



NOTICE TO RACING CLUBS.

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The Official Calendar

OF THE

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"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,

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.

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 Morrigan, Adam E. Byers, Wm. Perry, D. Creamer, M. Jones, Thos. Hall, Ernest Haigh, John Carey, Thos. Morrigan, 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 Morrigan, J. B. Williamson, H. Linnell, Martin, H. Harrison, Koss 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.

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Taranaki—Last Friday in each month. R. G. Bauchope, secretary.
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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.

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 25, Wednesday; 27, Friday; 28, Saturday—
Dunedin Jockey Club Spring
December 2, Wednesday; 3, Thursday—Feilding Spring
December 10, Thursday; 11, Friday, Masterton
December 21, Monday—Te Kuiti Annual
December 26, Saturday; January 1, Friday, 2, Saturday—
Auckland Racing Club Summer
December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Thames
December 26, Saturday—Gisborne Racing Club
December 12, Saturday—Tinwald Racing Club Annual
December 12, Saturday—Westport Racing Club Summer
December 26, Saturday—Waipawa County Summer
December 26, Saturday—Lower Valley Annual
December 26, Saturday—Palmerston Annual
December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Westport Jockey Club Summer
December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Manawatu Summer
December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Reefton Summer
December 26, Saturday; 28, Monday—Northern Wairoa Summer
December 28, Monday; 29, Tuesday—Taranaki Summer
December 29, Tuesday—Ashurst
December 31, Thursday—Greyouth J.C. Summer
February 17, Wednesday; 18, Thursday—Taranaki Autumn
March 17, Wednesday—Tologa Bay Annual Meeting
April 15, Monday; 20, Tuesday; 24, Saturday—Auckland Racing Club Autumn
June 5, Saturday; 7, Monday—North New Zealand Grand National Steeplechase Meeting

NOMINATIONS.

November 27—Thames Summer Meeting
December 7, Monday—Te Kuiti Annual Races
December 11, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
November 28, Saturday—Gisborne Races
January 9, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn
February 6, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn (minor events)
February 16, Monday—Tologa Bay Annual Meeting

HANDICAPS.

November 27, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
December 12, Saturday—Te Kuiti Annual Races
December 12, Saturday—Gisborne Races
December 14, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
December 28, Monday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
January 1, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer

January 23, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn
February 8, Monday—Taranaki Autumn
February 24, Wednesday—Tologa Bay Annual Meeting

ACCEPTANCES.

December 4, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
December 14, Monday—Thames Summer Meeting
December 14, Monday—Te Kuiti Annual Races
December 18, Friday—Auckland Racing Club Summer
December 19, Saturday—Gisborne Races
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 8, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn
February 13, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn
February 17, Wednesday—Taranaki Autumn

AUSTRALIA.

December 12, Saturday—Rosehill Summer
December 26—Victoria Amateur Turf Club's Summer
December 26, 28—Australian Jockey Club's Summer

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

H. THOMPSON.—You only take 2 for 15 when the last card at that number has been played, and the same applies to 31. 2. In cutting for deal at euchre the practice is to regard the Jack as the best card, and practice frequently makes a rule. However, when cutting, a Jack is not trumps, and, if not trumps, it is only fourth in value; at the same time it is the practice to look upon the Jack as best card, with the ace next. 3. We have not a record of the minimum and maximum weight of the English jockey Kitchner.

Sporting Review

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1896.

AUSTRALIAN HORSES.

THE news that Merman has been sold by Mr W. R. Wilson to go to England is another satisfactory evidence that the English market is open to the breeders of good stock bred in Australasia, and the fact should be particularly encouraging to New Zealand breeders, because it has been established that here we have obtained a pronounced lead in the production of the best animals that have graced the turf of Australia. In support of that contention we have only to mention the names of Carbine, Trenton, Nordentfeldt, Maxim, St. Leger, Nelson, and Lochiel, together with such mares as Hilda, Lady Zetland, Merganser, and a host of others. Of course these thoroughbreds owe their origin to the best blood of England, but it seems that that blood improves by its introduction to the climate and country of New Zealand. Musket was a good horse in England, but it remained with New Zealand to make his fame, and this, coupled with other evidences of the improvement of imported stock, incline to suggest the thought that the Land of the Moa is the paradise of the thoroughbred, and with such animals as we have at Wellington Park, Sylvia Park, and, indeed, all over New Zealand, it will be surprising if we do not continue to contribute ornaments of the turf quite as good as those we have bred in the past. The price paid for the Australian-bred Merman (1,500 guineas) is a good one, considering his performances, and probably his value has been enhanced by the renown of the New Zealanders, Carbine and Trenton, coupled with the recent brilliance of Newhaven. Merman is by the unbeaten New South Wales champion, Grand Flaneur (sire of Hopscotch) out of Seaweed. He has the reputation of being a good horse, but has done nothing particularly good in public, possibly because he has shown the uneven temper exhibited by many of the Grand Flaneur stock. In the late Caulfield Cup he played up at the post and was badly left, but the fact that he ran fourth indicates that he would probably have won had he taken kindly to his work. Since then he beat a splendid field in the Williamstown Cup, and if in England he will only gallop when wanted he should improve the reputation of the Australians.

Sporting Topics.

[By REVIEWER.]

The grouse season in Yorkshire has been a record one.

Tasman's daughter Florrie has produced a colt foal to Trenton.

Nominations for the Thames Summer meeting are due to-morrow.

Mr J. Maher, of Hastings, has purchased the colt by Apremont—Nautilus for the sum of 400gs.

The first instalment of weights for the Auckland Racing Club's Summer meeting are due to-morrow.

The Masterton Racing Club has decided to prevent bookmakers from betting at the next meeting.

Harry Gardiner, who rode Newhaven, steered Cremorne when he was so successful as a four-year-old.

If New Zealanders think that Bloodshot is only a sprinter, Melbourne people wonder what would pass muster here as a stayer.

"Castor" considers that Multiform is the colt of the season. I would like to see him meet Coronet before coinciding in that opinion.

A Southern tipster named half-a-dozen horses to beat the three-year-olds in the Wellington Exhibition Handicap, but a three-year-old won.

The intelligence from Victoria that Merman has been sold to go to England should be a source of satisfaction to Australian and New Zealand breeders.

One Tasmanian punter is credited with having hit the double, the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, for three years in succession. The Auckland books don't want that man here.

A well-known mining speculator in Victoria states that Newhaven's value in England would be £15,000. He himself was willing to plank down £10,000 for the colt in Australia.

A Southern writer states that Fabulist's running in the New Zealand Cup was a strange contradiction to his track form. Possibly he had gone off and left his form on the training track.

At Mentone (Melbourne) recently the well-known jockey Fountain was severely censured for not riding Hero out, even when he saw pursuit was hopeless. What would those Mentone stewards have said if they had seen cyclist Reynolds turning it up on the Domain on Saturday.

The number of lame horses after the Curreagh Steeplechase at the C.J.C. meeting is being used as an argument in favour of eliminating such races during the seasons when the going may be expected to be hard. Quite right, too, but after the mild weather we have had it seems surprising that the going at Riccarton should have been so hard as to lame nearly all the starters in the steeplechase.

Since Newhaven was purchased by Messrs Jones and Cooper he has won about £6,000 in stakes. When Jones bought him he said he intended to run him for the Stewards Cup, at Goodwood (England). That is a six furlong race, but now that Newhaven has proved that he is a stayer, he will fly at something higher than the Stewards Cup if he goes to England.

The huntsman Gillard, who has carried the horn for the Belvoir pack (England) for twenty-six years, has retired from active service. On retiring a cheque for £1300 was publicly presented to him, and in addition, the ladies of the country made the veteran huntsman a present. Although the author of "Thoughts Upon Hunting" was correct in saying that it is as difficult to find a good huntsman as a prime minister, it is pretty evident that Frank Gillard was one.

Writers in the Southern Press do not give Armilla much credit for her win in the Oaks. The three placed horses were not travelling faster than a brisk canter at the finish, so it is said, and one scribe states that probably Armilla is a good filly over a certain distance, but that distance is considerably less than a mile and a half. However, Armilla has since given that opinion a shake by winning the Wellington Exhibition Handicap over a mile and a quarter and against a good field in fast time.

The horses which ran at the C.J.C. meeting were (writes "Castor" in the *Canterbury Times*), perhaps, a trifle below the average. Of course Lady Zetland is a wonderful little mare, and Euroclydon is a great horse, who, if he remains sound until he can be again thoroughly seasoned, will, I am convinced, show that his performances last week were not the best he can accomplish. Fabulist, too, I am satisfied, did not run up to his true form, and I advise readers of this paper not to forget the fact. Otherwise, the old horses were moderate, while the three-year-olds were a distinctly inferior lot. This was shown when they were pitted against Lady Zetland and Euroclydon, and again when they met the two-year-olds in the Juvenile Plate. Uniform is a good honest colt, and Plotter will doubtless improve with age, but the pair did not finish very far in front of Epaulet in the Derby, and we all know how badly the last-named and Defiance were beaten in the Canterbury Cup. The two-year-olds, on the other hand, were distinctly good. A better colt than Multiform has seldom been seen out in the spring, while Sir Launcelot and Blazer are both above the average. Vulcan, Golden Legend, and Senior Wrangler will do plenty of service for their respective owners, and Bold, Deoxy, Seashell, Beauty Sleep, Goldleaf, and one or two others are useful. Indeed, it is highly possible that we saw the winner of next year's Derby out, and if, as is stated, Yaldhurst can produce something better than Multiform, it will be something very good, while Vulcan is in appearance a typical Derby colt.



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