

Near Misses in June – Driving

A number of you told us about your driving near misses. Thank you for sharing these with us. The incident below was a serious near miss as no one was injured.

*“While traveling home on SHW 39, a vehicle in front of me **braked to turn right and didn't indicate**. I took action to avoid hitting the car but ... clipped the rear quarter of the car then **drove off the road, taking out a concrete pole** as there was no shoulder to pull in to. I **stayed in the vehicle until it was safe** to get out as there were potentially live conductors around me. I checked myself for injuries and that the other driver was ok, then called my manager for assistance.”* **Electrix Hamilton Maximo 116259**



Other driving near misses:

- A ute suffered loss of grip on an icy public road in South Dunedin on a chilly morning. The driver took the initiative and contacted the local council to spread grit on the road.
- A Downer employee was driving in foggy conditions on SH1 South from Albury substation when a car approached him on the wrong side of the road, attempting to overtake a B train. The driver prepared to swerve onto the grass shoulder of the road but the other car returned to the correct lane before evasive action needed to be taken.

Always:

- Plan your trip and check conditions
- Stay switched on!

Name	Jaimie Mouat
Position	Health, Safety and Wellbeing Coordinator
Email	jaimie.mouat@transpower.co.nz
Maximo ref	116259 / 116256 / 116320
Incident date	June 2018