

WAIPUKURAU JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Waipukurau Jockey Club topped all previous records at their annual race meeting, held on Easter Monday. The gathering has always been very popular with racegoers, and this was abundantly borne out by the large crowd which came from all parts of the province to attend the fixture. The trains from north and south brought a lot of visitors, but a very large number came in motor cars, the day being beautifully fine. The nominations received were a record for the club, every possible competitor having apparently been drawn in by the indefatigable secretary. The fields were much above the average, while the racing was easily the best seen on the course, the finishes with one exception being very close. The totalisator put through £26,737, which is the largest amount yet recorded by the club, while the £4103 invested on the last race is the biggest amount handled on one event on the course.

The handicapping of Mr. J. E. Henrys, and the starting of Mr. Angus Keith left nothing to be desired. Mr. T. H. Gordon Lloyd officiated as judge and his decisions notwithstanding the closeness of the finishes gave every satisfaction. The secretary, Mr. W. G. Nightingale, had the arrangements well in hand and the meeting was as usual admirably run. Several innovations were introduced by the secretary which were much appreciated and likely to prove very acceptable elsewhere. Alongside the horses' names on the totalisator were numbers indicating the positions at post. This was in addition to the same information placed on a blackboard but it enabled investors when making their investments to see what position their fancy had drawn. Dividends were displayed on a blackboard hinged so as to face in three directions, thus showing the figures on two sides and straight in front of the machine. For the press representatives cards were provided showing not only the totalisator investments on each horse together with the placings, time, and dividends, but also the total on the same race, at the previous meeting, thus enabling comparisons of the investments, at the respective meetings being readily made. The totalisator was particularly well worked by Messrs. Marett and Fox, but it was evident that additional windows will be required in future to cope with such a large amount. The meeting was not only the most successful in the history of the club, but it was one of the most enjoyable that it has been my pleasure to attend.

Mannikin and Hindi were the best backed of the ten runners for the Maiden Race. The finish was confined to the two. Hindi, who now races as a gelding, always had the measure of his opponent, and he won rather easily at the finish.

Import carried most money in the Hatuma Hack, of five furlongs, but Asterina and Hymarty were also well backed. Gay Lady was a bit too gay and she did a three-mile preliminary before the start. Prince Randall was a quiet tip, but he did not seem able to go the pace set by Asterina in the early part of the race. Asterina made light of the hill, and entered the straight with a commanding lead. She tired in the run home and Import and Hymarty had her doing her best to win by half a length, the other two finishing a dead-heat for second. Prince Randall was fourth.

Mumble was a strong order for the Hack Handicap, but not a few pinned their faith to Antler and Sensitive, the latter having a first and a second in this race to his credit. Mannikin, saddled up a second time with only an interval of one race between, made all the early running, with the favourite making heavy weather of it some distance back. Raffle and Sensitive were the first to challenge Mannikin, but in the straight Ethiopian and Antler came fast, and an exciting finish ended in favour of Antler by a neck, with a head between Ethiopian and Mannikin.

Patetonga was the "pea" for the Waipukurau Handicap, for which five weighed out. The favourite led nearly all the way, but the rider was quite done at the finish, and could not get the last ounce out of him, so in a close go Eheipa scored by a nose from Voluble, who again was only a head in front of Patetonga.

Woden was the best backed of the six runners for the Oringi Handicap, for two-year-olds. Kikini, a handy

little filly by Merry Moments from the Merriwee mare Ariom, came near bringing off a surprise. She was quickest out and soon established a good lead, with Wamba running second. Woden made his effort in the straight, but the leader stuck to her task well, and all he could do was to make a dead-heat of it. Wamba was third.

Warstar was first choice for the Ladies' Handicap, with Rylstone second in demand. The favourite was never in the fighting line. Ore Ore was in front nearly all the way, and his owner-trainer-rider kept him going long enough to win by three lengths from Manhattan, who had Rylstone at his quarters.

Asterina put up a 7lb. penalty for the Purinui Hack, as also did Antler. It was thought Mosthenes would win, and he was backed down to a short price, Asterina and Dunstan Rush being the best supported of the others. Asterina again set out to win all the way, and nearly did it, but Prince Randall came up well in the last hundred yards, and won by nearly a length. Asterina beat Mosthenes by a neck for second place.

For the Flying Handicap, Marula ruled as favourite, Parisian Diamond coming next. The Speaker split this pair at the finish, but Marula won with something to spare. Parisian Diamond should benefit by the race and he should be ticked off as likely to win before long.

Mystification and Merry Moment each sired two winners, Hindi and Antler representing the former, while Asterina and Kikini claim Merry Moment as their papa. California, Hymettus, Signor, Our King and King Mark were each responsible for one winner.

The results were:—

MAIDEN RACE of 140sovs. Seven furlongs.

- 2—G. Hunter's, M. P., ch g Hindi, 3 yrs., by Mystification—Mungista, 8.8 (A. Loader) 1
 - 1—Mannikin, 9.1 2
 - 6 Larkspur, 9.1 3
- Also started: 10 Tatton Park, 8 King Albert, 7 Pokanekane, 5 Strangeways, 3 Mokattam, 9 Haraki, 4 Ringakaha.
- Won by three quarters of a length. Time, 1min. 30 4-5sec.

HATUMA HACK HANDICAP of 180 sovs. Five furlongs.

- 2—G. D. Beatson's b f Asterina, 3 yrs., by Merry Moment—Asteroid 8.10 (L. Berry) 1
 - 3—Hymarty, 9.2 and 1 Import, 8.4 dead heat, 2
- Also started: 4 Prince Remdall, 5 Lady Wolawa, 6 Pohehe, 9 Royal Gift, 11 Gay Lady, 8 Kaimotu, 10 Cuddle Doon, 7 Bernadotte.
- Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 1min. 2 3-5sec.

HACK HANDICAP of 165sovs. One and a quarter miles.

- 2—S. Marshall's ch g Aulter, 5yrs., by Mystification—Eland, 7.8 (R. Morris) 1
 - 4—Ethiopian 8.12 2
 - 6—Mannikin, 7.13 3
- Also started: 1 Mumble, 5 Diamond Nap, 3 Sensitive, 9 Ore Ore, 7 Raffle, 8 Chit Chat.
- Won by a neck, a head between second and third, and the same between third and fourth. Time, 2min. 10sec.

WAIPUKURAU HANDICAP of 250 sovs. One and a quarter miles.

- 4—Mr. Thomas' br g Eheipa, 6yrs., by California—Sweet Helen, 6.10 (R. Morris) 1
 - 3—Voluble 6.7 2
 - 1—Patetonga 6.11 3
- Also started: 2 The Speaker, 5 Silver Tongue.
- Won by a nose, a neck between second and third. Time, 2min. 7 4-5sec.

ORINGI HANDICAP of 180sovs. Five furlongs. For two-year-olds.

- 1—J. Ormond's b g Woden, by Hymettus—Freya, 7.9 (L. Berry) and 5 E. Edgecombe's b f Kikini, by Merry Moment—Ariam, 7.0 (F. Reid) dead heat 1
 - 3—Wamba, 7.2 2
- Also started: 6 White Hope, 4 Duo, 2 Mountain Chief.
- Third horse was half a length behind the dead heaters. Time, 1min. 2 4-5sec.

LADIES' HANDICAP of 110sovs. One and a half miles.

- 6—Mrs. E. T. Batt's br g Ore Ore, 6yrs., by Signor—The Brook, 11.3 (Mr. E. T. Batt) 1
 - 5—Manhattan, 10.13 2
 - 2—Rylstone, 11.13 3
- Also started: 7 Shaki, 1 War Star, 9 Woollahra, 4 Mania, 11 Vermil, 12 Mabine, 3 Patukia, 8 Yuetan, 10 Bernadotte.
- Won by thirteen lengths. Time, 2 min. 41 2-5sec.

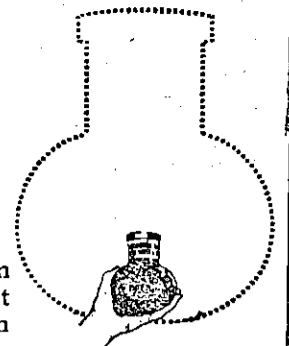
PURIMU HACK HANDICAP of 165 sovs. Six furlongs.

- 5—C. Norgrove's b g Prince Randall, 3yrs., by Our King—Monaco mare, 8.2 (E. Manson) 1
 - 2—Asterina 9.0 (inc. 7lb. penalty), 2
 - 1—Mosthenes, 8.7 3
- Also started: 4 Orawai, 6 Mumble, 10 Lord Laddo, 3 Dunstan Rush, 8 Hotoke, 7 Antler, 9 Larkspur.
- Won by a neck, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1min. 15 2-5sec.

FLYING HANDICAP of 210sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—M. Thomas' ch m Marula, 5yrs., by King Mark—Parula, 8.13 (C. France) 1
 - 5—The Speaker, 7.9 2
 - 2—Parisian Diamond, 9.13 3
- Also started: 4 Import, 3 Blissfulness.
- Won by half a length. Time, 1min. 14 3-5sec.

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ACCEPTANCES.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

The Auckland Trotting Club's autumn meeting will be opened on Saturday next at Alexandra Park, and the splendid acceptances received for the various events give promise of some interesting contests. The meeting will be concluded on the following Wednesday, and will mark the close of the 1919-20 trotting season in Auckland. The first day's acceptances are as follows:—

EDEN HANDICAP, one mile and a half.—Lord Roberts limit, Guava limit, Nancy Drift limit, Bon Bon limit, Sebisca limit, Les Mont limit, Lady Don 12yds behind, Norland 12yds behind, Audrex 12yds behind, Gentle Ribbon 12yds behind, Mintonette 24yds behind, Mat Patch 48yds behind, Luna Dillon 48yds behind, My Junior 48yds behind, Normica Heir 48yds behind, Canberra 60yds behind, Aranui 60yds behind, Wild Nut 60yds behind, Sandy Patch 84yds behind, Tiki 96yds behind.

MANGERE HANDICAP, one mile and a half.—Rangiatea Erua limit, Reveille limit, Levrine limit, King Albert 12yds behind, St. Ives 12yds behind, Nita Bell 12yds behind, Gold Flake 12yds behind, Stella C. 36yds behind, Profiteer 60yds behind, Treanac 60yds behind, Beausant 72yds behind, Ena Bell 72yds behind, Camille 72yds behind, Pollyanna 84yds behind.

CAMPBELL HANDICAP, two miles.—Lieutenant limit, Strategy limit, Partner limit, Comedy Chief 24yds behind, Emperor 24yds behind, Gold Queen 36yds behind, Waverley 36yds behind, Steel Bell 72yds behind.

EASTER HANDICAP, two miles.—Tiki limit, Lena Patch limit, Wild Lad limit, Kirikiriroa limit, Bluewood 36yds behind, Wonderland 60yds behind, Blackthorn 72yds behind, Bronze Patch 108yds behind, King Capitalist 132yds behind, Gold Boy 132yds behind.

HOBSON HANDICAP, one mile and a half.—Lady Burlington limit, Tim Doolan limit, Lady Somerset limit, Piletta limit, Hymen 12yds behind, Lucille 12yds behind, Ruanui 12yds behind, Albert Patch 12yds behind, Te Awa 12yds behind, Woodvale 12yds behind, Puwhenua 12yds behind, Fisherton 12yds behind, Mint Boy 24yds behind, Petrova 36yds behind, Greta 48yds behind, Agnes Chief 48yds behind, Temple 60yds behind.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP, two miles.—Wild Lad limit, Kirikiriroa limit, Gold Rod 24yds behind, Bluewood 36yds behind, Lady Park 48yds behind, Billy Parole 60yds behind, Wonderland 60yds behind, Blackthorn 72yds behind, Hint 108yds behind, King Capitalist 132yds behind, Gold Boy 132yds behind.

CORNWALL HANDICAP, one mile.—Trooper Dillon limit, Manuka Park limit, Bronze Patch limit, Huia Dillon limit, Strategy 12yds behind, Dorothy Dimple 24yds behind, Eccentric 24yds behind, Gold Queen 24yds behind, Gold Girl 48yds behind, Emperor 60yds behind.

MARCONI HANDICAP, one mile.—Tim Doolan limit, Lady Somerset limit, Sea Nymph limit, Pollyanna limit, Woodvale 12yds behind, Hymen 12yds behind, Albert Patch 12yds behind, Pearl d'Or 24yds behind, Ruanui 24yds behind, Puwhenua 24yds behind, Prize Pearl 36yds behind, Petrova 36yds behind, Agnes Chief 36yds behind, Sand-drift 48yds behind, Prinzora 48yds behind, Strategy 60yds behind.

Nominations for all events to be run at the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's autumn meeting on April 28 and 29 are due with the secretary, Mr. H. S. Moss, Box 13, Hastings, on Friday next (April 16), at 8 p.m., when forfeits must be made for the Hawke's Bay Stakes, of 700sovs., 6½ furlongs. The principal event to be run at the meeting is the Hawke's Bay Cup Handicap, of 1000sovs., 1½ miles, while the leading event on the second day is the J. D. Ormond Memorial Cup, of 755sovs., one mile.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.

ROYAL RACE MEETING

In honour of the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

To be held on the Riccarton Racecourse on

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 1920.

OFFICIALS:

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THE WELCOME HURDLE HANDICAP of 500sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 475sovs in specie); second to receive 100sovs, and the third 50sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

THE RENOWN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 750sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 725sovs in specie); second to receive 150sovs, and the third 75sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 7sovs. Two miles and a-half.

THE MARLBOROUGH STAKES of 1250 sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 1225sovs in specie); second to receive 250sovs, and the third 125 sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards; weight for age; no penalties. Entrance 3sovs, acceptance 10sovs. One mile.

THE ROYAL HANDICAP of 1250sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 1225sovs in specie); second to receive 250sovs, and the third 125 sovs out of the stake. Entrance 3sovs, acceptance 10sovs. One mile and a-half.

THE CORNWALL HANDICAP of 600 sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 575sovs in specie); second to receive 120sovs, and the third 60 sovs out of the stake. For horses that have never won a race of the value of 250sovs, or races of the collective value of 500sovs. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

THE SANDRINGHAM WELTER HANDICAP of 500sovs (a cup of the value of 25sovs, and 475sovs in specie); second to receive 100sovs, and the third 50sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 7.7. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. Six furlongs.

DATES OF ENTRIES, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.,

With Amounts to be transmitted therewith.

NOMINATIONS for all events close at 8 p.m. on **FRIDAY, APRIL 23.**

HANDICAPS for all events will be declared on **MONDAY, MAY 3.**

ACCEPTANCES for all events will close at 8 p.m. on **MONDAY, MAY 10.**

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.

All Entries and Acceptances must be addressed to the Acting-Secretary, and contain entrance money, name and description, age and pedigree of horse, name of owner and assumed name (if any), colours of rider, and name of trainer.

Entries made by telegram must be confirmed in writing within seven days, as provided in Part XVI, Rule 4.

The Committee reserve the right to alter date or time for declaration of weights, nominations or acceptances, as they may deem fit.

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