

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.

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 names and colors for various participants, including Mr. Marangi, Mr. J. Forth, Mr. J. Sutton, etc.

ASSUMED NAMES.

C. E. Woodburn, J. Cartwright, J. Lowther, C. Sexton, B. Burke, J. Sutton, J. Forth.

The following trainers have been granted licenses by the Auckland Racing Club:—H. Harrison, J. B. Williamson, John Bae, D. Morrighan, Adam Byers, F. Stening, P. McManamin, W. McManamin, F. Dodd, James Kean, G. Wright, J. Fletcher, H. Smith, Murdoch McKenzie, Archie McMillan, H. Hickton, J. McHugh, G. Absolum, Michael Mahon, Alex Smith, Robert Smith, William Harrison, Walter Wilmott, Walter Mason, James Brown, Alex. Boyle, Alex. Parsons, P. Malone, W. F. Pearson, Harry Moore, Jas. Browne, Henry French, John Egan, Charles Guff, B. 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 Say, A. McPherson, W. Gilly, W. Bayner, John Slater, D. Creamer, Jas. Skeats, T. Morrighan, P. Hammond, James Pyne, Koss Heaton, Alec Williams, W. Shaw, Hy. Priest, F. Davis, W. Smith, Harry Johnson, Joseph Duff, W. Quarterman, R. Collins, B. 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. Mourde, 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. Neilley, Thomas Mahon, John Wells, Wm. Powell, Thomas Atkins, H. Weal, T. Moore, A. Haydin, H. Cusdin, J. B. Parsons, Thomas Hodson, John Callaghan, Tye, W. Laing, Wm. Braybrooke, H. Berry, W. Gall, T. Ward, J. Hutton, W. Jackson, Peter Kings.

Apprentices' licenses have been granted to Ben Jones, W. Brown, E. Headley, James Mitchell, W. Oliver, John Stewart, E. Donovan, Bert Cartleton, F. Farrell, Joe Seawell, Thomas Hall, Wm. Parker, J. Munro, H. Ratford, Joseph Wynn, C. Walker, George Roberts.

The following have been granted gentlemen riders' licenses:—Messrs Bates, Devery, Thompson and Moody.

PROGRAMMES PASSED.

Gisborne Park Steeplechase Meeting—July 15

DISQUALIFICATIONS.

All horses, trainers, jockeys, and owners that took part in the Northern Wairoa 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 28th 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 28th November last.

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

The disqualification was removed from the pony Bob. The following applications for the removal of disqualifications were deferred:—The horse Orura and the jockey John Pennell.

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 with columns: Club, Secretary, No. of Votes. Lists various racing clubs and their representatives.

Table listing racing clubs and their secretaries: Te Aroha Jockey Club, Turanganui Racing Club, Te Kaiti Racing Club, etc.

SPORTING FIXTURES ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

July 5—Gisborne Park Steeplechase Meeting August 9, 11—C.J.C. Grand National Meeting

July 7—V.R.C. Grand National Hurdle Race July 14—V.R.C. Grand National Steeplechase August 11—V.A.T.C. Steeplechase Meeting October 13, 20—V.A. Turf Club November 3, 6, 8, 10—V.R.C. Spring Meeting

ENGLAND.

September 12—St. Leger Stakes

NOMINATIONS.

July 20—Royal Stakes, to be run at Auckland R. C. Summer Meeting, 1895-6

HANDICAPS.

July 1—New Zealand Cup July 11—N.Z. Grand National Steeplechase

ACCEPTANCES.

June 28—Gisborne Park Steeplechase Club July 2—Wairarapa Hunt Club July 20—N.Z. Grand National Hurdles and Steeplechase August 3—New Zealand Cup

FINAL PAYMENTS.

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

COURSING.

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. (Nominations closed October 27.)

HUNTING.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB.

Saturday, June 30—St. Ann's Bridge, for Sylvia Park, at noon

Saturday, July 7—Scotch Church, Tamaki, for Mr Harris' Farm, at noon

Wednesdays at 12 noon at Kennels The Pakuranga Hounds will meet at Bleak House, Pakuranga, on Saturday, the 23rd instant, at 12 o'clock sharp. Members and subscribers to the hunt are invited.

WAIARAPA HUNT CLUB.

Thursday, July 12, Featherston.

Thursday, July 19, Morrison's Bush.

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OUR LETTER RACK.

A letter awaits at the office for Mr Holder.

Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1894.

NEXT month the Turf Parliament will assemble, and the wish will be general that good may result from the deliberations of the delegates. There is plenty of scope for their labour, and by the time the members of the Conference rise for the last time from their chairs many blots which at present exist in the Rules of Racing should be permanently eradicated. Mr E. W. Alison, who will represent the Northern country and suburban clubs at the Conference, has commenced to give serious attention to the business before him, and has already given notice of his intention to move in the following direction:—

1. That the following alterations be made in Rule 22 re added money per diem in stakes:—

Clause V.—That the words four hundred pounds be substituted for five hundred pounds.

Clause VI.—That the words two hundred pounds be substituted for three hundred pounds.

Clause VII.—That the words one hundred pounds be substituted for one hundred and fifty pounds.

2. That Rule 39 be altered to read as follows:—

At any meeting held on any date from the 31st of May to the 1st September the lowest weight in any race on the flat shall not be less than 9st.

That the following new Rules be adopted:—

3. That no nomination or acceptance shall be void in consequence of telegraphic interruption, provided that such nomination or acceptance shall be proved to have been lodged at any telegraphic station one hour before the advertised time of closing of such nominations or acceptances.

4. That all moneys received by Metropolitan Clubs for penalties, fines, and riding licenses shall be placed to the credit of a "Distressed Jockeys Fund."

5. That all moneys received by Metropolitan Clubs for trainers' licenses shall be placed to the credit of a "Distressed Trainers Fund."

6. That all moneys placed to the credit of a Distressed Jockeys' Fund or a Distressed Trainers' Fund shall be annually accounted for by the Metropolitan Clubs, and a printed statement showing the receipts and expenditure and investments of all moneys shall be submitted at the annual meetings of such clubs.

7. That in the event of any horse being accidentally disabled after being weighed out, or before being taken in hand by the starter, such horse shall be deemed a non-starter.

8. No horse shall be barred on the totalisator.

9. That all meetings of Conferences be open to the Press.

It is only natural to find the added money question first on Mr Alison's list. The country clubs have found the existing rule a decidedly oppressive one in the past, and we fail to see what ground for complaint can be found in the proposed alterations. Since the day the added money provisions were altered in favour of a higher money scale the country clubs have been going down hill financially until now it is the exception to find one on the sound side of the ledger. They cannot afford to give the money which is at present necessary under the Rules, and if the existing provisions are maintained they must sink out of existence. There should be no desire on the part of the Metropolitan Clubs to wipe out the suburban and country organisations, for they undoubtedly act as feeders for the city clubs. Through their races, owners are enabled to keep their stock going and to be in a position to figure occasionally as owners at metropolitan gatherings, which figuring means, of course, a source of revenue to the Metropolitan Clubs. Nor should there be much opposition shown to the proposal to alter the minimum in flat races held between May 31st and September 1st from 10.0 to 9.0. With

the former limit racers contesting at our Winter Meeting and the Hawke's Bay and Gisborne Meetings are called upon to carry very excessive burdens. Were a lower scale possible, large fields could be brought together without calling upon those at the top of the weight list to carry such crushing burdens as thirteen and fourteen stone.

ONE of the new rules to be advocated by Mr Alison provides that no nomination or acceptance shall be rendered void in consequence of telegraphic interruption, provided that such nomination or acceptance shall have been lodged at any telegraphic station one hour before the time of closing of such nomination or acceptance. At present the only rule bearing on the subject runs:—"The list of entries shall be closed at the advertised time, and no entry shall be permitted in any case or on any terms to be made after that time." Such a rule is all very well in ordinary cases, but that extraordinary cases occur is shown by the Great Autumn and Great Easter Handicaps run at the Autumn Meeting of the Canterbury Jockey Club. It will be remembered that through no fault of their owners seven racehorses were debarred from contesting the Great Easter Handicap, and a quartette was excluded from the Great Autumn Handicap. The telegraph broke down, and so the owners of those horses had all their preparation in vain. This is neither fair to owners nor racing clubs, for the former have the work and expenditure of months made resultless, and the latter have a source of revenue cut away from them. No owner should be held responsible for the vagaries of the telegraph department. He hands in his nomination in plenty of time to have it telegraphed, and having done that he has every right to consider himself entitled to start his animal. It may be said he should guard himself against the telegraph by sending his nomination or acceptance by post, but he may wish to have the results of a late trial to guide him in determining whether or not his animal has a chance of winning if nominated or accepted for. As we once before pointed out one way out of the difficulty would be found if the metropolitan clubs appointed agents in every big centre for the lodging of nominations and acceptances. No erratic telegraphing would then affect owners. Mr Alison's proposition, however, would do equally well, and we commend it to the favourable consideration of the Conference.

THE suggestion thrown out in a previous number relative to the establishing of a Distressed Jockeys Fund has, we are glad to say, found an advocate in Mr Alison. What possible objection there can be to this suggestion we know not. A jockey's calling is a decidedly hazardous one, and it is only right that some provision should be made for him in cases of accident. No man likes to hear of the hat being handed round on his behalf, and as the jockeys would, by payment of riding fees, find the capital for the fund they could receive allowances from it in a perfectly independent manner. Mr Alison has gone one better than us in advocating the starting of a trainers' fund, and as the moneys in both cases would be kept separate there is no reason why they should not be legislated for in this direction as well as jockeys. The notice of motion next in order is a very proper one, providing as it does for the Metropolitan Clubs annually accounting for the whereabouts of the fund. At present this matter is generally kept in the region of the mysterious. The Ionic case forms the basis of the next motion. It will be remembered that at the Taranaki Boxing Day meeting Ionic was being given a fast preliminary gallop when he slipped on some tan opposite the saddling paddock gate, and in falling struck his shoulder against a post. An examination proved that the horse's shoulder was dislocated, and of course it was impossible to start him. Yet the club refused to refund £174 that was invested on his chance on the machine. In justice the backers of Ionic should certainly have had their money returned to them, and if ever a new rule was wanted it is required in this direction. The present rule stamps a horse a starter after his rider leaves the clerk of the scales, and if the animal dropped dead before his jockey mounted, the stewards would, according to the Ionic case, consider him a starter. Mr Alison's motion, "That in the event of a horse being accidentally disabled after being weighed out or before being taken in hand by the starter such horse