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What: Horse Sports National Safety Conference

When: Saturday February 1, 2020

Where: Melbourne

National Safety Conference for horse sporting organisations - registrations now open

There has been a great deal of interest in the first national safety conference on equestrian sport organised by Pony Club Australia.

Registrations are now open for the conference, to be held in Melbourne on Saturday February 1, 2020.

Designed for all those involved in equestrian sports - decision makers, coaches, officials and participants, the attendees will have the chance to hear from some of the top experts in the fields of rider and workplace safety and horse welfare.

Attendees will also be able hear about current research and learn what safety changes are being made already or are in the pipeline.

The high calibre speakers include:

- Denzil O' Brien – researcher on incidence and risk of injury in equestrian sport
- Meredith Chapman – consultant in Workplace Health and Safety to reduce horse-related human injuries
- Dr Andrew McLean – world leader in Equitation Science
- Lindsay Nylund – Olympic gymnast, fall safety training for horse riders and PhD candidate
- Dr Tess Goodwin, Chief Medical Officer, EV
- Dr Kirrilly Thompson – anthropologist with interest in horse related risk
- Geoff Sinclair – Chair, FEI Eventing Risk Management Steering Group

There will be panel discussion sessions with industry experts on topics including safety of courses and gear, event risk management and grading riders for competition.

Places are limited. You can access the program information and registration form here.

<http://www.ponyclubaustralia.com.au/Events/NationalSafetyConferenceforhorsesportingorganisations.aspx>

The conference will be held at Westwaters Hotel and Entertainment Complex, Caroline Springs, Victoria.

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