



NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS. NGAURUAWAHIA REGATTA.

MARCH 17th, 1903. Cheap Excursion Tickets, including Admission to Regatta, will be issued to Ngaruawahia from Rotomua, Kaitiaki, and intermediate stations on 16th March, available for return on 18th; and from Auckland, Owhango, Te Kuiti, Cambridge, Thames, and intermediate stations on 17th March, available for return on day of issue only.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17. AUCKLAND-FRANKTON LINE.

A Special Train, stopping where required, will leave Mercer for Ngaruawahia at 7.40 a.m., Huntly 8.55, Ngaruawahia arrive 9.20 a.m. A Special Train will leave Penrose at 6.55 a.m., Otahuhu 7.10, Papakura 7.45, Drury 8.2, Pukekohe 8.58, Mercer 1.20, Huntly 10.23, arriving Ngaruawahia 10.52 a.m. This train will stop where required between Penrose and Mercer inclusive, and at Huntly to pick up passengers.

A Special Train will leave Auckland at 7.55 a.m., Newmarket 8.10, Owhango 8.35, Penrose 8.45, arriving Ngaruawahia at 11.35 a.m. The 7.47 a.m. and 7.55 a.m. Specials will stop only where timed.

Return Specials for Auckland will leave Ngaruawahia as follows:— At 3 p.m., taking passengers for Auckland and Newmarket only.

At 3.45 p.m. taking passengers for Penrose, Auckland, and intermediate stations, including Owhango.

At 5.35 p.m., taking passengers for Mercer, Auckland, and intermediate stations.

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The usual 7.50 a.m. Frankton Train will not leave Auckland till 8.10 a.m. Excursion Tickets will NOT be available by the trains which leave Auckland at 8.10 a.m. and 10.0 a.m. (express) on 17th March.

TE AWAMUTU LINE.

A Special Train, stopping where required, will leave Te Kuiti at 6.40 a.m., Otahuhu 7.25, Te Awamutu 8.30, Ohsapu 9.5, arriving Frankton at 9.40, and Ngaruawahia at 10.40 a.m.

Return Special, stopping where required, will leave Ngaruawahia at 5.45 p.m., Frankton 6.30, Te Awamutu 7.35, Otahuhu 8.40, arriving Te Kuiti 9.20.

The usual 2.20 p.m. Train Frankton to Te Awamutu, and the 2.50 p.m. Train Te Awamutu to Te Kuiti will not run.

CAMBRIDGE BRANCH.

Special Train, stopping where required, will leave Ngaruawahia at 5.45 p.m., Cambridge 6.25, arriving Cambridge 7.25 p.m.

THAMES BRANCH. A Special Train, stopping where required, will leave Thames at 7 a.m., Paeroa 8.30, Te Aroha 9.20, Morrissville 10.20, returning 11.0, Frankton 11.30, arriving Ngaruawahia 12 noon.

Return Special, stopping where required, will leave Ngaruawahia at 6.5 p.m., Frankton 6.40, Morrissville 7.35, Te Aroha 8.20, Paeroa 9.10, returning arrive 10.20 p.m.

The usual 4.20 a.m. Train Frankton to Frankton and the 10.50 a.m. Train Frankton to Paeroa will NOT run. The Auckland Goods Shed will be Closed on TUESDAY, March 17th.

BY ORDER.

CRICKET.

AUCKLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The eighth round of the cricket championships was commenced on Saturday afternoon in beautiful weather. The main interest centred in the Parnell-Gordon contest, as the defeat of Parnell would place United at the head of the competition. Parnell occupied the afternoon in scoring 172. In the Auckland-United match the latter team scored 209, and Auckland lost a wicket in playing out time. The matches will be continued on Saturday week.

WELLINGTON CRICKET.

There was fine weather for Saturday afternoon's matches, and the night's rain had improved the wickets. Chief interest was centred in the Midland-Wellington match. Indications point to the downfall of the champions, who have now a lead of only five runs, with five wickets to fall. Wellington in their first innings scored

192 (Henry 58, Richardson 18, Mahoney 18, Latham 12, Oram took 5 wickets for 39, Stephenson 3 for 38, Holdsworth 2 for 38. For Midland, whose second essay at the drawing of stumps realised 83 for 5 wickets. Holdsworth scored 26, Westbourne 17, and Williams 12. Hales secured three wickets.

In the Phoenix v. Old Boys mat-h, Phoenix made 50 and 193. Naughton made 35, including a hit for seven, all run out. Waters (38), Brice (33), Day (38), McCarell (11), McGowan (4 for 49), Staples (3 for 25), Ralph (2 for 25), shared the bowling honours. Old Boys scored 70 and 61 for 5 wickets (Kirkcaldie 28, Staples 14 not out).

LORD HAWKE'S TEAM. END OF THE TOUR.

The English cricketers brought their tour in this colony to a conclusion at Wellington last week, when they met the New Zealand eleven for the second time. The Englishmen won by an innings and 22 runs. They left Wellington for Sydney on Friday. The scores follow:—

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Richardson, b Thompson (5), Roege, lbw, b Thompson (143), Tucker, b Thompson (21), Har, Bw, b Hargreave (4), Lusk, b Thompson (9), Mahoney, c and b Hargreave (27), Williams, Bw, b Thompson (1), Fisher, lbw, b Thompson (10), McCarthy, c Johnson, b Thompson (2), Callaway, b Thompson (19), Upham, not out (6), Extras (22).

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Thompson (8 wickets for 124 runs), Hargreave (two for 70), Fosquet, none for 42, Burnup, none for 16.

ENGLISHMEN.—First Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Johnson, st. Williams, b Reese (38), Stanning, b McCarthy (22), Burnup, lbw, b Fisher (22), Fane, b Callaway (26), Warner, c Callaway, b Upham (125), Taylor, lbw, b Upham (16), Fosquet, b Upham (2), Thompson, b Callaway (25), Whatman, b Callaway (7), Leatham, not out (4), Hargreave, b Callaway (4), Extras (39).

NEW ZEALAND.—Second Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Reese, c Taylor, b Hargreave (1), Richardson, lbw, b Fosquet (19), Mahoney, c Stanning, b Burnup (24), Har, lbw, b Thompson (11), Tucker, b Hargreave, b Thompson (10), Lusk, c Hargreave, b Thompson (16), Callaway, b Burnup (6), Williams, c Stanning, b Burnup (0), Fisher, c Hargreave, b Burnup (0), Upham, b Burnup (2), McCarthy, not out (2), Extras (12).

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Table with 5 columns: Player Name, Balls, Mdns, Rns, Wkts. Includes Hargreave (75, 6, 11, 1), Thompson (42, 7, 20, 3), Fosquet (42, 1, 24, 1), Burnup (27, 2, 8, 5).

AQUATICS.

AUCKLAND ROWING CLUB'S REGATTA.

The regatta arranged by the Auckland Rowing Association, and held in beautiful weather on Saturday afternoon, was one of the prettiest events that have ever occurred on the most picturesque of lakes. The large number of spectators who lined the steep banks in costumes of many colours helped to enhance the effect, and as a good view of the whole course was obtainable, and the events were started with commendable punctuality, the enjoyment of the proceedings was complete. The results were as follows:—

Maiden Gigs, under 10 stone weight. Distance seven-eighths of a mile, once across the lake: Waitemata (E. Brewin (stroke), H. G. Allen, A. S. Allen, C.

Short, G. W. Bailey,cox.), 1; West End, 2; St. George's, 3; North Shore, 4. Maiden Gig (open): Waitemata (G. Huddleston (stroke), D. Bell, W. Stevens, E. A. Smith, G. W. Bailey,cox.), 1; Auckland, 2; St. George's, 3.

Auckland Championship Cops: Auckland (H. H. Bach (stroke), W. J. Lovett, A. E. Foreshaw, G. Griffin, D. Tucker,cox.), 1; West End, 2; Waitemata, 3. St. George's and North Shore also started.

Junior Gigs (under 10-st.): Waitemata (C. Wand (stroke), T. Payne, J. Bond, C. Tyler, G. W. Bailey,cox.), 1; West End, 2.

Junior Gigs (open): Waitemata (C. Porteous (stroke), K. Blair, W. F. Smith, A. C. Stead, G. W. Bailey,cox.), 1; Auckland, 2; St. George's, 3.

Marshall Sculls: T. Richards (St. George's), ser. 1; C. O. Hughes (West End), 5sec. handicap, 2; Alf. Bailey (West End, ser., 3.

MOTOR LAUNCH RACE.

On Saturday afternoon the wharves and jetties along the foreshore were crowded with thousands of interested spectators, a number of important aquatic events being set down for decision. The first race—that for motor launches—was started at half-past two. The course was from off the Queen-street Wharf, round H.M.S. Royal Arthur, round H.M.S. Phoebe, round mark boat of Judge's Bay, thence to starting point, twice round; distance about six knots. The handicaps were given at the start. Happy Moments, Stanley and Royal Arthur were close up for first place passing the Royal Arthur on their second journey round. After passing the Phoebe the Stanley got ahead and secured a lead of several lengths. After rounding the Judge's Bay mark an electric wire attached to one of her cylinders fused, and the boat dropped behind. Happy Moments was then left in front. She had a good lead up the harbour and won rather easily. Billy Richardson secured second place, and Royal Arthur third.

The horse-power of the competing boats is as follows: Happy Moments, 3-h.p. Palmer engine; Billy Richardson, 4-h.p. Union Engine; Royal Arthur, 2-h.p. Union; Naomi L., 8-h.p. Union engine; Union, 10-h.p. Union engine; Waitiri, 10-h.p. Colonial; Petrel, 15-h.p. Standard; Stanley, 6-h.p. Monitor.

LAWN TENNIS.

By VOLLEY.

The Auckland Lawn Tennis Association has arranged for the finals in the championship events to be played on the Eden and Epsom Club's courts on Saturday next, 14th inst. An invitation has been sent by the Eden and Epsom Club to the other local clubs inviting their members to be present, and as the matches are likely to be well contested there will probably be a large muster of all interested in the game.

On Saturday A. H. Brabant met C. Heather in the Men's Singles Championship, and won after a very exciting match, the games being 6-2, 5-7, 7-5. Heather seemed likely to annex the third set, having the score 4-1 in his favour, and even reached 5-3, but Brabant scored the next four games. In the last set Heather reached, but never passed, Brabant.

A. F. Billing played P. Scherff, and won by three sets to one. There is no doubt the loser would improve his game considerably by running in on good balls.

The final now rests between A. F. Billing and the winner of A. E. Brabant and T. Buddoek. This latter match will be played during the week.

Miss A. Nicholson defends her title to the Ladies' Singles Championship against Miss A. Gray, and should the latter be in good volleying form she will doubtless give Miss Nicholson some trouble.

In the Combined Championship Miss E. Gorrie and A. H. Brabant meet Miss D. Udy and A. F. Billing, and the chances of victory are generally allowed to be very even.

In the Ladies' Doubles Championship the Misses Nicholson (West End) meet the Misses Gorrie (Eden and Epsom), and a very close finish is anticipated. Miss P. Gorrie's volleying will doubtless assist her sister's steady back-line play.

At a meeting of the committee of the Canterbury Lawn Tennis Association it was resolved that the delegate to the New Zealand Lawn Tennis Association should be instructed to bring up the question of the status of players in championship events competing against fellow-representatives, and to recommend a residential qualification of at least three months.

The Oamaru Club will hold its annual meeting at Easter time. Quite a number of Christchurch players intend taking part in this excellently-conducted tournament.

The ninth inter-State contest between Victoria and South Australia was commenced last week. Of the eight previous matches the issue in every instance has been in favour of Victoria, but this year South Australia's chances look well, for their opponents will not be a truly representative team, and Dr. Harbison, an ex-Victorian representative, has settled in Adelaide, after three years' play in England.

There seems to be a good deal of dissatisfaction about the way in which the New Zealand Lawn Tennis Association carries out its duties. A long letter appeared in the Wellington "Evening Post," suggesting that the Association should have fixed headquarters and a local abiding-place. This suggestion is certainly a good one, and should meet with the attention of all clubs interested in the welfare of the game.

The members of the Parnell Club played a representative team from the warships lately in port, and although the local players won by eight matches to four, some very exciting games resulted.

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