

WORCESTER STEWARDS' REPORT

Sunday 23 August 2026

Stewards: Thomas Evetts (Chief Steward), Joanne Hawkins (Stewards' Panel Chair), Guy Upton (Steward), Ben Ford (Assistant Steward), Margaret Groves (Raceday Assistant).

Going: GOOD

Rail: Drainage works were carried out on the Viaduct/Cathedral bend during the break. Around 1/2 a furlong on sand slits were installed where the track narrows, grass has started to develop, however, some scars will be visible in this area.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:08pm	ARTISTE D'AINAY (FR), trained by Billy Aprahamian.	Self Cert (Bad Scope)
3:08pm	QUEENS GLANCE, trained by Mark Rimell.	Going (Not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID checked by VO)
4:08pm	PLAYFUL FOX (FR), trained by Dan Skelton.	Vets Cert (Stiff)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:38pm	HAPPY CHANDLER, trained by Michael Blake.	Horse got loose and bolted Withdrawn by the Stewards at 3:40pm (Got loose on way to post).

Race 1 - 2:08pm .

THE NEU-SERVO BET ON GREAT REPAIRS HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Chase Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

Following the race, Harry Skelton reported that CAMINO ROCIO (IRE), which was pulled up, jumped poorly and stopped quickly. The Veterinary Officer examined CAMINO ROCIO (IRE), post-race and had nothing to report. The Veterinary Officer further reported that RAS KASSAR (FR), placed second, finished lame on its left-fore.

Race 2 - 2:38pm .

THE NEU-SERVO RAPID RESPONSE HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Chase Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)

After an initial false start, the start was effected successfully on the second attempt. However, having reviewed recordings of the false start, the Starters were satisfied that no riders should be reported for contravening the starting procedures.

Race 3 - 3:08pm .**THE NEU-SERVO NEIGH BAD REPAIRS OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (CLASS 5) (Category 1 Elimination) (GBB RACE)**

Following the race, Brian Hughes reported that TRESHNISH POINT (IRE), unplaced, hung right-handed and Harry Skelton reported that DELULU, placed second, was denied a clear run approximately a furlong and a half out. The Veterinary Officer reported that SPANISH DARLING (FR), placed third, lost its right-fore shoe and TURBOGEIST (IRE), placed fourth, lost its left-fore shoe.

Race 4 - 3:38pm .**THE NEU-SERVO PHILS LAST SHIFT MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4) (ARC Summer Novices' Brush Hurdle Series Qualifier) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for FEREVENT (IRE), NETWORK GOLD and SAVANNA STORM (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Jumping the 3rd last hurdle WHINNEY HILL, unlaced, jumped violently left-handed and in doing so hampered SAVANNA STORM (IRE), unplaced, which resulted in THISCOULDBETHEONE (IRE), unplaced, being bumped and unbalanced on landing, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, David Noonan reported that THISCOULDBETHEONE (IRE), unplaced, hung right-handed turning into the straight and Richie McLernon reported that SNOW IS IN THE SKY (IRE), which was pulled up, stopped quickly. The Veterinary Officer examined SNOW IS IN THE SKY (IRE), post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 5 - 4:08pm .**THE YOU SPINDLE ME RIGHTRound BABY RIGHTRound HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)**

Permission was given for NETWORK RGB to wear a red hood to post.

The winner, NETWORK RGB appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Uttoxeter on 7 July 2026, where the gelding finished eighth of ten runners, beaten 39 lengths. It was noted that Olly Murphy's representative could offer no explanation for the improvement in form. NETWORK RGB was routine tested.

The performance of CAWTHORNE BANKER (IRE) which finished eleventh of fourteen runners, beaten 26 ¼ lengths, was considered. It was noted that Jonjo O'Neill could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined CAWTHORNE BANKER (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 6 - 4:38pm .**THE NEU-SERVO BEST REPAIRS HANDS DOWN HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)**

Permission was given for TROUVILLE (IRE) to wear a red hood to post and for DREAM DIAMOND (IRE) to go to post early wearing a red hood.

The performance of DREAM DIAMOND (IRE) which started favourite and finished sixth of seven



finishers, beaten 39 ½ lengths, was considered. It was noted that the representative of James Owen's could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined DREAM DIAMOND (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 7 - 5:08pm .

THE NEU-SERVO SUPPORTS LARSEN'S PRIDE MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5)

Permission was given for KYLENOE DANCER to wear a red hood to post.

Following the race, Joe Anderson reported that MEDINA BLUE (IRE), which was pulled up, never travelled and hung left-handed and the Veterinary Officer reported that DIAMNOND WHITE (IRE), unplaced, was struck into on its left hind.