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Rule 17 reads:—"The programme of each meeting in which the added money is £150 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 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.

As some doubts have arisen as to whether the recent action of the Racing Conference has interfered with the appointment of the SPORTING REVIEW by the Auckland Racing Club as the Official Calendar, we publish the following letter for general information:—

MEMO. FROM AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.  
 Auckland, 4th December, 1895.

THE PROPRIETOR SPORTING REVIEW,  
 AUCKLAND.  
 DEAR SIR,—In answer to yours of 2nd December, my Committee have decided not to alter existing arrangements at present.—Yours truly,  
 WM. PERCIVAL,  
 Secretary A.R.C.

The Committee of the Auckland Racing Club meet on the first Monday in each month to pass programmes and transact general business.

The disqualifications have been removed from the following:—W. Martin, M. Moore, Thos. Geach, A. C. Greenwood, Mr Chatterjee's pony Sulky, Kimihia Club, and the chestnut horse Joe.

Licenses were granted to W. E. McCutcheon, J. Gallagher, and W. H. Mehaffey to train their own horses.

Pony Measuring Committee meet second and fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

**OWNERS' PERMITS.**  
 The following owners' permits have been granted:—George Hill to train Ongo and Gotzer; Henry Warrington, Fable; John Clark, Hoggarden, Tam O'Shanter, Bouter Johnnie; F. Sisterson, Brian Boro, Jewel, Coinage; D. Hepburn, The Turk, Wood Queen, Lord Raven; Mr Weston, Kalo; Robert Thorpe, St. Ella, Silkworm; Finley McKenzie, Macaroni; T. Kencaly, Paki Paki, The Saint; W. E. Cooper, Miss Bevan, Kiora, blk g by Kalo, blk g by Emin Bey; Wm. Adams, Maritana, Craigard; H. Barr, Rodney; Wm. A. Ralph, Arena, Someday, Reveille.

**LICENSES.**  
 The following licenses have been granted:—  
**TRAINERS**—G. Wright, G. Absolum, Frank Dodd, Winter J. Hamon, Hy. Chatterjee, James Patterson, Alex. Parsons, James Brown, James Leggot, W. J. Harrison, H. Linnell, Edward Kelly, A. E. Byers, John Rae, John Chaffe, Fred Stenning, Wm. Moberley, J. B. Williamson, Wm. Croll, James Kean, G. H. Allen, Thomas Hodson, A. S. Caulton, Dennis Morrigan, J. McHugh, Alec Williams, M. H. Harrison, C. Coleman, W. McManemin, J. H. Howe, Walter Wilcott, Frank McManemin, Wm. Braybrook, W. H. Frewin, T. Warr, J. Homan.  
**JOCKEYS**—Harry Gillespie, Wm. Parker, Wm. Tozer, Frank Farrell, John Griffiths, Alf. Williams, Fred Power, A. Butterworth, F. Benson, Joe Gallagher, Chas. Russell, John E. Parsons, Thos. Greenwood, James Leggot, W. J. Harrison, George Banks, G. Cudd, John Chaffe, junr, John Kean, D. Swanson, James Whitelaw, Alf Woodfield, Dan Morrigan, F. Say, Murdoch McKinnon, J. Buchanan, Robert Hall, G. Tutt, Fred Davis, Joe Seatts, Thos. Sharp, F. Burns, D. Wright, Robert Wright, Wm. Gall, G. H. Hammond, Joe Duff, W. Hatfield, J. Quincher, Joe Gunson, John Wells, Robert Collins, J. Fletcher, Thos. Hall, R. Donovan, B. Castleton, D. Creamer, F. Weston, T. McEwin, W. Bird, Jas. Johnson, Wm. Smith, J. Stewart, Edward Kelly, Samuel Fergus, Wm. Ashdown, John Rae, Thomas Hodson, Dennis Morrigan, Alec Williams, W. McManemin, W. Quarterman, J. W. Brady, A. Haydon, A. Somers, A. Blaine, Speakman, Sharp.  
**APPRENTICE**—Alfred D. G. Adams, Sydney Chaffe, W. Parker, Jas. Burdett, Albert Woolley, Wm. Lynch, Hy. Johnson, Laurence Jillings, Arthur Judd, E. Baker, A. McMillan, Hugh Boyd.

**METROPOLITAN CLUBS.**  
 Metropolitan Clubs meet as under:—  
 Auckland—W. Percival, secretary, first Monday in each month.  
 Taranaki—R. G. Bauchope, secretary, last Friday in each month.  
 Wanganui—F. R. Jackson, secretary, first Friday in each month.  
 Wellington—H. M. Lyon, secretary, first Monday in each month.  
 Hawkes Bay—F. D. Luckie, secretary, first Friday in each month.  
 Nelson—J. H. Glen, secretary, last Wednesday in each month.  
 Marlborough—C. J. W. Griffiths, secretary, as arranged.  
 Canterbury—W. H. E. Wanklyn, secretary, first Tuesday in each month.  
 Dunedin—S. James, secretary, last Thursday in each month.  
 Greymouth—J. C. Doogan, secretary, last Friday in each month.

**PROGRAMMES PASSED.**  
 Waipawa Racing Club, April 1  
 WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

**SPORTING FIXTURES, Etc.**  
**COMING EVENTS.**  
**NEW ZEALAND FIXTURES.**  
 April 6, Monday; 7, Tuesday; 11, Saturday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 6, Monday—Canterbury J.C. Autumn  
 April 6, Monday; 7, Tuesday—Fielding J.C. Autumn  
 April 6, Monday; 7, Tuesday—Wairarapa R.C. Autumn  
 April 29, Wednesday; May 1, Friday—Wellington R.C. Autumn and Steeple  
 May 6, Wednesday; 7, Thursday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 May 13, Wednesday; 14, Thursday—Napier R.C.  
 May 23, Saturday; 25, Monday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 May 23, Saturday; 25, Monday—Dunedin J.C. May  
 May 25, Monday—Wanganui J.C. Winter  
 June 6, Saturday; 8, Monday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 June 24, Wednesday; 26, Friday—Hawkes Bay J.C. Winter  
**AUSTRALIAN FIXTURES.**  
 April 4, Saturday; 6, Monday; 9, Thursday; 11, Saturday—A.J.C. Autumn  
**NOMINATIONS.**  
 March 27, Friday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 6, Monday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 April 11, Saturday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 April 24, Friday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 April 27, Monday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 May 1, Friday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 May 29, Friday—Auckland R.C. Winter

**HANDICAPS.**  
 March 30, Monday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 7, Tuesday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 8, Wednesday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 21, Tuesday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 April 24, Friday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 May 5, Tuesday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 May 6, Wednesday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 May 9, Friday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 May 15, Friday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 May 23, Saturday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 June 1, Monday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 June 8, Monday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 April 1, Wednesday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 8, Monday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 April 7, Tuesday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 9, Thursday—Auckland R.C. Autumn  
 April 27, Monday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 May 1, Friday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 May 6, Wednesday—Egmont R.C. Winter  
 May 12, Tuesday—Wanganui J.C. Steeplechase  
 May 15, Friday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 May 22, Friday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 May 23, Saturday—Takapuna J.C. Winter  
 June 3, Wednesday—Auckland R.C. Winter  
 June 8, Monday—Auckland R.C. Winter

**BEST TIMES ON RECORD.**  
**NEW ZEALAND.**  
 4 furlongs—47s, Safeguard, 2yrs, S.3, C.J.C. Spring Meeting, 1894. Golden Fleece, 3yrs, also made this time at the same meeting, carrying 7.11.  
 5 furlongs—1m 1s, Forester, 5yrs, 7.3, C.J.C. Flying Handicap, 1886.  
 6 furlongs—1m 14s, Loyalty, 2yrs, 7.4, C.J.C. Challenge Stakes, 1893. Barnaby also made this record in Sept., 1894, at Ashburton.  
 7 furlongs—1m 27s, Ruby, 4yrs, 7.13, C.J.C. Craven Stakes 1888.  
 1 mile—1m 41s, Merganser, 4yrs, 8.0, J.C. Handicap, C.J.C. Spring, 1892.  
 1 1/2 mile—2m 8s, Tit Bit, 4yrs, 7.5, C.J.C. Grandstand, 1887.  
 1 1/2 mile—2m 35s, Merganser, 4yrs, 9.8, C.J.C. Great Autumn Handicap, 1893.  
 1 1/2 mile—3m 5s, Waitiri, 4yrs, 8.5, A.R.C. Handicap, 1887; St. Katherine, 3yrs, 7.11, Wanganui Cup, 1893.  
 2 miles—3m 29s, Rosefeldt, 5yrs, 7.7, N.Z. Cup, 1893.  
 2 miles and a distance—3m 50s, Occident, 6yrs, 7.10 Dunedin Cup, 1891.  
 2 1/2 miles—3m 57s, Euroclydon, 3yrs, 7.9, Canterbury Cup, 1895.

**AMERICAN AND AUSTRALIAN.**  
 3 furlongs—36s, Cumberland, Maribyrnong (Vic.), Sept. 1893, Australia.  
 1/2 mile—46s, Geraldine, West Chester Course, N.Y. (track partly down hill), August 30, 1889, America  
 5 furlongs—57s, Correction, West Chester Course, N.Y. (track partly down hill), Sept. 29, 1893; Dr. Hasbrouck also made this record; America  
 1m, Patrons, Randwick, March 26, 1894, Australia  
 1m 0s, Walwa, Maribyrnong (Vic.), Sept. 30, 1893, Australia  
 5/8 furlongs—1m 7s, Wild Rose, Caulfield, Feb., 1891, Australia.  
 3/4 mile—1m 9s, Domino, Morris Park, N.Y. (track partly down hill), Sept. 29, 1893, America  
 1m 14s, Ascot Vale, Flemington, Vic., Jan. 2, 1893; Volcano, N.S.W., Vanitas, Randwick, and Walwa, Vic., also made this record; Australia.  
 7 furlongs—1m 23s, Bella B, Monmouth Park, July 8, 1890, America  
 1m 27s, Trieste, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 3, 1891, Australia  
 1 mile—1m 35s, Salvador, against time, Monmouth Park, N.J., Aug. 8, 1890, America  
 1m 40s, Bungebah, Randwick, N.S.W., Sept., 1890; this record has also been made by Boolka, Kingfish, Delaware, and Paris; Australia  
 1 mile and 1 furlong—1m 51s, Tristan, Morris Park, N.Y. June 2, 1891, America  
 1m 55s, Rosebrook, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 4, 1893, Acme, Reconstruction, and Cerise and Blue also made this time; Australia  
 1 1/4 mile—2m 3s, Banquet, Monmouth Park, N.J., July 17, 1890, America  
 2m 6s, Hova, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 11, 1893, Australia  
 1 mile 3 furlongs—2m 22s, Aristocrat and Leichardt, Rosehill; Australia  
 1 1/2 mile—2m 32s, Lamplighter, Monmouth Park, N.J., Aug. 9, 1892, America  
 2m 35s, Prince Imperial, Hawkesbury, 1885; Megaphone, Hawkesbury, N.S.W., Sept. 6, 1890, and King Olaf, Hawkesbury, N.S.W., April 11, 1891, Australia  
 1 mile 5 furlongs—2m 49s, Hopetoun, Flemington, Jan., 1893; Australia.  
 1 1/2 mile—3m 0s, Hotspur, San Francisco, April 30, 1891, America  
 3m 3s, Corree, Flemington, Vic., Nov. 8, 1890, Australia. Donation also made this record, Flemington, Nov. 1893  
 2 miles—3m 27s, Ten Broeck, against time, Louisville, Kentucky, May 29, 1877, America  
 3m 28s, Carbine carrying (10.5), Flemington, Vic., Nov. 4, 1890, Australia  
 2 1/2 miles—3m 56s, Preakness and Springbok, dead heat, Saratoga, N.Y., July 29, 1875, America  
 3m 59s, Idolator, Flemington, Vic., March 3, 1896, and Dreadnought, Flemington, Victoria, March 4, 1890, Australia  
 3 miles—6m 23s, Wallace and Quiver dead heat, Flemington, Vic., March 5, 1896, Australia.

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**ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.**  
 E.D.—On April 25th.

**Sporting Review**  
 AND  
**LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.**  
 WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.  
 THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1896.

**THE PREMIER AND THE WELLINGTON RACING CLUB.**

The principal topic of sporting conversation down the coast is the attempt made by the Premier to coerce the Wellington Racing Club into passing the Masterton-Opaki programme. The reply of the Premier to the club's refusal to follow his instructions has been to refuse to pass the Metropolitan Club's programme, which has in consequence been withdrawn. The question now is who will back down, for someone will have to sing small, as the present position cannot possibly continue. We regret that such a block should have occurred, and also that Mr Seddon should have taken up this position without sufficient evidence to guide him. He has interfered in this matter, and has thrown down the gauntlet to the Metropolitan body. The question as to who understands the position better, the W.R.C. or Mr Seddon, does not, from a racing point of view, admit of the smallest question. The Wellington Club has not set itself to justify its action. If it did it would easily beat the Premier in argument. Instead of talking it has simply accepted the Premier's fiat and withdrawn its programme, leaving the sporting population of the colony to judge between it and the Premier. It looks as though Mr Seddon's administration of the department controlling the permits for the totalisator is likely to be marred through his impetuosity in coming to decisions in matters foreign to him without first seeking the counsel of those best fitted to advise him. From the Premier's known character for firmness it looks as though he will prolong this unfortunate dispute, but we hope that in time his desire to further the wishes of the people will cause him to back down. He can assuredly do so without loss of dignity, and next season he will have ample opportunity for discussing the question, for it is inevitable that, in view of the totalisator question having cropped up right under the shadow of Parliament House, next session will see our legislators once again tackle the betting bone and repeat some of their purity maunders which gave rise to such discussion in previous sessions. If the Premier in particular and the Government in general would recognise their inability to legislate on the question of sport, things would run in a happier groove; and that will not come to pass until men interested in racing remember at the hustings that there are other questions to be thought of in selecting a candidate than free-trade, the liquor question, and female enfranchisement. It may be that next session the machine will be downed and abolished, but it will only be temporarily. Sport is the play of the nation, and they will protect it. A dog simply growls if you fence to take from him his bone, but one deprive him of it and the growl is transformed into a bite. So it will be when the people find Government interfering with their sport. No Parliament can effect permanent injury to racing, for once the people are roused they will give their legislators sufficient plain speech to cause them to turn their parliamentary attention to subjects with which they are better acquainted.