14/8.
- Trial Handicap.—Little Albert 1, Stewardess 2, Glenroy 3, Scratched: Broncho Hill. Won by two lengths. Time, 3.12 2/5. Dividends, £5 and £4 10/8.
- Maidwater Handicap.—Marion 1, Blythe Child 2, Van Dienen 3. All started.

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