

**HANDICAPS.**

**MANAWATU TROTTING CLUB.**

**ANNUAL MEETING.**

The Manawatu Trotting Club's annual meeting, which takes place on the Awapuni racecourse on Friday, April 13, is being eagerly looked forward to by trotting enthusiasts, and, judging by the large number of horses engaged in the various events, a splendid afternoon's sport is promised. The following handicaps have been declared by Mr. F. W. Edwards, and acceptances are due on Saturday next (April 13), with the secretary, Mr. A. H. Manson, at 10 p.m.:

**MAIDEN HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Sir Robert Wood limit, Lincoln Jersey limit, Rudge Wood limit, Lady Foster 12yds behind, Prince Dillon 12yds, Komako 12yds, Wee Bell 12yds, Bantry Girl 12yds, Reindeer 12yds, Highwood 12yds, Taikorea 12yds, The Bathe 24yds, Annie Black 24yds, High Admiral 36yds, Lady Somerset 36yds, Lady Irving 36yds, Plain Rose 72yds, Elsie Drift 72yds, Wild Lass 72yds, Albert Patch 84yds, Rejoice 108yds, Elmo Junior 120yds, Jewell Wood (ineligible).

**STEWARDS' HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Capsicum limit, Inora limit, Silverlocks limit, Sirene 12yds behind, The Weaver 24yds, Warlock 48yds, Little Hector 60yds, Xavier 60yds, Calmly 72yds, Wild Daisy 72yds, Jessie Dillon 72yds, Proud Spring 72yds, Hal Junior 72yds, Cupid Whispers 84yds, Dandy Jack 96yds.

**NOTES.**

Everything looks in good trim for the Auckland Trotting Club's autumn meeting, which takes place on Saturday. The tracks, lawns and grandstand are all in good order.

On Saturday some useful work took place, the course favouring fast times. Several of the candidates for Saturday's events were tried out.

Steel Bell ran smoothly over a mile and a-half, driven by J. Lynch and paced by a galloper.

Pearl d'Or traversed a mile and a-half, assisted by Selkirk. The former pleased the track habitués most. An overdue win is coming to Pearl d'Or.

Malcolm has Charming Rod, Lady Burlington and Sundial keyed fully up to concert pitch. Sundial ran a mile and a-half on Saturday, but taking the trial from a time point of view it was on the slow side. The daughter of Starchild registered 3min 45sec.

Quadroom seemed to please more than his stable companion Shanghai at the end of a mile and a-half. They each put in a clean and workmanlike finish up.

Rita Galindo, Mutu and the rest of Orange's team have not been hurried in their preparation, but are in mellow racing fettle.

Harold Junior looks in corking good condition, but was on the easy list on Monday morning, jogging round the tracks anxious to extend himself.

Koss Heaton is keeping his maiden straight-out trotter, Nancy Drift, in healthy condition. The filly is only in the initial stage of the game.

The pacing gelding Jimmie Harden, by Harold Dillon—Rothschild mare, has been responsible for some fair work. Jaylyn, in the same stable, has picked up and made improvement of late in his style of work.

Malcolm has eased up the rising two-year-old by Waverley, recently sold in the Haymarket, till next spring.

The old-time pacing gelding Prince Rufus broke down last week, and will probably be given a lengthy spell.

Manuka Park, Comedy Chief and Miss George all look well forward at the present time, and although the first-named's running proved disappointing at the Hamilton Trotting Club's meeting the handsome black may yet make good.

On Tuesday morning amongst the visitors at headquarters was Mr. T. Lowe, owner of Steel Bell, who witnessed a go between his mare, Asturio and Derby Dillon over a mile and a-half, the two first-named finishing abreast in 3min 33 3-5sec. The ground had been harrowed too.

Gold Boy led Jimmy Harden over the same distance in 3min 44 1-5sec, not much separating the pair.

W. Abbott sent Tim Doolan, Brown's Nugget and Strategy separately. They are in good fettle.

D. May sent Favour Royal along for good work.

Clark, in charge of M. Edwards' team of six, put them through useful tasks. Edwards himself was expected to arrive on Wednesday to give them the finishing touches.

Tattles pleased the onlookers by the resolute style he covered a mile and a-

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**MANAWATU T.C. HANDICAP**, two miles.—Orurangi limit, Miss Havoc limit, The Weaver limit, Xavier limit, Sally Brass 12yds behind, Calmly 12yds, Dillon Direct 24yds, Tim Wilkin 24yds, Some Boy 24yds, Fair Puritan 24yds, Legacy 36yds, Galindo Belle 36yds, Kate Zolock 48yds, Todd Bells 48yds, Master Hal 48yds, Erleen 60yds, St. Leo 72yds, Huon Grattan 168yds.

**AWAPUNI HANDICAP**, one mile and a-half.—Nancy Wilkes limit, Chocolate Soldier limit, Maqueda limit, Mawhiti limit, Plunder limit, Pehu limit, Othello limit, Astorias 12yds behind, All Steel 12yds, Neil Gow 12yds, Speculator 12yds, Skylight 12yds, Ned Dillon 12yds, Pert 12yds, Proud Boy 12yds, Wildwood King 12yds, Tariki 12yds, Desmond 24yds, Cue 36yds, Brachycome 36yds, Lavinia 36yds, Succory 84yds, Cliff 84yds, Beeswing 108yds, Greywood 120yds, Bobby B. 132yds, Red Ball 132yds, Jessie's Dream 192yds.

**LADIES' BRACELET**, one mile and a-half.—Tofua limit, King Cole Junior limit, Lady Foster 12yds behind, Prince Dillon 12yds, Capsicum 12yds, Wee Bell 12yds, Bantry Girl 12yds, Reindeer 12yds, Taikorea 12yds, Highwood 12yds, Lincoln Jersey 12yds, The Bathe 24yds, Annie Black 24yds, High Admiral 36yds, Lady Somerset 36yds, Inora 60yds, Haurua 60yds, Plain Rose 72yds, Peter Bell 72yds, Elsie Drift 72yds, Lylock 72yds, Albert Patch 84yds, Rejoice 108yds, Lockwood 108yds, Jewell Wood 108yds, Elmo Junior 120yds, Hal Junior 130yds, Cupid Whispers 192yds.

**PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP**, one mile and a-quarter.—The Weaver limit, Proud Spring limit, Dandy Jack limit, Trooper Dillon limit, Molly Chimes limit, Little Jewel limit, Topsy Dillon limit, Goodrich limit, Orurangi limit, Galindo Belle limit, Erleen 12yds behind, Legacy 12yds, Miss Havoc 12yds, El Rosa 12yds, Hedgewood 24yds, Lovelock 36yds, Linotype 48yds, Lucille 48yds, Celtic 60yds, Galvanita 72yds, Waiterani 108yds.

**PALMERSTON NORTH HANDICAP**, two miles.—Othello limit, Maqueda limit, Mawhiti limit, Chocolate Soldier limit, Plunder limit, Pehu limit, Sir Robert Wood limit, All Steel 12yds behind, Neil Gow 12yds, Ned Dillon 12yds, Bantry Girl 12yds, Pert 12yds, Proud Boy 12yds, Komako 12yds, Loch Lomond 24yds, Cue 24yds, Lady Irving 24yds, Desmond 24yds, Peter Bell 48yds, Lavinia 72yds, Succory 84yds, Beeswing 108yds, Greywood 108yds, Red Ball 132yds, Todd Bells 192yds, Jessie's Dream 216yds.

**FAREWELL HANDICAP**, one mile.—Thelma McKinney limit, Warlock limit, Haurua limit, Wallace Reid limit, Little Hector limit, Xavier limit, Wild Daisy 12yds behind, Jessie Dillon 12yds, Guess 12yds, Goodrich 12yds, Molly Chimes 12yds, Sally Brass 12yds, Cupid Whispers 24yds, Rexcordium 24yds, Trooper Dillon 24yds, Some Boy 24yds, Tim Wilkin 24yds, Little Jewel 36yds, Van Coronado 36yds, Dillon Direct 36yds, Dandy Jack 36yds, Master Hal 36yds, Galindo Belle 36yds, Hedgewood 60yds, St. Leo 60yds, Arbiter 84yds, Galvanita 96yds, Huon Grattan 108yds, Waiterani 130yds.

Miss Chevalier, Hymen (Giesen's maiden trotter) and A. Shepperd's Gold Bell—Princess Ena filly were all adding their quota to the morning's toil on Monday.

On Monday morning A. Julian got a very nasty fall while driving the pacing mare Jewel Fashion. The mare crossed her legs and came down, giving her driver a painful shaking up.

T. W. Price has left nothing to chance in the preparation of Hint, Waikoukou and Pearl d'Or. This trio should strip in good trim on Saturday.

Kuanui was working with Jewel Fashion when the latter came down. Papanui's daughter, who looks well, was driven by Cunningham.

M. Edwards' team of six horses arrived on Saturday afternoon, looking remarkably well. They are Sympathy, Mikot, Harold Devon, Leo Bell, Lara Rose and Vice-Admiral. They jogged on Monday.

R. Hall had both Lieutenant and Silver Black at Epsom last week. The former pleased over a couple of miles, driven by his trainer. Silver Black tired in the run home over the last portion of a mile run, with a six stone lad up.

Derby Dillon was putting in nice work in company with Dorothy Dimpie at the end of last week. The pair dashed over a couple of miles at top.

Miss Rolfe, in saddle, pleased the onlookers one day last week. The daughter of Ribbonwood was reeling off short distances in the most approved pacing style, making friends by the brilliancy she displayed.

Kelsey has Kerbone and the ancient trotter Kirikiriroa circling the tracks in useful style. Both are looking in good trotting trim.

Sweet Memory is about at the top of her best form. The same cannot be said about her half sister and stable mate Sweet Lillian. The mare goes a bit tender on the tracks, which wears off after warming up.

The acceptances show the good all round average of 15 per race in the eight events carded.

Quite a number of trotters and pacers are being prepared in the Waikato. Te Awamutu being the headquarters of trotting owners there.

Belgian Queen has found a new owner in "Mr. Humphries." She has been placed in T. Cotton's charge to be prepared. The same trainer has Rose Sweet in work.

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half, and may have improved since he ran at Wanganui.

Charming Rod and Prince Child covered the same distance. Comedy Chief joined in over the last half or more of the journey.

Sundial put in a useful mile and a-half alone.

Harold Junior sprinted some nice half miles.

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