

BATH STEWARDS' REPORT

Friday 31 July 2026

Stewards: Guy Upton (Chief Steward), Simon Eliot (Stewards' Panel Chair), Sophie Candy (Steward), Milly Bersey (Assistant Steward), Margaret Groves (Raceday Assistant)

Going: FIRM

Rail: Bottom bend 2 yards off inside line, false rail continuing up home straight creating a cutaway 2 1/2 furlongs from the winning line. False rail on the back straight keeping runners on the middle of the track passing the 1 mile start.

Stalls: Sprints- CENTRE 1m 6f and 1m 2f- INSIDE

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
8:18pm	HAMMAL (IRE), trained by Max Young.	Self Cert (Abscess)

Race 1 - 5:35pm .

THE BIG STAGE HIRE AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Following the race, the representative of George Boughey reported that BUMAAN, placed fourth, was unsuited by the ground described as Firm and would prefer a slower surface; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 2 - 6:08pm .

THE TRUSTED BETTING SITE REVIEWS [gambling.com](https://www.gambling.com) BRITISH EBF RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (for horses in Bands B, C and D) (EBF Restricted Race Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

HAVANA GIFT wore ear plugs throughout the race.

Leaving the stalls, CRIMSON BLAZE, unplaced, jumped sharply left-handed hampering TEXAS CROWN, placed second, causing the gelding to be slowly into stride. After viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

An enquiry was held to consider the placings in this race after interference on the run to the line involving, the winner, HAVANA GIFT, ridden by Warren Fentiman; SHEER BEAUTY (IRE), placed third, ridden by Dylan Hogan; CRIMSON BLAZE, unplaced, ridden by Finley Marsh. The Stewards considered that the interference had not improved the placing of HAVANA GIFT as despite the filly drifting left-handed towards SHEER BEAUTY while coming with a challenging run up the outside, the contact with SHEER BEAUTY which caused the filly to be taken off her intended line and to be checked by the rider, occurred when HAVANA GIFT was approximately half a length up and appeared to be going away to the line to win by half a length from TEXAS CROWN, which had come with a run up the outside and was not involved in the interference, with SHEER BEAUTY a further half a length back in third. The Stewards could not be satisfied that had SHEER BEAUTY experienced an uninterrupted run to the line it would have finished in front of HAVANA CROWN, and therefore ordered the placings to remain unaltered. Fentiman was suspended for 4 days for careless riding as he allowed his mount to

drift left-handed without sufficient or timely correction, taking SHEER BEAUTY off its intended line and causing the rider to have to take a check, which resulted in CRIMSON BLAZE becoming short of room and the rider having to take a significant check against the rail.

Race 3 - 6:43pm .

THE BATH RUM AND REGGAE RACE NIGHT 15TH AUGUST CLASSIFIED STAKES (CLASS 6) (Bath Summer Sprint Series Qualifier)

Permission was given for SYMBOL OF HOPE to go early, wear a red hood to post and be mounted in the chute; for SPIRITED DANCER to wear a red hood to post.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approximately one furlong out involving, the winner, JACKIE BROWN (IRE), ridden by Finley Marsh; I WAS THINKING (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Darragh Keenan and ROGUE REBELLION, placed fourth, ridden by William Carver. The interference was found to be accidental as I WAS THINKING (IRE) moved slightly right-handed away from JACKIE BROWN (IRE) who was coming with a run into a tight but legitimate gap, at the same time as ROGUE REBELLION shifted slightly left-handed which resulted in I WAS THINKING (IRE) becoming tight for room between the two.

Race 4 - 7:18pm .

THE COMPARE BETTING SITES AT [gambling.com](https://www.gambling.com) RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 5) (for horses in Bands B, C and D) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for ELMFIELD (IRE), HONKY TONK GIRL and NZURI to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Taylor Fisher reported that KODICALL (IRE), placed second, stumbled inside the final furlong.

Race 5 - 7:48pm .

THE THANK YOU TO GREAT WESTERN AIR AMBULANCE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for CONNIE'S ROSE to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Warren Fentiman reported that BEERWAH (IRE), placed second, was denied a clear run from two furlongs out to one furlong out.

Race 6 - 8:18pm .

THE GREAT WESTERN AIR AMBULANCE HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for BLUE HERO (CAN) to go early to post and be mounted in the chute and for RACING DEMON to be mounted in the chute.

Following the race, the Veterinary Officer reported that MISS COLETTE, placed fifth, had bled from the nose and William Carver reported that RACING DEMON, placed fourth, was slowly away.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Warren Fentiman	Race - 6:08pm	HAVANA GIFT (GB)	4	17 Aug 2026 16 Aug 2026 15 Aug 2026 14 Aug 2026