

PONTEFRACT STEWARDS' REPORT

Tuesday 07 April 2026

Stewards: Adrian Sharpe (Chief Steward), Rosie Pearson (Stewards Panel Chair), Alan Dempsey (Steward), Lyndsay Glynn (Assistant Steward), Sarah Russell (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD TO SOFT

Rail: False rail from 6f-2f Adding approx. 6yrds to races over 5f & 6f. 8yrds to races over 1m +

Stalls: Inside for all races

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:57pm	KING'S ROAD DANDY (IRE), trained by David & Nicola Barron.	Vets Cert (Runny Nose)
4:27pm	TURN AND FINISH (IRE), trained by Steph Hollinshead.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)
5:35pm	GANESHA, trained by Phillip Makin.	Going (Changed Since Declaration)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:57pm	ROUSHAM, trained by Nigel Tinkler.	Unruly in stalls (Withdrawn by the Starter 1:57pm - see notice below)
1:57pm	SPACEMAN (IRE), trained by Richard & Peter Fahey.	Vet advice (Withdrawn by the Veterinary Officer at 1:27pm)

Race 1 - 1:57pm .

THE EVERY RACEDAY IS AUTISM FRIENDLY AT PONTEFRACT NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for DAVENPORT LASS (IRE) and MILFORD GRANGE to wear a red hood to post.

The Starter reported that ROUSHAM was unruly in the stalls and withdrawn at 1.57pm. Nigel Tinkler was informed that the gelding could not run until the day after passing a stalls test.

Race 2 - 2:27pm .

THE BOYZLIFE LIVE AT PONTE FRIDAY 22ND MAY MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 4) (GBB RACE)

Nothing to report

Race 3 - 2:57pm .

THE RACING TV SKY CHANNEL 424 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5) (DIV I)

Nothing to report

Race 4 - 3:27pm .

THE RACING TV SKY CHANNEL 424 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5) (DIV II)

Permission was given for SALARIA (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Kieran Shoemark reported that SALARIA (IRE), unplaced, was restless in the stalls.

Race 5 - 3:57pm .

THE PONTE PREMIERSHIP NEW FOR 2026 HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)

Permission was given for PUROSANGUE, ATOMIC FORCE (IRE) and VANTHEMAN (IRE) to wear a red hood to post, and for SEVEN QUESTIONS (IRE) to go to post early wearing a red hood.

An enquiry was held to consider interference shortly after the start, when the winner ARKLOW LAD (IRE), ridden by Harry Davies, interfered with DARK CLOUD RIDING, unplaced, ridden by Daniel Tudhope. Davies was cautioned for careless riding as he had edged left-handed, causing Tudhope to take a precautionary check.

Following the race, Rossa Ryan reported that PUROSANGUE, placed fourth, was slowly away. Barry McHugh reported that WOBWOBWOB (IRE), unplaced, was denied a clear run approaching the final furlong. Tom Kiely-Marshall reported that REIGNING PROFIT (IRE), unplaced, was denied a clear run approaching the final furlong. Hollie Doyle reported that SPARTAN ARROW (IRE), unplaced, ran flat. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 6 - 4:27pm .

THE TOMMY HEPPLER MEMORIAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 5)

An enquiry was held to consider interference inside the final half furlong, involving the winner LIGHTENING COMPANY (IRE), ridden by Andrew Mullen, JOHNNY BOOM (IRE), placed second, ridden by Rossa Ryan, and SWINGING LONDON (IRE), placed fourth, ridden by Connor Beasley. The interference was found to be accidental as having gone for a legitimate gap, there was contact between LIGHTENING COMPANY (IRE) and JOHNNY BOOM (IRE), causing the shoulder of LIGHTENING COMPANY (IRE) to be turned and result in SWINGING LONDON (IRE) becoming short of room and have to be taken back.

Following the race, Harry Davies reported that PRINCESS NIYLA, unplaced, ran too free. Gina Mangan reported that SUITCASE SMITH, unplaced, ran too free.



Race 7 - 5:00pm .

THE OAP FREE DAY TUESDAY 21ST APRIL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Permission was given for FULL GAS (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Kevin Stott reported that FULL GAS (IRE), unplaced, suffered interference leaving the stalls and lost many lengths. Connor Beasley reported that MYSTICAL LAND (IRE), unplaced, ran too free. Faye McManoman reported that BALDOSA (IRE), unplaced, was briefly denied a clear run inside 2 furlongs out. Mark Winn reported that MISS BOYD, unplaced, hung right-handed throughout.

Race 8 - 5:35pm .

THE SUE SHEPPARD MEMORIAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Following the race, Andrew Mullen reported that WRESTLING REVENUE, unplaced, was restless in the stalls and slowly away. Cian Horgan reported that HARB, unplaced, was denied a clear run 1½ furlongs out, and again in the final furlong.