NEWCASTLE STEWARDS' REPORT
Thursday 19 November 2026

Stewards: Michael Eyre (Chief Steward), Franki Clark (Stewards' Panel Chair), Robert McCarthy (Steward), Lauren Thomson (Assistant Steward), Sarah Russell (Raceday Assistant).
Going: STANDARD
Stalls: 1m2f and 1m4f - Outside 2m - Inside Straight course - Inside

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
5:10pm	POWERFUL FORCE, trained by Kevin Ryan.	Self Cert (Temperature)
5:40pm	LEHBAB PRINCE (IRE), trained by Andrew Balding.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
4:10pm	ELSY D, trained by Chris Grant.	Refused to enter in stalls (Withdrawn by the Starters at 4:13pm)
4:10pm	WIN OR LOSE, trained by Ivan Furtado.	Unruly in stalls (Withdrawn by Starters at 4:11pm)
7:10pm	MIDNIGHT SERENADE, trained by R. Mike Smith.	Refused to enter in stalls (Withdrawn by the Starters at 7:12pm)

Race 1 - 3:35pm .
THE MIDNITE IT'S ACTUALLY PRETTY GOOD HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2) (GBBPLUS RACE)

Permission was given for SAVVY DISKO (IRE), WATER TO WINE (FR) and DEIRA MILE (IRE) to all wear a red hood to the start.

The winner, OZAT (FR), appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at York on the 9 October 2026, where the gelding finished last of seventeen runners beaten by 48 lengths. Ian Williams' explanation that OZAT (FR) may be benefitted from a step up in trip, from 1 mile to 1 mile 2 furlongs, on less testing conditions on this occasion, was noted.

Following the race, Duran Fentiman reported that STONEACRE DONNY, unplaced, ran too free. Lauren Young reported that PEARL EYE, unplaced, was never travelling.

Race 2 - 4:10pm .
THE AWC FINALS DAY AT NEWCASTLE 26TH MARCH NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for BIG MONEY to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for both SAVERNAKE (IRE) and EL RA'ADY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

The Starter reported that WIN OR LOSE was unruly in stalls and was withdrawn at 4.11pm. Ivan Furtado was informed that the gelding could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

The Starter reported that ELSY D refused to enter the stalls and was withdrawn at 4:13pm. Chris Grant was informed that the gelding could run until the day after passing a stalls test.

Race 3 - 4:40pm .
THE AW TRIALS DAY - LINGFIELD 2ND JAN 2027 NURSERY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for KUMHARAS to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for both MOLLISHA (IRE) and ANGELIC MELODY (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

MA FILLE DE REVE, trained by Declan Carroll had entered the Parade Ring after the signal to mount had been given. After being interviewed, Carroll's explanation that despite collecting the saddle with a reasonable amount of time before the race, the filly proved very difficult to saddle was accepted.

Following the race, M. P. Sheehy reported that CRYSTAL KRAKEN, unplaced, was very slowly away. Oisin McSweeney reported that KUMHARAS, unplaced, weakened quickly inside the final 1 ½ furlongs; the Veterinary Officer examined the filly post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 4 - 5:10pm .
THE ALL-WEATHER CHAMPIONSHIP IS BACK EBF NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 3) (DIV I) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for SPRUCE to go early to the start.

Following the race, Oliver Stammers reported that SPUCE, unplaced, hung left-handed throughout.

Race 5 - 5:40pm .
THE ALL-WEATHER CHAMPIONSHIP IS BACK EBF NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 3) (DIV II) (GBB RACE)

INKJET (IRE) wore earplug which were removed at the start.

Race 6 - 6:10pm .
THE AWC IS BACK HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for both INTRUSIVELY and FIFTY NIFTY (IRE) to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for KING OF FURY (IRE) to go early to the start.

LUMINARE (IRE) wore earplugs which were removed at the start.

Following the race, Edward Greatrex reported that THE DRAGON KING (IRE), unplaced, run too free. Andrew Mullen reported that FOZZIE (IRE), unplaced, weakened quickly from 2 furlongs out; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report. Aiden Brookes reported that HILLTOP, unplaced, ran too free.

Race 7 - 6:40pm .
THE MIDNITE AIN'T YOUR GRANDAD'S BOOKIE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for MILFORD to go early wearing a red hood to the start; for WICKET KEEPER (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start.

Approaching the final furlong MILFORD, unplaced, hung left at the same time as LORNA B (IRE), unplaced, shifted slightly right-handed causing weakening WE NEVER STOP (IRE), unplaced, and YES I'M MALI, unplaced, to become tight for room and checked. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

The Stewards noted that BEALE STREET, placed fourth, was denied a clear run approximately a furlong out.

Following the race, Kevin Stott reported that WE NEVER STOP (IRE), unplaced, weakened quickly. Conor Whiteley reported that YES I'M MALI, unplaced, suffered interference approaching the final furlong and was denied a clear run thereafter.

Race 8 - 7:10pm .
THE AWC SEASON 14 HAS BEGUN HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for both MASAI ANGEL (FR) and FOREVER TWENTY to go early to the start.

The Starter reported that MIDNIGHT SERENADE had refused to enter the stalls and was withdrawn at 7.12pm. R. Mike Smith was informed that as it was the third occasion within the previous 12 months the filly had been reported, MIDNIGHT SERENADE would not be able to have a stalls test for 6 months.

Following the race, Barry McHugh reported that UNCERTAINTY (IRE), unplaced, hung right-handed. Billy Garritty reported that MASAI ANGEL (FR), unplaced, ran too free.

Race 9 - 7:40pm .
THE MIDNITE: BUILT FOR 2026 NOT 2006 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for KINETIC FORCE to go early to the start; for COME ON OVER (IRE) to wear a red hood to the start; for both SOUTH SHORE and CURIOUS ROVER (IRE) to go early wearing a red hood to the start.

Inside the final ½ a furlong COME ON OVER (IRE), unplaced, and SOUTH SHORE, placed fourth, both became short of room when attempting to improve their positions to the inside of KINETIC FORCE, the winner, and PADDY'S DAY (IRE), placed fourth. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, Edward Greatrex reported that SOUTH SHORE, unplaced, was short of room inside the final ½ furlong.