

THE AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

THE Trotting Club races came off last Saturday at Potter's Paddock, Epsom. The day was all in its favour, being the first bright sunny day we have had for some time, and the sun having now some power made a day in the country most enjoyable, consequently the attendance was very good.

Everything must have a beginning and so I suppose must trotting races. The class of horses here engaged were very much below par, it would be flattery to call any animal engaged a trotter.

At the same time trotting races should encourage the breeding of trotters, and the finding out of any natural trotters we may possess, and it is to be hoped that the extra training and special attention now directed to them may result in finding and breeding a superior class of animal to that which we at present possess.

The following are the results:—

HANDICAP MAIDEN TROT of 30 sovs. Two miles. Mr. H. Andrew's ch g Mount (Crowther), 30s..... 1

SELLING TROT of 15 sovs. Two miles and a half. Mr. H. Windsor's b m Rambuster (Thorpe), 30s..... 1

PONY CUP HANDICAP of 40 sovs. Seven furlongs. Mr. J. Cummins' b m Locket, 5 yrs, 9st 8lb (Mc-Minnamin)..... 1

HANDICAP TROT of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stakes. Three miles. Mr. H. Andrew's ch g Mount, 35 sec (Tanner) 1

HANDICAP PONY TROT of 20 sovs. Two miles. Mr. W. Burnside's g m Mary Jane, 45 sec. 1

HANDICAP PONY HURDLES of 30 sovs. One mile and a half. Mr. W. S. Evans' b g Reuben, aged, 7st 9lb 1

A protest has been entered against Mount, the winner of the Maiden and Handicap Trotting races.

On Tuesday afternoon the Forced Handicap Trot of 15 sovs., two miles and a half, postponed at the Auckland Trotting Club's meeting on Saturday took place at Potter's Paddock, Epsom.

The sum of £1,110 was passed through the totalisator.

VICTORIAN CLUB RACES.

By this Mail we have full particulars of the above races which were run on the 23rd August, in beautiful weather to a large attendance. The Governor, Lord Hopetoun, was present and had the pleasure of seeing a colt named after him win the 2 year old Handicap.

The Steeplechase of 2 miles was won by Mr. S. Miller's Studley, 12st. 4lb., Mr. R. Goodison's Beetroot, 10st. second, Mr. Clark's Eaglet, 12st 10lb. third, Mr. J. Rae's Guy Fawkes, 11st. 4lb. fourth; time, 4m. 7 1/2 sec., our readers will be sorry to hear the old Auckland favorite, Guy Fawkes, broke down.

WAIKATO HUNT CLUB RACES.

The following weights have been declared for the Waikato Hunt Club Races which are to be held on Allwill's Course, Cambridge, on the 20th inst.:—

Table with columns for horse names, weights (st. lb.), and race types: HURDLES, LADIES' BRACELET, HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE, STEEPLES.

Acceptances are due on the 13th inst.

HAWKE'S BAY SPRING MEETING.

Table with columns for horse names, weights (st lb), and race types: WEIGHTS, FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES, FLYING HANDICAP, SPRING HANDICAP.

The entries for the English Derby are to hand. Mr. D. Cooper, of Australia, has five entered, and the Daresin colt purchased in America by Mr. L. de Rothschild is also among the entries.

PAKURANGA HUNT CLUB.

ON Saturday last, 6th Sept., the hounds met at Green Lane, where there was a good muster, consisting of the Master and Miss Percival, Mr. and Miss McLaughlin, Col. Dawson, Messrs. Dunnett, Lockhart, Garrett, Wallace, Boord, Tonks, Hanna, Kettlewell, Butler, O'Neill and various others.

There was an excellent drag laid by C. Warren and George Hope over the One Tree Hill estate (by kind permission). The start was made from a point on the South road close to the late Mr. Scarrott's property, crossing the Onehunga road and then right to the top of the hill and across the road from the Harp of Erin to Onehunga, where there was a good double jump, then right up to the Onehunga Waterworks then a turn to the right where the drag made straight for the Royal Oak at Onehunga.

The hounds meet to-day at Mr. James Hay's farm at the Three Kings.

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