

Auckland Coursing Club

THE June meeting of the Auckland Coursing Club was brought to a close at the Avondale Plumpton on Saturday last. The attendance was only moderate, and showed that coursing has yet to be made popular in Auckland. On Saturday a hasty glance at the stand would tend to make one believe that the spectators were limited to bookmakers and their clerks. However, the popularity of the sport will doubtless increase, and it remains with the authorities of the local Coursing Club to bring about this desirable consummation. The sport provided on Saturday was undeniably good, and in the final course for the Challenge Stakes the spectators were treated to a very interesting struggle. And the fact that the Melbourne people, who were reckoned to have the stake completely at their mercy, had to play second fiddle to Sweetwater, the Southern dog, made the course all the more interesting. If anything, the chances given to the hares were too great, and as a consequence of the delay in slipping the great majority of the hares escaped. This is no doubt a consideration to the club, but the public who like to see the dogs slipped in time to give them a chance of getting in frequent turns, are entitled to consideration in the matter. Two dogs, Doctor and Ladas, showed up very ingloriously. They wasted three hares, and then when they did condescend to sight the game, they chased for a little time and then commenced to gambol with one another while the hare let out for the escape as hard as his legs could carry him. Both dogs were consequently disqualified. In the Consolation Stakes the owners of Koteru and Lucia agreed to divide. The final course for the Auckland Stakes resulted in Shylock beating Tickle and Major after an undecided course, and a splendid final beat Rubina for the Kingsland Stakes. Koteru figured in a second divide, her owner very wisely dividing the Waikomiti Stakes with the owner of Despised. Mr Henderson judged in the Challenge Stakes and Mr Charteri's judged the other events, both gentlemen giving satisfactory discharge of their duties. The results were as follows:—

GREAT NORTHERN CHALLENGE STAKES. First dog, £50; second dog, £22; third dog, £10; fourth dog, £10; and four dogs, £3 each.

THIRD ROUND.
Mr J. Gallagher's w and r b Iveria beat Mr S. Myers (ns) bl w d Bequeath.
Mr J. Forward's w and blk b Sweetwater beat Mr J. W. Russell's f and w d White Star.
Mr J. W. Russell's brl and w d Stormfiend beat Mr S. Myers (ns) f d Here's to Ee.
Mr S. Myers (ns) blk and w d Verdi beat Mr J. Gillespie's blk and w d Rockbail.

FOURTH ROUND.
Sweetwater beat Iveria.
Verdi beat Stormfiend.

FINAL.
Mr J. Forward's w and blk b Sweetwater, by Red Pine—Pine Hut, beat Mr S. Myers (ns) blk and w d Verdi, by Highborn—Curazo, and won the stake.

CONSOLATION STAKES. First dog, £5; second dog, £2.

FIRST ROUND.
Mr J. Forward's f b Wild Rose II beat Mr E. Pilkington's f d Satyr.

Mr J. Jerome's blk and w b Lucia beat Messrs Fenton and McEwin's blk and w d The Poacher.

Messrs R. Blaikie's w and b Koteru beat Mr Quinlan's f d Pat.

SECOND ROUND.
Lucia beat Wild Rose II.
Koteru ran a bye.

FINAL.
The owners of Lucia and Koteru agreed to divide the stake.

AUCKLAND ALL-AGED STAKES. First dog, £5; second dog, £2.

FIRST ROUND.
Mr W. J. Lynch's blk d Greyhound beat Mr F. J. Baker's blk and w b Lady Smuggler.

Mr J. W. Russell's brl d Shylock beat Mr C. Woolf (ns) r d Boomerang.

Mr C. Woolf (ns) r and w b Tickle beat Mr Menzie's blk and w d The Trier.

Mr Griffith's w and r b Myrtle beat Mr J. W. Russell's blk and w d Rock.

SECOND ROUND.
Shylock beat Greyhound.
Tickle beat Myrtle.

FINAL.
Mr J. W. Russell's brl d Shylock, by Padlock—Spruce, beat Mr Woolf (ns) r and w b Tickle, by Obstacle—Snowflight, and won the stakes.

KINGSLAND ALL-AGED STAKES. First dog £5, second £2.

FIRST ROUND.
Mr R. Blaikie's f d Major beat Mr F. North's f and w d Spring.

Mr M. Lynch's blk and w d Papakura beat Mr F. J. Baker's r and w b Dora B.

Mr J. Homan's w and f b Rubina beat Mr F. Kelly's f d Broncho.

Mr W. Runciman's r and w b Modesty beat Messrs Fenton & McEwin's blk and w d Pirate.

FINAL.
Mr R. Blaikie's f d Major, by Blue Cap—Ruby, beat Mr J. Homan's w and f b Rubina, by Blue Cap—Ruby, and won the stakes.

WAIKOMITI ALL-AGED STAKES. First dog £5, second £2.

FIRST ROUND.
Messrs Fenton & McEwin's blk and w d Comet beat Mr P. Quinlan's f d Rebel.

Mr R. Blaikie's blk and w b Koteru beat Mr M. Foley's brl d The Vicar.

Mr W. E. Hackett's blk and w d The Doctor met Mr R. Blaikie's brl and w d Ladas, but after running several undecided courses they were disqualified.

Mr F. J. Baker's r and w d Despised beat Mr J. Gillespie's blk and w d Rockbail.

SECOND ROUND.
Koteru beat Comet.

FINAL.
Mr R. Blaikie's blk and w b Koteru, by Blue Cap, met Mr F. J. Baker's r and w d Despised, by Thornwell Duke—Woolcot, and after running an undecided course, the owners agreed to divide the stakes.

Sweetwater, the winner of the Auckland Coursing Club Challenge Stakes, is owned by Mr T. Macready, who leased her to an Auckland coursing enthusiast, and we are glad to see his first attempt as a successor of the leash coming to such a successful issue. Sweetwater is bred from a combination of the most successful blood now running in both Australia and New Zealand. Her sire, Red Pine, has sired many of New Zealand's most brilliant greyhounds, as even the other day his son Pine Hut pulled off the Forbury Cup. And as Red Pine is now dead owners of his progeny would do well to keep such a successful strain to the fore. Plymouth Rock, her dam, is got by the imported Rent Charge, who has certainly been the most successful sire ever introduced into Australia. And again Rent Charge seems to have imparted the same qualities into his progeny as he himself possessed, for the other day in Melbourne his grandson and granddaughter were hailed the winners of the Victorian Derby and Oaks respectively. Blue Rock, the dam of Plymouth Rock, was by the imported Mornington, who in turn was from two English Waterloo winners, namely, Misterton out of the dual English Waterloo Cup winner Coomassie. Swallow, the dam of Blue Rock, was imported from Scotland, being a gift from the Earl of Stair to Mr T. Macready, and she also came from a family of fiers, her sire being the Earl of Haddington's world-wide known stud dog Hubert, who in the year 1884 was the premier sire of that year. Schiedam, his dam, was a daughter of the famous Contango. So no wonder Sweetwater walked over her opponents in such a hollow fashion, she having come from such a fashionable and brilliant family. But still her breeding has not all to do with her success. Her trainer, Mr James Forward, brought the bitch to slips in the pink of condition, and considering the state she was in at the Dunedin Challenge Meeting her condition stamps Jim Forward as an adept at the training of the greyhound.

Mr James Forward has leased from Mr A. Beatty the greyhound Couranto, who is by Caradoc—Mystery.

Dunedin Coursing Club.

THE June coursing meeting of the Dunedin Coursing Club met with a fair amount of success. Good weather was experienced, and the arrangements were most satisfactory. Strong hares were used, and escapes were the order of the day. The various courses resulted as follows:—

ST. LEGER, for 21 puppies at £2 each. Winner, £22; runner-up, £10; third dog, £4; three dogs at £2; total, £42.

FIRST ROUND.
Mr W. W. Gibson's w brd b White Heather, by Padlock—Mocking Bird, beat Mr S. Myers' r d Stormlock, by Padlock—Stormy Night.

Mr W. W. Gibson's b b Bluelock, by Padlock—Mocking Bird, beat Mr W. Carver's f d Mechanic, by Kinsky—Bed o' Stone.

Mr A. T. Price's b w b Ettie May, by Kinsky—Bed o' Stone, beat Mr O. Andrews' brd d Gamecock, by Electric—Wild Flower.

Mr H. Lethaby (ns) f b The Ostrich, by Padlock—Mocking Bird, beat Mr A. R. Morrison's f d Dean Swift, by Padlock—Effie Deans.

Mr T. Stoddart's w brd b Virginia, by Smoko—Pine Twig, beat Mr J. S. Capstick's blk w d King Death, by Mariner—Chorister.

Mr J. Drumm, jun's, f b Hasty Girl, by Boomerang—The Jilt, beat Mr G. Livingstone's blk d Zula, by Padlock—Effie Deans.

Mr J. S. Capstick's b w d Kaputiki, by Mariner—Chorister, beat Mr H. Murdoch's b d Matchlock, by Padlock—Spruce.

Mr A. R. Morrison's f w d Castorina, by Cast-off—Belle, beat Mr M. Hayes' f d Aparima, by Mylo—Erin.

Mr M. Hayes' f b Daughter of Erin, by Mylo—Erin, beat Mr W. Bean's brd w d My Idea, by Kintore—My Fancy.

Mr J. Crawshaw's b w d Nirate King, by Kinsky—Bed o' Stone, beat Mr J. M'Sweeney's r w b Mayflower, by Carbine—Winter Rose.

Mr J. Drumm, jun's, f d Skirmisher, by Boomerang—The Jilt, a bye.

SECOND ROUND.

White Heather beat Ettie May.
Ostrich beat Bluelock.
Hasty Girl beat Virginia.
Castorina beat Kaputiki.
Daughter of Erin beat Skirmisher.
Nirate King, a bye.

FORBURY CUP, for 16 all-aged dogs at £3 each. Winner, £30; runner-up, £12; two dogs, £3.

FIRST ROUND.

Mr E. R. Rountree's f w b Florrie, by Snowden—Finella, beat Mr S. Myers' blk d Marco, by Obstacle—Waterbabs.

Messrs. A. and J. Deaker's f w Carnage, by Rotomahana—Kathleen, beat Mr W. Gardiner's blk w d Wanderer, by Rambler—Lady Macgregor.

Mr J. Dunn's b w b Waratah, by Kinsky—Tarawera, beat Mr S. Myers' f d Denyer, by Aorangi—Brilliant.

Mr W. Carver's b w d Ledgerkeeper, by Kinsky—Bed o' Stone, beat Mr W. Henderson's blk w d Brilliant Boy, by Aorangi—Brilliant.

Mr W. Harley's brd d Pine Hut, by Red Pine—Fly, beat Mr W. Gardiner's f d Merchant, by Livingstone—Leoline.

Mr S. Myers' blk w d Sailor Jack, by Jack Tar—Waterlily, beat Mr J. McKewin's r w b Midge, by Red Pine—Fownhope.

Mr W. Harley's w d Douglas, by Spanker—Jenny, a bye.
Mr J. M'Kewin's f w d My Jack, by Pains-taker—Birchrod, beat Messrs. Leslie and Black's r w c Silwood, by Red Pine—Fownhope.

On the second day of the meeting White Heather met The Ostrich in the third round of the St. Leger and easily scored. Hasty Girl beat Castorina, and Nirate King easily beat Daughter of Erin in pace and cleverness. The fourth round saw Nirate King beat White Heather and Hasty Girl had a bye. The final round resulted in Hasty Girl beating Nirate King. The second round of the Forbury Cup resulted as follows:—

Carnage beat Florrie
Ledgerkeeper beat Waratah
Pine Hut beat Sailor Jack
Douglas beat My Jack.

In the third round Pine Hut beat Carnage, and Ledgerkeeper beat Douglas, and in the final Pine Hut beat Ledgerkeeper.

FIRST-DOG STAKE. Winner, £6; runner-up, £2.

FIRST ROUND.

Marco beat Maori Boy
Nighean beat Zulu
Dean Swift beat The Scotchman
Aparima beat Wee Lass

SECOND ROUND.

Nighean beat Marco
Dean Swift beat Aparima

FINAL ROUND.

Nighean beat Dean Swift.

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