

2yrs, by Clanranald—Safeguard
Sir George Clifford's ch f Inchbonny,
2yrs, by Clanranald—Teredina
Sir George Clifford's b c Glenculloch,
3yrs, by Clanranald—Madowla
Mr. T. H. Lowry's b f Flinery, 3yrs, by
Birkenhead—Bijou
Mr. J. Cooper's ch c Sir Artagal, 2yrs,
by Stepiak—Britomart
Mr. J. Monk's black colt, 2yrs, by Step-
niak—Tortulla
Mr. G. G. Stead's b f Armlot, 2yrs, by
Menschikoff—Armillia.

TURF RESULTS.

THE WHANGAREI R.C. SUMMER MEETING.

The Whangarei Racing Club brought off the summer meeting on Friday and Saturday last. There was a very large attendance, quite a host of sportsmen going up from Auckland, while the country folk attended in great style. The result must have been an almost record attendance. Mr. Dent, the secretary, had all the arrangements properly fixed up, and everything passed off smoothly. Complete success was somewhat marred by the paucity of the fields in point of numbers, and it seemed a pity that owners should have so overlooked the fixture, which is always a particularly pleasant one. The only incident of note during the meeting was when Lady Lanta fell in the First Hurdles, Pope getting a nasty fall and a broken collar-bone. In the Second Hurdle Race Horn's riding of Catch'em was considered suspicious enough to warrant an enquiry by the stewards the result being a twelve months' suspension.

The results were as follows:—

FIRST DAY.

RAILWAY HANDICAP.—Lochbuhie 1, Jolly Tar 2. These were the only starters. Time, 1m. 17s.

HURDLE RACE.—Catch'em 1. The other starters (Lady Lanta and Quebec) both fell.

CUP.—Sweet Alice 1, Port Light 2, Lady Regel 3. Also started: Sir Gilead and Franklin. Won by half a length.

KENSINGTON STAKES.—Hopscotch 1, Discoverer 2, Rototi 3. Also started: Ben Blair, Tunewha, Soultstone. Won by half a length.

SETTLERS' HANDICAP.—Luscombe 1, Ben Blair 2, Calle Iris 3. Also started: Franklin, Lady Ellen. Won easily by two lengths.

PUBLICANS' PURSE.—Port Light 1, Manapouri 2. These were the only starters. Won by two lengths.

FLYING HANDICAP.—Hopscotch and Discoverer (dead heat) 1, Lochbuhie 3. Also started: Viva.

SECOND DAY.

TRADESMEN'S PLATE.—Sweet Alice 1, Tunewha 2, Franklin 3. These were the only starters. Won by a length.

HURDLE RACE.—Quebec 1, Whangarei 2.

SUMMER HANDICAP.—Rototi 1, Jolly Tar 2, Discoverer 3. These were the only starters. Won by a length.

PARK HANDICAP.—Port Light 1, Sweet Alice 2, Lochbuhie 3. Also started: Sir Gilead and Franklin. Won by half a length.

MARSDEN STAKES.—Manapouri 1, Tunewha 2, Ben Blair 3. These were the only starters. Won by a neck.

HACK HANDICAP.—Bushman 1, Lady Ellen 2, Sapper 3. Also started: Viva, Ruarangi, National League. Won by four lengths.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Rototi 1, Hopscotch 2, Discoverer 3. Also started: Soultstone and Jolly Tar.

OF INTEREST TO LOVERS OF THE TROTTERING HORSE.

ALL THE RECORDS.

The following review of the American trotting season should prove of much interest to reinsmen in New Zealand:—

The racing season of 1907 has gone down into history as being a great one in every respect, but it is a fact that horsemen have witnessed a campaign that has surely been remarkable and still they have not looked upon it with as much enthusiasm and excitement as they have other campaigns far less eventful. At the present time people are looking for such great things that they have become accustomed to taking great events with as much unconcern and with a matter of habit manner that they do not really realize the immensity of the happenings that are now accomplished. The racing season just finished has been a corker for new record performances, but still horsemen refuse to think what a wonderful lot of horses have just been sent to winter quarters.

All told ten world's records were broken and some of the other season's records were of such sensational nature that it is doubtful if ever again such a season will be experienced. With the marks at the present low ebb it would be considered a great performance if one

world's record could be reduced each year, but to think that ten of them were established this year seems almost incredulous.

The secret for all this speed lies in the breeding, and the honour that is deserved for these great feats among the trotters and pacers should go to the right persons—the breeders. The attention that is now being paid to the breeding of equines should be kept up and the breeders given all encouragement possible, as this one thing will keep the keen interest in the sport.

The real great work during the past season has been accomplished by the youngsters of the two and three-year-old trotting and pacing divisions. In the two-year-old class there was Trampfast, who placed the race record for trotters at 2:12½ while Helen Hale set the race record for two-year-old fillies at 2:13¼, both are world's records. In the pacing division the two-year-old colt Ray O'Light did not break a world's record but made good time, his record being 2:13¼.

In the three-year-old trotting class, General Watts, of course, stands out head and shoulders above all others. General Watts is made of that stout stuff that makes great horses and which made it possible for him to accomplish such a remarkable feat as to be considered among the three greatest performers in the history of the sport. When General Watts trotted his mile in the first of the race at Lexington in 2:06¾, thereby establishing a new world's record for three-year-old trotting stallions, this feat was associated with the wonderful performance of Lou Dillon when she trotted her first mile in two minutes at Readville, and also the event when Arion, as a two-year-old back in 1891 at Stockton, Cal., trotted a mile in 2:10¾, the two performances that have stood above all other turf performances for years. Like some other crack-jacks General Watts did not show much at the start, but his finish was so remarkable that he is bound to remain in the minds of horsemen as long as they live.

General Watts won over 20,000 dollars in purses this year, capturing the Horse Breeder, Horse Review, and Kentucky futurities besides winning a class race, and in doing so twice reduced the world's record for three-year-old trotting stallions.

Among the other world's marks to be lowered was the half-mile track record. In an exhibition mile George G. 2:05¼, trotted the Allentown, Pa., track in 2:06¾, thereby lowering the record held by Sweet Marie 2:07. This mark still stands to her credit, though, as it is the world's record for trotting mares over a half mile track. Sweet Marie also holds the world's half-mile track record to waggon, having trotted the Allentown track to waggon in 2:08¼. Then at Lima, Ohio, another half-mile track, Sweet Marie added her third world's record by trotting to waggon, driven by George Webb, an amateur, in 2:09¾. This is certainly a remarkable feat for any trotter.

Ruth Dillon broke the world's record for three-year-old trotters over a half-mile track by trotting the distance in 2:15½, while the pacer Kruger, ridden by H. K. Devereux, paced in 2:12 at Lexington, thereby establishing a new world's record for such a performance.

All through the various classes the work of the trotters and pacers has been sensational and performances which were never thought possible were accomplished. Following is a list of new records made this season:

World's record for three-year-old trotters in a race—General Watts 2:06¾ by Axworthy, dam Carpet by Prodigal 2:16.

World's record for two-year-old trotters in a race—Trampfast 2:12½ by The Tramp, dam Medium's Last. World's trotting record over half-mile track for mares—Sweet Marie 2:02 by McKinney, dam Lady Rivers 2:07.

World's record trotting over half-mile track to waggon—Sweet Marie 2:08½.

World's record trotting over half-mile track to waggon, driven by amateur—Sweet Marie 2:09¾.

World's record for two-year-old trotting filly in a race—Helen Hale 2:13¼.

World's record for three-year-old stallion trotter two heats—General Watts 2:06¾, 2:09½.

World's record for three-year-old trotters over half-mile track—Ruth Dillon 2:15½.

World's record for trotters over half-mile record—George G. 2:05¼ by Homeward, dam by Junio—2:06¾.

World's record pacing under saddle—Kruger by Mercury, dam Mary C.—2:12¼, ridden by H. K. Devereux.

Best mile by trotter in a race—Sonoma Girl 2:05¼.

Best mile by trotting stallion in a race—General Watts 2:06¾.

Best mile by three-year-old pacing filly—Betty Brent 2:10¼ by Wiggins, dam Lucy by Patchen Wilkes.

Best record for pacing mare in a race first season out—Laura Bellini 2:04¼ by Moquette.

Best time by unmarked pacing gelding in a race—Hidalgo 2:04¼, by Warren, dam of Moral.

Best mile by trotting mare in a race, first season out—Sonoma Girl 2:05¼.

Best mile by trotting gelding in a race, first season out—Highball 2:06¼ by Doctor Hooker, dam Lena S. by Tom Covington.

Best mile by pacing mare in a race—Citation 2:03¼.

Best mile by pacer in a race—Angus Pointer 2:01¼ by Sidney Pointer, dam by Grant's Hambletonian.

Best time by green pacing mare—Reproachless 2:04¼, by Direct Hal.

Best time for three-year-old trotting filly in a race—Bell Bird 2:11¼ by Jay Time, dam Nancy Medium.

Best time four-year-old filly in a race—Icon by Peter the Great, dam Alberta W. by Albert W.—2:10.

Best time four-year-old gelding—Codero by Bingen, dam Jolly Bird by Jay Bird—2:09¾.

Best time for gelding in a race—Highball by Doctor Hooker, dam Lena by Tom Covington—2:06¼.

Wilkes Heart by Great Heart, dam Baldy by Hambletonian Wilkes 2:06¼, Axycall by Axycone, dam Lorene by Lonxta 2:06¼.

Best time for two-year-old colt, pacing—Ray O'Light by Searchlight, dam Carrie B., by Alexander Button—2:13¼.

Best time for three-year-old colt, pacing—Shakespeare by Jay McGregor, dam Miss Spears—2:09¾.

Best time for three-year-old gelding, pacing—Hymettus by Zombro, dam Silver Bell—2:08¼.

Best mile by pacing stallion—John A. by Eddie Hal, dam Mattie by Newsboy—2:03¾.

Best mile by green pacing stallion—Straight Advice by Free Advice, dam Straight On—2:05¼.

Best mile for trotters against time—Major Delmar 1:59¾ by Delmar, dam Expedition—2:04¼.

Best mile against time by pacers—Dan Patch 1:55¼ by Joe Patchen, dam Zelica—1:56¾.

Best time in three-heat race by two-year-old trotters—Binvolto by Bingen, dam Komuru by Kremlin—2:13¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¼.

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In the "Breeder and Sportsman."

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

OFFICERS:

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FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

First race starts at 12 noon.

1. STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

2. PETRE HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

3. WESTMERE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10 sovs from the stakes. Distance, about two miles, over eight flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

4. TAYFORTH HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. About one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

5. WANGANUI CUP HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75

sovs and third horse 25sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and three-quarters. In the event of any entrant winning a handicap of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of weights, the handicapper will review that horse's weight, and will raise it or allow it to stand as he thinks fit. It is only winners that will be re-handicapped. If the weight of any horse is altered, the revised handicap will be published on or about Saturday, the 29th February, 1908. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs on Friday, February 28th, 1908, at 9 p.m.; and 5 sovs on Monday, March 2nd, 1908, at 9 p.m.

6. JUVENILE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. For two and three-year-olds. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

7. WIRITOA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Distance, one mile. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

8. FLYING HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1908.

1. AUTUMN HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. To start at 12 noon.

2. MATARAWA HACK RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

3. JACKSON STAKES of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. For two-year-olds and upwards. Weight-for-age. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit is declared and paid as follows: 1sov if struck out on or before Friday, April 26th, 1907, at 9 p.m., or 2sovs if struck out on or before first acceptance night, Spring Meeting, 1907. All horses remaining in after latter date to pay the subscription of 5 sovs on first acceptance night, Autumn Meeting, 1908. Closed with 52 nominations.

4. FORDELL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stakes. Distance, about one mile and three-quarters, over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

5. OKOIA HACK HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. About one mile and five furlongs, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

6. WANGANUI STAKES HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs.

7. HARRISON HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, one mile and one-quarter. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov.

8. FAREWELL HANDICAP of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stakes. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb in a hurdle race, and the winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb, two or more such races 10lb penalty in a flat race. No penalty will be required in an open race for having won a hack race or races.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS ENTRIES, AND ACCEPTANCES, And Amounts to be forwarded to Secretary, Wanganui Jockey Club.

AUTUMN MEETING.

5th AND 7th MARCH, 1908.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1908,

at 9 p.m.—

NOMINATIONS.—Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Petre Hack Handicap 1sov, Westmere Hurdle Race 1sov, Tayforth Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Cup 1sov, Juvenile Handicap 1sov, Wiritoa Hack Flat Handicap 1sov, Flying Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 1sov, Matarawa Hack Flat Handicap 1sov, Fordell Hurdle Race 1sov, Okoia Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Stakes Handicap 1sov, Harrison Hack Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1908

(on or about)—

WEIGHTS for Cup and Flying Handicaps.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1908—

WEIGHTS for Stewards', Petre Hack, Westmere Hurdle Race, Tayforth Hack Hurdles, Juvenile, and Wiritoa Hack Flat Handicaps.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1908, at

9 p.m.—

ACCEPTANCES.—Stewards' Handicap 2sovs, Petre Hack Handicap 1sov, Westmere Hurdle Race 2sovs, Tayforth Hack Hurdles 1sov, Wanganui Cup 2sovs, Juvenile Handicap 2sovs, Wiritoa Hack Flat 1sov, Flying Handicap 3sovs.

SUBSCRIPTION — Jackson Stakes

5sovs.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29th, 1908

(on or about)—

REVISED WEIGHTS (if necessary) Wanganui Cup.

MONDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1908, at

9 p.m.—

FINAL PAYMENT—Wanganui Cup 5sovs.