

RACING NEWS

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RACING FIXTURES, 1918.

April 11, 12—South Canterbury J.C.
 April 17, 18—Manawatu R.C.
 April 26, 27—Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn
 May 9—Ashburton County R.C.
 May 14, 15—Marlborough J.C.
 May 23, 25—Wanganui J.C.
 June 1, 3—Dunedin J.C.
 June 1, 3—Auckland R.C.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Wednesday, April 17.
 Handicaps second day Manawatu R.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Manawatu R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.

Friday, April 19.
 Weights first day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn.

Nominations for all events, with the exception of Lagmor Plate, Ashburton County R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.

Monday, April 22.
 Acceptances first day Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, by 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 25.
 Handicaps Ashburton County R.C. autumn, on or about.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

With the Easter meetings now over attention is now directed to the remaining autumn fixtures which are set down for decision this month. The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club will hold their autumn gathering on the Hastings racecourse on Friday and Saturday, April 26 and 27, and the

decided this season, and for that reason alone is certain to merit the attention of owners and trainers of eligible candidates. The Autumn Handicap, of 200sovs., once round, can be relied upon to entice a representative field, while two hack flat events, both to be run over six furlongs, also figure on the opening day's programme. Two hurdle races, the Longlands Hack Handicap Hurdles, of 125sovs., one mile and a-half, and the Mangatarata Handicap Hurdles, of 175sovs., one mile and three-quarters, are set down for decision on the first day, and offer special opportunities to jumpers.

On the second day the important classic, the Hawke's Bay Stakes, of 500sovs., six and a-half furlongs, in which a particularly strong field is engaged, will be the centre of wide interest. The big handicap event will be the Burke Memorial Stakes, of 400sovs., one mile and a-quarter, in which the Cup candidates of the previous day will have a further chance of earning distinction. The two-year-olds will again be seen out in the Juvenile Handicap, of 125sovs., five furlongs while the sprinters will be occupied with the Farewell Handicap, of 200sovs., six furlongs. The Karamu Handicap Hurdles, of 200sovs., two miles, and the Ohiti Hack Handicap Hurdles, of 125sovs., one mile and three-quarters, should provide interesting contests among

MANAWATU RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

The prediction made at the time the handicaps were declared that record acceptances would be received for the Manawatu Racing Club's autumn meeting, which takes place at Awapuni on Wednesday and Thursday next (April 17 and 18) has been fulfilled in every respect, the number of horses paid up for on Monday evening last in the eight events to be decided on the opening day ensuring a sterling afternoon's sport. Intense interest is centred in next week's gathering, principally as a result of the anticipated meeting of Desert Gold and Biplane in the Awapuni Gold Cup (one mile and a-quarter), the result of which should settle the controversy regarding the relative merits of these two crack New Zealand performers that has constantly been waged in sporting circles throughout Australasia since Biplane made his brilliant debut at Randwick and Flemington last spring. Despite Desert Gold's meritorious achievements in the Commonwealth during the past couple of months, Australian opinion favours Biplane's prospects of defeating Mr. Lowry's crack mare, whereas New Zealand racing enthusiasts pin their faith to the latter's prowess. It should be

among the final acceptors, and a particularly fine race should be witnessed. The Karere Hurdles has the material engaged to ensure an exciting contest, while the hack events have filled beyond the most sanguine anticipations. The acceptances are as follows, the events being given in the order in which they are to be run:—

KARERE HURDLES HANDICAP of 200sovs., one mile and three-quarters.—Bon Reve 11.13, Harbour Light 11.9, Sir Fisher 11.8, Arlington 11.7, Otter 11.3, Record 10.12, Want 10.9, Prince Delaware 9.13, St. Elmo 9.11, Vacuum 9.9, Lord Ainslie 9.9, The Summit 9.7, Paul Moore 9.5, Foeman 9.4, Mahzoltov 9.3, Taira 9.2, Golden Glade 9.2, Lord Nelson 9.2, Jiu Jitsu 9.0, Nita 9.0.

MAIDEN PLATE of 100sovs., seven furlongs.—Poka 7.11, Skeddaddle 7.11, Papanui 7.11, Advanceful 7.11, Choice 7.11, Half Blue 7.11, Lady Phyllis 7.11, March On 7.11, Royal Reign 7.11, Self Alliance 7.11, Turpinite 7.11, Toddy 7.11, Tiranga 7.11, Utiwai 7.11, Winning Shot 7.11, Gloam 7.11, Justification 7.11, Manahera 7.11, Sunbrite 7.11, Matatuae 6.11, Mallama 6.11, Cyresian 6.11.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 400sovs., one mile and a furlong.—Teka 8.9, Red Ribbon 8.9, Wishful 8.7, Nobleman 8.6, Seadown 8.3, Trials 8.2, Gold Soult 8.1, Glorify 7.13, Miss Deval 7.11, Crowhurst 7.11, Volo 7.11, Tressida 7.8, Gang Awa 7.8, Battle Song 7.7, Orleans 7.3, Lady Louisa 7.1, Hushman 7.0, Kiltess 7.0, Multaine 6.11, Probation 6.10, Good Hope 6.9, Comment 6.7, White Blaze 6.7, Detroit 6.7, Ladify 6.7, Hydrus 6.7, Victoris 6.7.

MANAWATU SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES (TENTH) of 600sovs. For two-year-olds. Six furlongs.

Sire	Produce	St lb
Sir Geo. Clifford's ch c Heathercote, by Boniform—Heatherbrae		9 0
T. H. Lowry's ch c Finmark, by Finland—War Scare		9 0
W. Casey's ch g Informal, by Demosthenes—Formality		8 11
T. H. Lowry's b c Killowen, by Kilbroney—Success		8 10
A. McDonald's b f Torfreda, by Hymettus—Straga		8 0
Mr. M. A. Perry's br f Karo, by Demosthenes—Kautuku		8 0
F. Preston's b f Oratress, by Demosthenes—Equitas		7 9
W. E. Herbert's ch c Active, by Boniform—Effort		7 9
Lance Wood's b c Risingham, by Rokeby—Rose Red		7 9
G. D. Greenwood's br f Afterglow, by Demosthenes—Sunglow		7 6
G. L. Stead's b c Kilmoon, by Kilbroney—St. Sophia		7 4

LINTON HACK WELTER HANDICAP of 130sovs., one mile and a distance.—Colorado 9.13, Polynesian 9.9, Queen Lizzie 9.9, Demotic 9.7, Gipsy Gem 9.4, Quinn's Post 9.0, Midnight Star 8.13, Warmth 8.9, Consultation 8.9, Elevate 8.9, Idyllic 8.5, Pervolo 8.4, Lady Edith 8.1, Master Strowan 8.0, Whiro 7.13, Lady Mylchrest 7.12, Coalition 7.12, Belgian Maid 7.11, Renzi 7.10, Torchlight 7.0, Occasion 7.7, Moutoa Camp 7.7, Poka 7.7, Half Blue 7.7, Knockmore 7.7.

WOODHEY HACK HANDICAP of 120sovs., six furlongs.—Queen Lizzie 8.13, Ayah 8.13, Rajput 8.11, Ibox 8.11, Melita 8.6, Momac 8.6, Blue Cross 8.6, Engari 8.5, Galore 8.4, Humorist 8.4, Pomroy 8.2, Imaribbon 8.0, Wapping 7.13, Marenga 7.12, Mystified 7.9, Oravia 7.9, Exclusive 7.8, White Ranger 7.6, Crosswords 7.4, Gold Problem 7.4, Formaline 7.2, Idle Talk 7.2, Blue Gown 6.12, Royal Park 6.10, Rising Tide 6.9, Romance 6.9, Knockmore 6.9, Miss Margaret 6.9, Livland 6.9.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP of 300sovs., six furlongs.—Croesus 9.13, Hymestra 9.9, Parisian Diamond 9.9, Form Up 9.6, Acre 8.10, Inah 8.9, Lady General 8.6, Birkenvale 8.2, Turangapito 8.1, Hyttus 7.13, Lady Black 7.13, Astrophel 7.12, Bonnie Maid 7.9, Gamecock 7.7, Jean Laddo 7.6, Hyginas 7.5, Staccato 7.3, Rawakore 7.3, Ohiwia 7.2, Comment 6.13, Avon Park 6.11, Starengo 6.10, Vermilion 6.10, Sea Lord 6.10, Astor 6.10, George 6.10, Association 6.10, Hushabye 6.7, Tirana 6.7.

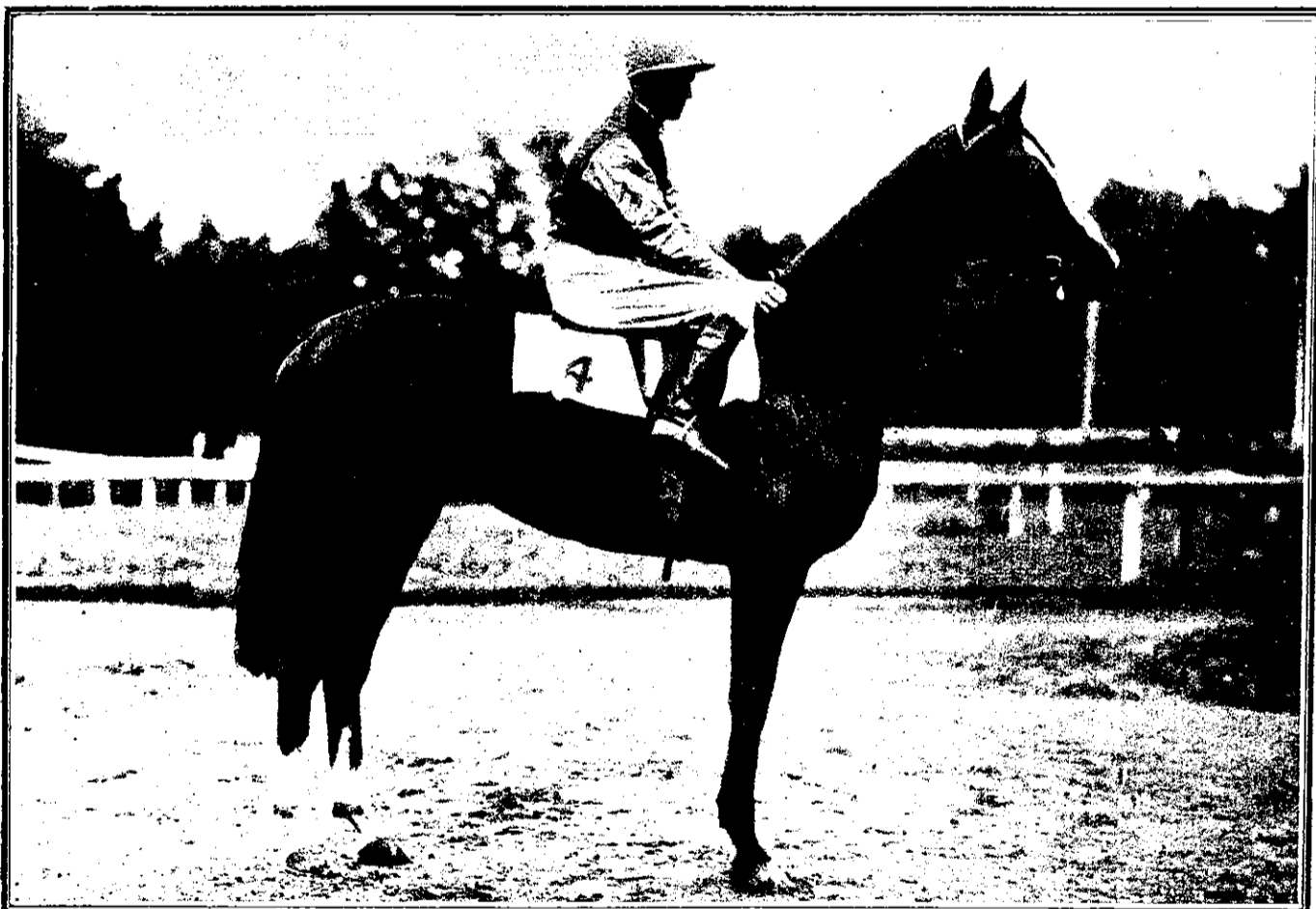
AWAPUNI GOLD CUP of 575sovs. (a cup value 100sovs and 475sovs in specie). Weight for age. One mile and a-quarter.

Sire	Produce	St lb
A. Alexander's ch h Bisogne, 5yrs. by Bezonian—St. Evangeline		9 2
T. H. Lowry's b m Desert Gold, 5yrs. by All Black—Aurarius		9 0
G. L. Stead's br h Koesian, 4yrs. by Elysian—Kowerewere		8 11
V. and E. Riddiford's b g Meneleus, 4yrs. by Martian—Love-lorn		8 11
T. H. Lowry's br c Estland, 3yrs. by Finland—War Scare		8 6
G. D. Greenwood's blk c Biplane, 3yrs. by Comedy King—Air Motor		8 6
E. H. Baracq's ch f Impediment, 3yrs. by Demosthenes—Kautuku		8 4

SECOND DAY.

The chief event on the second day is the Manawatu Stakes (Fourteenth), for two-year-olds and upwards, to be run over six furlongs. After the final payments had been made on Monday night last the following horses remain in the race in question:—

MANAWATU STAKES, of 500sovs. (for two-year-olds and upwards); six furlongs.—Impediment, Gamecock, Biplane, Crowhurst, Nystad, Birkenvale, Hymestra, Estland, Desert Gold, Hyttus, Ohoreka, Koesian.



THE WINNER OF THE C.J.C. GREAT EASTER HANDICAP (seven furlongs)—Mr. J. Goring Johnston's b c NYSTAD, 4yrs., by Finland—Pas Se ul. G. Clarke in sadd'e.

two days' racing carnival promises to be liberally patronised by owners, as with the season rapidly drawing to a close the meetings become fewer. The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club have made special efforts to maintain the high standard invariably associated with autumn racing at Hastings in drawing up a highly attractive programme in connection with the approaching gathering. Chief in order of precedence is the Hawke's Bay Cup Handicap, of 700 sovs., one mile and a-half, to be decided on the opening day. The event in question should attract a large number of the best performers throughout the Dominion who are well forward for their winter engagements, and a particularly strong field should be in evidence to contest this richly-endowed race on April 26. The principal sprint event on the opening day is the Porangahau Handicap, of 300sovs., six and a-half furlongs, which should meet with a splendid entry from the ranks of sprinters. The Nursery Handicap, of 225sovs., for two-year-olds, is one of the few events for juveniles that remain to be

the leppung division. The Scurry Hack Handicap of 115sovs., and the Okawa Hack Handicap, of 115sovs., once round, complete the second day's programme, so that the two days' racing should constitute an excellent attraction to enthusiastic followers of the turf. Nominations for all events, with the exception of the Maiden Hack Race (first day), close with the secretary, Mr. H. S. Moss, Box 13 Hastings, on Friday, April 12, at 8 p.m.

GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

The programme of the Auckland Racing Club for the Great Northern Steeplechase meeting, which is the best two-day programme ever issued in New Zealand, in which jumping races comprise half the number of events, will bear the perusal of horse owners and will require their attention on April 26 for the chief events, G.N. Hurdles, G.N. Steeplechase, Winter Steeplechase, Cornwall Handicap and York Welter Handicap. The programme appears in this issue.

known definitely within the next day or so whether the long looked forward to meeting of the pair will eventuate next week or not, and there is little doubt that a record crowd of sportsmen from all parts of the Dominion will be on hand at Awapuni to see the champions measure strides in what should prove the greatest race in the turf annals of the Dominion should such contest materialise.

Apart from the meeting of Desert Gold and Biplane, the representative fields engaged in the other events give promise of some spirited contests. Twenty-seven horses have been paid up for in the Autumn Handicap (one mile and a furlong), including Teka, Red Ribbon, Wishful, Nobleman, Gold Soult, Glorify, Tressida and Gang Awa'. Twenty-nine sprinters remain in the Telegraph Handicap, Croesus, Hymestra, Parisian Diamond, Acre, Bonnie Maid and Turangapito being among the number. The Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes (six furlongs) is creating wide interest, the crack two-year-olds from the leading racing centres figuring