

Smart Contract Security Assessment

Final Report

For WINR Protocol (GensisWIpStaking)

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1 Overview

This report has been prepared for WINR Protocol's Genesis WLP Staking contract on the Arbitrum network. Paladin provides a user-centred examination of the smart contracts to look for vulnerabilities, logic errors or other issues from both an internal and external perspective.

1.1 Summary

Project Name	WINR Protocol
URL	https://winr.games/
Platform	Arbitrum
Language	Solidity
Preliminary Contracts	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ 45effb06c8e92e579b4a1f9ea5f6466d0863b263/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol
Resolution 1	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ Obe8f291a76deb9077492faa6f540d1c6a563b04/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol
Resolution 2	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ 1a7294f5d91181213eee5bbf0510034b08c0fcb1/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol
Resolution 3	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ 03acc0efc5092806442ab2044a0f0503f8ba2b69/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol
Resolution 4	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ c69b7ba8f6d46760c674b7ca793f16027a293ca8/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol
Resolution 5	https://github.com/WINRLabs/winr-protocol/blob/ d47ded79df8900bdd9227ffb08669a21262e8f25/contracts/stakings/ gWLPStaking/GenesisWlpStaking.sol

1.2 Contracts Assessed

Name	Contract	Live Code Match
GensisWlpStaking		

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1.3 Findings Summary

Severity	Found	Resolved	Partially Resolved	Acknowledged (no change made)
High	5	5	-	-
Medium	0	-	-	-
Low	4	3	-	1
Informational	3	1	1	1
Total	12	9	1	2

Classification of Issues

Soverity	Description
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High	Exploits, vulnerabilities or errors that will certainly or probabilistically lead towards loss of funds, control, or impairment of the contract and its functions. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed with utmost urgency.
Medium	Bugs or issues with that may be subject to exploit, though their impact is somewhat limited. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed as soon as possible.
Low	Effects are minimal in isolation and do not pose a significant danger to the project or its users. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed nonetheless.
Informational	Consistency, syntax or style best practices. Generally pose a negligible level of risk, if any.

1.3.1 GenesisWlpStaking

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
01	HIGH	Governance risk: Governance can break the contract in multiple ways and take out the underlying tokens	✓ RESOLVED
02	HIGH	Users can lose deposits if they deposit a second time	✓ RESOLVED
03	HIGH	Pool reward logic is fundamentally flawed resulting in wrong and excessive rewards	✓ RESOLVED
04	HIGH	It is possible that the firstBlock value resets after everyone withdraws, restarting reward emissions	✓ RESOLVED
05	HIGH	rewardPerBlock is incorrectly calculated in fundReward and updateMaxBlock	✓ RESOLVED
06	Low	withdraw does not adhere to checks-effects-interactions which means if harvest were to allow for reentrancy, the WLP balance could be drained	✓ RESOLVED
07	Low	Contract business logic can break significantly if deposits are reenabled on the gWLP	ACKNOWLEDGED
80	Low	withdraw does not reset wlpPerToken which prevents a secondary deposit after withdrawal from accumulating WLP rewards	✓ RESOLVED
09	LOW	Arbitrum L2 block frequency might be quite irregular	✓ RESOLVED
10	INFO	Typographical errors	✓ RESOLVED
11	INFO	Lack of validation	ACKNOWLEDGED
12	INFO	Gas optimizations	PARTIAL

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2 Findings

2.1 GenesisWIpStaking

Genesis WINR LP (gWLP) token. This token represents the initial contributions to the genesis WINR LP pool. These contributions by early backers will eventually be redeemable to WINR LP through this contract, when the contributors withdraw.

Users can deposit gWLP tokens into the pool, and receive rewards in return. The rewards are given in vWINR and WLP tokens, which can be claimed by calling the harvest() function. The vWINR token rewards are based on time passed and emitted gradually to all active stakers in the pool. The WLP reward amount is however not based on time, but instead based on collected fees. These collected fees can be pulled into the genesis staking contract through calling claimWLP. Whenever a user harvests, it grants any unclaimed rewards.

The contract also has a few other functions for setting addresses and variables. The team can also change the duration of the genesis emissions freely, and adjust the vWINR amount and therefore the reward rate.

Although users stake gWLP, they will not be able to withdraw it. Instead, they can eventually withdraw real WLP tokens once the team activates this.

It should also be noted that the WINR team is capable of removing any token from this contract except for the gWLP token. This might be a risk for investors, especially when the team turns malicious or the keys become compromised.

2.1.1 Privileged Functions

- setAddresses [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- setWithdrawable [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- fundReward [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- updateMaxBlock [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- fundWLP [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- recoverToken [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- grantRole [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- revokeRole [DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE]
- renounceRole [role bearer]

2.1.1 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #01

Governance risk: Governance can break the contract in multiple ways and take out the underlying tokens

Severity



Description

It is important for users to trust the governance wallets. This is because the Winr team has given themselves significant privileges within this contract. Such privileges are often acceptable if the team is trusted, but they do come with risks for the users. Even if the team is trusted, their keys might get compromised (stolen) and user funds could still get lost.

Users should assume that their deposits are fully in the hands of the Winr team, and trusting said team is critical.

Line 82

```
function setAddresses(IERC20 _WLP, IClaimWlp _claimWlp)
external onlyGovernance {
```

The team can change the withdrawable WLP token and claim-address at any time. Changing these addresses to bad ones has a significant impact: It would break all withdrawals. Furthermore, not setting them would also prevent withdrawals. Setting WLP to vWINR or gWLP would furthermore break critical assumptions within the contract.

We recommend at the very least that the team prevents setting this address to gWLP and vWINR, and recommend that it can only be set once.

Line 92

```
function setWithdrawable(bool _isWithdrawable) external
onlyGovernance {
```

We do not understand why withdrawals should be able to be disabled again. It might make sense to only ever allow this boolean to be set (eg. remove the input boolean and just set it to true).

Line 274

```
function recoverToken(IERC20 _token, uint256 _amount)
external onlyGovernance {
```

Every token except for gWLP can be withdrawn using recoverToken. However, even gWLP can be stolen through advanced governance exploits by setting WLP = gWLP. This might be an acceptable privilege however given that the governance is needed to be trusted anyway within this contract.

It is often assumed that there are enough balances of all tokens within the contract. This is presently not strictly enforced due to the various governance functions. This means that withdraw might start reverting even if there is just insufficient reward tokens.

It should be noted that even if all governance risks are mitigated, users would still need to place some trust in the team given that the gWLP token represents a promise from the team to make it exchangeable to WLP. This means that it might be acceptable to leave in some flexibility as there is no way to make this contract "trustless".

Recommendation

Consider patching up any unnecessary governance risks. We understand that being able to pull contract value is a desired feature in case of emergencies. Consider placing all roles that are able to do this behind a carefully chosen multi-signature wallet.

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Resolution



The recommended steps to improve input validation for governance functions were implemented. However, it should be noted that a burnAddress was introduced and the gWLP tokens are no longer locked in the contract, but instead are directly sent to the burnAddress upon deposit. If the burnAddress is set to an active account address (i.e., someone has access to the private key of this account), then the burnAddress will be able to drain the entire staking contract WLP balance because of the standard double-spending problem. We recommend making the burnAddress a constant instead of immutable and set it to a value like address(0).

Finally, we would like to remind the users that this contract will always have inherent governance risks due to the reliance on the team for supplying WLP tokens.

It should be noted that the client made a few more fixes to the contract, in which some logic was redesigned and a new governance risk was introduced. The governance can drain the vWinr balance by calling fundReward with an incorrect emission rate. Users should would therefore still need to place their trust in the team, especially if the vWinr contract balance is a concern to them.

Issue #02	Users can lose deposits if they deposit a second time
Severity	HIGH SEVERITY
Location	<u>Line 106</u> staker.amount = _amount;
Description	Within the GenesisWlpStaking contract, users can stake their whole gWLP token balance at once by calling the deposit() function. The Winr team clearly envisions that everyone will only ever call this function once.
	However, it is possible that a user purchased gWLP with multiple addresses and decides to stake the balance of their first address, then transfer in the secondary balance and stake it as well under the first address. In this scenario, they call deposit twice.
	The issue is that as the developer did not envision this scenario, the second deposit will in fact override the first one. Instead, it should add it to the first one. This means that in our example the user completely loses their first deposit and any accumulated rewards.
Recommendation	Consider incrementing the amount: staker.amount += _amount;
	It might also make sense to do a harvest before the second deposit to avoid losing accumulated rewards. However, we understand if this is not done because this secondary deposit is an unlikely scenario and it might be acceptable to void rewards in favor of keeping the code simple.
Resolution	An exist boolean flag was added to the StakerInfo struct to check if the same user tries to deposit more than once. The deposit function will revert if this is the case.

Issue #03

Pool reward logic is fundamentally flawed resulting in wrong and excessive rewards

Severity



Description

updatePoolRewards and _computevWINRAmount are fundamentally flawed. They make various assumptions which do not hold:

- rewardPerBlock does not change
- maxBlock does not change
- It is desired to do a subtracting logic as is currently implemented

Specifically, users may suddenly receive surges of disproportionate rewards if the governance reconfigures rewardPerBlock for example.

It is much cleaner to simply stop accruing rewards within the updatePoolRewards function.

Recommendation

Consider adding the cap logic to updatePoolRewards instead:

```
function updatePoolRewards() private {
  if (pool.tokensStaked == 0) {
     pool.lastRewardedBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
     firstBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
     return;
  }
  uint256 nextBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
  uint256 maxNextBlock = firstBlock + maxBlock;
  if (nextBlock > maxNextBlock) nextBlock = maxNextBlock;
  uint256 blocksSinceLastReward = nextBlock
pool.lastRewardedBlock;
  uint256 rewards = blocksSinceLastReward * rewardPerBlock;
  pool.accumulatedRewardsPerShare += ((rewards *
ACC_REWARD_PRECISION) / pool.tokensStaked);
  pool.lastRewardedBlock = nextBlock;
}
```

```
and adjust _computevWINRAmount to:
function _computevWINRAmount(
  StakerInfo memory staker,
 uint256 blockNumber
) internal view returns (uint256 vWINRProfit) {
 vWINRProfit = (staker.amount *
pool.accumulatedRewardsPerShare) / ACC_REWARD_PRECISION;
 uint256 nextBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
  uint256 maxNextBlock = firstBlock + maxBlock;
  if (nextBlock > maxNextBlock) nextBlock = maxNextBlock;
  uint256 blocksSinceLastReward = nextBlock -
pool.lastRewardedBlock;
  if (blocksSinceLastReward > 0) {
      uint256 rewards = ((blocksSinceLastReward *
ACC_REWARD_PRECISION) * rewardPerBlock) /
      pool.tokensStaked;
      vWINRProfit += (staker.amount * rewards) /
ACC_REWARD_PRECISION;
  }
if (vWINRProfit < staker.rewardDebt) {</pre>
      return 0;
  } else {
      vWINRProfit -= staker.rewardDebt;
  }
}
```

This code section should be extremely carefully tested and vetted. The above is just example code meant to help get the team started and has not been tested.

Note that if the maxBlock is adjusted, rewards might still occur.

Resolution



_getNextBlock() was implemented as recommended above. The recommended fix was implemented as well, at first with an error but this was later resolved.

Issue #04

It is possible that the firstBlock value resets after everyone withdraws, restarting reward emissions

Severity



Location

```
Lines 203-207
if (pool.tokensStaked == 0) {
   pool.lastRewardedBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
   firstBlock = arbSys.arbBlockNumber();
   return;
}
```

Description

The gWLP contract stops emissions after firstBlock + maxBlock has been reached. The first block is essentially denoted as the block of the first deposit, as can be seen in the logic mentioned above.

However, this logic is flawed since it resets the firstBlock whenever there are no tokens inside the pool.

This has multiple flaws:

- This logic can be called multiple times before any deposits come in through harvest.
- More severely, once everyone withdraws, a subsequent deposit will reset the first block!

As the first block can be reset once everyone withdraws, this might have severe implications on the reward logic as rewards would potentially re-enable. If there are still any reward tokens in the contract, these might be claimable by a malicious actor, even though this actor should not be able to claim them.

Recommendation

Consider whether it makes sense to add this logic to deposit instead of harvest. Consider whether it makes sense to instead check if the firstBlock is zero in the if-statement.

Resolution



firstBlock is now only updated if the previous firstBlock value is 0.

Issue #05	rewardPerBlock is incorrectly calculated in fundReward and updateMaxBlock
Severity	HIGH SEVERITY
Location	<pre>Line 129 rewardPerBlock = _balance / _maxBlock;</pre>
Description	fundReward and updateMaxBlock are called by the governance to set the maxBlock variable which determines over how many blocks the vWinr token rewards will be distributed. The rewardPerBlock is

correspondingly updated by distributing the current contract balance of vWinr tokens among all users that have some stake.

The problem is that this calculation assumes that all the previously accounted vWinr rewards have already been claimed by stakers and therefore excluded from _balance. This leads to an incorrect

calculation of rewardPerBlock, which leads to the wrong amount of

vWinr tokens being sent as reward to the users, and the function will start reverting at some point when the contract's balance is insufficient.

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Recommendation

Consider tracking the received vWinr rewards using a state variable e.g. allocatedRewards which should be incremented in updatePoolRewards and decremented in harvest.

The formula should therefore change as follows:

```
rewardPerBlock = (_balance - allocatedRewards) /
(_firstBlock + _maxBlock - arbSys.arbBlockNumber());
```

Note that a requirement should be added to ensure that the arbBlockNumber is still before the last emission block.

Secondly, the new reward rate is granted retroactively when the rewardPerBlock is updated. Consider adding a updatePoolRewards call before any rewardPerBlock adjustment to avoid retroactive updates.

Consider re-using updateMaxBlock within fundReward to follow the DRY principle. Ideally an internal function is re-used.

Resolution



The updateMaxBlock logic has been fully resolved in a secondary iteration. The reward rate logic now needs to be manually governed and retroactive checks are still not present.

Issue #06	withdraw does not adhere to checks-effects-interactions which means if harvest were to allow for reentrancy, the WLP balance could be drained
Severity	LOW SEVERITY
Location	<u>Line 129</u> harvest();
Description	The harvest function is called early on within withdraw, however, the withdraw amount (the full user balance) is cached at that time. This means that if an exploiter were to be able to reenter into withdraw at this point, they would be able to potentially withdraw their balance twice. This issue is marked as low given that the interactions within harvest are unlikely to allow for reentrancy. Additionally, the body of harvest body does not adhere to checkseffects-interactions internally as well.
Recommendation	Consider adding reentrancy guards to deposit, withdraw, claimWLP and harvest. Note that by adding a guard to harvest, the contract will start reverting as deposit calls it. It is therefore necessary to create an internal _harvest function without a guard.
Resolution	

Issue #07	Contract business logic can break significantly if deposits are reenabled on the gWLP
Severity	LOW SEVERITY
Description	The contract assumes that no further deposits can be made on gWLP. However, this is not strictly the case. It is possible for the gWLP governance to re-enable deposits by calling the following function:
	https://arbiscan.io/address/ 0x2798419F2Db8ea5F0f3A9b405313801e052B9cA7#code#F14# L56
	If this function is called, the GenesisWlpStaking contract will start emitting excessive rewards to gWLP stakers and will likely fully break.
Recommendation	Consider locking out the possibility of calling this function, eg. by renouncing the role after the genesis USDC has been taken out.
Resolution	ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #08

withdraw does not reset wlpPerToken which prevents a secondary deposit after withdrawal from accumulating wlp rewards

Severity



Description

The withdraw function does not revert the wlpPerToken variable. This is not critical but it does mean that a secondary deposit after a withdrawal will not accumulate any of the previously accumulated wlp tokens. However, this secondary deposit should have been eligible for these rewards.

This last statement can be intuitively verified by having the user transfer their secondary deposit to a second wallet and stake via that second wallet.

Recommendation

Consider resetting wlpPerToken within withdraw. We are comfortable with the other reward debt not being reset since there does not appear to be any impact from that.

Consider extremely carefully validating these changes, look for any potential impact and add test coverage since they have significant impact.

Resolution



Secondary deposits are no longer possible so this case is also caught.

Issue #09	Arbitrum L2 block frequency might be quite irregular
Severity	LOW SEVERITY
Description	The time-based rewards are granted based on the L2 block number. Eg. every block minted, some rewards unlock. However, since L2 blocks are so frequent, this might be quite variable with regards to a reward rate in seconds.
Recommendation	Consider moving to timestamp based block counts or block.number which is supposed to increment every 12 seconds since the PoS update.
Resolution	

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Issue #10	Typographical errors
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	<pre>Line 13 event LogUpdatePool(uint256 lastRewardBlock, uint256 lpSupply, uint256 accRewardPerShare); This event is unused and should be removed. If the client decides to keep it, we recommend renaming it and removing the word "log" since that is implicitly understood.</pre>
	<pre>Line 29 uint256 accumulatedRewardsPerShare; This is accumulated rewards per share times REWARDS_PRECISION.</pre>
	Line 69 require(address(_gov) != address(0), "gov address zero"); _gov is already of the address type. The casting can therefore be removed.
	<pre>Line 80 * @notice funtion to set wlp and claimWlp addresses This should say "function".</pre>
	<pre>Line 112 gWLP.safeTransferFrom(address(msg.sender), address(this), _amount);</pre>
	Consider using msg.sender instead since it is already an address.
	<pre>Line 142 WLP.safeTransfer(address(msg.sender), WLPAmount);</pre>
	Consider using msg.sender instead since it's already an address.

Line 210

```
pool.accumulatedRewardsPerShare += ((rewards *
ACC_REWARD_PRECISION) / pool.tokensStaked);
```

Consider removing the extra brackets.

```
Line 196
pool.wlpPerToken += (_amount * PRECISION) / totalGWlp;
```

This will revert claims if no one is staking (all supply has been withdrawn). Perhaps there might still be a small claim remaining and the team might still want to claim it. Since this small amount is likely going to be insignificant we just highlight the possibility here and nothing needs to be done if the team agrees with it being insignificant.

Both the onlyGovernance and onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) modifiers are in use. Consider sticking to onlyGovernance.

pendingRewards and claimWLP can be made external.

setAddresses, setWithdrawable, fundReward, updateMaxBlock ,
updateRatio, fundWLP and recoverToken should have events.

Recommendation

Consider fixing the typographical errors.

Resolution



All typographical issues except for the division by zero concern has been addressed.

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Issue #11	Lack of validation
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	The contract contains functions with parameters which are not properly validated. Having unvalidated parameters could allow the governance or users to provide variable values which are unexpected and incorrect. This could cause side-effects or worse exploits in other parts of the codebase. Consider validating the following function parameters:
	Line 243 function updateRatio(uint256 _ratio) external onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) { Consider doing a rough check on the _ratio to validate that it is within an expected value range as to prevent any typos.
	<pre>Line 253 function fundWLP(uint256 _amount) external onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) {</pre>
	If this is called twice, the second call will wrongly update the ratio. Consider only allowing to call this function once.
Recommendation	Consider validating the function parameters mentioned above.
Resolution	ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #12	Gas optimizations
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	vWINR, gWLP and arbSys can be made immutable. Note that within the constructor, line 71 needs to be adjusted to use _gWLP to avoid a compiler error.
	<pre>Line 161-162 staker.wlpRewardDebt += wlpAmount; pool.totalWlpProfit -= wlpAmount;</pre>
	This can be moved within the if statement to save some gas in the zero reward scenario.
	<pre>Line 202 function updatePoolRewards() private</pre>
	A lot of gas can be saved by caching arbSys.arbBlockNumber().
Recommendation	Consider implementing the gas optimizations mentioned above.
Resolution	The block number is now efficient as the client has moved to a native call instead of the sys call. The variables have also been made immutable. However, the gas optimization with regards to the if statement was not implemented.

