

Leicester Square, on Christmas Eve, a unique entertainment was provided, with the result that the hall was crammed long before play, and many who offered to pay three times the value for the 5/ seats were unable to obtain admission. The military gentleman is held in such esteem and is such a noted person in English billiard circles, that amateurs and professionals alike offered their services in his interests. Diggle, Reece, and Peall were out of town. A flying handicap of 100 up was arranged as follows: Stevenson and Dawson scratch, Harveson receives 23, Weiss receives 24, Inman receives 25, Lovejoy, Cook, and Mannock receive 30, Elphick and Taylor 33 each. Weiss performed solidly and won right out. The various heats caused some amusement, especially those in which Stevenson and Dawson took part and were defeated without scoring. A "hot pool" was also part of the programme, and it was won by Mr. A. J. Brown, who defeated Inman.

Several correspondents have written asking me to give them some practice positions, and how best to place the balls when alone, so as to get practice which will tend to improve one's game (writes Sydenham Dixon). For nine out of ten of us I should say the best practice of all is to use two balls only, the red and the white. Start from baulk, placing the red anywhere you like, so long as it leaves a fairly easy loser into one of the four pockets. Mark the spot on which the red is first placed, and try how many "losers" you can make. Half an hour's occasional steady practice on these lines will do much to improve one in what is, after all, the most useful and most paying form of scoring, unless one happens to be an embryo Stevenson.

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AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY,

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th, 1907.

**MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP** of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

**HANDICAP HURDLE RACE** of 70sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, two miles.

**OAKLEY HANDICAP** of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

**JUVENILE HANDICAP** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

**AVONDALE HANDICAP** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.

**FIRST PONY HANDICAP** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

**CHEVALIER HANDICAP** of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, four furlongs.

**RAILWAY HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

SECOND DAY,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24th, 1907.

**MAIDEN HANDICAP HURDLES** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race of the value of 80sovs, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, one mile and three-quarters.

**FLYING HANDICAP** of 70sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, four furlongs.

**SECOND PONY HANDICAP** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

**AUTUMN HANDICAP** of 130sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Distance, one mile.

**NURSERY HANDICAP** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

**HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, about three miles.

**MOUNT ROSKILL HANDICAP** of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 40sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

**WAITAKEREI HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of stake. Winner of Flying or Autumn Handicaps to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

AUTUMN MEETING,

With Amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.J.C.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1907, by 9 p.m.  
NOMINATIONS.—Avondale Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Handicap, 1sov; Steeplechase Handicap, 1sov; Railway Handicap, 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5 (General Entry), by 9 p.m.

Maiden Plate Handicap, 1sov; Handicap Hurdles, 1sov; Oakley Handicap, 1sov; Juvenile Handicap, 1sov; First Pony Handicap, 1sov; Chevalier Handicap, 1sov; Maiden Handicap Hurdles, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 1sov; Second Pony Handicap, 1/2sov; Nursery Handicap, 1sov; Mount Roskill Handicap, 1sov; Waitakerei Handicap, 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Maiden Plate Handicap, 1sov; Handicap Hurdles, 1sov; Oakley Handicap, 1sov; Avondale Handicap, 3sovs; First Pony Handicap, 1sov; Juvenile Handicap, 1sov; Chevalier Handicap, 1sov; Railway Handicap, 1sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, by 9 p.m.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles, 1sov; Flying Handicap, 1sov; Second Pony Handicap, 1sov; Autumn Handicap, 2sovs; Nursery Handicap, 1sov; Handicap Steeplechase, 1sov; Mount Roskill Handicap, 1sov; Waitakerei Handicap, 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1907.

Avondale Handicap, Railway Handicap.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 8.  
Maiden Plate Handicap, Handicap Hurdles, Oakley Handicap, Juvenile

Handicap, First Pony Handicap, Chevalier Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, Morning Paper.  
Maiden Handicap Hurdles, Flying Handicap, Second Pony Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Nursery Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase, Mount Roskill Handicap, Waitakerei Handicap.

HARRY H. HAYR,  
Secretary.

**PATEA RACING CLUB.**

ANNUAL MEETING.

(For Hacks Only).

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 1st, 1907.

Judge: Mr. E. Derrett. Starter: Mr. C. H. Chavannes. Handicapper: Mr. J. E. Henrys. Stewards: Messrs. W. Gower, Jas. Paterson, J. R. Paterson, G. W. Booth, T. Jones, W. Jackson, L. G. Bremer, S. Gilligan, A. Pearce, Thos. Campbell, and G. Williams.

PROGRAMME:

- 11.30 a.m.—**HANDICAP HURDLES** of 70sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/2 miles, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s.
- 12.10 p.m.—**FLYING HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs out of the stakes. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Nomination 20s, acceptance 40s.
- 12.40 p.m.—**FARMERS' PLATE** of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Distance, one mile. Entrance 40s on general entry night. For all horses that have never started for any other race (Farmers' Plates excepted, and the winner of those barred); welter weight for age; open to all horses trained in, and the bona-fide property of residents within the boundaries of Patea, Hawera, Eltham, and Stratford counties for the three months prior to the date of starting.
- 1.40 p.m.—**PATEA EASTER HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 1/4 miles. Nomination 30s, acceptance 50s.
- 2.20 p.m.—**KAKARAMEA STAKES** of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/2 furlongs. Weight, 8st. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance 40s on general entry night.
- 3 p.m.—**BOROUGH STAKES HANDICAP** of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 7 furlongs. Nomination 15s, acceptance 25s.
- 3.40 p.m.—**ALTON HIGH WEIGHT HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, 1 mile. Minimum weight, 8st 7lb. Nomination 20s, acceptance 40s.
- 4.10 p.m.—**FINAL STAKES** of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about 4 1/2 furlongs. Open to any hack not nominated for any race at this meeting (Kakaramea Stakes and Farmers' Plate excepted), and winners of these to carry 14lb extra. Weight, 9st. Entrance 40s on general entry night.

Dates of Nominations, Acceptances and General Entries:—Nominations up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 11th March, 1907; weights declared on or about 18th March, 1907; acceptances and general entries up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 25th March, 1907.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Definition of a Hack.—A Hack is a horse that has not at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of £100 to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of £250 to the winner.
2. The winner of any flat race, after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb, and of every additional race 5lb extra in all handicap flat events.
3. Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.
4. Owners, trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for this meeting are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.
5. The Stewards reserve the right to alter the time or date of nominations, weights or acceptances.
6. The name of the trainer must in all cases be supplied at the time of nomination.

NOTE.—The Post Office closes at 5 p.m. Telegraph Office at 7.30 p.m. The Secretary will receive money for investment on the totalisator.

R. W. HAMERTON,  
Secretary.

Approved by the Taranaki Jockey Club this 25th day of January, 1907.  
MUSSELL FLEETWOOD,  
Secretary.

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING,

To be held on the  
**PAEROA RACECOURSE**  
ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY,  
MARCH 16 AND 18, 1907.

OFFICERS:

President: J. M. Coote, Esq. Vice-president: D. Waddell, Esq. Stewards: The Committee. Judge: Mr. J. Clarkin. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. F. Edwards. Clerks of Scales: Messrs. C. Trezise and H. R. Bush. Clerk of Course: Mr. C. Shaw. Timekeeper: Mr. M. Harris. Hon. Surgeons: Drs. Smith and Cheeseman. Committee: Messrs. A. McGuire, E. Shaw, W. Neil, H. R. Bush, J. Clarkin, W. J. Ellis, J. Hunt, S. Nelson, J. Nathan, C. Trezise, A. Montgomery, and W. G. Nicholls. Treasurer: Mr. W. J. Ellis. Secretary: Mr. H. Poland.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY.

- SHORTS HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s. Distance, four furlongs.
- HANDICAP HURDLES** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, £1. Distance, two miles.
- NETHERTON WELTER** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. Distance, seven furlongs.
- KARANGAHAKE HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. Distance, five furlongs.
- OHINEMURI CUP** of 11sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stakes; third horse 5sovs. Winner of any race of the value of 40 sovs after weights have been declared to carry 7lb extra; of 100sovs, 10lb extra. Nomination, £1; acceptance, £2. Distance, one and a-quarter miles.
- KOMATA HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 10s. Distance, seven furlongs.
- PAEROA STEEPLECHASE** of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, about two and a-half miles.
- ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP** of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Karangahake Handicap, Shorts Handicap, or Ohinemuri Cup to carry a penalty of 7lb; or of two, 10lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, £1. Distance, six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

- WAITEKAURI PLATE** of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs.
- WAIKINO WELTER** of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, seven furlongs.
- DISTRICT HANDICAP HURDLES** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, £1. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.
- HIKUTAIA HANDICAP** of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 10s. Distance, six furlongs.
- PAEROA HANDICAP** of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Winner of Waitekauri Plate to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, one mile.
- FLYING HANDICAP** of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, four furlongs.
- TALLY-HO STEEPLECHASE** of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stakes. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, about three miles.
- FINAL HANICAP** of 40sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs out of the stakes. Winner of the Waitekauri Plate or Paeroa Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra (or both, 10lb extra). Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

1. Nominations for all events close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1907.
2. Weights will appear for First Day's Races on or about TUESDAY, the 5th day of March, 1907.
3. Acceptances for all events First Day's Races close at 9 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 8th day of March, 1907.
4. Weights for all events of Second Day's Races will be declared on the evening of First Day's Races. Acceptances close at 9.30 p.m. on the same evening.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. All entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Paeroa, and must be accompanied by the advertised amount of Entrance Money.
2. Name, Age, Pedigree, Description and Performance of Horse, and Colours of Rider, to be sent with nomination.
3. In the event of two or more horses the property of one owner starting in any race, they will be bracketed on the Totalisator.
4. All races to be run under Rules of Racing.
5. All stakes will be paid in full.
6. All winning horses after declaration of weights are subject to be re-handicapped at the discretion of the handicapper.

H. POLAND,  
Secretary, Paeroa.