



In ten days time we will be wending our way to Summerside to the big opening meet of the season over a renovated track with improved accommodation. We feel sure the new proprietors will have a banner attendance Dominion Day and with Wednesday a half holiday it should also go over big. The pari-mutual system of wagering used will be similar to that on the Maine circuit. A board will be installed so that public can follow the approximate odds from time to time. Each prospective bettor should obtain a score card and ask for the number of the horse on the program and then the number of tickets required. Instead of asking for tickets by the horse's name, this eliminates the "iron men" as the machines are called, and no doubt when speculators get used to it will be quite as popular. Its installation here is due to the efforts of Commander George Buntin, Secretary of the Charlottetown Driving Park, who has gone to considerable trouble in securing particulars of similar operations in the United States. This system will be used at all races held over the Charlottetown track.

Despite the cool weather horses are coming along nicely at the Charlottetown track. Recent work-outs are—Lorraine Abbe, 2.18 2-5; Anti-Aircraft, 2.19 2-5; Billy Kalmuck, 2.23; Lynn Mite 2.23; Janette Dale, 2.22; Nell Kalmuck, 2.25, the two-year-old, 2.20 1-5; Kivola, 2.19 2-5; June Morning, 2.22; C. Albert Budlong, 2.23; Royal-at-Law, 2.19; Bright Spot, 2.20 1-5; King Grafton 2nd, 2.29; Jay Volo, 2.28; Winnie Scott, 2.19 2-5; Shirley H. Temple, 2.24; Billy McVey 3r, 2.28; True Hal, 2.18; Miss Knox, 2.25; Aleyone, 2.23; Tiny Budlong, 2.29.

There is a much liked trotter at the track, Bud Kalmuck, owned by Jack Ladner. Each workout he seems to improve and yesterday trotted a mile in 2.22 with the last eighth in 15 3-5 seconds. A pacer that looks mighty good is Maude Budlong, that sprang a surprise at Goodwill Races last fall, finishing second the first two heats and winning the third in 2.20 1-2. Yesterday she worked a mile comfortably in 2.22 with the last eighth in 15 3-5 seconds. She looks like a 2.15 trotter pacer in a few weeks. There is a six-year-old in Lorne Kelly's stable that is well liked, namely, Happy Vale, owned by Joe McDonald, Vernon. With only a few workouts he has been in 2.35.

The Playdaws are showing up well. Janette Dale stepped a mile in 2.22 with apparent ease and there is a four-year-old Playdale trotter in Willard Kelly's stable, Jimmy Dale, owned by Roland McDonald, Southport, that was an eighth in 17 seconds on Thursday with a quarter in 35 seconds for his third workout this season. His dam is by Bud Arworthy and his granddam was Miss Eldred, that Dannie Steele raced some years ago. Willard also has a three-year-old Playdale that is one of the most beautifully gaited trotters we have seen in a long, long time.

Jiggy Arling is doing well with his pupils. Jimmie A. has been in 2.23 very handily, while Romeo is only 1-5 of a second behind the holder of the fastest mile of the season—True Hal—in 2.18. Romeo is owned by Well McNeill. He was a big disappointment for former owner W. C. Stewart, New Glasgow, who bought him two years ago paying quite a long price. Romeo afterwards met with an injury and has never won a dollar since. By Hal Dale and also well bred on his dam's side. Best performance was at Ashland, Ohio, Sept. 22, 1943, in the 2.20 Pace. Yanity Law was 1-1-2, Romeo, 4-2-1, six other pacers. Time, 2.08 1-2, 2.08 3-4, 2.10. Romeo won heats and was placed in several other races that season, ending up a winner of over \$400. Under the new rules he is eligible to the 2.27 class and if he keeps improving should be a factor in the 2.20 Pace. Another horse that is well liked at the track is Roy Shelburne, that can turn on a two minute shot very easily. Kavola at the end of a mile around 2.20 paced the last eighth in 14 3-5 seconds.

Blue Acres opening race meet of the season featured by No. 2 Stake, purse \$2,000, and two other classes drew an attendance of over 1,500 people who enjoyed the racing immensely. There were 13 starters in the No. 2 Stake with Talugi, the much liked son of

Volquite, owned by W. F. McGibbon of St. Stephen, the favorite. Prince Marine that has been racing for the past three years and showing plenty of speed but meeting with unfortunate luck several times, surprised even his best friends by turning the tables on the favorite. The first heat Talugi won by a short lead in the excellent time of 2:13 1-5. In the second Prince Marine took the lead shortly after the word and never lost it, finishing in 2:14 4-5. In the third heat Prince Marine led until a few lengths from the wire then Talugi showed in front but Prince Marine and he came on and won by a nose, time, 2:14 2-5. Owner Herb Wisener of Picton, richly deserved the success as he has always had confidence in the Prince and it has been justified. Teddy Weir must also be given due credit for his skillful driving. In the second heat Cyril Dauphinee, driver of Shanghai, was thrown to the track when sulkeys tangled at the three-quarter pole. At latest report Mr. Dauphinee is still in hospital and his injuries are quite severe. Placing third was Merry Ellen, a Cape Breton mare, with Jean Budlong 4-4-7, Lee's Nightmare 10-7-4, Bonnie Spruce 8-5-5, Doctor Wilson 5-6-9, Milton Budlong 9-12-6, five other starters.

The Free For All was a good race, the horses changing places frequently. The ex-Ohio pacer Tip Abbe won the first two heats in close finishes from The Walnut Abbe 2.06 1-4, his full brother, Chuck Worthy was 4-3-3 and The Great G. 3-4-5. The trotter Watchim owned by Frank Adams Halifax which had been fifth in the first two heats trailed in the third until the back stretch the second time around then moved down his field, winning in 2:13 1-5. Tip Abbe's first heat, in 2:12 2-5 was the fastest of the event. Watchim's 2:13 1-5 is a new track trotting record for Blue Acres, the former record being 2:15 made by Quaker's Boy last season.

The 2:19 Trot and Pace had a field of nine good horses, among them Time Counts 2.07, purchased at the Harrisburg sale last year by Harry Hirsch of Sydney and resold to P. J. Cadegan. Also Scott Spencer 2.07 1-2, purchased by Harry Hirsch at the same venue. In the first heat Scotty Budlong carried the fight to Time Counts, finishing at his side with Scott Spencer sixth, Jack Clyde third, Wait N. See fourth. In the second heat Scott Spencer was lapped on Time Counts at the three-quarter pole and made quite a try to head him but without avail. Time Counts finishing in 2:10 2-5, just one second slower than the track record held by Colleen Scott, 2:09 1-2. Scotty Budlong was third in the first heat Time Counts was again a winner with Scott Spencer second, Jack Clyde third, Peter Budlong fourth, Time, 2:12 2-5. The second heat in 2:10 2-5 was considered an excellent performance—no Maritime tracks are at present in real fast form. Time Counts picked up a lot of admirers, one well known horseman stating that he believes he can pace the Charlottetown track in 2:07.

Our Truro friend James L. Read who was present, made a number of observations on the race which show his keen discernment of form. He believes Watchim is as good as ever and with two or three not too tough races under his belt should step to his record made at St. Stephen—2:06 3-4. With reference to Time Counts he says: "About as near perfect as they come. Dark brown, nicely turned in every way, good, easy gaited, goes straight, has excellent manners and can finish like a rocket. Did not seem extended." He liked Merry Ellen, the Cape Breton entry that finished 3-3 in the Blue Acres Stake and thinks she should be watched, also Milton Budlong and Bonnie Spruce.

Elias F. Caldwell died at Somerville, Mass., June 12th, at the good old age of 96. Tom boyhood he was connected with horses and was an all-around horse man. He offered the almost unheard of sum of \$100,000 to the late Horace Nelson of Waterville, Maine, for his world's champion trotting stallion Nelson 2:06 1-2. Nelson was so superior as a trotter when at the height of his fame that he was forced to give exhibitions and at one of these he set up the track record at Moose Path track, Saint

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SUMMERSIDE DRIVING PARK RACING PROGRAM

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Free For All \$600. No. 1 Classified Pace \$400. 2.22 Trot \$400. 2.23 Stake Pace \$600. 2.28 Trot \$400. 2.27 Pace \$400. 2.30 T.-P. \$400 IF 12 or more entries — will be raced in two Divisions, with \$300. each Division. Positively no conditional entries accepted.

Mail Entries to: Harold Gaudet, Racing Sec'y, Summerside, P.E.I.

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If you have not received an entry form write or phone Harold Gaudet, Summerside or Bill Nicholson, 158 Prince Street, Charlottetown.

SPORTS NEWS

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The two top teams in the City Baseball League, Rovers and Legion meet tomorrow afternoon to break the deadlock between them and baseball fans should witness a hotly contested struggle all the way if one is to judge by the brand of ball the two squads have been playing out since the season got underway.

With the brand of ball steadily improving with each game despite cold weather the two squads, given warm weather tomorrow should wage quite a struggle all the way. Likely the Legion surprises packets of the League to win will throw Lefty McAleer onto the firing line and if he is right Rovers are going to run into lots of trouble over the nine-inning route.

But Rovers, with the best pitching staff in the league to pick from can also trot out capable performers and with this in mind close followers of this year's league are expecting the game to develop into a pitcher's struggle with the breaks likely deciding the issue.

They took the wraps off the junior Knights of Columbus baseball squad last night and despite their loss, fans who saw the Vern MacFarlane coached squad in action came away confident that plenty more will be heard from the Knights before the league has run its course.

Giving unmistakable signs of balance and all round steadiness, the team suffered from a case of jitters in the early stages of the tussle that led to important Kilm men runs. At that however, they managed to battle back on even terms in the latter stages and although they finally yielded to their more experienced opponents once they have gained the experience that comes through competition will bear plenty of watching when playoff times rolls around.

Returning to ring warfare after a lengthy absence from organized bouts, Hickey "Kid" Nickerson attempts a comeback effort at the Sporting Club Tuesday night next when he tangles with tough rugged Dave Davis in the main event of the boxing card, promoter Joey McDonald has lined up.

Whether time has dulled the sharpness of Nickerson's punching or taken the speed away from his legs yet remains to be seen but to those who have been watching Hickey's younger mitslingers in his gymnasium he still looks plenty capable of taking the measure of Davis, a battler who has met some of the best in his division and who has earned plenty respect throughout his ring career.

Chicago Cubs Snap Losing Streak In 6-5 Win Over Boston

By The Canadian Press

The Cubs, who had blown early leads in dropping four straight, finally snapped their losing streak yesterday when they climaxed an uphill fight with a ninth inning run that defeated Boston Braves 6-5 before a Ladies Day crowd of 20,683 at home.

It knocked the Braves out of first place in the National League temporarily at least, as New York Giants took the lead by five percentage points. Defeat for Giants in tonight's tilt in St. Louis, however, would put the Braves back on top.

Tommy Holmes lost Emil Kush's short fly ball in the sun for a double with one out in the ninth. Don Johnson grounded to short and both runners were safe when Sid Sisti's throw to third was too late to nail Kush. The latter then talked on Harry (Peanuts) Lowrey's fly to Bama, Rowell.

Chicago scored once in the first inning and then Braves washed on to a 5-1 before Cubs began whittling.

At a recent executive meeting of the South King's Baseball League the schedule of play for the cup season was drawn up as below for the coming season. It was agreed that games would start by six thirty and that the umpire be supplied by the visiting team with the home team providing the base judges. Games are to be seven innings with "no game" less than five. Postponed games are to be played on the day following the regular date where possible—otherwise as decided by the League executive. On completion of the regular schedule play-offs will be drawn up by executive.

June 23rd—Cardigan vs Peakes at Cardigan.
June 26th—Montague vs Cardigan at Montague.
June 30th—Peakes vs Montague at Peakes.
July 3rd—Cardigan vs Montague at Cardigan.
July 7th—Montague vs Peakes at Montague.
July 10th—Peakes vs Cardigan at Peakes.
July 14th—Cardigan vs Peakes at Cardigan.
July 17th—Montague vs Cardigan at Montague.
July 21st—Peakes vs Montague at Peakes.
July 24th—Cardigan vs Montague at Cardigan.
July 28th—Montague vs Peakes at Montague.
July 31st—Peakes vs Cardigan at Peakes.

The following is the draw for the Mixed Foursomes to be played this afternoon at the Charlottetown Golf Club. The first foursome will tee-off at 2:15 and the others will follow at 4 minute intervals in the order shown on the draw. Matches for those not drawn will be arranged at the Club House whenever possible.

Miss Lethe Laird and J. Harroff vs. Miss Nora Longworth and Harry Sear.
Mrs. E. M. Bagnall and Heath Saunders vs. Mrs. J. P. Clarke and G. G. Hughes.
Mrs. N. H. DeBlouis and Had McInnis vs. Mrs. George Buntain and Will W. L. Prowse.
Mrs. W. Barbour and S. MacDonald vs. Mrs. Arnett Howatt and Doug Saunders.
Mrs. W. MacDonald and M. Dowling vs. Mrs. J. A. Likely and Pud Beer.
Miss Emma Nicholson and Andy Likely vs. Mrs. Donald Campbell and Dr. L. E. Prowse.
Mrs. T. W. L. Prowse and J. Kelso vs. Mrs. Earle Baker and Dr. W. L. MacDonald.
Mrs. Earl McDonald and Stewart Moore vs. Mrs. Harper McNeill and Dr. E. S. Gliddings.
Mrs. James Haslam and Manning Bagnall vs. Miss Betty Large and Hal Bohar.
Miss M. Weeks and Alan Macmillan vs. Mrs. Elliot Russel and W. A. Gaudet.
Miss Jean McLean and Joe Dougan vs. Mrs. Jack McEachern and Arnett Howatt.
Mrs. Wm. McNeill and Jas. Haslam vs. Mrs. Walter Pickard and Jack McEachern.
Miss Marjorie Stewart and A. E. Russell vs. Mrs. S. MacDonald and Walter Pickard.
Mrs. J. Cerry and J. T. Place vs. Miss Iris McLellan and Doug Reid.
Mrs. Ron Norman and Doug Pierce vs. Miss Dorothea Stewart and M. J. Barkhouse.

CANNY CROWS

Crows are able to distinguish between armed and unarmed men, and will approach the latter.

HUNTERS' CORNER



The chief topic of conversation this past week, wherever fishermen foregather, is the 8 inch trout and whether or not it is safe to retain one that measures 7 7-8 inches or returns it to its natural element. On Wednesday morning I was walking along Queen Street when I ran across two old-time anglers engaged in conversation. One was a sturdy, thick set individual with a humorous face and a reputation for catching big trout. The other was a natty attired gentleman, slight of stature but straight as a ramrod and sporting a lot of gold "brad". As I passed by I overheard the humorous one remark to his companion: "This new limit on the length of trout will put you out of the fishing game for good; you never caught a trout over 8 inches in your life." I didn't wait for the reply.

This columnist was present at the Fish and Game meeting in 1944 when the resolution was passed that raised the retaining limit on trout from 6 to 8 inches, two inches longer than the length set by the Fisheries Act. The Federal Act has made no change in the 6 inch retaining limit that has been on its statutes for years. I object to the change at the time as I contended there was no point in raising the retaining limit from 6 to 8 inches when up to date no move had been made to enforce the 6 inch limit. It was also pointed out that it was not good policy to implement changes in a Provincial Act that did not coincide with the parent Federal Act. However, the majority saw fit to support the motion when it went to a vote ... and that's that.

This past year or so it has been forcibly brought home to game officers that it is of no use making changes in the Game Act or the Migratory Birds Convention Act unless the new regulations are enforced. Approximately one gunner or fisherman out of every 10 will observe the game laws out of a deep rooted feeling that such regulations were imposed for the good of game and hunters alike and besides their conscience will not allow them to become law breakers.

9 out of 10 on the other hand if they happen to come across an out-of-season grouse, pheasant or Hungarian partridge when they are hunting rabbits or ducks ... its just unfortunate for the poor bird that happened to be IT. If the game officer happens to be standing near with his little black book in his hand with pencil poised and a mean look in his eye they'll very reluctantly meander off trying hard not to look at the partridge or pheasant as the case may be.

All who angle for trout are well aware of the 20 trout limit per day per angler and also that no angler is supposed to take over a certain poundage, 10 pounds, even if he has only caught half his daily limit of 20. Nevertheless that doesn't faze the great majority of fishermen. If the fish are biting they continue fishing till darkness falls or they stop biting. To be more specific on the weight of trout to be taken on any one day ... the law allows 10 pounds on one trout. For instance, if an angler has caught 9 trout that weighed 9 pounds and when trying for a tenth caught a 2 pounder, it doesn't mean he has to throw that trout back because he had 11 pounds ... assuming of course the angler carried a pocket scale.

This season of 1947 the R.C.M. Police have commenced to enforce the regulation regarding the legal length of trout to be retained and thus the amendment to the Game Act in 1944 raising the limit from 6 to 8 inches has backfired with a bang. The sensible thing for the Fish and Game Protection Association to do, as it was on their recommendation the change was made, is to recommend that the section in question be changed back to its original reading ... 8 inches. The comments of the great majority of fishermen have been far from complimentary. After all an 8 inch trout, particularly if it is of a sea run variety or even a well-fed brookie, is a passable pan fish.

Furthermore in some mill dams and streams, take Quigley's at St. Charles for instance, the general run of trout seldom exceed 8 inches.

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