

## SMART CONTRACT AUDIT REPORT

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## 1 Introduction

Given the opportunity to review the design document and related smart contract source code of the LuckyChip Staking protocol, we outline in the report our systematic approach to evaluate potential security issues in the smart contract implementation, expose possible semantic inconsistencies between smart contract code and design document, and provide additional suggestions or recommendations for improvement. Our results show that the given version of smart contracts can be further improved due to the presence of several issues related to either security or performance. This document outlines our audit results.

#### 1.1 About LuckyChip Staking

LuckyChip is a Defi Casino that everyone can play-to-win and bank-to-earn. The protocol designs an incentive mechanism to reward the betting by Bet Mining. As compared to traditional Farming projects, the protocol rewards users by their unclaimed rewards, which is called as LuckyPower.

The basic information of audited contracts is as follows:

Item Description
Target LuckyChip Staking
Website https://luckychip.io/
Type Smart Contract
Platform Solidity
Audit Method Whitebox
Latest Audit Report December 9, 2021

Table 1.1: Basic Information of LuckyChip Staking

In the following, we list the reviewed files and the commit hash values used in this audit.

- https://github.com/luckychip-io/core/blob/master/contracts/pools/BetMining.sol (6345df1)
- https://github.com/luckychip-io/core/blob/master/contracts/pools/LuckyPower.sol (6345df1)

And here are the commit IDs after all fixes for the issues found in the audit have been checked in:

- https://github.com/luckychip-io/core/blob/master/contracts/pools/BetMining.sol (37a34d5)
- https://github.com/luckychip-io/core/blob/master/contracts/pools/LuckyPower.sol (37a34d5)

#### 1.2 About PeckShield

PeckShield Inc. [7] is a leading blockchain security company with the goal of elevating the security, privacy, and usability of current blockchain ecosystems by offering top-notch, industry-leading services and products (including the service of smart contract auditing). We are reachable at Telegram (https://t.me/peckshield), Twitter (http://twitter.com/peckshield), or Email (contact@peckshield.com).

High Critical High Medium

High Medium

Low

High Low

High Medium

Low

High Medium

Low

Likelihood

Table 1.2: Vulnerability Severity Classification

### 1.3 Methodology

To standardize the evaluation, we define the following terminology based on OWASP Risk Rating Methodology [6]:

- <u>Likelihood</u> represents how likely a particular vulnerability is to be uncovered and exploited in the wild;
- Impact measures the technical loss and business damage of a successful attack;
- Severity demonstrates the overall criticality of the risk.

Likelihood and impact are categorized into three ratings: *H*, *M* and *L*, i.e., *high*, *medium* and *low* respectively. Severity is determined by likelihood and impact, and can be accordingly classified into four categories, i.e., *Critical*, *High*, *Medium*, *Low* shown in Table 1.2.

Table 1.3: The Full List of Check Items

Category	Check Item		
	Constructor Mismatch		
	Ownership Takeover		
	Redundant Fallback Function		
	Overflows & Underflows		
	Reentrancy		
	Money-Giving Bug		
	Blackhole		
	Unauthorized Self-Destruct		
Basic Coding Bugs	Revert DoS		
Dasic Couling Dugs	Unchecked External Call		
	Gasless Send		
	Send Instead Of Transfer		
	Costly Loop		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Untrusted Libraries		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Predictable Variables		
	Transaction Ordering Dependence		
	Deprecated Uses		
Semantic Consistency Checks	Semantic Consistency Checks		
	Business Logics Review		
	Functionality Checks		
	Authentication Management		
	Access Control & Authorization		
	Oracle Security		
Advanced DeFi Scrutiny	Digital Asset Escrow		
Advanced Deri Scrutilly	Kill-Switch Mechanism		
	Operation Trails & Event Generation		
	ERC20 Idiosyncrasies Handling		
	Frontend-Contract Integration		
	Deployment Consistency		
	Holistic Risk Management		
	Avoiding Use of Variadic Byte Array		
	Using Fixed Compiler Version		
Additional Recommendations	Making Visibility Level Explicit		
	Making Type Inference Explicit		
	Adhering To Function Declaration Strictly		
	Following Other Best Practices		

To evaluate the risk, we go through a list of check items and each would be labeled with a severity category. For one check item, if our tool or analysis does not identify any issue, the contract is considered safe regarding the check item. For any discovered issue, we might further deploy contracts on our private testnet and run tests to confirm the findings. If necessary, we would additionally build a PoC to demonstrate the possibility of exploitation. The concrete list of check items is shown in Table 1.3.

In particular, we perform the audit according to the following procedure:

- Basic Coding Bugs: We first statically analyze given smart contracts with our proprietary static code analyzer for known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) all the issues found by our tool.
- <u>Semantic Consistency Checks</u>: We then manually check the logic of implemented smart contracts and compare with the description in the white paper.
- Advanced DeFi Scrutiny: We further review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.
- Additional Recommendations: We also provide additional suggestions regarding the coding and development of smart contracts from the perspective of proven programming practices.

To better describe each issue we identified, we categorize the findings with Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE-699) [5], which is a community-developed list of software weakness types to better delineate and organize weaknesses around concepts frequently encountered in software development. Though some categories used in CWE-699 may not be relevant in smart contracts, we use the CWE categories in Table 1.4 to classify our findings. Moreover, in case there is an issue that may affect an active protocol that has been deployed, the public version of this report may omit such issue, but will be amended with full details right after the affected protocol is upgraded with respective fixes.

#### 1.4 Disclaimer

Note that this security audit is not designed to replace functional tests required before any software release, and does not give any warranties on finding all possible security issues of the given smart contract(s) or blockchain software, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit-based assessment cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contract(s). Last but not least, this security audit should not be used as investment advice.

Table 1.4: Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) Classifications Used in This Audit

Category	Summary		
Configuration	Weaknesses in this category are typically introduced during		
	the configuration of the software.		
Data Processing Issues	Weaknesses in this category are typically found in functional-		
	ity that processes data.		
Numeric Errors	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper calcula-		
	tion or conversion of numbers.		
Security Features	Weaknesses in this category are concerned with topics like		
	authentication, access control, confidentiality, cryptography,		
	and privilege management. (Software security is not security		
	software.)		
Time and State	Weaknesses in this category are related to the improper man-		
	agement of time and state in an environment that supports		
	simultaneous or near-simultaneous computation by multiple		
Forman Canadiai ana	systems, processes, or threads.		
Error Conditions,	Weaknesses in this category include weaknesses that occur if		
Return Values, Status Codes	a function does not generate the correct return/status code, or if the application does not handle all possible return/status		
Status Codes	codes that could be generated by a function.		
Resource Management	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper manage-		
Resource Management	ment of system resources.		
Behavioral Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to unexpected behav-		
Deliavioral issues	iors from code that an application uses.		
Business Logics	Weaknesses in this category identify some of the underlying		
Dusiness Togics	problems that commonly allow attackers to manipulate the		
	business logic of an application. Errors in business logic can		
	be devastating to an entire application.		
Initialization and Cleanup	Weaknesses in this category occur in behaviors that are used		
	for initialization and breakdown.		
Arguments and Parameters	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper use of		
	arguments or parameters within function calls.		
Expression Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to incorrectly written		
	expressions within code.		
Coding Practices	Weaknesses in this category are related to coding practices		
	that are deemed unsafe and increase the chances that an ex-		
	ploitable vulnerability will be present in the application. They		
	may not directly introduce a vulnerability, but indicate the		
	product has not been carefully developed or maintained.		

# 2 | Findings

#### 2.1 Summary

Here is a summary of our findings after analyzing the design and implementation of the LuckyChip Staking protocol. During the first phase of our audit, we study the smart contract source code and run our in-house static code analyzer through the codebase. The purpose here is to statically identify known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) issues reported by our tool. We further manually review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.

Severity	# of Findings		
Critical	0		
High	0		
Medium	1		
Low	2		
Informational	0		
Total	3		

We have so far identified a list of potential issues: some of them involve subtle corner cases that might not be previously thought of, while others refer to unusual interactions among multiple contracts. For each uncovered issue, we have therefore developed test cases for reasoning, reproduction, and/or verification. After further analysis and internal discussion, we determined a few issues of varying severities need to be brought up and paid more attention to, which are categorized in the above table. More information can be found in the next subsection, and the detailed discussions of each of them are in Section 3.

#### 2.2 Key Findings

Overall, these smart contracts are well-designed and engineered, though the implementation can be improved by resolving the identified issues (shown in Table 2.1), including 1 medium-severity vulnerability and 2 low-severity vulnerabilities.

Table 2.1: Key Audit Findings

ID	Severity	Title	Category	Status
PVE-001	Low	Timely massUpdatePools During Pool	Business Logic	Fixed
		Multiplier Changes		
PVE-002	Low	Sandwiched updatePower() For Higher	Business Logic	Fixed
		Quantity		
PVE-003	Medium	Trust Issue of Admin Keys	Security Features	Confirmed

Beside the identified issues, we emphasize that for any user-facing applications and services, it is always important to develop necessary risk-control mechanisms and make contingency plans, which may need to be exercised before the mainnet deployment. The risk-control mechanisms should kick in at the very moment when the contracts are being deployed on mainnet. Please refer to Section 3 for details.

## 3 Detailed Results

#### 3.1 Timely massUpdatePools During Pool Multiplier Changes

• ID: PVE-001

Severity: LowLikelihood: Low

• Impact: Medium

• Target: BetMining

Category: Business Logic [4]CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [2]

#### Description

The LuckyChip Staking protocol has a BetMining contract that provides incentive mechanisms that reward the staking of supported assets. The rewards are carried out by designating a number of staking pools into which supported assets can be staked. And staking users are rewarded in proportional to their share of LP tokens in the reward pool.

The multiplier of supported pools can be dynamically adjusted via updateMultiplier(). When analyzing the pool multiplier update routine updateMultiplier(), we notice the need of timely invoking massUpdatePools() to update the reward distribution before the new pool weight becomes effective.

```
function updateMultiplier(uint256 multiplierNumber) public onlyOwner {
   BONUS_MULTIPLIER = multiplierNumber;
}
```

Listing 3.1: BetMining::updateMultiplier()

If the call to massUpdatePools() is not immediately invoked before updating the pool multiplier, certain situations may be crafted to create an unfair reward distribution. Fortunately, this interface is restricted to the owner (via the onlyOwner modifier), which greatly alleviates the concern.

Recommendation Timely invoke massUpdatePools() when any pool's multiplier has been updated.

**Status** This issue has been fixed in the commit: 37a34d5.

### 3.2 Sandwiched updatePower() For Higher Quantity

• ID: PVE-002

• Severity: Medium

• Likelihood: Medium

• Impact: Medium

• Target: LuckyPower

Category: Business Logic [4]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [2]

#### Description

The LuckyChip Staking protocol has a LuckyPower contract that provides an incentive mechanism that rewards the unclaimed rewards from other farming pools. The reward is calculated as 100% x "Unclaimed LC" + 50% x "staked LC", where "Unclaimed LC" is the LC tokens earned from Farming and Bet Mining but not been claimed yet, "Staked LC" is the LC tokens staked in Liquidity Pool or Dice Table Banker.

Our analysis shows the current incentive mechanism logic of providing rewards based on amount of "staked LC" could be sandwiched for higher quantity, thus higher rewards. To elaborate, we show below the related routines for the quantity calculation.

```
182
         function updatePower(address account) public override{
183
             require(account != address(0), "LuckyPower: account is zero address");
185
             for(uint256 i = 0; i < bonusInfo.length; i ++){</pre>
186
                 BonusInfo storage bonus = bonusInfo[i];
187
                 if(bonus.token != address(lcToken)){
188
                     oracle.update(bonus.token, address(lcToken));
189
                 }
190
             }
192
             UserInfo storage user = userInfo[account];
193
             addPendingRewards(account);
195
             uint256 tmpQuantity = user.quantity;
196
             uint256 newQuantity = 0;
197
             if(address(masterChef) != address(0) && address(oracle) != address(0)){
                 (address[] memory tokens, uint256[] memory amounts, uint256[] memory
198
                     pendingLcAmounts, uint256 devPending, uint256 poolLength) = masterChef.
                     getLuckyPower(account);
199
                 uint256 tmpLpQuantity = 0;
200
                 uint256 tmpBankerQuantity = 0;
201
                 uint256 tmpValue = 0;
202
                 for(uint256 i = 0; i < poolLength; i ++){</pre>
203
                     if(amounts[i] > 0){
204
                         if (EnumerableSet.contains(_lpTokens, tokens[i])){
205
                              tmpValue = oracle.getLpTokenValue(tokens[i], amounts[i]);
206
                              tmpLpQuantity = tmpLpQuantity.add(tmpValue.mul(lpPercent).div(
                                  PERCENT_DEC)).add(pendingLcAmounts[i]);
```

```
207
                             newQuantity = newQuantity.add(tmpValue.mul(lpPercent).div(
                                 PERCENT_DEC)).add(pendingLcAmounts[i]);
208
                         }else if(EnumerableSet.contains(_diceTokens, tokens[i])){
209
                             tmpValue = oracle.getDiceTokenValue(tokens[i], amounts[i]);
210
                             tmpBankerQuantity = tmpBankerQuantity.add(tmpValue).add(
                                 pendingLcAmounts[i]);
211
                             newQuantity = newQuantity.add(tmpValue).add(pendingLcAmounts[i])
212
                         }
213
                     }
214
                 user.lpQuantity = tmpLpQuantity;
215
216
                 user.bankerQuantity = tmpBankerQuantity;
217
                 if(devPending > 0){
218
                     newQuantity = newQuantity.add(devPending);
219
220
            }else{
221
                 user.bankerQuantity = 0;
222
                 user.lpQuantity = 0;
223
            }
224
```

Listing 3.2: LuckyPower::updatePower()

We notice the tmpValue is calculated by oracle.getLpTokenValue(tokens[i], amounts[i]) (line 205), where amounts[i] is derived from the staked token amounts from MasterChef. However, a bad actor could stake large amount tokens into the Masterchef before the calling of updateBonus() and getting a higher amounts[i] when calculating the reward from LuckyPower(). Then the bad actor would unstake the large amount of tokens from Masterchef afterwards.

**Recommendation** Only take pendingLcAmounts from MasterChef into the LuckyPower rewards calculation.

**Status** This issue has been fixed in the commit: 37a34d5.

#### 3.3 Trust Issue of Admin Keys

• ID: PVE-003

Severity: MediumLikelihood: Medium

• Impact: Medium

• Target: Multiple Contracts

• Category: Security Features [3]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-287 [1]

#### Description

In the LuckyChip Staking protocol, there is a privileged owner account that plays a critical role in governing and regulating the system-wide operations (e.g. parameter setting). It also has the privilege to control or govern the flow of assets managed by this protocol. Our analysis shows that the privileged account needs to be scrutinized. In the following, we examine the privileged account and their related privileged accesses in current contracts.

To elaborate, we show below the set() routine in the BetMining contract. This routine allows the owner account to adjust allocPoint, which could result different amounts of rewards received by each pool.

Listing 3.3: BetMining::set()

We emphasize that the privilege assignments are necessary and required for proper protocol operations. However, it is worrisome if the owner is not governed by a DAO-like structure. Note that a multi-sig account could greatly alleviate this concern, though it is still far from perfect. Specifically, a better approach is to eliminate the administration key concern by transferring the role to a community-governed DAO. In the meantime, a timelock-based mechanism can also be considered as mitigation.

**Recommendation** Promptly transfer the privileged account to the intended DAO-like governance contract. All changed to privileged operations may need to be mediated with necessary timelocks. Eventually, activate the normal on-chain community-based governance life-cycle and ensure the intended trustless nature and high-quality distributed governance.

**Status** This issue has been confirmed by the team. The team clarifies that they will transfer the privileged owner account to the TimeLock contract in the future.



## 4 Conclusion

In this audit, we have analyzed the LuckyChip Staking design and implementation. The protocol designs a incentive mechanism to reward the betting by Bet Mining. As compared to traditional Farming projects, the protocol rewards users by their unclaimed rewards. The current code base is clearly organized and those identified issues are promptly confirmed and resolved.

Meanwhile, we need to emphasize that Solidity-based smart contracts as a whole are still in an early, but exciting stage of development. To improve this report, we greatly appreciate any constructive feedbacks or suggestions, on our methodology, audit findings, or potential gaps in scope/coverage.



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