

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1911.

- WAIWERA HANDICAP HURDLES** of 10sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and three-quarters.
- BOROUGH HANDICAP** of 10sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Four furlongs.
- SUMMER HANDICAP** of 15sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. One mile.
- THIRD PONY HANDICAP** of 75sovs; second pony to receive 10sovs and third pony 5sovs out of stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards, 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.
- PONUI HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Seven furlongs.
- MARINE HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. For MAIDEN TWO-YEAR-OLDS that have not won a race at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Four furlongs.
- DEVONPORT HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Borough or Summer Handicaps to carry a penalty of 7lb; or both, 10lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.
- WELTER HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb. Lowest weight, 7.7. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS.

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30th, 9 p.m.**—Takapuna Cup, 1sov; Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap, 1sov; Stewards' Handicap, 1sov.
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th, 9 p.m.**—First Day:—Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Calliope Handicap 1sov, Zealandia Handicap 1sov, Ferry Handicap 1sov, Orewa Handicap Hurdles 1sov, First Pony Handicap 1sov.
- Second Day.**—Moana Handicap 1sov, Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Suburban Handicap 1sov, Second Pony Handicap 1sov, Hobson Handicap 1sov, Rangitoto Handicap 1sov, Anniversary Handicap 1sov.
- Third Day.**—Waiwera Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Borough Handicap 1sov, Summer Handicap 1sov, Third Pony Handicap 1sov, Ponui Handicap 1sov, Marine Handicap 1sov, Devonport Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

WEIGHTS.

- FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th, 4 p.m.**—Takapuna Cup Handicap, Stewards' Handicap.
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th, 4 p.m.**—First Day's Racing.
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, 9 p.m.**—Second Day's Racing.
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 31st, 4 p.m.**—Third Day's Racing.

ACCEPTANCES.

- FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th, 9 p.m.**—First Day:—Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Calliope Handicap 1sov, Zealandia Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Cup Handicap 5sovs, Ferry Handicap 1sov, Orewa Handicap Hurdles 1sov, First Pony Handicap 1sov, Stewards' Handicap 1sov.
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, 10 p.m.**—Second Day:—Moana Handicap 1sov, Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Suburban Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap 3sovs, Second Pony Handicap 1sov, Hobson Handicap 1sov, Rangitoto Handicap 1sov, Anniversary Handicap 1sov.
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 12 noon.**—Third Day:—Waiwera Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Borough Handicap 1sov, Summer Handicap 2sovs, Third Pony Handicap 1sov, Ponui Handicap 1sov, Marine Handicap 1sov, Devonport Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

R. WYNYARD,
Secretary.

High-street, Auckland.

WHANGAREI RACING CLUB.
SUMMER MEETING.

To be held on
KENSINGTON RACECOURSE.
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY
13 and 14, 1911.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

- Patron: F. Mander, Esq., M.P. President:
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PROGRAMME.

(Approved by Auckland Racing Club and N.Z. Trotting Association.)

FIRST DAY.

- 12.30 p.m.—SETTLERS' HANDICAP of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For horses that have been owned and located in any

- County North of the Waitemata County three months prior to date of entry. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Six furlongs.
- 1.15 p.m.—KENSINGTON STAKES HANDICAP of 30sovs (open); second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Four furlongs.
- 2 p.m.—FIRST HURDLE HANDICAP (open), of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination 15s, acceptance 20s. One and a half miles, over six flights of hurdles, about 3ft. 6in. in height.
- 2.45 p.m.—FIRST TROT HANDICAP (saddle) of 17sovs; second horse to receive 2sovs from the stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. One and a half miles. Conditions same as Settlers' Handicap. See rule trotting races.
- 3.30 p.m.—WHANGAREI CUP HANDICAP (open) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. One mile and a distance.
- 4.15 p.m.—RAILWAY HANDICAP of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Six furlongs.
- 5 p.m.—PUBLICANS' PURSE HANDICAP of 30sovs (open); second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Seven furlongs.
- 5.30 p.m.—FLYING HANDICAP (open) of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

- 12.30 p.m.—MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 23sovs; second horse to receive 3sovs from the stake. Open to horses that have never won a flat race exceeding £10 at the time of starting. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Seven furlongs.
- 1.15 p.m.—BUSHMAN'S PURSE (open) of 30sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Five furlongs.
- 2 p.m.—SECOND HURDLE HANDICAP (open) of 40sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 15s, acceptance 20s. One and a half miles, over six flights of hurdles, about 3ft 6in. in height.
- 2.45 p.m.—SECOND TROT HANDICAP (saddle) of 17sovs; second horse to receive 2sovs from the stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 5s. One and a half miles. Conditions same as Settlers' Handicap. See rule trotting races.
- 3.30 p.m.—PARK HANDICAP (open) of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s, acceptance, 30s. One mile.
- 4.15 p.m.—MARSDEN STAKES (open) of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Five furlongs.
- 5 p.m.—HACK HANDICAP of 25sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. For horses that have not won a race exceeding 20sovs at time of entry. Other conditions same as Settlers' Handicap. Nomination 10s, acceptance 10s. Seven furlongs.
- 5.30 p.m.—FAREWELL HANDICAP (open) of 35sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from the stake. Nomination 10s, acceptance 15s. Four furlongs.

NOMINATIONS for all races close on THURSDAY, 29th DECEMBER, 1910, at the Secretary's Office, Whangarei, and with Mr. H. H. Hayr, High-street, Auckland, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS for the First Day will be declared on or about THURSDAY, JANUARY 6th, 1911.

ACCEPTANCES for the First Day close at the Secretary's Office, Whangarei, and at Mr. H. H. Hayr's, Auckland, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 10th, 1911, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS for Second Day will be declared on FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th, at 8 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES for Second Day close at 10 p.m. on FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th, 1911, at the Secretary's Office, Whangarei.

PENALTIES.—Flat Races.—The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb, and every additional race a further penalty of 6lb. Horses handicapped at 8.10 or over, to carry only half the above penalty (applies to the Whangarei Meeting only). The winner of any race of £40 or upwards after declaration of weights may be re-handicapped.

NOTE.—Races First Day, Nos. 1, 4, 6; Second Day, Nos. 1, 4, 7, are open only to horses that have been owned and located in any County North of the Waitemata County three months prior to date of entry. Nos. 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, First Day; and Nos. 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, Second Day are Open Races.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing.
Trotting races will be run strictly under N.Z. Trotting Association Rules. All horses must be registered at time of nomination, and all trainers and riders must hold current season's licenses. Riders must be dressed in Jockey costume. Registration forms may be had from the Secretary.
Entries by telegram must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.
Owners, Trainers, and others are notified that entries or acceptances must be accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.
Owners are responsible for penalties.
All persons intending to withdraw horses are required to give notice to that effect to the Secretary or Clerk of Scales one half-hour before the official time for starting the race. Any person neglecting, or refusing to comply with this rule shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the Stewards, not exceeding 20sovs, to the race fund.
Prior to any race the Stewards may order a parade in front of the stand. The owner of any horse absent from such parade, without the permission of the Stewards, will be fined £2.
Any owner running a horse in colours other than those named at the time of entry will be fined 10sovs.

R. J. DENT,
Secretary, W.R.C.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

At a recent meeting of the Council of the New South Wales League of Wheelmen, a long discussion took place over the position of affairs in Victoria, and it was suggested that a delegate should be sent across to Melbourne to endeavour to arrange some means of settling the dispute between the two Victorian bodies, the League and Union. It was eventually decided to write to the Secretaries of both the Victorian bodies in regard to a New South Wales delegate visiting Melbourne for a conference with the opposing factions with the view of straightening out matters.

Recent authentic figures available from New York convey a good idea of the gigantic growth of motoring in the United States. In August last it was estimated that there were 500,000 cars in the States of a total value of £45,000,000, an equivalent of one car for every 160 people in that country. According to these figures there are more than five cars to every thousand people in the United States. In Australia the percentage, based on 5,000 cars for nearly 5,000,000 people, works out at one car for every thousand of population, so that the Commonwealth is yet a long way behind in the general use of the motor vehicle.

D. C. Alexander, a well-known Melbourne cyclist, made an unsuccessful attempt last Saturday week to win the £20 offered by the Dunlop Rubber Co. to the first Australasian road rider who betters L. Meredith's 100 miles' unpaced out and home record of 4hr. 52min. 51 4-5sec, a performance accomplished on the pick of English roads. Alexander picked a course of 25 miles from Coburg to Carrum, which had to be negotiated four times, but an error of judgment was made in selecting a market morning, the result being that Alexander, who started away at 12.45 in the early morning was considerably hampered by a string of market gardeners' carts journeying Melbournewards. Owing to this trouble the outward trip of 25 miles took 1h. 11min. to negotiate, whilst the return journey (including 6mins. lost over two punctures) was covered in 1hr. 34min., making a total of 2hr. 45min. for the fifty miles. Alexander had now no chance of getting the record, and acting under the advice of some of his supporters, gave up the ride. He will probably make a further attempt later on in the year.

Owing to the big fight now going on between the Standard Oil Co., which handles "Pratt's" motor spirit, and the group of Eastern Oil Companies that market the well-known "snell" petrol, motorists in Europe are at present enjoying a drop of 3 1/2d per gallon in the price of petrol. As the Standard Co. has a capital of £60,000,000 and the Shell Transport Company represents a capital of £40,000,000, the struggle for supremacy promises to be a bitter one. In the meantime motorists are the gainers, but later on the chances are that they will have to pay the piper to recoup the present losses sustained in the "Petrol" war.

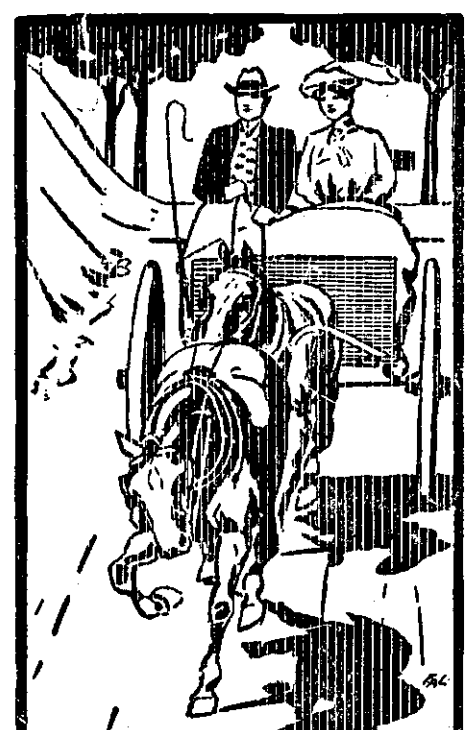
BILLIARDS.

If Gray continues on his big breaks he will have more 1000 breaks to his credit this season than all the other players combined have in 500 runs. Already he has topped the 1000 three times with 1143, 1140, and 1052.

In answer to Stevenson's statement, where it was suggested to him that Gray would possibly be a competitor in the B.C.C. championship, that the lad would want half the game, to have a chance with ivory balls, "Snooker," in the "Referee," says:—"Now, how does Stevenson know that? Has he ever seen Gray play with the egg-shaped material? If he had, his bombastic assertion about giving half the game might have been withheld. I certainly have not seen Gray using ivory, nor did I hear, until last week in Melbourne, that the boy was almost as good with the untrue ivory as he is with the more correct crystalate ball. My informant was the ex-champion, Charles Memmott, who spoke highly of Gray's skill with ivory. 'As sure as I am alive,' said Memmott, 'that boy will spring a surprise on some of those who are maligning his skill, owing to the breaks being made with Crystalate. He is just as good with ivory, and if his friends snap up a good bet at some of the starts that are being offered there will be someone very sorry when the game is over, and that someone won't be one of the Gray party.'"

That versatile writer, "Ivory," thus describes George Gray on the occasion of his reception at the Billiards Control Club, London:—"When George Gray stood up to return thanks to the company for their toast of 'Good Health and Success,' his tone was modest. Still, he spoke like one who knew what he wanted to say and how to say it, with that faintly distinguishable 'note' which those who mix at all with Australians well know. He told why he had come here, and drew the sympathies of his hearers at once with the remark that whatever might happen to him in his games with the English professionals, he hoped to retain their friendship. There was nothing boastful in his reference to performances which did more than everything else to cause his name to ring through the billiard world, namely, his joint record of 836 (the biggest break on record) and the 813 of the red ball to date which formed the integral part of it. He sat down to a round of hand-clapping and exclamations around the room, such as, 'A nice, sensible little speech!' 'If he can play as well as he can speak, he must be pretty good!' 'What confidence for a lad of eighteen!' Next we have a few words from the champion, H. W. Stevenson, and Melbourne Inman, who echoed the champion's words, and he made a few well punctuated remarks upon his own account. The 'Terrier' made his record 'break' in the way of speech-making (so his brother professionals said).

"After the luncheon we were privileged to see what most of us had hoped and waited for, a sight of young Gray at the billiard table. He gave us just a few samples of his execution, and some of his favorite red losing hazards out of the D. I saw him play perhaps a dozen shots, but they were enough for me to be able to inform my readers that George Gray is a first-class billiard player. He strikes a ball as well as anyone I have ever seen, and he finishes his stroke out like a workman, letting the cue run on to the full length of the swing. He is distinctly good. With his chin as nearly as possible touching his cue, his bridge arm stuck out rigidly straight, and the cue kept nicely in play in the address



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