

YORK STEWARDS' REPORT

Saturday 25 July 2026

Stewards: Michael Eyre (Chief Steward), Philip Spottiswood (Stewards' Panel Chair), Robert McCarthy (Steward), Charlotte Armitage (Assistant Steward), Sarah Russell (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD TO FIRM, GOOD (IN PLACES)

Rail: Rail position; 13m out from innermost from 9f to the entrance to the Home Straight.

Stalls: 5f, 5f89yds, 6f and 1m4f - Centre. Remainder - Inside.

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:00pm	FIVETHOUSANDTOONE (IRE), trained by Tim Easterby.	Self Cert (Coughing)
3:05pm	BARRY'S BOY (IRE), trained by Denis Coakley.	Self Cert (Not Eaten Up)
4:52pm	KEEP AN EYE ON IT, trained by Tony Coyle & Kaine Wood.	Going (not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID checked by VO)
4:52pm	DACRES CROSS (IRE), trained by Kevin Ryan.	Going (not changed since declaration but horse on course and ID checked by VO)

Withdrawals

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
3:05pm	PALADIN (IRE), trained by Kevin & Lauren Frost.	Horse got loose and bolted (Withdrawn by the Stewards at 3:01pm)
4:52pm	ZARVALI (IRE), trained by Roger Fell.	Other (Got loose in the Parade Ring and galloped loose - Withdrawn by Stewards at 4:45pm)

Race 1 - 1:30pm .

THE SKY BET "JUMP JOCKEYS' NUNTHORPE" HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (To be ridden by Professional Jump Jockeys)

Permission was given for MON NA SLIEVE (IRE) and MANAGING DIRECTOR (IRE) to go early to post; for TEES AGGREGATES (IRE) to go early to post wearing a red hood and CAYMAN TAI (IRE) and CAMELY DAYS to wear a red hood to post.

Race 2 - 2:00pm .

THE SKY BET DASH (CLASS 2 HERITAGE HANDICAP)

Permission was given for COUL ANGEL (IRE) and BALDOMERO (IRE) to go early to post and for ADDISON GREY, NOVELLO LAD, ETERNAL SUNSHINE and UTMOST RESPECT (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

POCKLINGTON, trained by Geoff Oldroyd spread a plate in the preliminaries. As the trainer had not indicated at declaration stage that the colt should be withdrawn in the event of losing a shoe, POCKLINGTON ran without its right-hind shoe.

EVENING BLUES (IRE) arrived at the start with a small amount of blood in its mouth. Having been examined by the Veterinary Surgeon, the gelding was deemed fit to race.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approximately half a furlong out, involving MUSICAL TOUCH (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Warren Fentiman, BALDOMERO (IRE), placed sixth, ridden by Toby Moore and YES I'M MALI, unplaced, ridden by Mark Winn. Being a 7lb claimer, Moore was offered the opportunity to be accompanied in the enquiry but declined. Winn was cautioned for careless riding as he failed to take sufficient steps to prevent his mount from drifting right-handed, moving Moore slightly off his intended line which in turn caused Fentiman to take a precautionary check.

Passing the road crossing shortly after the start, WE NEVER STOP (IRE), unplaced, shifted quickly right-handed making contact with ROCK OPERA, unplaced, which in turn gave a light bump to COMMANCHE FALLS, unplaced, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, Clifford Lee reported that COUL ANGEL (IRE), placed second, hung right-handed and Robbie Downey reported that EVENING BLUES, unplaced, weakened quickly; the Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 3 - 2:35pm .

THE SKY BET YORK STAKES (CLASS 1) (Group 2)

Permission was given for DANCING GEMINI (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and go early to post wearing a red hood and for DAMYSUS, PRIDE OF ARRAS (IRE) and ITEM to wear a red hood to post.

Race 4 - 3:05pm .

THE SKY BET FOR THE FANS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for DWINDLING FUNDS and DRAUPNIR to wear a red hood to post.

An enquiry was held to consider interference approaching the final furlong involving FINAL NIGHT, placed second, ridden by Connor Beasley, SON, placed sixth, ridden by David Allan and RAJAPOUR (IRE), which fell, ridden by Mark Winn. Beasley was suspended for 10 days for careless riding as he maneuvered his mount left-handed when insufficiently clear, moving SON off its intended line, resulting in RAJAPOUR (IRE) becoming crowded for room, clipping a heel and falling.

Following the race, Kieran Shoemark reported that MADAME DE SEVIGNE (IRE), unplaced, stopped quickly; the Veterinary Officer examined the mare post-race and had nothing to report. Elle-May Croot reported that BOWOOD, unplaced, was slowly away.

Race 5 - 3:42pm .

THE SKY BET PRICE BOOSTS EBF FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 3) (GBB RACE)

Permission was given for HOUT BAY (IRE) to be mounted in the chute and for BEAR LEE (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

The performance of HOUT BAY (IRE) which started favourite and finished sixth, was considered. Stuart Williams could offer no explanation for the filly's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined HOUT BAY (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

The performance of DESERT SMOKE which finished fifth, was considered. The representative of Hugo Palmer could offer no explanation for the filly's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined DESERT SMOKE post-race and had nothing to report.

Race 6 - 4:17pm .

THE SKY BET BUILD A BET HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3) (GBBPLUS RACE)

Permission was given for CALIBAN (IRE), CHILINGHAM (IRE) and HUMBLE SPARK (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

The performance of ASHNAK (FR) which started second favourite and finished unplaced, was considered. David O'Meara's explanation that ASHNAK (FR) was unsuited by the Going, officially described as Good to Firm, Good in places and would prefer a slower surface, was noted. The Veterinary Officer examined the gelding post-race and had nothing to report.

The performance of DAMASCUS STEEL (IRE) which finished unplaced, was considered. Gihan Arnolda could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer examined DAMASCUS STEEL (IRE) post-race and had nothing to report.

Following the race, P.J. McDonald reported that CALIBAN (IRE), placed fifth, ran too free and hung right-handed.

Race 7 - 4:52pm .

THE SKY BET EXTRA PLACES HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4)

Permission was given for RAGING RAJ (IRE) to go early to post wearing a red hood and for BRIGHT SUMMER (IRE) and MILFORD GRANGE to wear a red hood to post.

Approximately 6 furlongs out, MR NOBLE (IRE), placed second, edged slightly left-handed, moving the winner, FLIGHT CONTROL (IRE), off its intended line which in turn left the free running INVINCIBLE BOY (IRE), unplaced, briefly crowded for room against the rail, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
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Connor Beasley	Race - 3:05pm	FINAL NIGHT (GB)	10	8 Aug 2026 9 Aug 2026 10 Aug 2026 11 Aug 2026 12 Aug 2026 13 Aug 2026 14 Aug 2026 15 Aug 2026 16 Aug 2026 17 Aug 2026
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