

RACING RECORDS.

NEW ZEALAND. 4 furlongs—47s, Safeguard, 2yrs, 8.3, C.J.C. Spring Meeting, 1894. Golden Fleeces, 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.

AMERICAN AND AUSTRALIAN.

8 furlongs—36s, Cumberland, Maribyrnong (Vic.), Sept. 1893, Australia. 1 mile—46s, Geraldine, West Chester Course, N.Y. (track partly down hill), August 30, 1893, America.

The Official Calendar

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 £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, W.M. 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. Disqualification removed from David Swanson.

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

David Swanson having left Thos. Hodson's employ, contrary to rules and agreement, owners, trainers, and others are cautioned against employing him.

JOCKEYS' LICENSES.

John Rae, H. Harrison, John Keane, Michael Moore, Wm. Davidson, Frank Burns, Dennis Morrison, Adam E. Byers, Wm. Perry, D. Creamer, M. Jones, Thos. Hall, Ernest Haigh, John Carey, Thos. Morrison, Thos. McGuire, Fred. Power, Fred. Benson, Alf. Williams, Charles W. Turner, Howard Jones, George Banks, Thos. Sharp, David Wright, Joseph Griffiths.

TRAINERS' LICENSES.

John Rae, Dennis Morrison, J. B. Williamson, H. Linnell, Martin, H. Harrison, Ross Heaton, A. E. Byers, Wm. Croll, M. Moore, Joseph Griffiths, J. Carey, Alfred Williams, John R. Jones.

APPRENTICES' LICENSES.

George Harrison, James Wilson, Moss Moses.

OWNERS' PERMITS.

Richard Henwood, H. T. Gorrie, C. Gordon, R. Thorpe, J. E. Thorpe.

METROPOLITAN CLUBS.

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

PROGRAMMES PASSED.

November 9, 1896—Muriwai Jockey Club. December 26, 1896—Matamata Racing Club. December 26, 1896—Gisborne Racing Club. December 26, 1896—Te Karaka Racing Club. December 26 and 28, 1896—Thames Jockey Club. January 1, 1897—Whatawhata Jockey Club. January, 1897—Gisborne Racing Club. March 17 and 20, 1897—Avondale Racing Club.

WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ZEALAND.

November 7, Saturday; 9, Monday—Auckland Second Spring. November 9, Monday—Otaki Racing Club. November 9, Monday; 11, Wednesday; 14 Saturday—Christchurch Jockey Club Spring. November 9, Monday; 10, Tuesday—Taratahi-Carterton. November 9, Monday—Waverley. November 21, Saturday; 25, Wednesday—Wellington Spring (Exhibition). November 25, Wednesday; 27, Friday; 28, Saturday—Dunedin Jockey Club Spring. December 2, Wednesday; 3, Thursday—Feilding Spring. December 10, Thursday; 11, Friday—Masterton. December 26, Saturday; January 1, Friday, 2, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Thames. December 29, Monday; 29, Tuesday—Taranaki Summer. December 29, Tuesday—Ashurst. February 17, Wednesday; 18, Thursday—Taranaki Autumn. April 19, Monday; 20, Tuesday; 24, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Autumn. June 5, Saturday; 7, Monday—North New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase Meeting.

NOMINATIONS.

December 11, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. January 9, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn. February 6, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn (minor events).

HANDICAPS.

November 9, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Second Spring. November 12, Thursday—Wellington Spring. November 27, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 14, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 23, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. January 1, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. January 23, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn. February 8, Monday—Taranaki Autumn.

ACCEPTANCES.

November 6, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Second Spring. November 18, Wednesday—Wellington Spring. November 7, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Second Spring.

November 9, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Second Spring. December 4, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 18, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 26, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. December 30, Wednesday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. January 1, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. January 2, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Summer. February 6, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn. February 13, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn. February 17, Wednesday—Taranaki Autumn.

AUSTRALIA.

Oct 31; November 3, 5, 7—Victoria Racing Club's Spring. December 26—Victoria Amateur Turf Club's Summer. December 26, 28—Australian Jockey Club's Summer.



NOTICE TO RACING CLUBS.

The proprietors of the SPORTING REVIEW will be glad to receive Nominations and Acceptances, free of charge, for all Clubs advertising in the columns of this journal.

ARTHUR CLEAVE & Co.,

Nov. 5th, 1896. Vulcan Lane, Auckland.

RESULTS OF RACES—1s. 6d. EACH.

At the request of several of our subscribers, we have decided to undertake wiring the results of the various races in New Zealand.

RESULT NEW ZEALAND CUP.—As November 9th is a Post and Telegraph holiday, the Telegraph Office will be open between 7 and 8 p.m., between which hours results will be forwarded.

Telegrams will not be attended to.

Remittances should be sent to the MANAGER RESULT DEPARTMENT, SPORTING REVIEW, VULCAN LANE, AUCKLAND.

Sporting Review

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1896.

THE RACING CONFERENCE.

JUDGING by the notices of motion that have been given, the Racing Conference, which will be held on Tuesday, November 10th, is not likely to do anything to radically change the existing state of Turf affairs in New Zealand. The Grey-mouth Jockey Club is evidently imbued with the notion that a labourer is worthy of his hire, and for that reason the first item on the programme of the Conference is the consideration of a proposition that the Conference shall pay their secretary for his services. The proposition is only a reasonable one, and is not likely to be opposed; but the next item, setting forth the qualification, or rather disqualification, of an amateur rider, will probably call for serious consideration. It is, of course, highly desirable that the status of an amateur should be high, but the proposition of the Canterbury Jockey Club seems to be in some respects too conservative. It runs as follows:—

No person shall be eligible to ride as an Amateur—(a) if he receives or has received any fee or reward in money, or is or has been in any way reimbursed for his services for riding in any race; (b) if he be employed in any capacity in a training stable; (c) if he be directly or indirectly engaged in the business of riding, training, or letting horses on hire; (d) if he be a bookmaker or a bookmaker's clerk; (e) if he shall at any time have been disqualified; (f) or if, in the opinion of the stewards, he be of such character as not to be a fit and proper person to ride as an Amateur. The stewards shall have power at any time to call on any person who rides as an amateur to show that he is qualified under this Rule, and also to show that his financial position is such as to enable him to ride as an Amateur while complying with the above conditions. And if such person does not show to the satisfaction of such stewards that he is so qualified in all respects, he may be disqualified from riding as an Amateur.

Sub-section C would prevent a livery stable keeper or a son in his employ from riding, but no good reason can be shown that it should be so. In Melbourne, for instance, good amateur riders, and cross-country racehorse owners, too, arose from the business of a horse bazaar and livery stable still existing in Bourke Street West, and everything that these riders have done in the saddle has tended to show that they were entitled to be considered gentlemen amateurs, and there appears no just reason why the amateur line should be drawn at those interested in a New Zealand horse bazaar or livery stable keeper. With just as much reason

it might be urged that a squatter or his son engaged in horse breeding pursuits were ineligible, and the provision that the committee shall have power to call upon an amateur rider, to show that his financial position is such as to enable him to ride as an amateur, is absurd and obnoxiously inquisitorial. The Canterbury Club has also a proposition on the paper for the appointment of a committee to revise the rules of racing, and there can be no harm in giving a committee the opportunity of perfecting laws that have been for generations the subject of turf legislation by clever men in England, as well as in other parts of the world. Perhaps after all it would be better to leave the rules of racing as they are, and ask the committee, instead of suggesting amendments, to suggest something to induce our race stewards to administer the existing laws more effectively and more in accordance with the wise intentions of the framers. A proposition by the Wanganui Jockey Club is short but important. It is as follows:—"That the time has now arrived when a New Zealand Jockey Club should be formed." The idea that our turf affairs should be guarded by one supreme body is no doubt a good one, but unfortunately it seems impracticable. Such a body would have to be elected by the racing clubs in the different centres of population, and their meetings would, or should, be of frequent occurrence. Representative men could not be suddenly called together from different parts of New Zealand, and a body of men chosen from one district only to govern racing all over the Colony would not have the confidence and approval of New Zealand sportsmen as a whole. It would be better to leave things as they are at present, and encourage as much as possible the annual conference or council of the delegates of New Zealand racing clubs. The deliberations of such conferences, aided by the energetic services of an experienced executive officer, should do much to promote the best interests of the sport, and we trust that this may be one of the results of the present Conference. Two notices of motion have been given, the object of which is to enable racing committees to split up the invested money on the totalisator between the supporters of the first, second, and third horses. Such an innovation we trust will not find favour. One of the principal objections against the machine at its inception was that owners would not be able to back their horses for anything like a substantial stake, and that objection, if there was anything in it, would be greatly intensified by a division of the money between two or three. One result would be that sometimes we would find that the dividend on a first-class animal which had won would be less than that paid on some waster that had fluked a second position. Such a condition of affairs would surely not be in accord with the spirit of true sport. The other notices of motion are of a minor importance, but possibly incidentally something of interest to the racing community may be brought before the delegates before the business of the Conference closes.

Sporting Topics.

[By Reviewer.]

A resident of Clive (Napier) is reported to have drawn The Chevalier in Tattersall's big sweep.

Two residents of Wellington were fortunate to draw Sabretache and Charge in Tattersall's big sweep.

The Brush Hurdle race at Kensington (N.S.W.) on October 22 was won by the New Zealand pony Valencia.

The winner of the £6,500 Caulfield Cup consultation was Mr H. Stevens, a publican at Armidale, New South Wales. Mr Stevens must have been born under a lucky star, as he won a previous consultation.

The aptly-named So-and-So was knocked out of the Melbourne Cup on October 29. He is a non-performer, and perhaps Mr Chirnside had forgotten that he owned him when he allowed his name to appear among the acceptors.

Twelve and a half per cent. is the totalisator charge around Brisbane, and if it is not reduced the Queensland Sportsman anticipates "the goose that lays the golden egg" will be killed, and the whole business stigmatised as a downright robbery."

Among all our exchanges we fail to find any of the sporting writers tipping Cremorne for the Caulfield Cup. This failure elicits the following confession from the Queensland Sportsman:—"Had we been asked to pick out the dozen horses that had no chance whatever, Cremorne would have headed the list as the least likely of the lot to effect the almost inevitable surprise."

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

SPRING MEETING, 1898.

THE GREAT NORTHERN GUINEAS, 1898.

FOR NOW YEARLINGS,

Of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 90 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Colts, 8st 10lb; fillies and geldings, 8st 5lb each. By subscriptions of 7 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the second Friday in January, 1898, 1 sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in September, 1898, 3 sovs forfeit; if left in after this date, liable for the whole 7 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. One mile.

ENTRIES close FRIDAY, 27th NOVEMBER, 1898. No money is required at the time of nomination.

W. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB

TOTALISATOR INVESTING DEPARTMENT.

Intending investors at the Spring Meeting will please note that Monday, 9th November, is a POST and TELEGRAPH HOLIDAY. Investments should, therefore, be sent to arrive not later than Saturday, 7th November.

No instructions will be accepted unless accompanied by the cash. Cheques will not be accepted. Investors winning on the First Day, and wishing to make further investments on the subsequent days are requested, when not forwarding the cash, to state "Money in hand." No notice will be taken of contingent instructions, nor will any information of the racing be supplied.

W. H. E. WANKLYN, Secretary.

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