

THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR OF THE AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

The Sporting Review has been appointed the Official Calendar for the publication of all programmes in the Provincial District of Auckland, in terms of Rule 17 of the Rules of Racing.

Rule 17 reads: "The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £100 or upwards must be advertised in full once at least in the Official Calendar. The advertisement shall show that the programme has been approved by the Jockey Club, shall state the days on which the meeting is to begin and end, and the names of the stewards, judge, starter, clerk of the scales, and handicapper."

All notifications for the future published in this column are so published under the authority of the Auckland Racing Club, and are binding on country clubs and others, who must therefore duly note the same.

COLOURS.

Table listing jockeys and their assigned colors for various races, including names like Mr. Marangai, Mr. J. Forth, Mr. J. Sutton, etc.

ASSUMED NAMES.

C. H. Woodburn, J. Cartwright, J. Lowther, C. Sexton, R. Burke, J. Sutton, J. Forth.

The following trainers have been granted licenses by the Auckland Racing Club: H. Harrison, J. B. Williamson, John Rae, D. Morrighan, Adam Byers, F. Stening, F. McManamin, W. McManamin, F. Dodd, James Keane, G. Wright, J. Fletcher, R. Smith, Murdoch McKenzie, Archie McMillan, H. Hickton, J. McHugh, G. Absolum, Michael Maher, Alex. Smith, Robert Smith, William Harrison, Walter Wilmott, Walter Mason, James Brown, Alex. Boyle, Alex. Parsons, P. Malone, W. F. Pearson, Harry Moore, Jas. Brjwne, Henry French, John Egan, Charles Guif, R. Marshall, W. H. Windsor, A. H. Barron.

The following jockeys have been licensed by the Auckland Racing Club: Thos. Taylor, B. Ryan, Thos. Stewart, Fred Bay, A. McPherson, W. Gilly, W. Rayner, John Slater, D. Creamer, Jas. Skeats, T. Morrighan, F. Hammond, James Pyne, Koss Heaton, Alec Williams, W. Shaw, Hy. Priest, R. Davis, W. Smith, Harry Johnson, Joseph Duff, W. Quarterman, R. Collins, R. Wright, J. Gallagher, J. Carey, W. M. Hatfield, E. Donovan, E. Hall, C. Parker, J. Quinton, J. Homan, W. Moberley, John Farmer, Henry Smith, Sam Cook, H. Eva, J. Pennell, E. Duggan, G. W. Banks, Nathaniel Noble, G. E. Cudd, J. Keane, F. Burns, D. McKinnon, D. Wright, G. Donovan, T. Sharp, C. Coleman, W. Ashdown, Alfred Cook, John Cook, E. Monroe, Ambrose Dixon, Thomas Greenwood, E. Williams, James Donovan, James Buchanan, W. J. Williams, Robert Marshall, James Malone, John Delaney, Arthur Heyden, Wm. Barron, Alex. Sammons, Alfred Williams, John Casey, W. Nealley, Thomas Mahon, John Wells, Wm. Powell, Thomas Atkins, J. Whitelaw, H. Weil, T. Moore, A. Hayfin, H. Cusdin, J. E. Parsons, Thomas Hudson, John Callaghan, Fye, W. Laing, Wm. Braybrooke, H. Berry, W. Gall, T. Ward, J. Hickton, W. Jackson.

A special license has been granted to Ben Jones, W. Brown, E. Headley, James Mitchell, W. Oliver, John Stewart, E. Donovan, Bert Cartleton, F. Farrell, Joe Seattie, Thomas Hall, Wm. Parker, J. Munro, H. Ratford, Joseph Wren, O. Walker.

The following have been granted gentlemen riders' licenses: Messrs Bates and Moody.

The following disqualifications have been removed: Thomas McConnell and horse Kinross, Charles Whitley, and horse Malabar and Ingorina.

PROGRAMMES PASSED.

Waerenga-a-Hika J.C.—May 24
Gisborne Park Steeplechase Meeting—July 16

DISQUALIFICATIONS.

The following disqualifications by the Te Aroha Jockey Club have been endorsed by the A.R.C.: That the horse Arawa, or Emmett, be disqualified for life.
The disqualification of the horse Books or Bacchus, inflicted by the Gisborne Racing Club, has been removed by the Auckland Racing Club.
All horses, trainers, jockeys, and owners that took part in the Northern Waioa Racing Club Meeting, held on the 26th and 27th December, 1892, and the Whangarei Racing Club Meeting, held on 6th and 7th January, 1893, are disqualified.
The disqualification has been removed by the A.R.C. from ponies, owners, trainers and jockeys that have competed at meetings at Potter's paddock prior to 1st August, 1893.
The disqualification of John Pennell, jockey, by the Thames Jockey Club, for six months, from 26th Dec., has been endorsed by the A.R.C.
William A. Martin, nominator, is disqualified for wrong description of horse at a race meeting held at Pakarua on 26th November last.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Monday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business.
Mr. F. W. Edwards was appointed starter to the A.R.C. by the Committee on December 6th.

WM. PERCIVAL, SECRETARY.

LIST OF RACING CLUBS UNDER A.R.C.'S JURISDICTION.

Table listing various racing clubs like Alexandra Racing Club, Awitu Racing Club, Avondale Jockey Club, etc., along with their secretaries and the number of votes.

Table listing various racing clubs like Takapuna Jockey Club, Thames Jockey Club, Te Aroha Jockey Club, etc., with their respective secretaries and vote counts.

SPORTING FIXTURES ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

May 10—Egmont Racing Club
May 19, 24—Takapuna J.C.
May 24—Wanganui J.C.
May 24—Otaki Maori Meeting
May 24—Town and Suburban Racing Club
May 24, 26—Dunedin J.C.
May 24—Waerenga-a-Hika Jockey Club
June 6, 9—Auckland Racing Club Winter
June 22—Hawke's Bay J.C. Winter
June 23—Hawke's Bay Hunt Club
July 5—Gisborne Park Steeplechase Meeting
August 9, 11—C.J.C. Grand National Meeting

AUSTRALIA.

July 7—V.R.C. Grand National Hurdle Race
July 14—V.R.C. Grand National Steeplechase

ENGLAND.

May 9—Two Thousand Guineas
May 11—One Thousand Guineas
June 6—Derby Stakes
June 8—Oaks Stakes
September 12—St. Leger Stakes

NOMINATIONS.

May 11—Takapuna Jockey Club, general entries
May 11—Dunedin Jockey Club
May 20—Auckland Racing Club General Entries
May 28—Dunedin J.C., Dunedin Stakes, 1894, and Champagne Stakes, 1895
June 1—New Zealand Cup and C.J.C. Champagne Stakes

HANDICAPS.

May 10—Waerenga-a-Hika Jockey Club
May 21—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter
June 8—Hawke's Bay Jockey Club Winter
July 11—N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase

ACCEPTANCES.

May 11—Takapuna Jockey Club Winter
May 15—Wanganui Jockey Club
May 18—Great Northern Steeplechase and Hurdle Race
May 19—Waerenga-a-Hika Jockey Club

FINAL PAYMENTS.

Aug. 6—N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase and Hurdle Race

COURSING.

May 12, 16—Auckland Coursing Club
June 6, 7, 8—Dunedin Plumpton Meeting
June 13, 16—Auckland Coursing Club
July 4, 5, 6—Dunedin Plumpton Meeting
July 11, 14—Auckland Coursing Club
August 15, 18—Auckland Coursing Club
1894 (opening meeting)—Dunedin Coursing Club's Challenge Stakes.
1894 (June)—Auckland Coursing Club's Northern Challenge Stakes. (Nominations closed October 27.)

HUNTING.

WAIKARAPA HUNT CLUB.
Saturday, May 12, Gladstone.
Saturday, May 26, Martinborough.
Thursday, June 14, Masterton.
Thursday, June 21, Carterton.
Thursday, July 12, Featherston.
Thursday, July 19, Morrison's Bush.

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THE PROPRIETOR, SPORTING REVIEW.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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J. H. AISLABIE: We have no power to add to, or erase from, the Official Calendar. We simply print and publish the same, and the power of alteration lies with the secretary of the A.R.C., who has sole charge of the work.

Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1894.

WILL the totalisator be attacked in the session of Parliament that begins in June next? is a question that has lately been revived, and one that will be discussed more freely and frequently as the time draws near for the meeting of our lawmakers. That the machine has many enemies, so called purists who know no more about its workings than the babe unborn, is a well-known fact; but then the advocates for its continuance greatly outnumber these sweepers-away-of-everything-that-doesn't-suit-them, and if the members of our legislature (or a majority of them) listen to the wishes of the majority of the people (which they must necessarily do) then there can be little fear of the machine being swept out of existence in the approaching session of Parliament. Another argument that might be raised in favour of the machine is the fact the Government derive a large revenue yearly from the tax they have imposed on investments. The monies derived from this source total up to a decent figure in the course of a twelvemonth, and, therefore, as a revenue raising agent "the machine that never lies" recommends itself to the Government for an extended lease of existence. However, it is pretty freely reported that an attack, headed by Sir Robert Stout, will be made against the totalisator as soon as the House meets, but the effort, we have no hesitation in saying, is sure to result in failure. The public recognise the machine as a fair betting medium; and, moreover, unlike most tradesmen, and not forgetting the "bookie," it never gives "tick," so, therefore, a man cannot plunge on his credit, but must have the cash in his pocket when he desires to speculate on the machine. Many people think that the machine ought to be abolished because horseowners have to take the odds the public give them, and they argue that if bookmakers were the only betting mediums then such owners would get longer odds about their horses' chances.

SOME people have hazy ideas about bookmakers' odds. It is generally those who have had no experience of "bookie" who talk in this random fashion. They seem to think that a bookmaker is a sort of Sydney Mint—he can turn out sovereigns as readily and easily as a cow gives forth her milk at the touch of the milker. We can assure them that the bookmaker, in a figurative sense, is a very hard subject to milk; in fact he takes milking. No, the bookmaker ligament has no weight against the machine looking at the matter from the public's standpoint. The interest of the public must be looked after as well as the owners', and to place both on a fair footing in betting the totalisator cannot be beaten. Of course the bookmaker would like to see the machine abolished, and we don't blame him in that point, because its abolition would materially enhance his business, and therefore he is only looking after himself when he desires to see it passed out by the Legislature. But as regards the other people who loudly condemn the machine, their hostility can't be accounted for. They never go to race meetings, never bet (some might on the sly), know next to nothing about turf matters, and yet they want to come in and spoil the pleasure of those who like racing and patronise it. Well, their action can only be put down to what the Yankees term "pure cussedness." With as much right might some people get up an agitation for the abolition of "bun fights" and "muffin scrambles," as the persons referred to have in always tilting against the machine, which is connected with a legitimate sport, patronised by the best and most influential men in the land. While some are agitating for the abolition of the totalisator in New Zealand, the movement in favour of its introduction in to the racecourses of Victoria and New South Wales is weekly becoming more pronounced, and the day does not appear far off when the "ting ting" of the tote bell will be heard at Flemington and Caulfield, and perhaps Rand-

wick. The people over there have evidently been surfeited with bookmakers and private "tote" shops, and hanker after the comfort and convenience for backing with which the racing clubs of New Zealand provide their patrons. We believe that the totalisator will weather any storm that may burst upon in the next session of Parliament.

THE name of Malabar appears in the list for the Winter Steeplechase Meeting of the A.R.C., and we are tempted to ask the Auckland Racing Club why is this horse allowed to nominate for a race meeting held under their jurisdiction. Malabar has frequently raced under the rules of the North Auckland Racing Association—an institution which receives no recognition from the Auckland Racing Club—and has consequently had the ban of disqualification placed upon him. Now suddenly this bar is removed, no one knows why. All that the A.R.C. say about it is that the disqualification was placed on the horse once, and that it has since been removed, but as for a reason, they have none to advance. Since Malabar was disqualified he has proved himself to be a good animal, and he has changed hands. But whether this has had anything to do with the removal of his disqualification we are not in a position to say. If this is the sort of vacillating policy which the A.R.C. intend to follow they will gain little respect. Judging by the Malabar case, an owner need not be very much put out if his horse is disqualified, for without any mitigating causes, his disqualification may be removed any day. And in buying a disqualified horse an owner may be pardoned if he calculates upon the A.R.C. looking upon the new ownership as a reason why the ban should be removed. There is positively no valid reason why the embargo upon Malabar should have been removed, and in taking the same off the A.R.C. have laid themselves open to a charge of inconsistency and deplorable weakness. They may have an excuse (which is not apparent) for their action. We hope they have.

THE special commissioner in the London Sportsman some three months ago intimated that he had determined upon the most suitable horse in the world to mate with the great English mare La Fleche, who is by St. Simon from Quiver. In doing so he extended an invitation to all students of breeding to endeavour to name his selection and also to indicate their views upon the mating of that mare. Last March he stated that his selection was Carnegie, the winner of the Victorian Derby, in which he was backed up by nineteen correspondents. Carbine and Ormonde ran a dead heat with 33 votes each. The competition, much to the special commissioner's regret, had to close owing to the advent of the racing season before the arrival of the Australian mail containing replies to his invitation. In referring to the subject the sporting editor of the Age writes:—"By the Australian mail referred to, the special commissioner would receive a communication from the sporting editor of the Age selecting Carnegie as the most suitable mate for La Fleche, and urging the claims of Mr Wilson's colt even in preference to his near relative, Carbine, on account of the former's strain of stout Fisherman blood through his dam Onyx. Considering the enormous number of highly bred stallions available for choice it must be highly gratifying to Mr W. R. Wilson to know that such a good authority on the subject of breeding as the special commissioner has chosen Carnegie from the whole world as the most suitable mate for the greatest mare living. Equally satisfactory to Mr D. S. Wallace is it to find that in a competition open to all countries but confined by force of circumstances to the northern hemisphere, his favourite, Carbine, has as many adherents as the mighty Ormonde, the most popular horse that ever stripped on an English racecourse. The details of this competition show that there is more known in the old world about the Australian turf than might have been supposed, and that the fame of New Zealand as a breeding country is world wide."

The introduction into the U.S., A., of electrical whips, spurs and saddle batteries for the purpose of electrifying sluggish and roguish horses, has reached such a stage that the American Turf Congress has adopted a rule to make their employment a penal offence. The rule runs as follows:—"No injection of drugs shall be made and no electrical, mechanical or other appliances other than the whip and spur shall be used, for the purpose of stimulating the endurance or speed of a horse in a race. Any person so offending shall be ruled off."