

HEALTH SAFETY & WELFARE (HSW) ALERT

Jumping Warm up Arena Kick Injury

When: 11:am Sunday June 2nd 2024 Where: Boneo

What happened?

• Injured person (assisting rider with poles) was standing between jump wing and perimeter fence - horse kicked out as it went past on the long side-horse was ridden by an adult and had not exhibited any previous flighty behaviour. They were transferred to hospital with suspected broken ribs and possible internal organ damage. The injuries sustained turned out not to be as severe as suspected.

What went right?

- There were only two fences in the arena leaving adequate surrounding space;
- Number of horses in arena limited to six;
- On site medical support was called to warm up and road ambulance was called for hospital transport;
- Form 08 report was completed;

Actions or follow up:

- Issue Health and Safety Alert advising of the need to be aware of danger at all times when providing necessary assistance to riders in warm up; and
- Further review being undertaken to identify practical recommendations to help prevent re-occurrence.