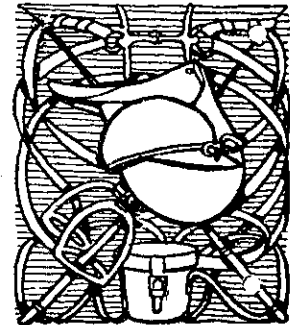


RACING NEWS



RACING FIXTURES, 1920-21.

March 4, 6—Nelson J.C.
 March 5, 6—Napier Park R.C.
 March 6—Akaroa County R.C.
 March 6 and 8—Thames J.C.
 March 10, 11—Marlborough R.C.
 March 10, 11—Gore R.C.
 March 13—Cheviot R.C.
 March 13, 15—Dannevirke R.C.
 March 16, 17—Westport J.C.
 March 17—Opunake R.C.
 March 17—Clifden R.C.
 March 17 and 20—Ohinemuri J.C.
 March 18—Waimate R.C.
 March 20—Masterton R.C.
 March 24, 25—Southland R.C.
 March 24, 25—Rangitikei R.C.
 March 27—Matamata R.C.
 March 27—Amberley R.C.

tional opportunities of picking up a decent stake at Easter time are not likely to be lost sight of by owners of hacks, and the response from this quarter should be of a highly gratifying character to the club.

On the second day the Autumn Handicap, of 300sovs., one mile and a distance, will claim chief attention, and the chance to annex another good stake is certain to be fully availed of by owners. The Stewards' Handicap, of 200sovs., six furlongs, and the Tauherenikau Welter Handicap, of 200sovs., seven furlongs, minimum weight 7.10, will both constitute a strong draw on the second day, while the two-year-old division will make their second appearance at the meeting in the Juvenile Handicap, of 200sovs., six furlongs. The remaining second day's events consist of the Moroa Hack Welter Handicap, of 150sovs., seven furlongs, minimum weight 7.10; Electric Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., six furlongs; Settlers' Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., one mile;

six furlongs, and the Halcombe Welter Handicap, of 350sovs., seven furlongs, are a brace of events which should fill particularly well. Other events on the first day's programme are the Kawa Kawa Hurdles (Handicap), of 300sovs., 1¼ miles; Onepuhi Hack Welter (Handicap), of 250sovs., one mile and 54 yards, minimum weight 7.11; Taonui Hack Handicap, of 200sovs., seven furlongs; Ongo Hack Handicap, of 200sovs., 5½ furlongs; and the Maiden Stakes, of 200sovs., 5½ furlongs, weight 9.0, for two-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race at time of starting.

On the second day the Easter Handicap, of 500sovs., 1¼ miles, will claim chief attention, and a splendid nomination for this event can be confidently looked for. Next in importance come the Denbigh Handicap, of 300sovs., six furlongs, and the Makino Welter (Handicap), of 300sovs., seven furlongs. Another jumping event, the Kimpolton Hurdles Handicap, of 200-

remunerative prize money offering.

Not only does the Riverton meeting make a strong claim for consideration from owners of cross-country candidates, but the programme is also particularly attractive to those who have flat racers under their control. The Riverton Cup (1¼ miles), to be run on the first day, carries with it the valuable stake of 500sovs., and can be depended upon to induce a good entry of the leading handicap horses in the south. Next in importance comes the Great Western Steeplechase, of 400sovs., about three miles, which affords the 'chasers an early opportunity of competing for a lucrative stake. The Waiau Steeplechase, of 150sovs., about two miles, also comes up for decision on the first day, and is open to horses that have never won a hurdle race or steeplechase at a totalisator meeting, the minimum weight carried to be 10.7. Other first day's events are the Aparima Handicap, of 180sovs., six furlongs; First County Handicap, of 115-

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Wednesday, March 3.

Acceptances first day Marlborough R.C. autumn.
 Acceptances first day Dannevirke R.C. autumn, at 8 p.m., and nominations for Maiden Plate and Hack Scurry.
 Acceptances first day Thames J.C. annual, at 5 p.m.

Thursday, March 4.

Handicaps second day Nelson J.C. annual, at about 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Nelson J.C. annual, up to 10 p.m.

Friday, March 5.

Weights second day Napier Park R.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Napier Park R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.

Saturday, March 6.

Weights second day Thames J.C. annual, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Thames J.C. annual, at 10 p.m.

Monday, March 8.

Weights first day Rangitikei R.C. annual.
 Handicaps Brighton Hurdles, Easter Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase.
 Nominations Waipukurau R.C. annual, at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9.

Weights first day Ohinemuri J.C. annual.

Wednesday, March 10.

Weights second day Marlborough R.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Marlborough R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.
 Acceptances first day Ohinemuri J.C. annual, at 8 p.m.

Friday, March 12.

Nominations Feilding J.C. Easter, at 8.30 p.m.
 Acceptances Brighton Hurdles, Easter Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase, A.R.C. autumn, by 5 p.m.
 General entries Auckland R.C. autumn, by 5 p.m. and first forfeit G.N. Champagne Stakes, G.N. Oaks, and G.N. St. Leger Stakes.
 Nominations Wairarapa R.C. autumn, at 5 p.m.
 Nominations Riverton R.C. Easter, at 5 p.m.

Saturday, March 13.

Weights second day Dannevirke R.C. autumn, at 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Dannevirke R.C. autumn, at 9 p.m.
 Weights second day Ohinemuri J.C. annual, at 9.30 p.m.

WAIRARAPA RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

The Wairarapa Racing Club will hold their autumn meeting on the Tauherenikau racecourse, Featherston, on Easter Saturday and Monday (April 3 and 5). A varied and richly-endowed programme has been drawn up for the two days, and is certain to receive wide attention from owners and trainers. The chief event on the opening day will be the Easter Handicap, of 400sovs., 1¼ miles, in which the entry promises to be particularly strong. Another open event which will undoubtedly prove a big inducement to sportsmen to be represented at the Wairarapa fixture is the Railway Handicap, of 250sovs., six furlongs. The Wairarapa Two-year-old Stakes, of 200sovs., 5½ furlongs, is a handicap that should meet with a ready response from those with juveniles under their charge, while the Martinborough Welter Handicap, of 200sovs., seven furlongs, in which the minimum weight is 8.0, is among the most popular events on the opening day. Four events are provided for the hack division, as follows:—Moaki Hack Welter Handicap, of 150sovs., seven furlongs, minimum Mokalai Hack Welter Handicap, of 150sovs., six furlongs; Members' Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., one mile; and the Maiden Hack Stakes, of 150sovs., 5½ furlongs, for three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race at the time of starting. These excep-

and the Farewell Scurry, of 150sovs., 5½ furlongs, for three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race at time of starting, in which event the weight is 9.0.

Nominations for all handicaps and for the Maiden Stakes and Farewell Scurry will close with the secretary, Mr. C. J. Carlyon, Featherston, on Friday, March 12, at 5 p.m.

FEILDING JOCKEY CLUB.

EASTER MEETING.

The Feilding Jockey Club have drawn up a highly-attractive programme for their Easter meeting, which takes place on Monday and Tuesday, April 5 and 6. For the two days the large sum of £47500 is to be distributed in stakes, £2650 being set aside for the first day, and £2100 for the second. The meeting is one of the most popular in the Dominion, and as no race on either day's programme is of less value than 200sovs. it is seen that exceptional opportunities are provided owners and trainers for picking up one or more valuable stakes at Feilding during the Easter holidays.

The fact of the Feilding Cup (Handicap), of 750sovs., 1½ miles, being set down for decision on the opening day causes very wide attention to be focussed on the fixture, and indications point to a strong field being on hand to contest the twelve furlongs. The Mangaone Handicap, of 400sovs.,

1½ miles, is provided, while the following hack events complete the second day's programme:—Waiata Stakes, of 200sovs., 5½ furlongs, weight 8.0, for two-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race exceeding 50sovs. in value at the time of starting; Oroua Hack Handicap, of 200sovs., one mile and 54yds.; Rewa Hack Handicap, of 200sovs., six furlongs; and the Awahuri Hack Welter (Handicap), of 200sovs., seven furlongs, minimum weight 7.7.

Nominations for all events are due with the secretary, Mr. Edmd. Goodbehere, Box 45 Feilding, on Friday, March 12, at 8.30 p.m.

RIVERTON RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL EASTER MEETING.

The annual Easter meeting of the Riverton Racing Club, the leading steeplechase club in Southland, will be held at Riverton on Saturday and Monday, April 3 and 5, when stakes of a total value of £3200 will be distributed among the placed horses in the sixteen events included on the attractive programme. The fixture promises to be extensively patronised by South Island owners, the handsomely-endowed cross-country events which form a special feature of this popular Easter meeting being such as to ensure a large and representative contingent of jumpers putting in an appearance at Riverton with the object of capturing a share of the

sovs, one mile, for horses that have been owned for three months prior to date of meeting by residents in Wallace, Southland, Lake Vincent, Tuapeka, or Clutha counties; Visitors' Hack Handicap, of 115sovs., seven furlongs, minimum weight 8.0; Pourakino Handicap, of 115sovs., one mile; and the Trial Stakes, of 115sovs., one mile, weight for age, open to all horses that have never won a race at a totalisator meeting.

The principal attractions on the second day will be the Easter Handicap, of 400sovs., a mile and a distance, and the Riverton Steeplechase, of 300sovs., 2½ miles, in both of which events the fields should be of good size and quality. The Flying Handicap, of 180sovs., six furlongs, and the aFrewell Handicap, of 150sovs., one mile, minimum weight 7.7, are likely to induce wide patronage from owners of sprinters. The remaining second day's events are the Second County Handicap, of 115sovs., seven furlongs (in which the conditions are similar to those of the First County Handicap on the opening day); Otaitai Hack Handicap, of 120sovs., seven furlongs; Wallace Hack Handicap, of 120sovs., one mile; and the Farewell Handicap, of 150sovs., one mile, for any horse that has not won a race of the value of 100sovs. to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of 250sovs. to the winner, at time of nomination.

Nominations for all handicaps close with the secretary, Mr. John Geary, Box 51 Riverton, on Friday, March 12, at 5 p.m.



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