

MUSSELBURGH STEWARDS' REPORT

Friday 20 March 2026

Stewards: Adrian Sharpe (Chief Steward), James Vestey (Stewards Panel Chair), Adie Smith (Steward), Lyndsay Glynn (Assistant Steward), Lauren Thomson (Raceday Assistant)

Going: **Hurdle Course**
Hurdle Race: Good to Soft

Rail: All hurdle card.

Fixture Note: Race 5 & 6: Following concerns raised by the riders at the start regarding the low sun obscuring their vision at the hurdles in the home straight, the Stewards consulted with the Clerk of the Course and ordered that these obstacles should be by-passed for this race.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:50pm	PARISH QUIZ (IRE), trained by Rebecca Menzies.	Vets Cert (Bruised Foot)
3:22pm	GEMINI MAN (IRE), trained by Iain Jardine.	Self Cert (Inflammation)
3:55pm	LINALENE (FR), trained by Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore.	Going (Not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID confirmed by VO)
4:30pm	LETS MINGLE (IRE), trained by Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore.	Vets Cert (Lame) (Issued by on course VO)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
4:30pm	BETTER BE DEFINITE, trained by N. W. Alexander.	Going (Not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID confirmed by VO - Withdrawn by Trainer 3.51pm)

Jockey Changes

Race	Horse	Declared Jockey	Replacement Jockey	Reason
4:30pm	FOLLOW CHARLIE (IRE)	Ben Smith	Craig Nichol	(Smith stood down by RMO)
2:20pm	BREAKING GROUND (IRE)	Ben Smith	Bruce Lynn	(Smith stood down by RMO)

Race 1 - 2:20pm .

THE RACING POST+ MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for STORM THE DUG (FR) and SCRIBBIN (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Ryan Mania reported that QUERCUS ROBUR, unplaced, did not jump fluently.

Race 2 - 2:50pm .

THE HERITAGE PORTFOLIO NEVER STANDING STILL NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

After the second last hurdle, the winner BIG STORM BREWING (IRE), shifted right-handed for one hit, causing ANAMANDA (FR), placed second, to be moved slightly off its intended line. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and that it had not improved the placing of BIG STORM BREWING.

Race 3 - 3:22pm .

THE RACING POST+ SUBSCRIPTION GO NORTH SEA PIGEON HURDLE SERIES FINAL (CLASS 2)(A HANDICAP HURDLE RACE) (GBB RACE)

James Moffatt was fined £140 for declaring cheekpieces in error. A hood was substituted.

Following the race, Rebecca Menzies reported that DISCO ANNIE (IRE), unplaced, was in season.

Race 4 - 3:55pm .

THE HERITAGE PORTFOLIO GO NORTH NIGHT NURSE SERIES FINAL NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Bruce Lynn reported that THE G WIZARD (IRE), unplaced, was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report. Danny McMenamin reported that ABBEY SCOPE, which was pulled up, was never travelling. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 5 - 4:30pm .

THE RACING POST+ ULTIMATE GO NORTH BRINDISI BREEZE HURDLE SERIES FINAL (CLASS 2)(A HANDICAP HURDLE RACE) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Oscar Palmer reported that ROMEO BROWN, unplaced, weakened quickly from the last in the back straight. Jack Power reported that SCAIRP DUBH (GB), unplaced, was never travelling. Adam Nicol reported that SNOWROCCO (IRE), unplaced, was unsuited by the lack of hurdles in the home straight.

Race 6 - 5:00pm .

THE HERITAGE PORTFOLIO MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)

Nothing to report

Fines

Person	Race	Horse	Fine
James Moffatt	Race 3 - 3:22pm	BOOK OF SECRETS (IRE)	£140.00