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Stratford Pony Club Horse Trials

Following the report of a fall of horse and rider at the Stratford Pony Club Horse Trials on Sunday April 2nd Pony Club Victoria has conducted a review of the processes and procedures used by the Stratford Pony Club Horse Trials Organising Committee and found that the Organising Committee had adhered to the rules, process and procedures as set out by Pony Club Victoria when conducting an event of this size.

Pony Club Victoria has determined that the obstacle was a solid box type fence constructed on a pine frame with marine ply cladding. The fence was pegged at the front and internally.

The weather was fine, a warm partially cloudy day with good visibility. The jump was early in the course at number 7 on a flat well grassed section of the course.

Following the fall both horse and rider regained their feet unassisted. The horse became loose but was caught quickly and reunited with the rider.

First Aid officers were on site immediately and attended to the rider, who had not sustained any injury.

The horse received veterinary treatment at the local veterinary hospital for injuries to his mouth and jaw and is expected to make a full recovery.

Pony Club Victoria will continue to review its rules and procedures to ensure compliance with best practice and to support Clubs and Club Officials in the running of events.

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