

DONCASTER STEWARDS' REPORT

Saturday 24 October 2026

Stewards: Alan Dempsey (Chief Steward), Caroline Robinson (Stewards' Panel Chair), Anthony McGlone (Steward), Nathan Green (Steward), Ben Ford (Assistant Steward), Beth Westran (Raceday Assistant).

Going: HEAVY

Rail: Innermost line on round, which means for the remainder of the season races over 1m 2f, and 1m 4f have an additional 10yds due to the widening of the jumps track.

Stalls: Straight - Centre Round - Inner

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
2:05pm	BIG TRIBE (IRE), trained by Michael Appleby.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:19pm	GODWINSON, trained by Jack Channon.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:55pm	SPIORADALTA, trained by Mark Walford.	Going (Changed since declaration)
3:55pm	MONDO MAN, trained by Jamie Moore & Josh Moore.	Going (Changed since declaration)
4:30pm	BELL SHOT (IRE), trained by Michael Appleby.	Going (Changed since declaration)
4:30pm	COUNT PALATINE (IRE), trained by Michael Dods.	Going (Changed since declaration)
5:05pm	KOSOMETSUKE, trained by Michael Dods.	Going (Changed since declaration)
5:05pm	KODY B (IRE), trained by Craig Lidster.	Going (Changed since declaration)

Race 1 - 12:55pm .

THE RICHARD JAMES HONE MEMORIAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)

Permission was given for AL SHABAB STORM and MILFORD to go to post early wearing a red hood; for KING OF LIGHT to be mounted on the course; for ETERNAL SUNSHINE to wear a red hood to post and for ROSARIO (IRE) to be mounted on the course and to go to post early.

Race 2 - 1:30pm .

THE WILLIAM HILL FUTURITY TROPHY STAKES (CLASS 1) (Group 1)

Permission was given for AL HUDAIBA to wear a red hood to post.

Approximately half a furlong out SERGEI DIAGHILEV (IRE), placed fifth, lugged right-handed and in

doing so caused BREACHER, placed sixth, to be taken slightly off its intended line, which in turn caused the rider of AL HUDAIBA, unplaced, to take a check when briefly crowded for room on the rail, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and that it had not improved the placing of SERGEI DIAGHILEV (IRE).

Race 3 - 2:05pm .

THE WILLIAM HILL REMEMBERING SUE WRIGHT PROSPECT STAKES (CLASS 1) (REGISTERED AS THE DONCASTER STAKES) (Listed Race)

Permission was given for BIG TREE (IRE) to go to post early wearing a red hood and for ANGELS PASSING (IRE) and CRYSTAL QUEEN (IRE) to wear a red hood to post.

Race 4 - 2:40pm .

THE SPOOKY SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS AT DONCASTER RACECOURSE NURSERY HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3)

Nothing to report

Race 5 - 3:19pm .

THE WILLIAM HILL EPIC BOOSTS HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 3)

Permission was given for ANYASI to go to post early and for ANDESITE to be mounted on the course and to go to post early wearing a red hood.

Prior to this race, Ian Jardine was asked to explain why he was running MONOCEROS here at Doncaster having reported that the gelding was unsuited by the going, officially described as Heavy on its previous run at Haydock having stated that he would have preferred a quicker surface. The trainer's explanation that the owner wanted to give MONOCEROS another run on turf before the end of the season, with opportunities being limited and that Going described as Heavy at Haydock was more testing than the Heavy at Doncaster and was willing to let him take his chance was noted.

Shortly after leaving the stalls, a free running DESPERATE DAN (IRE), unplaced, ducked quickly left-handed and in doing so bumped the winner, RIVER KING (IRE), which in turn bumped CAVOLO NERO, unplaced, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved.

Following the race, David Nolan reported that ANDESITE, unplaced, was denied a clear run approximately 2 furlongs out.

Race 6 - 3:55pm .

THE WILLIAM HILL BEST ODDS GUARANTEED HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2) (GBBPLUS RACE)

Permission was given for PRINCIPALITY (IRE), SHAFDAR (IRE), A MAJOR PAYNE and GALYX (IRE) to go to post early wearing a red hood and for DEVIL'S PEAK to be mounted on the course and to wear a red hood.

Having reviewed the start, the Stewards were satisfied that both MUSTAZEED (IRE) and WAHDAN (IRE) had refused to race after the start had been effected and were therefore deemed to be runners.

An enquiry was held to consider the unruly behaviour of MUSTAZEED (IRE) which had refused to race. T.J. Kent was interviewed and shown recordings of the incident. As the gelding had also refused to race at Sandown Park on 12 June and 2026 Newbury 25 October 2025 and the matter was referred to the Head Office of the British Horseracing Authority.

Following the race, Oisin Murphy reported that A MAJOR PAYNE, unplaced, briefly lost its action in the straight and felt it prudent to ease the gelding. The Veterinary Officer examined A MAJOR PAYNE, during routine testing and had nothing to report.

Race 7 - 4:30pm .

THE RFJ AND BEE JAYS ELECTRICAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (DIV I)

Permission was given for SALAM DUBAWI and TRUST AMY (IRE) to wear a red hood to post and for CROWN OFFICE to be mounted on the course. CROWN OFFICE wore ear plugs which were removed at the start.

An enquiry was held to consider the placings in this race inside the final furlong involving the winner, QUEST FOR FUN ridden by David Allan and TRUST AMY (IRE), placed third, ridden by Christian Howarth. The Stewards considered that the interference had not improved QUEST FOR FUN's placing, even though Allan's mount shifted left-handed and in doing so took TRUST AMY (IRE) off its intended line, the winner always appeared holding TRUST AMY (IRE) all the way to the winning line to be beaten by half a length. Allan was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as he allowed his mount to shift left-handed without sufficient correction taking Howarth's mount off its intended line.

Race 8 - 5:05pm .

THE RFJ AND BEE JAYS ELECTRICAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 4) (DIV II)

Permission was given for FREDDIE STEADY GO to wear a red hood to post.

Just inside the two furlongs out, TOLSTOY (IRE), placed third, shifted marginally left-handed, at the same time as GOLD QUEEN KINDLY (IRE), unplaced, shifted right-handed, which resulted in ITSATENFROMLEN, unplaced and INVINCIBLE BOY (IRE), unplaced, being momentarily short of room, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and that it had not improved the placing of TOLSTOY (IRE).

Suspensions

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
David Allan	Race - 4:30pm	QUEST FOR FUN (GB)	2	16 Nov 2026 7 Nov 2026