

ALERTS

LEARNING FROM OTHERS

Calfeteria Rollover

On 15th October 2017 a Betapahu calfeteria (mobile calf feeder) rolled over while trying to get away from the calves and back to the gate. Fortunately no one was injured as the calfeteria turned it dislodged from the tow ball. The consequences of the incident could have been much worse if there was more weight in the calfeteria and more speed. It did however cause significant damage to the feeder and is in need of repair.



TO AVOID THIS HAPPENING TO YOU:

- Review your own procedures to ensure all staff are aware on any risk and correct operating procedure.
- This operator in this case has had Quad training and was active riding.
- In this case important to note the milk was slushing around and as it turned at speed it raised the centre of gravity higher causing it to tip over.
- Train the calves to not chase the feeder once fed - use an old milk bottle with stones to make some noise when have had their milk allocation. They will learn they cannot chase the feeder after feeding.