

Poseidon's Caulfield Cup was a record for the race, the son of Positano cutting out the mile and a-half in 2min 34½sec. Hymethus and Sweet Nell jointly held the record before with 2min 35½sec. The Australian record is 2min 32½sec, held by the New Zealanders Noctulform and Maniopoto.

A further payment for the Melbourne Cup is due on October 30, the Tuesday before the race.

Acceptances for the various events to be run on the opening day of the Auckland Racing Club's Spring Meeting must be made by to-morrow evening at 9 o'clock. The handicaps are given in another column.

The Masterton R.C. Spring Meeting takes place to-day and to-morrow.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond's two-year-old filly Eona seems a particularly speedy customer. The daughter of Birkenhead and Eon cut out the four furlongs of the Wellesley Stakes in the fast time of 49 1-5secs. On that form she should be capable of extending Boniform when they meet at Riccarton.

The two-year-old half-sister to Cavalry by Menschikoff, has been named Specialist.

The Cambridgeshire Handicap was to have been run yesterday. Noctulform's weight was 8st 2lb.

It does not appear as though there was any great increase in gambling in South Australia. At the recent Spring Meeting of the S.A.J.C. the tote figures were only £9095, as against £21,867 five years ago.

The field remaining in the C.J.C. Derby is as follows:—Kirriemuir (by Clanranald—Madowla), Blazing Star (by Clanranald—Catherine Wheel), Seal Rock (by San Francisco—Miss Gladys), Huascar (by Hotchkiss—St. Elyn), Apollonia (by Phoebus Apollo—Cuiralba), Field Gun (by Hotchkiss—Gannet), Zimmerman (by Birkenhead—Solitaire), Lapland (by Finland—Neroli), Mungista (by Stepniak—Madder), Jack Ashore (by Castashore—Pleasure Seeker), Grand Slam (by The Possible—Scotia), and the San Fran—Kissmary filly.

At Glenora Park Chiara (Cuirassie—Ouida), Caller Ou (Swordfish II.—Helen McGregor), and Athel (Muskapeer—Bay Bess) have thrown fillies to Soult. Soult Girl (Soult—Fish Girl) has produced a colt to Multiform.

Prim, the winner of the Stepniak Stakes at Oamaru, is reported to be a particularly smart two-year-old. She is a daughter of Pilgrim's Progress, and the Stepniak mare Nantes but is said to be not too sound.

The winning double was hard to find on each day at Wellington. On the first day Clanchattan and Golden Gate paid £55 13/ for each pound invested, but this was easily beaten on the second day when Ellerton and Flotilla returned their lucky supporters £115 10/.

The ex-Auckland pony Sonica, now known as Signorina, last month won the Western India Stakes of 10,000 rs., 1¼ miles. The daughter of Soult won in a canter with 9st 11b in the saddle.

The five-year-old gelding Chief Steward (Far Niente—Stewardess) broke one of his legs when on the trip to Gisborne on the Mokoia, and had to be destroyed.

Mr Crick's smart three-year-old Colaret is reported to be lame, and is to be given a spell.

The V.R.C. Derby appears to be completely at the mercy of Poseidon, who is quoted as 3 to 1 on. The son of Positano is also a point better favourite than Solution for the Melbourne Cup.

Lady Nannie had a very easy win in the Onehunga Handicap at Alexandra Park. The Cyrenian mare jumped away in front, and leading all the way romped home three lengths ahead of the field.

There were no bookmakers at Alexandra Park on Saturday, the result being an increase in the totalisator turnover of £1057 10/.

Master Alix attempted to give Clementine 37lb in the Waitaki Handicap at Oamaru, and only failed to do it by a short head.

Ben Deeley, who could not go wrong during the two last seasons in Auckland, seems to have lost the knack of winning races, after making Hawke's Bay his home. It is pleasing to note that he won the principal race the second day of the Wellington meeting, and this may change his bad luck.

It seems hard luck that the owners of Klondyke and Merrimanu, a dead heater and a winner, should have to give up their winnings through no mistake of their own. An old campaigner like Frank Ross should know better than let his boy ride without a license.

In the Caulfield Cup the Auckland public would not have the first favourite (the winner), perhaps because only once the favourite had won in 23 years. Solution was well supported for this race.

D. Price, the light-weight jockey, who is at present riding for the Hon. J. D. Ormond, put up a fine performance in riding seven winners at the late Wellington Meeting.

THE AUCKLAND PARK JOCKEY CLUB.

The Club will hold its second venture on the Otahuhu Racecourse on Wednesday, November 14, when five events will be run. These will consist of the Maiden Hack Handicap of 15sovs, 4 furlongs; Pony Race of 10sovs 5 furlongs; Auckland Park J.C. Handicap of 50sovs, 7 furlongs; Tradesman's Hack Handicap of 10sovs, 6 furlongs; and Flying Stakes of 20sovs, 5 furlongs. Full particulars as to nominations, etc., may be obtained at the office of the Auckland Park Jockey Club, 12 High street.

Mr Hill has a large staff at work at Ellerslie getting things into order for the Spring campaign of the Auckland Racing Club. A good deal yet remains to be done, but not a moment of time is being lost, and by the time the curtain is rung up on November 3, everything will be in its usual spick and span order. Writing of the meeting reminds me that acceptances for the following events close with Mr J. F. Hartland, the secretary, on Friday, at 9 p.m.:—President's Handicap, 1 sov.; Shorts Handicap 1 sov.; Hobson Handicap, 1 sov.; Flying Handicap, 1 sov.; Hunt Club Cup Handicap Steeplechase, 1 sov.; Hunt Club Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov.

TROTTING.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

Although dull, the weather was pleasant enough for the opening day of the Auckland Trotting Club's Spring Meeting, and with the prospect of an interesting afternoon's sport a large number of sportsmen journeyed out to Alexandra Park. Mr. Mark had everything in good order and proceedings passed off without the semblance of a hitch. Betting was fairly brisk, the sum of £2523 10s going through the machine, which represents a big advance on the corresponding day last year, when, however, the bookmakers were operating.

The ball was set rolling with the Maiden Trot, one mile, for which about the biggest field yet seen at the Park turned out, seventeen carrying silk. Quite a number were backed, but the actual favorite was the La Rue gelding Mangere. He was soon in front, but Cleveland's Pride caught him at the back, and coming on Mr. Hannigan's gelding won comfortably by ten yards.

Of the five runners in the Onehunga Handicap, six and a half furlongs, Lady Nannie was rather better fancied than Fashionable. The Cyrenian mare jumped off very smartly, and never letting anything else get within striking distance, romped home the easiest of winners by three lengths.

The big event, the Spring Trot, two miles, only brought out four competitors, and of these Bogey was a better favorite than Lady Love. As a race the contest was rather a failure, as Bogey led all the way without a semblance of a break, although Duke C. closed up in the last little bit, it was only on sufferance, while Lady Love was a poor third.

A dozen turned out for the Middle-Class Trot, one and one-half miles. Princess Ena was a warm favorite. In this the public showed sound judgment, for Mr. Mead's mare soon displaced Huanui in the lead, and never being afterwards troubled, Hird got her home the easiest of winners by twenty yards from Tableau, with the fast-finishing Miss Tuxie a fair third.

Torpedo II. was sorted out as the good thing in the Stewards' Trot, one and one-half miles. The Judge Belden gelding Kiteonetea, who was nicely treated on the limit, had a rather soft thing on, leading all the way, and winning comfortably by twenty yards from Harold Abdallah, who beat the favourite for third place rather easily.

A nice field of ten contested the Pony Trot, one mile, Cleveland's Pride carrying the most investments. Little Harold was in the van during the early stages, but breaking badly, Mongonui went to the front, and the daughter of Cleveland came home twenty yards in advance of Mr. Perrin's mare Seacole, with Huanui a fair third.

Eight turned out for the October Handicap, five furlongs, and for this Frederick was a strong tip, with Hopscotch next in demand. These two were smartest to begin, and they were out by themselves when heads were turned for home. At the distance Frederick came away and won handily by two lengths from La Annie, who came too late, with Rapid a head away third.

The day's proceedings terminated with the Electric Trot Handicap, one mile. Despite a four seconds' penalty, Mongonui was made favourite, and once again the summing up of the situation was a correct one. Snip led for a while, once Mongonui got past him she was not headed, having quite sufficient left to stall off Rosebud's finishing effort, winning by fifteen yards, with Colenso a fair third.

The results were as follows:—

MAIDEN TROT HANDICAP. One mile. Mr. C. Hannigan's b g Cleveland's Pride, aged, by Cleveland, 17s. (Crotty) 1
Mr. T. Brady's b m Agnes B., aged, 16s. (Hunt) 2
Mr. W. Austin's b m Miss Tuxie, 6s. (owner) 3
Also started: Tableau 12s, Janitor 14s, Wilhelmina 14s, Bridget 14s, Flora Mac 14s, Victorious 14s, Huon Leal 14s, Wild Nell 14s, Lady Rothschild 16s, Porangi 18s, Rutland 19s, Brown Alice 19s, Giltters 19s, Mangere 19s.
Time, 2m. 53s. Dividends, £1 12s and £1 8s.

ONEHUNGA HANDICAP. Six furlongs. Mr. B. Armitage's ch m Lady Nannie, 4yrs, by Cyrenian—Nannie, 8.1 (Pinker) 1
Mr. T. Quinnlivan's br m Merrimanu, 3yrs, 7.7, including 14lb overweight (Conquest) 2
Messrs. J. and H. Hussey's br h Fashionable, aged, 10.0 (Wilson) 3
Also started: Sonoma 9.0, Trepoff 7.5.
Time, 1m. 26s. Dividend, £1 3s.

SPRING HANDICAP TROT. Two miles. Mrs. W. G. Chisnall's br g Bogey, aged, by Pirate, 11s (Hawkins) 1
Mr. A. C. Gilman's b g Duke C, aged, 2s (Herbert) 2
Mr. S. Hamilton's blk m Lady Love, 6yrs, scr. (Hamilton) 3
Also started: Harold Abdallah, 2s.
Time, 5m. 29s. Dividend, £1 3s.

MIDDLE-CLASS TROT. One mile and a half. Mr. Nathan Mead's b m Princess Ena, 4yrs, by Prince Imperial—Camel mare, 10s (Hird) 1
Mr. W. G. Chisnall's b g Tableau, 6yrs, 7s (Hawkins) 2
Mr. W. Austin's b m Miss Tuxie, aged, 2s behind scr. (owner) 3
Also started: Eureka scr., Little Harold 4s, Daydawn 6s, Lena G. 7s, Lady Brook 7s, Avenal 10s, Huon Leal 10s, Huanui 12s, Snip 13s.
Time, 4m. 5 4-5s. Dividends, 17s and £3 3s.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP TROT. One mile and a half. Mr. G. Duncan's br g Kiteonetea, aged, by Judge Belden, 15s (owner) 1
Mrs. James' b g Harold Abdallah, aged, 3s (T. Hill) 2
Mr. W. G. Chisnall's b g Torpedo 11. aged, 9s (owner) 3
Also started: Le Rosier scr., Taihoa 8s, Farewell II. 12s.
Time, 4m. 5 2-5s. Dividends, £1 5 and £1 10s.

PON YTROT HANDICAP. One mile. Mr. H. Lloyd's b m Mongonui, 6yrs, by Cleveland—Martha, 7s (Hird) 1
Mr. W. Perrin's, jun, b m Seacole, 6yrs, 14s (owner) 2
Mr. C. Baker's b m Huanui, aged, 12s 3
Also started: Polly II. scr., Little Harold 7s, Fibre 7s, Isabel 8s, Plaintiff 12s, Agnes B. 13s, Cleveland's Pride 10s (including 4s penalty).
Time, 2m. 41 1-5s. Dividends, £1 15s and 17s.

OCTOBER HANDICAP. Five furlongs. Mr. G. Hyde's blk g Frederick, yrs, by Soult—Hippocampus mare, 9.0 (Chaffe) 1
Mr. A. McMillan's br m La Annie, 4yrs, 7.0 (McMillan) 2
Mr. W. Howard's br m Rapid, aged, 7.7 (Conquest) 3
Also started: Inspiration 8.13, Trepoff (late Waima) 8.7, Hopscotch 8.3, Glenora 7.5, Kaipaki 7.5.
Time, 1m. 7 1-5s. Dividends, 19s and £1 1s.

ELECTRIC TROT HANDICAP. One mile. Mr. H. A. Lloyd's b m Mongonui, 6yrs, by Cleveland—Martha, 7s, including 4s penalty (Hird) 1
Mr. W. J. Greenwood's ch m Rosebud, aged, 3s (Greenwood) 2
Mr. G. Herbert's b g Colenso, aged, 6s (Herbert) 3
Also started: The Mooress scr., Taihoa 1s, Baxter 1s, Miss Huon 8s, Eureka 8s, Snip 12s, Nat Gould 12s.
Time, 2m. 40s. Dividends, £1 19s and 19s.

SECOND DAY.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion yesterday afternoon. Although dull, the weather was cool and pleasant and the attendance was very good for an off-day, being indeed very little short of Saturday, while the sport was most exciting. The results were as follows:

NOVICE TROT, one and one-half miles. Lizzie Bheg, 13s. 1
Adelaide, 22s 1
Flora Mac, 12s. 3
Won by twenty yards. Time, 4m. 16 2-5s. Dividends, 16s and 15s.

ALEXANDRA HANDICAP TROT. One and one-half miles. Sir Robert, 8s. 1
Duke C., 1s. 2
Harold Abdallah, 2s. 3
Won by fifty yards. Time, 3m. 58s. Dividends, £3 17s and 17s

REMUERA HANDICAP. Six and one-half furlongs. Sonoma (Speakman), 8.12 1
Glenora (Griffin), 6.7 2
Trepoff (W. Chaffe), 7. 0 3
Won by a length and a half. Time 1m. 28s. Dividend, 13s.

LADIES' BRACELET. One mile. Miss Tuxie (Austin), 6s. 1
Snip (Abbott), 17s 2
Lena G. (J. Paul), 13s. 3
Won by three yards. Time, 2m. 40 15-s. Dividends, £1 3s and 19s.

INNOVATION HANDICAP. One mile. Princess Ena (Hird), 3s. 1
Snip (Travers), 13s. 2
Lena G. (J. Paul), 10s. 3
Won by four yards. Time, 2m. 38 3-5s. Dividends, £1 1s and £3 11s.

HIGH-CLASS TROT. One mile. Rosebud (W. J. Greenwood), 4s. 1
Harold Abdallah (A. Greenwood), 3s. 2
The Mooress (Duncan), 1s. 3
Won by eight yards. Time 2m. 38 2-5s. Dividend, £2 6s.

INSULATION TROT. One mile. Colenso (Herbert), 8s. 1
Rosebud (W. T. Greenwood), 5s. 2
Mongonui (Hird), 5s. 3
Won by a length and a half. Time, 2.38 4-5s. Dividends, £5 18s and 17s.

JUNCTION HANDICAP. Five furlongs. Frederick (J. Chaffe), 9.12 1
La Annie (McMillan), 7.4 2
Rapid (Conquest), 7.7 3
Won by half a length. Time 1m. 6 4-5s. Dividend, £1 2.

NEW PROGRAMMES.

THE TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S SPRING MEETING.

The highly popular fixture, the Spring Meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club, takes place on Saturday and Wednesday, November 24 and 28, and for it a capital programme has been arranged. The events for the opening day are the Trial Handicap of 55sovs, one mile; the Cambria Handicap of 100sovs, 4 furlongs; the St. Andrew's Handicap of 200sovs, 1¼ miles; the Maiden Hurdles of 60sovs, 1½ miles; the Cheltenham Handicap of 100sovs, 5½ furlongs; the Melrose Handicap of 50sovs, 4 furlongs; the Tiri Hurdles of 80sovs, 2 miles; and the First Pony Handicap of 60sovs, six furlongs. On the second day the list is made up of the Kawau Hurdles of 80sovs, 1½ miles; the Stanley Handicap of 60sovs, 4 furlongs; the Spring Handicap of 150sovs, one mile; the Vauxhall Handicap of 50sovs, 7 furlongs; the Second Pony Handicap of 60sovs, 5½ furlongs; the Cautley Handicap of 100sovs, 5½ furlongs; the Rakino Steeplechase of 100sovs, 3 miles; and the Welter Handicap of 60sovs, one mile. The attention of owners is directed to the programme appearing in another column from which it will be seen that nominations for all events close with Mr Wynyard, the Secretary, on Friday, November 2, at 9 p.m.

THE MANAWATU RACING CLUB.

One of the best of the Christmas week meetings is that of the Manawatu Racing Club, which is fixed to take place on December 26, 27, and 29. A very comprehensive programme has been drawn up for this, the various events being well endowed. On the opening day the items on the programme consist of the Kelvin Hack Hurdles of 100sovs., 1½ miles; Maiden Hack of 100sovs., 7 furlongs; Manawatu Cup of 650sovs., 1½ miles; Tiritea Hurdles of 150sovs., 2 miles; Awapuni Handicap of 300sovs., 6 furlongs; Gillies Hack of 100sovs., Nursery Handicap of 150sovs., 5 furlongs, and Gandstand Handicap of 200 sovs., one mile. For the second day there is the Whitmore Hack Hurdles of 100sovs, 1½ miles; Hack Flying of 100 sovs., 5 furlongs; Palmerston North Stakes of 500sovs. (closed), 6 furlongs; Te Matai Hurdles of 130sovs., 1½ miles; Summer Cup of 300sovs.; Christmas Hack Welter of 100sovs., one mile; Kawau Stakes of 200sovs., one furlong; and the Himitungi Welter of 150sovs., 7 furlongs. For the third day there the races will consist of the Highden Hack Hurdles of 100sovs., 1½ miles; Tararua

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METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE.

The attention of persons proposing to take part in unregistered Race Meetings is hereby directed to the provisions of Rule 9 of Part II. of the Rules of Racing, and to the disqualification and penalties which will be incurred by officials, trainers, and riders.

J. F. HARTLAND,
Secretary, Auckland Racing Club.