NEWCASTLE STEWARDS' REPORT
Saturday 21 November 2026

Stewards: Robert McCarthy (Chief Steward), Philip Spottiswood (Stewards' Panel Chair), Adrian Smith (Steward), Lauren Thomson (Assistant Steward), Charlotte Armitage (Raceday Assistant).

Going: STANDARD

Stalls: 1m2f and 1m4f - Outside 2m - Inside Straight course - Inside

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
6:00pm	DOLO'S STAR (IRE), trained by Ivan Furtado.	Self Cert (Runny Nose)
6:30pm	ICE SHOW, trained by David O'Meara.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
7:00pm	GENEROUS RASCAL, trained by Dylan Cunha.	Vets Cert (Bruised Foot)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
2:49pm	CHICAGO STORM (GB)	Millie Wonnacott	Amie Waugh	(Wonnacott unwell)

Race 1 - 2:49pm .
THE MAKE THE MOVE TO MIDNITE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5) (DIV I)

Following the race, Hollie Doyle reported that DREAM HARDER (IRE), unplaced, ran flat; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding during routine testing and had nothing to report. Cam Hardie reported that BECKON, unplaced, hung left-handed; the Veterinary Officer examined the filly post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 2 - 3:29pm .
THE MAKE THE MOVE TO MIDNITE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5) (DIV II)

Permission was given for RORY'S GOLD (IRE) to go early wearing a red hood to the start.

An enquiry was held to consider interference inside the final 2 furlongs involving the winner, HUMBLE SPARK (IRE), ridden by Lauren Young; ELEMENTAL EYE, unplaced, ridden by Andrew Mullen and REGALIAN, unplaced, ridden by David Nolan. Young was suspended 3 days for careless riding as she moved left-handed for a run when not fully clear of Nolan causing him to take a check when tightened for room, which turn in caused Mullen to be moved off his intended line.

Race 3 - 4:00pm .
THE ALL-WEATHER CHAMPIONSHIP IS BACK RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands B, C and D) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for HAVANA COHIBA to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, Sam James reported that MAIDEN'S BOWER (USA), unplaced, was slowly away.

Race 4 - 4:30pm .
THE AWC FINALS DAY AT NEWCASTLE 26TH MARCH NURSERY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for MOHANGEL to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for COURT LEGEND to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, Andrew Mullen reported that SANKHUM GALAXY (IRE), unplaced, ran too free.

Race 5 - 5:00pm .
THE AWC SEASON 14 HAS BEGUN NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Barry McHugh reported that BEA KINDLY, unplaced, weakened quickly inside the final 2 furlongs. Ashley Lewis reported that DEBUTANTE, unplaced, was never travelling.

Race 6 - 5:30pm .
THE MIDNITE: BUILT FOR 2026 NOT 2006 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for ARDADDY to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for both SPUN TO GOLD (USA) and WHAT WHAT WHAT to wear a red hood to the start; for both AURADUE and QUEENSMAITE to go early to the start.

KHABIB (IRE) dislodged the running rail leaving the parade ring. Having been checked before cantering to post and at the start by Veterinary Surgeons, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

An enquiry was held into the start of this race and the participation of QUEENSMAITE, drawn 10, ridden by Finley Marsh. Marsh was unable to be interview due to being assessed by the Doctor. The Starters were interviewed and shown recordings of the start. The Stewards considered that the filly should be deemed to be a runner as there was no faulty action of the starting stalls, however it was noted that the rubber flap at the bottom of the gate had become stuck against the adjacent stall causing it to not fully open. Although QUEENSMATE had appeared to miss the break the filly lost minimal ground, and as she is regularly held up in her races, the Stewards felt that QUEENSMATE had not been disadvantaged and that it had not material affected her performance.

The performance of PIVOTAL TERMS which finished unplaced beaten by 9 lengths, was considered. It was noted that the representative of Iain Jardine could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined PIVOTAL TERMS during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 7 - 6:00pm .
THE AW TRIALS DAY - LINGFIELD 2ND JAN 2027 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for OPPENHEIMER (IRE) to go early wearing a red hood to the start.

OUR DAGGER (IRE) did not enter the parade ring due to its jockey being late to weigh out having

received medical treatment.

Following the race, David Allan reported that MOUNT KING (IRE), placed third, was denied a clear run inside the final 1 ½ furlongs. The Veterinary Officer reported that OUR DAGGER (IRE), unplaced, had bled from the nose. Alexandra Egan reported that CARWYN (IRE), unplaced, hung left-handed.

Race 8 - 6:30pm .

THE ALL-WEATHER CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON 14 HAS BEGUN HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for OXFORD CIRCUS (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Clifford Lee the rider of KIT GABRIEL (IRE), drawn 11, was slow to remove the blindfold. Lee's explanation that the gelding dropped his head as the start was effect causing him to miss the blindfold at the first attempt before removing it at the second attempt was noted.

Following the race, Clifford Lee reported that KIT GABRIEL (IRE), unplaced, had weakened quickly in the final 2 furlongs; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 9 - 7:00pm .

THE MIDNITE BUILT DIFFERENT HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for JIMMY KNOCKER (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Following the race, Cam Hardie reported that BLUE FORCE (IRE), unplaced, weakened quickly from 2 furlongs out. Rhys Elliot reported that ROARING RALPH, unplaced, was denied a clear run inside the final ½ a furlong.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Lauren Young	Race - 3:29pm	HUMBLE SPARK (IRE)	3	8 Dec 2026 7 Dec 2026 5 Dec 2026