

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

WINTER MEETING WEIGHTS.

The weights for the two chief handicap jumping races of the Wanganui Jockey Club are before us. They did not make their appearance in Auckland papers on the due date, though published in southern ones. Master Strowan has been awarded top weight (12.9) in the Wanganui Steeplechase, and Sir Fisher follows with 16lb. less and Coalition with 23lb. less. They have thus 11lb. and 9lb. respectively more than they had at Ellerslie, while Arlington, Yellow and Black, Tarero and Bore are raised 8lb., 4lb. and 1lb. respectively. Master Strowan was not paid up for at Ellerslie, but though he has more weight at Wanganui by 4lb. he is better treated there through the first-name four than he was at Ellerslie. He has raced well at Wanganui previously. Yankee Jack does not figure in the event, which should be one of considerable interest. The distance is shorter than the Great Northern Steeplechase. Aucklanders and followers of form generally will be interested in the running of Sir Fisher, Arlington, Yellow and Black, Bore and Tarero in particular, as they are still engaged at Ellerslie.

The Century Hurdles candidates engaged in the Great Northern Hurdle Race number eleven, or within one of half the field, so that the race at Wanganui, which is a quarter of a mile shorter, has even more interest for racegoers in the north. Here again there are some differences in the adjustments of Mr. McManemin and Mr. Coyle, who has had some form to work on since the Great Northern weights appeared. Sleight of Hand, by reason of his win at Manawatu, has gone up 11lb., Kauri King has 2lb. less and has been invited to Wanganui, while Sir Fisher has been raised 7lb., Paraoa 8lb., Golden Grafton 8lb., Crown Pearl 4lb., and Vacuum 2lb. Euripos, who declined his Egmont engagement but who has been paid up for at Ellerslie, has 3lb. less, and Whiro, also an acceptor at Ellerslie, 6lb. less, and, like Kauri King, have their best chance at Wanganui on the figures. Multipical got in lighter at Wanganui than at Ellerslie. Mr. Coyle has accepted Seadown's only appearance at Manawatu as an indication that he is not now, or likely to be, of much account as a hurdler, but that gelding looks decidedly well in for a performer on the flat. It would have been interesting if Mr. Coyle had had Master Lupin to deal with, but taking a line through Sir Fisher on Manawatu form he must have been above that gelding. Thus Sleight of Hand, on Mr. Coyle's figures, should be a firm favourite for the Great Northern Hurdles. According to the weights for the Great Northern Hurdles, Kauri King and Euripos should be fancied for the Century Hurdles. They should suit Kauri King. They are not so formidable as at Ellerslie.

The following weights have been declared for the two jumping events:

WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE, about three miles.—Master Strowan 12.9, Sir Fisher 11.7, Coalition 11.1, Arlington 10.10, Yellow and Black 10.8, Vascular 10.2, Goeman 10.2, Tarero 10.2, Bore 9.13, Gaekwar 9.9, Merry Jack 9.7, Tirau 9.7, Aurore 9.7, Styra 9.7, Bravest 9.7, Diavolo 9.7, Polthogue 9.7, Speedwell Mac 9.7.

CENTURY HURDLES, two miles and a-quarter.—Sleight of Hand 11.10, Kauri King 11.6, Sir Fisher 11.4, Paraoa 11.1, Euripos 10.9, Want 10.4, Whiro 10.1, Golden Grafton 10.0, Kahumangu 9.8, Crown Pearl 9.6, Yankee Jack 9.6, Multipical 9.6, Multive 9.6, Vacuum 9.4, Seadown 9.2, Aurore 9.2, Rio 9.0, Royal Park 9.0, Papanui 9.0, Munster 9.0, Otter 9.0.

NOMINATIONS.

OTAKI MAORI RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

The following nominations have been received for the Otaki Maori Racing Club's winter meeting, which takes place on June 3 and 4. Weights for the first day's events are due on Saturday next (May 17), while acceptances close with the secretary, Mr. O. J. D'Ath, Otaki, on Tuesday, May 20, at 5 p.m.:

FIRST DAY.

FLYING HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Seasprite, Esperance, Zabism, Flying Gowrie, Mandrake, Tari, Stutter, Some Girl, Lady Kilworth, Conziska, Sea Foam, Californian, Occasion, Bang, Wonder, Beloved, Eron Boy, Idle Talk, Old Gold, Primato, Restful, Black Mark, Tame Fox, March On, Kaimanawanui, Vascovia, Coral Queen, Pervolo, Prince Formby, Tonukohu.

TAIHOA STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, two miles and a-quarter.—Hoatu, Jem, Tornea, Tarero, Kingston Boy, Sail Home, Papanui, Master Webster, Kurapai, Want, Happy Jack, Paul Moore, Speedwell Mac, Negative, Gang Awa, Gwynne.

RAUKAWA CUP, one mile and a-quarter.—Elocution, Detroit, Bagdad, Kilrush, Rewi Poto, Waiuta, Heather-

cote, Battle Song, Bonnie Maid, Hydrus, Rose Pink, Kiltess, Master Moutoa, Marquetteur, Potentiality, Pacific Slope, Rude, Nobleman, Arrowfield, Volo, Play-off, Tiranga.

OTAKI HACK HANDICAP, one mile.—Transmission, Rienzi, Warmth, Maymorn, Mamac, Justification, Consultation, Pretty Bobby, Railand, Jiu Jitsu, White Ranger, Pomeroy.

TAIHOA HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Potentiality, Royal Chef, Hastie, Sir Agnes, Astinome, Lady General, Mata-tua, Rawakore, Lionskin, Ahika, Tor-freda, Wonder, Trentham Rose, Merrie Poto, Staccato, Old Gold, Hyginas, Moutoa Ivanova, George, Silver Link, Oratress, Play-off, Vascovia, Tirana, Red Signal, Comment, Birkenvale.

BIRTHDAY WELTER HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Toddy, Utuwal, Maraetotara, Mandrake, Esperance, Papanui, Transmission, Some Girl, Warmth, Justification, Beloved, Good Defence, Intermezzo, Sacramento, Warning, Tunatau, Pretty Bobby, Master Boris, Glen-tour, Amberine, Coral Queen, Miramai, Reformation.

SECOND DAY.

TELEGRAPH HACK HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Seasprite, Flying Gowrie, Mandrake, Stutter, Some Girl, Lady Kilworth, Sea Foam, Occasion, Californian, Bang, Wonder, Beloved, Eron Boy, Birkenetta, Kyo, Master Curran, Restful, Dainty Step, Tame Fox, March On, Rialto, Amberine, Kaimanawanui, Coral Queen, Achillion, Pervolo, Prince Formby, Tonukohu.

TE ROTO STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, two miles.—Hoatu, Jem, Tornea, Kingston Boy, Sail Home, Papanui, Master Webster, Kurapai, Want, Happy Jack, Chabin, Paul Moore, Speedwell Mac, Gwynne, Negative, Gang Awa, Tarero.

HUIA HANDICAP, one mile and 55 yards.—Elocution, Potentiality, Detroit, Bagdad, Mamac, Sir Agnes, Kilrush, Astinome, Rewi Poto, Waiuta, Heather-cote, Lionskin, Battle Song, Bonnie Maid, Hydrus, Haumakaka, Rose Pink, Kiltess, Master Moutoa, Marquetteur, Maymorn, Pacific Slope, Hyginas, Gold-stream, George, Moutoa Ivanova, Nobleman, Rude, Arrowfield, Pretty Bobby, Volo, Play-off, Vascovia, Tiranga, Comment, Tirana, Pomeroy.

KAWAKAWA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Kawakawa Racing Club were indeed fortunate in experiencing ideal weather for their annual meeting at the Kensington Park racecourse, Whangarei, on Saturday, as usually the climatic conditions at this period of the year are not altogether favourable except for late autumn and winter meetings. However, it is expected that the club will have their new course at Kawakawa in readiness for the next gathering, which it is certain will take place earlier in the season, when the country racing boom is at its height. Saturday's meeting at Whangarei was very successful, and though the fields were not large, some interesting racing was witnessed, while speculation on the totalisator was brisk. During the afternoon the sum of 14847 was handled, as against 15301 10s. at the last meeting of the club in 1917.

A feature of the afternoon's racing was the success achieved by A. J. McFlinn, who saluted the judge on no less than five occasions. The principal event, the Kawakawa Cup, only attracted four starters, Mountain Gold being installed favourite. The contest was one of the most exciting that could be desired, the favourite scoring a half-length victory from Glucian, with Slowcoach a neck away third. Penona was within a neck of the latter, the quartette finishing in the space of a length. Scottish Knight started on three occasions during the afternoon, and after running second to Blue and Black in the Flying Handicap came out later and accounted for both the Railway Handicap and Publicans' Purse. Four favourites prevailed in the seven races carded, so that backers experienced a fairly successful time, though the dividends were naturally on the small side. The results were:

MAIDEN HANDICAP of 25sovs.

Six furlongs.
4—Pretty Ethel, 7.13 (McFlinn) ... 1
2—Monocrat, 9.0 (Warner) ... 2
9—Otiroa, 8.0 (Ryan) ... 3
Also started: 1 Lombardy 8.9, 5 Vexation 8.5, 3 Mavourneen 8.2, 5 Delavalite 8.0, 6 Chestine 7.13, 7 Alys 7.13, 8 Mama 7.12, 10 Dina 7.12.
Won by three lengths, half a length between second and third.



GROUP PHOTOGRAPHED ON BOARD THE TRANSPORT REMUERA ON THE OCCASION OF THE ARRIVAL AT AUCKLAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL G. S. RICHARDSON, C.B., C.M.G. From left the names are: Mr. C. H. Poole, M.P., Mrs. Richardson (wife of Brigadier-General Richardson), Major-General Sir Alfred Robin, Brigadier-General G. S. Richardson, C.B., C.M.G., Dr. W. C. Sadlier (Bishop of Nelson, senior chaplain to N.Z. Forces), Mr. J. H. Gunson (Mayor of Auckland), Captain G. E. Elliott (president of the Auckland Returned Soldiers' Association), Mrs. Gunson, Colonel H. R. Potter, Mr. J. P. Luke, M.P. (Mayor of Wellington).

STEWARDS' HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Mandrake, Multiplex, Maraetotara, Zabism, Tari, Esperance, Utuwal, Mamac, Transmission, Some Girl, Conziska, Justification, Bang, Beloved, Maymorn, Idle Talk, Old Gold, Sacramento, Consultation, Black Mark, Primato, Festival, March On, Railand, Amberine, Coral Queen.

RAHUI HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Potentiality, Royal Chef, Hastie, Lady General, Astinome, Mata-tua, Rawakore, Lionskin, Ahika, Torfreda, Trentham Rose, Wonder, Merrie Poto, Idle Talk, Staccato, Old Gold, George, Black Mark, Silver Link, Oratress, Tunatau, Play-off, Tirana, Comment, Red Signal, Birkenvale.

OHAU WELTER HACK HANDICAP, one mile.—Toddy, Maraetotara, Rienzi, Esperance, Dixie Boy, Papanui, Transmission, Warmth, Justification, Pretty Bobby, Good Defence, Intermezzo, Sacramento, Ben Bolt, Hautawa, Warning, Railand, Master Boris, Jiu Jitsu, White Ranger, Vascovia, Reformation, Glen-tour, Miramai.

ENTRIES.

(First Day.)

MAIDEN FLAT RACE, six furlongs.—Dixie Boy, Multiplex, Moutoa Boy, Kyo, Ben Bolt, Master Curran, Deacon, Dainty Step, Chattanooga, Hautawa, Lady Olwyn, Festival, Taunatau, Idealogue, Blighty, Achillion, Miramai, Reformation, Haeremoana.

(Second Day.)

FINAL HACK SCURRY, five furlongs.—Californian, Sea Foam, Contend, Moutoa Boy, Kyo, Master Curran, Deacon, Dainty Step, Chattanooga, Hautawa, Lady Olwyn, Blighty, Idealogue, Kaimanawanui, Prince Formby, Miramai, Haeremoana.

FLYING HANDICAP of 50sovs.

Six furlongs.
1—Blue and Black, 8.4 (Ryan) ... 1
2—Scottish Knight, 8.4 (O'Shea) ... 2
3—Winning Lass, 7.9 (Downing) ... 3
Also started: 4 Sim Paul 6.7.
Won by a head, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 17½sec.

KAWAKAWA CUP of 100sovs.

One mile and a-quarter.
1—Mountain Gold, 8.4 (McFlinn) ... 1
4—Glucian, 9.0 (Ryan) ... 2
3—Slowcoach, 7.0 (O'Shea) ... 3
Also started: 2 Fen-na.
Won by half a length, a neck between second and third. Time, 2min 13sec.

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 50sovs.

Seven furlongs.
1—Scottish Knight, 8.5 (McFlinn) ... 1
2—Monocrat, 7.1 (McCurdy) ... 2
3—Lombardy, 7.9 (O'Shea) ... 3
Also started: 7 Vexation 7.4, 5 Hal-bred 6.12, 6 Alys 6.12, 4 Kaingaroa 7.0.
Won by two lengths, four lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 30sec.

GOODHUE MEMORIAL STAKES of 75sovs.

One mile.
5—Archery, 7.7 (Hamilton) ... 1
1—St. Amiel, 8.10 (Warner) ... 2
3—Otiroa, 7.12 (O'Shea) ... 3
Also started: 4 Little Selyukwe 8.6, 7 Magnus Equis 8.5, 2 Rafferty 8.2, 6 Gleam 7.7.
Won easily by three lengths, half a length between second and third. Time 1min 46sec.

PUBLICANS' PURSE of 50sovs.

Six furlongs.
2—Scottish Knight, 8.8 (McFlinn) ... 1
1—Blue and Black, 8.11 (Ryan) ... 2
4—Penona, 8.6 (Goldfinch) ... 3
Also started: 6 Monocrat 7.12, 5 Winning Lass 7.4, 8 Delavalite 7.5, 3 Pretty Ethel 8.6, 7 Kaingaroa 7.12.

Won by three-quarters of a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1min 18sec.

WELTER HANDICAP of 50sovs.

One mile.
1—Mountain Gold, 9.2 (McFlinn) ... 1
2—Glucian, 10.0 (Ryan) ... 2
4—St. Amiel 8.10 (Warner) ... 3
Also started: 3 Royal Mark 8.0.
Won by half a head. Time, 1min 45sec.

OTAHUHU TROTTING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

The autumn meeting of the Otahuhu Trotting Club will be opened at Alexandra Park on Saturday next, and judging by the splendid character of the acceptances received some first-class racing should be witnessed by the club's patrons. The visiting contingent is strongly represented at the fixture, and the presence of so many well-known southern performers will lend additional interest to what promises to be the most successful autumn meeting yet held by the club. Keen interest is being centred in the attempt which is to be made upon the Australasian record on each day of the meeting by Hardy Wilkes for the purse of 250sovs offered by the club. The Otahuhu Trotting Cup Handicap promises to provide a fine race over the two miles, the field being strong both as regards size and quality. The meeting will be concluded on Wednesday next, May 21. The first day's acceptances are as follows:—

TRIAL HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Gova limit, Favour Royal limit, Canberra limit, Timbell limit, Nancy Drift limit, Mint Boy 12yds behind, Aranui 12yds, Ngatira 12yds, Dignity 12yds, Nikora 12yds, Rema 12yds, Pura Bell 12yds, Wild Lad 12yds, Miss Murphy 12yds, Lunar Dillon 12yds, Maethorn 24yds, Lord Bess 24yds, Sandy Patch 36yds, Lord Lonsdale 48yds, My Junior 60yds, Gold Rod 60yds, Rita Galindo 60yds, Speculator 96yds, Logan 96yds.

APRIL HANDICAP, one mile and a-quarter.—Soldier's Dream limit, Charming Boy limit, Rua Pere 12yds behind, Endeavour 12yds, Mintson Belle 12yds, Sweet Mint 12yds, Jack of Diamonds 12yds, Lady Sefton 24yds, Jessie Mac

36yds, Coal Light 36yds, Flora Dillon 36yds, Evening Chimes 36yds, Lady Morland 48yds, Shannagolden 48yds, Lady Burlington 48yds, Temple 48yds, Prize Pearl 60yds, Confusion 72yds.

ALEXANDRA HANDICAP, two miles.—Rio Grande limit, Speculator limit, Amberite limit, Tiki limit, Bluewood limit, Grattan Chimes limit, Wonder-land 12yds behind, Lady Park 12yds, Kirikiriroa 48yds, Syrie 48yds, Auckland Girl 96yds, Whist 108yds, Hint 120 yds, Gold Boy 132yds, Blackthorn 132 yds.

OTAHUHU CUP, two miles.—Harold Devon limit, Alf. McKinney 12yds behind, Lieutenant 24yds, Dean Dillon 24 yds, Asturio 48yds, Hardy Wilkes 48yds.

MT. ALBERT HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Moneyka limit, Lady Burlington limit, Te Awa limit, Coal Light limit, Bushchid 12yds behind, George K. 36yds, Puhenua 36yds, Taneatua 48 yds, Beaumont 60yds, Inora 60yds, Master Hal 60yds, Lena Patch 72yds, Hymen 84yds.

PAPAKURA HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Dillon limit, Gallipoli 12 yds behind, Kempsey 12yds, George Ak-wood 12yds, Sundial 24yds, President Wilson 24yds, Greta 24yds, Hal Junior 24yds, Lord Rose 24yds, Miss Rolfe 36 yds, Huon Grattan 60yds, Bronze Patch 60yds.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, one mile and a-quarter.—Manuka Park limit, Comedy Chief limit, Lord Roanchild limit, Little Kauri 12yds behind, Harold Devon 12yds, Prince Poole 12yds, Dean Dillon 24yds, Eccentric 24yds, Asturio 36yds, Gold Girl 60yds.

FAREWELL HANDICAP, one mile.—Gallipoli limit, Red George limit, Greta 12yds behind, Pearl d'Or 12yds, Lord Rose 12yds, Lucille 24yds, Galvanita 24 yds, Ruanui 24yds, Xavier 24yds, Agnes Chief 36yds, Bronze Patch 36yds, Salamander 36yds, Dorothy Dimple 36yds, Trooper Dillon 48yds.