

MARTON JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING (ONE DAY).

To be held on Marton Racecourse adjoining Marton Junction Railway Station. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1918.

OFFICIALS:

President: Mr. R. Aldworth. Vice-Presidents: Messrs. R. E. Beckett, D. G. Riddiford, Drs. Bennett and Skerman. Judge: Mr. R. H. Aldworth. Handicapper: Mr. H. Coyle. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Clerk of Course: Mr. W. E. Gibbons. Hon. Clerk of Scales: Mr. F. L. Young. Hon. Assistant Clerk of Scales: Mr. J. H. C. Broad. Hon. Timekeeper: Mr. R. F. Wood. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. D. G. Riddiford. Secretary: Mr. Arthur Way. Stewards and Committee: Drs. Bennett and Skerman, Messrs. R. E. Beckett, D. G. Riddiford, K. W. Deighton, J. C. Broad, R. Young, J. McDonnell, F. R. H. Brice, S. J. Gibbons, F. L. Young, H. J. Cameron, I. Jefferson, L. M. Richards, H. McManaway, E. Openshaw. Judicial Committee: Messrs. R. E. Beckett, K. W. Deighton, E. Goodbehare, D. G. Riddiford, Dr. S. Skerman.

PROGRAMME.

First Race Starts at 11.30 a.m.

- HACK HURDLES**, a handicap of 130 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. One mile and a-half, over six flights of batten hurdles 3ft. 6in. high.
- TRIAL HACK PLATE** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Weight for age. For horses that have never won a flat race of 25 sovs or over at time of starting. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Five furlongs.
- HACK STEEPLECHASE**, a handicap of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Two miles.
- MARTON HANDICAP (Open)** of 230 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- RANGITIKEI STEEPLECHASE**, a handicap of 260sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 30sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. About three miles.
- ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
- RAILWAY HANDICAP (Open)** of 180sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Six furlongs.
- TUTAENUI HACK WELTER**, a handicap of 110sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Minimum weight, 8.0. Seven furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events (including the Trial Hack Plate) will close at the Secretary's Office, Marton, on FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1918, at 9 p.m. WEIGHTS will be declared on or about WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1918. ACCEPTANCES for all events (including the Trial Hack Plate) will close with the Secretary at the Office of the Club, Marton, on TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1918, at 9 p.m.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty, hurdles or steeplechase 10lb penalty.

RULES.

All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing. All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Marton Jockey Club, Marton, and entrance money to be enclosed, with name of horse, age at time of entry, name of owner and trainer, pedigree, and colours of rider. All nominations by wire must be confirmed by letter by first mail afterwards.

ARTHUR WAY, Secretary.

Approved in accordance with the Rules of Racing this 3rd day of July, 1918.—WM. HALL, Secretary Wanganui Jockey Club.

FOR SALE.

THE THOROUGHBRED SIRE

ELYSIAN (2)

(SOULT—DREAMLAND).

PENURY 10 (IMP.)

(GALLINULE—DOWERLESS).

Having disposed of the ASCOT STUD, these well-known Stud Horses, which are in excellent condition for service in the coming season, are for sale.

For particulars and price, apply to—
H. R. MACKENZIE, Onehunga.

It is reported (says the "Grey River Argus") that the £500 reward offered in connection with the apprehension of Eggers, will in all probability be paid over to Thomas Murray, road and bridge contractor, who is supposed to have given to the police the first information that led to Eggers' arrest.

LEADING SIRE OF THE SEASON.

NOTICE TO STUDMASTERS.

We wish to direct the attention of the owners of stallions to the special opportunities offered through the columns of the "New Zealand Sporting and Dramatic Review" for bringing under the notice of breeders throughout the Dominion the leading sires that are available during the present season. The "Review" each week reaches racing and trotting men in every corner of New Zealand, and no better medium for advertising the different stallions that will be at the service of breeders during the next few months could be obtained than this widely read paper.

Announcements of stallions taking up stud duties will be inserted at a reasonable charge, and a special feature made of reproducing photographs of each sire, together with an article dealing with his pedigree, performances and other qualities. Any further particulars required may be obtained from the offices of the "N.Z. Sporting and Dramatic Review," Box 52, Auckland.



TO STAND AT HINUERA STUD, HINUERA.

POTOA (12)

BY MONOFORM—BLACKWATCH. A limited number of approved mares will be served. Good grazing at 2s. 8d. per week. All care but no responsibility. Fee, single mare £10 10s. W. C. RING, HINUERA.

TO LEASE FOR THE COMING SEASON.

WAUCHOPE.

For Particulars Apply—

W. C. RING, Hinuera.



WILL BE AT THE SERVICE OF BREEDERS AT "MAKARAKA," HUNTERVILLE

The Highly Promising Young Sire.

ALL RED.

BY STEPNIAK—MADDER,

Nordenfeldt—Steppe, half sister to Hermit and dam of Russley, She (dam of Bobadil) and Stepfeldt, dam of Elevation, Provocation, Gravitation and Reputation.

MADDER is the dam of Munjista (winner C.J.C. Oaks) and dam of Indigo (winner of N.Z. Cup and other races), Rose Madder (dam of Sea Pink, winner of many races), Rubia, Munjeet and Ukraine (dam of Sasanof, winner of Melbourne Cup and other good races).

ALL RED is a beautiful dark bay, 16 hands 2 inches high, on real good feet, with plenty of bone of good quality. He is without a doubt Stepniak's most commanding son, and although he has had but few chances, his stock won just on £5000 last season.

Among his winners may be mentioned All Over, All Ready, Ayan, All Serene, Miss Deval, Trentham Rose, Vermillion, Placid, Red River, Red Shield, Hot Air, Triple Entente, Tip-up, Blue Gown, Kauwhero, Red Cent, Radial, All Pink.

ALL RED himself was a proved racehorse, and won over all distances, carrying tremendous weights, and Mr. J. H. Prosser, who prepared him for all his engagements, will say one of the most courageous and best constituted horses that he ever put a saddle on.

Mares will be met at Hunterville Railway Station. None but Approved Mares will be accepted.

TERMS: TWENTY GUINEAS, and no Reduction.

Paddocking Fee, 2s. 6d. per week, with absolutely no responsibility.

For Further Particulars Apply to—

JOHN STILTON, Groom in Charge, Or JAMES BULL, Box 10, Hunterville.

New Zealand horses engaged in the Melbourne Cup and their weights are: Desert Gold 9.6, Estland 9.0, Bunting 8.3, Bee 7.13, Finmark 7.7, Arch Marella 7.3, Kilfinn 7.3, Kill'em 6.13, Kilowen 6.13, Rinsingham 6.9, Kilmain 6.7. Snub's weight was not given in the cable. In the Caulfield Cup the weights are: Desert Gold 9.8, Biplane 9.5, Estland 8.13, Bunting 8.7, Bee 8.3, Red Pennant 8.0, Finmark 7.9, Kilfinn 7.7, Killowen 7.1, Kill'em 6.7, and Kilmain 6.7. If Bunting could be brought fit and well to the post in the Melbourne Cup he would have a good show, and so might Red Pennant, whose erratic conduct when he last ran in Brisbane however would lose him friends, as he kept bumping into other horses, and then came out a winner. Biplane may be found taking on the Caulfield Cup if he comes out of his w.f.a. engagements in Sydney satisfactorily, and so may Desert Gold, but neither are likely to be supported until they have demonstrated their fitness in New South Wales. Mr. T. H. Lowry has so many strings to his bow that he will be unlucky if he is unrepresented at the finish in the two important handicap events. Estland may be set for one of the big spring events.

COUNTRY CLUBS IN CONFERENCE.

QUESTION OF REPRESENTATION DISCUSSED.

IMMEDIATE RESTORATION OF PERMITS AFTER WAR.

CLUBS AFFECTED TO BE REIMBURSED.

The annual meeting of the New Zealand Country Racing Clubs' Association was held in the Town Hall Committee Room, Wellington, on Tuesday night last. The president (Mr. A. Bruce) was in the chair, and the following delegates were present: Hon. E. W. Alison (Takapuna), Messrs. H. H. Hayr (Avondale), R. Williams (Napier Park), Patterson (Westport), D. J. Evans (Westland), D. C. McCarty (Ashhurst), H. R. Mackenzie and H. S. Wilson (Pakuranga Hunt Club), Nelson (Whangarei), R. H. Sellars (North Canterbury and Masterton), R. Wynyard (Rotorua), R. Nicholson and Taipura (Otaki), L. R. Freeman (Foxton), McDonald (Horowhenua), J. Glen (Nelson), J. Bairstow (Carterton).

Special reference was made in the annual report to the efforts of the executive to secure from the Government an assurance that at the close of the war the cancelled days of racing would be immediately restored to the clubs from which they had been taken. The executive had urged the Government to insist upon the condition that clubs whose permits had been suspended would be reimbursed from the profits made by clubs allowed to race. It was quite satisfied that the Minister of Internal Affairs would see full justice done to all concerned. The days of racing had been reduced on account of the war. Could any person truthfully say that the military position had been affected by a pin point? The report mentioned the dispute over the Opunake Club's permit, and suggested that applications for dates ought to be sent direct to the secretary of the conference instead of to the district committee. The inadequate representation of country clubs on the Racing Conference was one calling aloud for adjustment. Large districts like Auckland, Otago, and Hawke's Bay should be divided, as the Canterbury district had been divided. Canterbury, by being divided, secured three country club representatives, against two for each of the other districts mentioned. The number of country clubs in each district was: Canterbury 13, Auckland 16, Otago 17, Hawke's Bay 13. On the basis of Canterbury's representation of three members, Hawke's Bay should have three and Auckland and Otago four each. The constitution of the district committees required amendment. Why should the Dunedin Racing Club have 12 representatives on the committee and the 17 Otago country clubs only five representatives? The executive had been advised not to press the matter until after the war. In conclusion the executive expressed a hope that when the war had been carried to a successful conclusion the clubs which lost days of racing last year would have them restored, and that the days of racing taken from the clubs by the 1910 legislation would also be regained.

The report and the balance sheet, which showed a satisfactory credit balance, were adopted.

The following motion was proposed by Mr. A. Bruce:

"That the clubs in each metropolitan district affiliated with the association appoint one delegate each to be and act as local branches of the association."

Mr. Bruce pointed out that the motion did not entail any opposition to the conference or the district committees. But the association had been founded to protect the interests of the country clubs, and members knew of the efforts that these clubs had been required to make in order to get fair hearing. They still lacked their just share of representation on the district committees.

Mr. H. H. Hayr (Avondale) drew attention to the fact that a remit was to be considered by the Racing Conference that affected three members, himself included, to the effect that no paid official should sit on a district. Such a proposal he emphatically stated should meet with the greatest opposition.

Hon. E. W. Alison (Takapuna) said for many years there had been strong feeling throughout New Zealand that the representation on the district committees was inequitable. The metropolitan clubs had 12 representatives and the country clubs only five. This anomaly would have

to be altered. But the association had been told that the matter must stand over until after the war. If paid officials were not to be allowed to sit on district committees, they should be similarly debarred from sitting on the Racing Conference. The proposal made by the chairman could do no harm, though it might not be of immediate benefit.

Mr. H. R. Mackenzie (Pakuranga Hunt Club) said that the organization of the country clubs was sadly incomplete. There should be a country clubs' association in each provincial district, and these associations should send delegates to an annual conference in Wellington. The country clubs were not getting a fair deal at the present time. He suggested that it should be a recommendation from the meeting that an association of all country clubs should be formed in each province of New Zealand, and that each association elect two delegates to attend an annual conference in Wellington in the month of July, prior to the Racing Conference, to work for and protect the interests of the country clubs.

After the motion had been discussed at some length, Mr. Bruce said he believed it would have the effect of bringing country clubs together in each district. The association already represented about 45 out of 60 country clubs. The branches he proposed would be local centres for the protection of the interests of the country clubs, which must fight for their privileges if they were to survive and prosper. He did not believe that local associations would be worth a button. There should be one country clubs' association, with branches in the districts. He would not accept an amendment on the lines suggested by Mr. Mackenzie.

The motion was carried by nine votes to five.

In answer to a question, Mr. Bruce said the Racing Conference would see that clubs which had been deprived of racing days were reimbursed from the profits of clubs which had retained days. The machinery for the operation of the scheme existed.

RACECOURSE DETECTIVES NOT NECESSARY.

The president moved:—"That this association again enters a strong protest against the proposal now before the Racing Conference to appoint racecourse detectives at high cost, since it considers that the control of such matters should remain under the direction and at the discretion of the clubs as at present."

Several members supported this motion on the ground that local knowledge was an essential qualification of an efficient racecourse detective. The proposal that the Racing Conference should appoint the detectives had already been rejected by previous conferences. Members stated that the country clubs exercised very great care in the selection of detectives, and were generally successful in the exclusion of undesirables. The country clubs should be left to manage their own affairs in this respect.

The motion was carried.

It was decided, on the motion of the president, that clubs which had been deprived temporarily of their permits should be exempted from the payment of levies during the period of suspension.

The association's levy on the clubs for the ensuing year was fixed at £1 1s.

Mr. A. Bruce was re-elected president and Mr. J. F. Finney, now in camp, was re-elected vice-president. The Hon. E. W. Alison and Mr. H. H. Hayr were elected members of the executive for the North Island, and Messrs. D. J. Evans and Patterson for the South Island.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the president for his untiring efforts on behalf of the country racing clubs.

The annual volume of the English Racing Calendar for 1917 was issued in April. The statistics show that during last season there were in England 315 races of a total value of £99,461, in Ireland 357 races of the total value of £55,971, and in Scotland twelve races of the total value of £2004. These figures show a great reduction from normal times; for instance, in 1913 the table was as follows: England 1668 races of the total value of £518,673, Ireland 350 races of the total value of £40,223, and Scotland 86 races of the total value of £13,385. The number of horses of different ages that ran in 1917 was 1911, whereas in 1913 there were 4055.