

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.

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.

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 horse Malabar, Ingorina, and Arawa.

The disqualification was removed from the pony Bob.

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

Club.	Secretary.	No. of Votes.
Alexandra Racing Club	Wm. Searancke	1
Avitu Racing Club	R. Millett	1
Avondale Jockey Club	H. H. Hayr	2
Bay of Plenty Jockey Club	J. D. Dailey	2
Drury Racing Club	D. Maher	2
Gisborne Racing Club	M. G. Nasmith	3
Gisborne Park Steeplechase Club	M. G. Nasmith	2
Huntly Racing Club	A. N. McLeod	1
Kapanga Jockey Club	H. Downs	1
Matamata Racing Club	J. Falairot	1
Ngauruhia Racing Club	T. W. Simpson	1
Opoitiki Racing Club	W. Parkinson	2
Onehunga and Otahuhu Racing Club	C. F. Mark	no vote
Otorohanga Racing Club	G. H. Archer	2
Ohinemuri Jockey Club	E. Edwards	1
Ohineuaiti Jockey Club	H. McClelland	1
Ormond Racing Club	J. H. Aislabie	2
Papakura Racing Club	W. L. Lockhart	8
Poverty Bay Turf Club	J. H. Aislabie	4
Pukuranga Hunt Club	H. H. Hayr	2
Rangitikei Racing Club	Maaka Tu Totahi	2
Rangitikei Jockey Club	H. P. Sylvester	1
Rotorua Jockey Club	Robert King	2
South Auckland R. Club	C. J. Barton	1
Takapuna Jockey Club	R. Wynyard	2
Thames Jockey Club	H. J. Greenslade	3
Te Aroha Jockey Club	P. Snewin	2
Turangauni Jockey Club	M. G. Nasmith	1
Te Kuiti Racing Club	H. M. Hettet	1
Te Puke Racing Club	W. Brady	1
Waikato Hunt Club	A. J. Storey	2
Waikato Jockey Club	Robt. Grunter	2
Waikarepa-Hika J. Club	J. A. Harding	2
Whatawhata Racing Club	E. C. Shepherd	1

SPORTING FIXTURES ETC.

COMING EVENTS.

September 15—A.R.C. First Spring
September 27—Taranaki Trotting Association
September 29—Auckland Trotting Club Spring
November 9, 10—A.R.C. Second Spring
December 27 and 30—Auckland Trotting Club Summer
December 28, January 1, 2—A.R.C. Summer
April 15, 16—A.R.C. Autumn
June 9, 11—A.R.C. Winter

AUSTRALIA.

October 13, 20—V. A. Turf Club
November 3, 6, 8, 10—V.R.C. Spring Meeting

ENGLAND.

September 12—St. Leger Stakes

NOMINATIONS.

August 31—A.R.C. First Spring
September 8—Taranaki Trotting Association

HANDICAPS.

September 14—Taranaki Trotting Association
September 31—A.R.C. First Spring

ACCEPTANCES.

September 7—A.R.C. First Spring
September 22—Taranaki Trotting Association, acceptances and general entries

COURSING.

August 15, 18—Auckland Coursing Club
August 31—Dunedin Plumpton Coursing Meeting

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Sporting Review.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1894.

THE newly-elected committee of the Auckland Racing Club met on Tuesday last and arranged the dates of their fixtures for the coming season. The first Spring Meeting will be held on September 15th; the second Spring will have two days, viz., November 9th and 10th; the Summer Gathering will be on December 26th and January 1st and 2nd; Autumn on April 15th and 16th; and the Winter days will be June 9th and 11th. The appointment of a starter resulted in Mr George Cutts obtaining the position, and the handicapping was left in Mr J. O. Evetts' hands. In view of the uncertainty hanging over the future of New Zealand racing and the determined opposition that is being manifested against the machine, the committee determined to pursue a policy of retrenchment in allotting the stake money for the various meetings. Only the first Spring programme was drawn up, but when the other meetings are under consideration the policy indicated by the Spring reductions will be followed. The retrenchment in the first programme is as follows:—Handicap Hurdles reduced £5 Spring Handicap reduced £10 (the cut, ting down in this event will only effect the second horse), September Stakes £5, and Pony Race £10. Nominations for the first Spring Meeting close on August 31st.

A LEADING article appeared in the REVIEW a week or two ago commenting upon the fact that at the conference of Racing Delegates held in Wellington Mr Lawry, who represented the A.R.C., failed to vote against the motion for the establishment of a New Zealand Jockey Club. The Otago delegate voted against the motion, but, as we all know, Auckland is just as much opposed to the proposed N.Z.J.C. as Otago is. We therefore expressed surprise that the local delegate had not voted against the motion. Mr Lawry answered the REVIEW's comment by informing its Wellington representative that he had never been favoured with any instructions from the A.R.C. as to how he should vote. That shifted the blame from Mr Lawry to the A.R.C. But as the secretary of the A.R.C. points out, we in Auckland were led to believe that the Gaming Bill would be the only matter discussed at the conference which was specially convened for that purpose. Therefore it is argued the blame rests not with the A.R.C. but with those who convened the conference. Not knowing that the delegates would be called upon to consider the question of a New Zealand Jockey Club, there was no necessity for the A.R.C. to instruct their representative as to how he should best serve the interests of his club in such a matter. Therefore, the blame, argues the A.R.C., rests with the conveners of the conference.

Inter-Provincial

[FROM OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

TARANAKI.

August 10.

A NEW PLYMOUTH syndicate has purchased Prioress, the figure paid for the daughter of Puriri and Voltarina being reported as £200. Jerry George will train the mare for her future engagements.

The Stratford Trotting Club will hold their initial meeting on October 4, a few days after the New Plymouth fixture.

Belle fell at Cutts' fence in the Grand National Steeplechase. P. Johnston, the rider, and the mare escaped without injury.

Pegasus is greatly fancied in some quarters for the New Zealand Cup, and the terribly unlucky St. Leger gelding, Impulse, is coming into notice for the same event.

Three Star is looked upon as a mysterious colt in the N.Z. Cup.

The two sporting law cases that will be heard here at the next sittings of the District Court, which opens on Wednesday, August 15, still forms the topic in local sporting circles.

The Eltham Racing Club have at last advertised their programme in a couple of Taranaki papers only.

J. George's yearling colt by Natator—Confident, is reported to be a likely youngster to develop into something above the average.

Mr Gollan has evidently broken his spell of bad luck on the turf judging by his recent successes.

[BY WIRE.]

August 14.

The libel action, Williamson v. Riall, will probably be started to-morrow. Great interest is being manifested in the case.

It is reported that Belle got hurt through the fall she sustained in the Grand National Steeplechase.

WANGANUI.

August 11.

MR HERBERT JACKSON, son of Mr Freeman R. Jackson, the popular secretary of the Wanganui Jockey Club, has been appointed starter to the Wanganui Jockey Club. Mr Jackson's success as a wielder of the flag met with general approval at the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase Meeting, and he received great kudos for the manner in which he dispatched his fields.

Mr B. McCaul has taken a trip to Sydney with a view of purchasing a thoroughbred stallion in place of Izaak Walton, whom he lately sold.

The Rangitikei Racing Club have drawn out a programme for a Spring Meeting to be held on September 26, the principal event of which is the Spring Handicap of 110 sovs. 1½ miles. Nominations close on the 5th September.

I am informed that Monte Carlo is doing well in his preparation for the New Zealand Cup. Fit and well at the post the black son of Ascot—Speculation should have more than an outside chance in the big Southern prize.

Norton's victory in the Grand National Steeplechase proves what a sterling, good horse the son of Ascot—Romp is, and Mr Gollan can be congratulated on having purchased such a useful chaser, as a jumper like Norton, should Mr Gollan decide on taking him home to England, will be seen to great advantage in the hunting field, and it is quite likely that he would be in the van in some of the steeplechases should his new owner start him. Norton was bred on Mr Cameron's farm about five miles from Wanganui, and was purchased from his breeder by Mr T. Bristol in whose colours he won several races, and who sold him to Mr Rutherford for, I believe, the sum of £300, which amount he won for his late owner two or three times over. After selling Norton, Mr Bristol purchased his half-brother Pill, who raced so successfully in hack events on this coast, and who met his death at the late Egmont Steeplechase Meeting through breaking his leg while running in the hurdle race. This was hard luck for his owner as I am convinced he would have shown to advantage over the small sticks, although I do not think he would have been anything extra over big country.

Our local horse Amalgam, who finished third in the National Steeplechase, carried a good few pounds of local punters money, as they considered should anything happen to Norton and Bombardier that he would about win, and therefore he was backed on the grounds that a substantial dividend would have been returned. Amalgam is better now than he has ever been before, and was prepared for his National engagement by W. Butler.

Musket, who was greatly fancied here for the Winter Handicap Flat, succeeded in placing that event to his credit. Since Kingan purchased the son of Armament—Leita, he has placed a number of wins to his name, and has repaid his purchase money, which I believe was £120, a few times over. Musket should be seen to good advantage on this coast during the coming season.

WELLINGTON.

August 6.

THE report of the Wairarapa Racing Club to be submitted to the annual meeting on the 23rd inst. has been published. It shows the club to be in a healthy position. The gross returns for 1893 were £1418 7s 8d, while in 1894 it was £1341 6s 6d. Arrangements have been entered into with the trustees of the course for 14 years at the same rental (£70), with the

proviso that as each £100 is paid off the existing mortgage, an allowance of £7 will be made in the rental. It is recognised that the interest of the two as bodies is identical, as the property is held in trust for racing purposes. During the year, four loose boxes and twelve stalls have been erected, the saddling paddock enlarged, and a new ticket office erected. A new training track is being made inside the enclosure, and the report says that in all probability the club will not be troubled by the encroachment of the river now the protection works have been completed. Reference is also made to the death of the late treasurer, Mr McShane. Several notices of motion for the annual meeting have been given, including one by Mr W. Bidwill, "That a hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race at any time (hack and hunter races excepted), and is not and has not been nominated in any race other than hack or hunter races at the same meeting."

The well-known sprinter Rebellion goes to the stud for the coming season.

Mahara's half-sister, by Remington, is expected to turn out a good one. R. Hockley has her in hand at Tauherenikau. With the filly and Fresh Deal, Hockley should win a few races next season.

The Marlborough Club is about to amalgamate with the Upper Wairau Club. The former club has not been a success, and not having received sufficient local patronage. It was no unusual thing, I believe, for owners only being able to obtain 60 per cent, of the stake money. If the N.Z. Jockey Club is formed, I think the Marlborough, Nelson, and West Coast Clubs will be under the charge of the Wellington Metropolitan Club. It seems a farce that clubs like the Marlborough and Nelson should have metropolitan powers.

I hear from Blenheim that Princess Cole, which over-reached herself prior to the Woodville Meeting is doing well now and will be seen out in the spring. Her brother, King's Own, is furnishing into a fine horse, and my informant thinks he will prove himself faster than his sister. Sporting matters are very quiet in Blenheim. Mr J. Criss has left the place, having taken a hotel at Taratahi, in the Wairarapa, where he is training Von Tempky, Captain Boison, and a couple of others.

Westmere is going splendidly in his work at Wanganui, and I am told that he is worth an investment for the N.Z. Cup.

Mr J. E. Henry must feel satisfied with the splendid acceptances received for the N.Z. Cup. He assured me a week or so ago that so would accept, notwithstanding what the "croakers" said about it being a rotten handicap. With 51 acceptors he was not far out.

Royal Rose has been nibbled at this last week for the N.Z. Cup, several hundreds being laid at 100 to 3 or 4.

Mr Lenny, of Melbourne, owner of Foxtail, is at present on a visit to this city. The horse is leased at present, but it expires previous to the Caulfield Cup, and Mr Lenny then intends racing him himself. He is considered to have a fair chance in the Caulfield Cup.

In connection with a fiasco at a recent meeting I heard about a nice little game a "clever" crowd had worked up. It was arranged that a certain horse should win either by fair or foul means. The horse jumped away without any word from the starter, and was soon followed by the others. As the others were catching him the rider of the said horse put him into a gallop at the back of the course. His example was quickly followed by his opponents, and the race was turned into a galloping event instead of a trotting one. The "clever" rider, so as not to make it too strong, eased his mount up about fifty yards from the post, and intended to trot the horse in a winner. But it refused to trot, and meantime the others passed the wily one. The latter was greatly indignant (as well as the others in the swim), as he had his mount well backed, and thought they would lose their money. As it turned out they got their money back. But it was a narrow escape, and it should make them careful in future.

Feeling reference is made in the annual report of the Rangitikei Racing Club to the unfortunate accident which befel the late Charles Watson on the club's course. The report says:—"We regret to say that at this meeting occurred a fatal accident, the first on the Rangitikei Racing Club's course, the horse Caloola, in the Second Handicap Hurdles, running into the hurdle, breaking his own neck and giving his rider, poor young Watson, a fall that resulted in his death after lingering unconscious for exactly a week. Every attention was given him at the