



SOUTH AUCKLAND RACING CLUB. ANNUAL MEETING, TO BE HELD AT CLAUDELANDS' RACECOURSE, HAMILTON, OR SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1897.

PRESIDENT: W. H. Herries, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-President: F. W. Lang, Esq., M.H.R. Stewards: Messrs I. Coates, G. Edgecumbe, T. Slade, A. Furze, A. J. Storey, R. C. Mathias, Dr Waddington, E. M. Dickey, J. B. Harker, Dr Brewis, I. Cussen, Dr Kenny, and F. W. Browning. Judge: Mr L. Cussen. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Eviitt. Clerk of Course: Mr O. F. Filling. Clerk of Scales: Mr Arthur Furze.

PROGRAMME.

- Trial Handicap of 15 sovs. For horses that have never won an advertised race at time of start of the value of 15 sovs. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 10s. One mile.
Handicap Hurdles of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. One mile and a half.
South Auckland Cup of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. One mile and a quarter.
Handicap Pony Race of 15 sovs. For ponies 14 hands 2 inches and under. Ponies not holding A.R.C. certificate to be measured by the stewards. Nomination, 5s; accep ance, 10s. Six furlongs.
Claudelands Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. Winner of South Auckland Cup to carry 7lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. One mile.
Handicap Steeplechase of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 20s. About three miles.
Flying Handicap of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. Winner of South Auckland Cup to carry 7lb extra; winner of Claudelands Handicap to carry 6lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Six furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

ALL NOMINATIONS to be made to the Hon. Sec., Hamilton, before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, 12th February, 1897.
WEIGHTS to appear on or about THURSDAY, 18th February.
ACCEPTANCES for all events to be declared before 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, 26th February.
Five per cent. to be deducted from all stakes.
Nominations and Acceptances to be accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.
Performances and description of horses and their riders' colours to be sent in with nominations.
Note.—All winners will be settled with on night of race meeting.

A. J. STOREY, Hon. Sec.



EGMONT RACES. NOTICE TO BOOKMAKERS.

Bookmakers, their Clerks, or Agents are hereby notified that they will not be admitted to the Egmont Racing Club's Grounds on WEDNESDAY, February 10, and THURSDAY, February 11, 1897.

A. G. BRETT, Secretary.

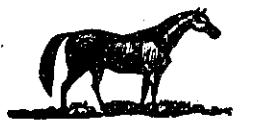


TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB SUMMER MEETING.

FEBRUARY 6 AND 13.

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IN BANKRUPTCY IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND, NORTHERN DISTRICT.

In the matter of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883, and the several amendments thereof, and of the Bankruptcy of HENRY AUGUSTUS HOFFMANN, Piano Tuner, of Auckland.

Notice is hereby given that Henry Augustus Hoffmann, of Auckland, Piano Tuner, was this day adjudged a bankrupt, and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be held at my office on MONDAY, the 8th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN LAWSON, Official Assignee in Bankruptcy.

HAWERA HORSE BAZAAR.

THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1897, AT 9 A.M. SHARP.

(Morning of Second Day's Egmont Races.)

THOROUGHBRED HORSES

THE PROPERTY OF MESSRS J. A. GOODSON AND R. H. NOLAN.

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Have received instructions to sell by public auction as above—

YEARLINGS.

- Lot 1—BROWN FILLY by Morpheus, dam Pakurakura, by King Cole—Figure-head, by Ramarama—Spritsail—by Traducer. Nominated for Egmont Sires Hack Produce Stakes of 1899.
Lot 2—BAY GELDING by Morpheus, dam Symphony, by Perkin Warbeck—Lady of the Lake, by Sledmere—Meg Merriles, by St. George—Gipsy. Nominated for Egmont Sires Hack Produce Stakes of 1899.
Lot 3—BAY GELDING by Captor, dam by Isaac Walton, out of a Sir Watkin mare.
Lot 4—BAY GELDING by Foul Shot, dam Barbara, by Sator—Task, by Antidote (half-brother to Hailstone, Vagrant, and Courier).
Lot 5—BAY FILLY by Foul Shot, dam Sula, by Patriarch (half sister to Siva). Sula is full sister to Couranto and Premium, and half sister to Nap.
Lot 6—BAY FILLY by Handsome Jack, dam Irene, by Leonidas, dam Moilena—Irene being thus full sister to dam of Fabulist.
Lots 4, 5, and 6 are nominated for Taranaki Hack Derby of 1898 and Egmont Sires Hack Produce Stakes of 1899.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

- Lot 8—BROWN GELDING by Vanguard, dam Yattaway, by Nordenfeldt—Yattacy, by Yattendon Ecstasy—by The Marquis—Lady Exeter. Nominated for Wanganui Derby of 1897. This should prove an excellent racehorse, having a great combination of Musket, Traducer, and Yattendon blood.
Lot 9—BROWN FILLY by Vanguard—Symphony. This is a splendidly-grown filly, and from her confirmation should turn out something above the ordinary.
Lot 10—BAY GELDING by Gipsy King—Vienne, by The Dauphin—Brassolis, by Panic—Josephine, by Bolardo—Wando, by Cossack—Fair Helen, by Rous Emigrant. This gelding has great size, substance, and power, and should either make a great racehorse or hurdler.
Lot 11—BAY FILLY by Leolantis—Brassolis. Nominated for Taranaki Hack Derby of 1897. This is a very shapely filly, and having the strain of Panic blood ought to make her valuable.
Lot 12—BAY FILLY by Vanguard, dam Princess Ida, by King Cole—Queen Margaret, by Leolinus—Countess, by The Peer.
Lot 13—BAY FILLY by Vanguard—Volley, by Volunteer.
Lot 14—BAY FILLY by Lionel, dam by Isaac Walton, out of a Sir Watkin mare. This is full sister to Fairy, the pony that has been running so well in New Plymouth, and promises to be very fast.
Lot 15—BROWN GELDING by Gipsy King—Barbara (full brother to Vagrant, who is running so well in Victoria and winning so many races).
Lot 16—BAY FILLY by Gipsy King—Minnie (full sister to Kaahu and half sister to Weka).
Lots 10, 12, 13, 15, and 16 are nominated for Taranaki Hack Derby of 1897 and Egmont Sires Hack Produce Stakes of 1899.
Lot 17—BAY GELDING by Gipsy King—Penelope, by Kakapo, out of Pacific mare, by Riddlesworth.
Lot 18—CHESTNUT FILLY, 3yrs, full sister to Lot 14.
Lot 19—BAY GELDING, 3yrs, by Forerunner, dam Minnie (half brother to Kaahu and Weka).
Lot 20—COURIER, 3yrs (in training), chestnut gelding, by Forerunner—Barbara (half brother to Vagrant).
Lot 21—BAY MARE, 5yrs, by Gipsy King—Minnie (full sister to Kaahu).

BROOD MARES.

- Lot 22—SYMPHONY, bay mare, by Perkin Warbeck—Lady of the Lake, with foal at foot by Vanguard and stinted to Reynard.
Lot 23—PRINCESS IDA, chestnut mare, 6yrs, bred by Mr Henry Redwood, by King Cole—Queen Margaret, stinted to Reynard.
Lot 24—BRASSOLIS, brown mare, by Panic—Josephine, with foal at foot by Reynard and stinted to him again.
Lot 25—BLACK MARE by Isaac Walton, dam by Sir Watkin, with foal at foot by Reynard, and stinted to him again.
Lot 26—BARBARA, bay mare, by Sator, dam Task, by Antidote, stinted to Gipsy King. This mare is the dam of Hailstone and Vagrant, both great winners.
Lot 27—MINNIE, by Traducer, dam by Riddlesworth, stinted to Gipsy King (dam of Weka, Kiwi, and Kaahu).

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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 \$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, 1896.

THE PROPRIETOR SPORTING REVIEW,

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 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, 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.

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.

March 17 and 20, 1897—Avondale Racing Club. Wm. Percival, Secretary.

RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ZEALAND.

February 6, Saturday—C.J.C. Summer.
February 6, Saturday; 13, Saturday—Takapuna Summer.
February 10, Wednesday; 11, Thursday—Egmont Racing Club Summer.
February 17, Wednesday; 18, Thursday—Taranaki Autumn.
February 18, Thursday; 19, Friday—Bay of Plenty J.C. Annual.
February 24, Wednesday; 25, Thursday; 27, Saturday—Dunedin J.C. Autumn.
March 4, Thursday; 5, Friday—Wanganui J.C. Autumn.
March 6, Saturday—South Auckland R.C. Annual.
March 17, Wednesday—Tolaga Bay Annual Meeting.
March 17, Wednesday—Masterton R.C. Autumn.
March 17, Wednesday; 18, Thursday—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn.
March 17, Wednesday; 20, Saturday—Avondale J.C. 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.

February 4, Thursday; 9, Tuesday—Takapuna Summer.
February 6, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn (minor events).
February 12, Friday—South Auckland R.C. Annual.
February 16, Monday—Tolaga Bay Annual Meeting.
March 5, Friday—Avondale J.C. Autumn.
March 12, Friday—Auckland R.C. Autumn.
April 9, Friday—Auckland R.C. Autumn (general entry).

HANDICAPS.

February 4, Thursday; 9, Tuesday—Takapuna Summer.
February 8, Monday—Taranaki Autumn.
February 16, Tuesday—Wanganui J.C. Autumn.
February 18, Thursday—South Auckland R.C. Annual.
February 24, Wednesday—Tolaga Bay Annual Meeting.
March 8, Monday; 18, Thursday—Avondale J.C. Autumn.
April 1, Thursday; 12, Monday; 20, Tuesday; 21, Wednesday—Auckland R.C. Autumn.

ACCEPTANCES.

February 1, Monday; 10, Wednesday; 11, Thursday—Egmont Racing Club Summer.
February 6, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn.
February 10, Wednesday—Bay of Plenty Annual.
February 13, Saturday—Taranaki Autumn.
February 17, Wednesday—Taranaki Autumn.
February 23, Tuesday—Wanganui J.C. Autumn.
February 26, Friday—South Auckland R.C. Annual.
March 12, Friday; 18, Thursday—Avondale J.C. Autumn.
April 9, Friday; 19, Monday; 20, Tuesday; 22, Thursday, Auckland R.C. Autumn.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A. BLACK (Napier).—The date for holding the drawing for Pegasus has not been fixed. The committee, we are informed, are awaiting the return of certain ticket books, when the date will be fixed.

S. DAY (Onehunga).—The value of the Derby to Nestor's owner, according to the conditions of the race, was 375 sovs.

SPORT (Coromandel) asks.—Will you kindly decide the following wager? A and B are playing devil's pool. The former, in preparing to play, knocks down a pin, seeing which he replaces it and plays his stroke with all the pins standing. Is it a fair stroke? Messrs Memmott and Weiss are both experienced pool players, and, to give our correspondent satisfaction, we submitted the query to them, and they agree that the question is a difficult one to decide, because it is the practice in some places to call the stroke foul, while in others it is allowed. Mr Memmott, however, thinks that it would be in accordance with the spirit of the rules to call such strokes foul.

Sporting and Dramatic REVIEW

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE.

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDARD.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1897.

HANDICAPPING.

ALL our racing laws are based upon those framed in the first instance by the greatest racing institution in the world, the English Jockey Club, and it is therefore of interest to us to watch the latest reforms proposed by that body. Among the matters connected with the Turf that of handicapping is certainly the most vexed, and has formed a constant topic of conversation ever since the time of that famous gentleman, Admiral Rous, who has been called the prince of handicappers. In those days the handicapping at Newmarket, according to a speech recently made by Lord Harewood, was theoretically in the hands of the stewards, but was actually performed by one of those stewards, Admiral Rous, as indeed was most of the handicapping throughout the country. When the good old handicapper passed away the season of comparative content among the owners of handicap horse came to an end, and ever since the handicapper, not only in England but all over the world, has been the best abused official connected with a racecourse. Probably in the days of Admiral Rous more people raced for sport, and were not so prone to abuse handicappers as those who have adopted horse racing as a means of earning existence. While a lot of the abuse is probably unmerited there was something evidently wrong in the system of handicapping, and the matter was recently taken up by Lord Durham, and the result of his action was that the English Jockey Club appointed a committee, who have recommended that "No handicapper shall hold any other office at a meeting held during the same week, except by expressed permission of the stewards of the Jockey Club in case of emergency. He must attend the meeting personally or by licensed deputy. The name of the handicapper attending the meeting shall appear in the calendar containing the report." This new rule was exhaustively discussed at a meeting of the Jockey Club, held on December 7th, and attended by such noted sportsmen as Lord Rendlesham, Lord Downe, Lord Harewood, R.H. the Prince of Wales, Lord Durham, Mr L. de Rothschild, Prince Soltykoff, and others. The only opponents of the new rule were Mr Lowther (an old steward of the English Jockey Club) and Lord March, their opposition arising not from any antagonism to the principle of the rule but because the stewards had already the power to do everything prescribed by the rule. Therefore, they contended that no new rule was required. However, Lord Harewood pointed out that if that argument were carried out to its logical conclusion they would not have any necessity for any rules at all, and might carry on racing as they pleased without rules. The committee, it appeared, had been guided in framing the new rule by the evidence of the handicappers they had examined. Major Egerton, Lord Suffolk stated, had been examined at more length than any of the others, and he attributed his admitted failure in handicapping during the year chiefly to the want of time. To that the committee in effect replied, "As you will take more work than you can do in the time we must tie your hands and prevent you taking so much, and therefore we tie you and other stewards down to one meeting