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1 Overview

This report has been prepared for DogePup's Vault contracts on the DogeChain 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	DogePup Vault
URL	https://dogepup.dog/
Network	DogeChain
Language	Solidity

1.2 Contracts Assessed

Name	Contract	Live Code Match
PoolVault	0xA366FBCa467cAC3F34bCb46366fBa9e2a0Bb070B	

1.3 Findings Summary

Severity	Found	Resolved	Partially Resolved	Acknowledged (no change made)
● High	0	-	-	-
● Medium	0	-	-	-
● Low	10	6	-	4
● Informational	6	6	-	-
Total	16	12	-	4

Classification of Issues

Severity	Description
● 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 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 PoolVault

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
01	LOW	Rounding vulnerability: currentShares could be zero	RESOLVED
02	LOW	Flash deposit allows for theft of yield	RESOLVED
03	LOW	Configurational governance risk: Owner can steal rewards and deployer can deploy the contract with a malicious Masterchef	RESOLVED
04	LOW	Configurational governance risk: Compounding only works if the pair of token0 and token1 is the stakingToken and the routes and pids are configured correctly	RESOLVED
05	LOW	calculateHarvestRewards and calculateTotalPendingRewards are returning incorrect values	RESOLVED
06	LOW	Tokens with a changeable fee on transfer or deposit fee could drain the previous depositors of their share value	ACKNOWLEDGED
07	LOW	Withdrawers may receive a disproportionate amount in case of tokens with a fee on transfer or withdrawal fees	ACKNOWLEDGED
08	LOW	harvest() exposes sandwich-attack vulnerability	ACKNOWLEDGED
09	LOW	Accumulated dust amounts cannot be withdrawn	ACKNOWLEDGED
10	LOW	pendingRewards() is significantly flawed	RESOLVED
11	INFO	Checks-effects-interactions pattern is not adhered to	RESOLVED
12	INFO	Gas optimizations	RESOLVED
13	INFO	Typographical errors	RESOLVED
14	INFO	Lack of events for emergencyWithdraw and inCaseTokensGetStuck	RESOLVED
15	INFO	weth, burnadd, burnToken and burnRouter can be made constant	RESOLVED
16	INFO	stakingToken and pid can be made immutable	RESOLVED

2 Findings

2.1 PoolVault

PoolVault is a straightforward auto-compounding vault that automatically reinvests all earned rewards.

Users can stake tokens into the vault and receive a share, which is calculated based on the number of tokens staked. These tokens will then be staked in the underlying Masterchef.

The feature that distinguishes this vault from others is the unique harvest mechanism which does the following:

1. Harvests all rewards from the underlying Masterchef
2. Transfers a performanceFee to the treasury (maximum 5%)
3. Transfers a callFee to the caller (maximum 1%)
4. Does a buyback to the burnToken which then transfers the burnToken to the burnAddress (maximum 15%)
5. Calculates the remaining rewards, creates the lpPair (stakingToken) and deposits it back into the underlying Masterchef



This system ensures a steady increase in the value of the shares which the depositors receive during their deposit, as well as steadily increases the value of the burnToken which we assume is a governance token of the project.


2.1.1 Privileged Functions

- `transferOwnership`
- `renounceOwnership`
- `setBurnFee`
- `setPerformanceFee`
- `setSlippage`
- `setCallFee`
- `emergencyWithdraw`
- `inCaseTokensGetStuck`
- `pause`
- `unpause`



2.1.2 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #01	Rounding vulnerability: currentShares could be zero
Severity	 LOW SEVERITY
Description	<p>currentShares is calculated within the deposit function as follows:</p> <pre>currentShares = (_amount * totalShares) / pool;</pre> <p>Since the vault accumulates value over time, the totalShares / pool ratio will adapt accordingly, meaning the pool will be larger than totalShares.</p> <p>In case the share/pool ratio changes severely, currentShares could round down, if _amount is very small.</p> <p>Proof of concept:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. _amount = 100, totalShares = 1000000000000000000000, pool = 10000000000000000000000000 2. $(100 * 1000000000000000000000) / 10000000000000000000000000$ 3. currentShares = 0 <p>Of course, these numbers are very specific and it is very unlikely a similar issue would occur in production, but this proof of concept shows that it is possible. This results in a loss of user funds without receiving any shares.</p> <p>This can specifically pose a risk if the first depositor has malicious intent. Such a malicious depositor might deposit 1 share and then donate a lot of underlying tokens to the vault, instantly setting the share ratio to be incredibly high. As the shares of new users will round to zero, this malicious user effectively steals all deposits of that vault.</p>
Recommendation	Consider adding a currentShares > 0 requirement after the calculation.
Resolution	 RESOLVED

Issue #02**Flash deposit allows for theft of yield****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Currently, the `deposit` function does not execute a harvest before each deposit. The only way to trigger a harvest is by manually calling `harvest()`. This exposes the following attack-vector:

1. Malicious user deposits
2. Malicious user calls `harvest()`
3. Malicious user withdraws

With these steps, the user can essentially steal a part of the yield from the accumulated rewards since the last harvest without staking for that time. However, since the `harvest()` function is expected to be called quite often, the impact of this attack is not huge.


Recommendation

Consider either acknowledging this issue or simply execute a harvest at the beginning of the `deposit` function.

Resolution RESOLVED

A harvest is made on each deposit.



Issue #03**Configurational governance risk: Owner can steal rewards and deployer can deploy the contract with a malicious Masterchef****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

During contract deployment, the deployer can choose which staking contract the contract uses. A malicious deployer can thus use a malicious contract and then steal all tokens.

Within the harvest() function, the contract does some logic with the reward tokens and then later creates a lpPair which should be the staking token.

However, if the deployer decides to set token0, token1, token0Route and token1Route as something which results in a different lpToken than the staking token, the owner can simply withdraw this lpToken via inCaseTokensGetStuck.


Recommendation

Since the developer is well-known, we do not expect such behavior. However, it is always essential to check which Masterchef is used before staking in the vault.

If desired, the owner can implement a check that the pair of token0 and token1 indeed results in the desired stakingToken.

Resolution RESOLVED

token0 and token1 are configured via the underlying tokens of the stakingToken.

Issue #04**Configurational governance risk: Compounding only works if the pair of token0 and token1 is the stakingToken and the routes and pids are configured correctly****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

As explained in a later issue, the owner has the ability to steal a part of the rewards in a special case. Even if the owner does not have a malicious intention, this edge-case where the pair of token0 and token1 does not result in the stakingToken will cause a malfunction of the compounding feature. The created lpToken will then simply sit in the vault contract.

The contract interacts a lot with the UniswapV2Router for swaps and liquidity adding. These swaps and liquidity adds only work for certain routes which are determined during contract creation. Even though there is no unlimited approval or way to abuse an approval to drain the stakingToken, these routes should be validated carefully. One malicious example is listed in the issue below.

Additionally, swaps do not work for tokens with a fee on transfer — this should be kept in mind especially for the earnToken.

Another thing to keep in mind is that the underlying token of pid should equal the staking token. This could be fetched from the Masterchef.


Recommendation

Consider initializing token0 and token1 using the token parameters within the lpPair:

```
token0 = IUniswapV2Pair(stakingToken).token0();  
token1 = IUniswapV2Pair(stakingToken).token1();
```

Consider also validating the beginning and ending of all routes and loading the stakingToken from the provided pid.

Resolution RESOLVED


Issue #05**calculateHarvestRewards and calculateTotalPendingRewards are returning incorrect values****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Within both functions, the returned amount is aggregated from the pendingAmount within the masterchef + available(). However, available() is the balance of the stakingToken within the vault.

Recommendation

Consider changing available() to rewardAvailable() to display the correct return values.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #06**Tokens with a changeable fee on transfer or deposit fee could drain the previous depositors of their share value****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Even though the contract is written in a logic that supports tokens with a fee on transfer, there is an important edge case to be aware of.


The `deposit` function calculates `currentShares` based on `_amount`, this will hurt previous depositors in the following scenario:

1. Depositor A deposits 100 tokens when the fee on transfer is 10%: they receive 100 shares for their 100 tokens while the contract receives only 90 tokens.
2. Depositor B deposits 100 tokens when the fee on transfer is 20%: they also receive 100 shares for their 100 tokens while the contract receives only 80 tokens.
3. When a withdrawal is done, the `currentAmount` is based on the balance of the staking token — this means that Depositor B receives the same amount as Depositor A even if his deposit resulted in a smaller amount.

Recommendation

Consider either acknowledging this issue and simply not add tokens with a fee on transfer, or tokens with variable/changeable fees on transfer or changing the logic to fix this special edge-case.

Resolution ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #07**Withdrawers may receive a disproportionate amount in case of tokens with a fee on transfer or withdrawal fees****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Within the withdraw function, there are two possible scenarios:

1. Withdraw the required amount from the Masterchef if the vault does not have enough tokens and send the received amount to the caller.
2. Send the desired amount directly to the caller in case the vault has enough tokens.

Due to this logic, the contract exposes a very nasty edge-case if a token with a transfer tax is used as a staking token:


In case #1, the user will receive the received amount as payout.

In case #2, the user will receive the originate currentAmount as payout.

For case #1, if the token has a fee on transfer, the user will receive a significantly smaller amount compared to case #2 because the fee on transfer is deducted in the transfer from the Masterchef to the vault, compared to case #2 where no fees on transfer is deducted because there is no first transfer from the Masterchef to the vault.

Recommendation

Since we could not see this edge-case practically happening it will only be marked as low severity and it might simply be enough to acknowledge this issue. However, edge-cases like this should be kept in mind.

Resolution ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #08**harvest() exposes sandwich-attack vulnerability****Severity**

● LOW SEVERITY

Description

Within the harvest function, the reward token gets swapped various times. The probably most vulnerable swap is the buyback to the burnToken.

Since we expect that the burnToken has a significant lower liquidity than token0 and token1, _buyback could be used to execute a sandwich-attack, where the attacker first buys the burnToken, then calls harvest() and then again sells the burnToken for a profit.


Recommendation

Since we expect that harvest() is called often enough to limit the significance of the value change from burnToken() this issue is only marked as low severity and can therefore just be acknowledged. However, it is important to be aware of these forms of attacks.

Resolution

● ACKNOWLEDGED



Issue #09**Accumulated dust amounts cannot be withdrawn****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Within `harvest()`, after all fees have been deducted, the contract calculates the leftover amount of `earnToken` which is swapped to `token0` and to `token1`.

```
uint256 lpSwapAmount = ((bal - currentPerformanceFee -  
currentCallFee - burnSwapAmount) / 2)
```

Afterwards, the swapped amounts of `token0` and `token1` will be used to add liquidity.

However, due to slippage from the swaps, there will always be a small amount of one token left within the contract (it will have a small imbalance between `token0` and `token1`).


Recommendation

Consider adding logic which supports the created dust amounts or simply calling `inCaseTokensGetStuck`, swapping the tokens to the `earnToken` and sending it manually to the contract (the `harvest()` function will always fetch the balance of `earnToken` and work with that).

Resolution ACKNOWLEDGED

The admin will simply call `inCaseTokensGetStuck`, swap it to the `earnToken` and send it to the contract.



Issue #10**pendingRewards() is significantly flawed****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

We are unsure about the intention of this function, but the logic is as follows: it fetches the pendingReward from the underlying Masterchef for the user address, but since the user should have staked via the vault, this value will probably be zero. Furthermore, it aggregates the return value with the aforementioned value and the shares of the users. We do not exactly understand what the original intention behind this function is.

Recommendation

Consider either removing or fixing the logic of this function.

Resolution RESOLVED

The function has been removed.



Issue #11**Checks-effects-interactions pattern is not adhered to****Severity** INFORMATIONAL**Description**

Within the `deposit` function, the CEI pattern is not respected. The transfer of the `stakingToken` from the `msg.sender` to the vault is done at the beginning of the function before the effects occur.

Paladin generally recommends following best-practices and this includes the CEI-pattern.

However, since the function is guarded by the `notContract` modifier and the contract intends to only use `lpTokens` which generally do not expose a reenter functionality, this recommendation is more of a cosmetic issue.

Recommendation

Consider either acknowledging this issue or move the transfer before line 167.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #12**Gas optimizations****Severity** INFORMATIONAL**Description**

We have consolidated the sections which can be further optimized for gas usage below.

Line 178

```
function withdrawAll() external notContract
```

The notContract modifier is redundant as withdraw is already guarded.

Line 410

```
function pause() external onlyAdmin whenNotPaused
```

The internal _pause function is already guarded with the whenNotPaused modifier.

Line 418

```
function unpause() external onlyAdmin whenPaused
```

The internal _unpause function is already guarded with the whenPaused modifier.

Recommendation

Consider implementing the above gas optimizations.

Resolution RESOLVED

Description

We have consolidated the typographical errors into a single issue to keep the report brief and readable.

Line 16

```
uint256 amount; // number of amount for a user
```

The comment should say "*amount of shares* for a user"

Line 17

```
uint256 lastDepositedTime; // keeps track of deposited time  
for potential penalty
```

There is no penalty.

Line 118-120

```
uint256( 115792089237316195423570985008687907853269984665640  
564039457584007913129639935  
)
```

Using `uint256(-1)` is sufficient.

Line 153

```
uint256 currentShares = 0;
```

Simply writing `uint256 currentShares` is enough.

Line 162

```
user.amount = user.amount + currentShares;
```

Line 165

```
totalShares = totalShares + currentShares;
```

Using the `+=` pattern makes the code more readable.

Line 350

```
* @dev Swap tokenA for tokenB using factory and router.
```

Only the router is used, not the factory.

Line 378

```
block.timestamp + 600
```

It is not necessary to extend the deadline as the function will get executed in the same block.

Line 464

```
user.amount = user.amount - _shares;
```

Line 465

```
totalShares = totalShares - _shares;
```

Using the -= pattern makes the code more readable.

Recommendation Consider fixing the typographical errors.

Resolution



Issue #14 **Lack of events for emergencyWithdraw and inCaseTokensGetStuck**

Severity



Description



Functions that affect the status of sensitive variables should emit events as notifications.



Recommendation

Add events for the above functions.

Resolution



Issue #15	weth, burnadd, burnToken and burnRouter can be made constant
Severity	
Description	Variables that are never modified can be indicated as such with the constant keyword. This is considered best practice since it makes the code more accessible for third-party reviewers and saves gas.
Recommendation	Consider making the variables explicitly constant.
Resolution	

Issue #16	stakingToken and pid can be made immutable
Severity	
Description	Variables that are only set in the constructor but never modified can be indicated as such with the immutable keyword. This is considered best practice since it makes the code more accessible for third-party reviewers and saves gas.
Recommendation	Consider making the above variables explicitly immutable.
Resolution	





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