

MVSRA NEWSLETTER
November, 2024

Spring Wind Up Night
June 27, 2024

Sun and Fun were the themes for MVSRA's Spring Wind Up "Beach" Night! Riders enjoyed navigating a pole bending course, collecting beach toys, and a fun game of Musical Lawn Chairs decorated with palm trees, beach towels, and luau flowers and garlands, with the Beach Boys lighting up the sound system. Plenty of smiles and laughter, and some spontaneous dancing!

Once again, a delicious supper was provided by Sandra and Bonar, with a variety of desserts brought by the riders.

Thank You to Instructors Brenda Spanier, and Shelene Williams, and to the horse owners and volunteers whose dedication makes these lessons and experiences possible for the riders.

First class in the ring was the cart class – Thank You to Daryl and his Fjord mare, Louise – for providing an enjoyable experience for the cart participants.

Cart Riders:

Barb Jonas Michael Jared

Riders:

Margaret riding Red	Dawsyn riding Reflection	Colton riding Boon/Meo
Kate riding Lady	Trent riding Meo	Enrique riding Louise/Boon
Jackob riding Boon	Nathan riding Red	Sheila riding Lady

Fall Wind Up Night
October 7, 2024

"Harvest" was the theme for this fall's Wind Up Night for Mount View Special Riding. Red, gold and orange colours adorned the Caluori Pavilion arena and meeting room. Riders, volunteers, and family and friends enjoyed a delicious beef on a bun supper, along with desserts and cake.

A very special Thank You to Westview Co-op for graciously sponsoring and supplying the beef!

Riders showcased the skills they had been learning and practicing throughout the fall session by performing a drill team routine, gathering the "ingredients" for a harvest meal from around the arena, and ending with a fun game of Musical Poles. Halting, backing and turning their horses, directing their horses on a course, watching for other riders, balancing and stretching are all valuable abilities which in turn translate to more confidence and independence for the riders.

Fall Harvest Wind Up Riders:

Ishan riding Meo
Sheila riding Reflection
Nathan riding Cody

Margaret riding Red
Jackob riding Meo
Dawsyn riding Reflection

Colton riding Cody
Trend riding Red

A huge Thank You goes to the volunteers who assist the riders as side-walkers, leading the horses, helping with brushing and tacking up before and after lessons, and of course – the owners who faithfully haul their horses each week for the lessons. Without volunteers – these lessons would not be possible!

Thank You to Instructor Brenda Spanier!

Special Thanks to everyone who assists with the decorating, meal preparation, set up, background organization and paperwork, and fundraising.

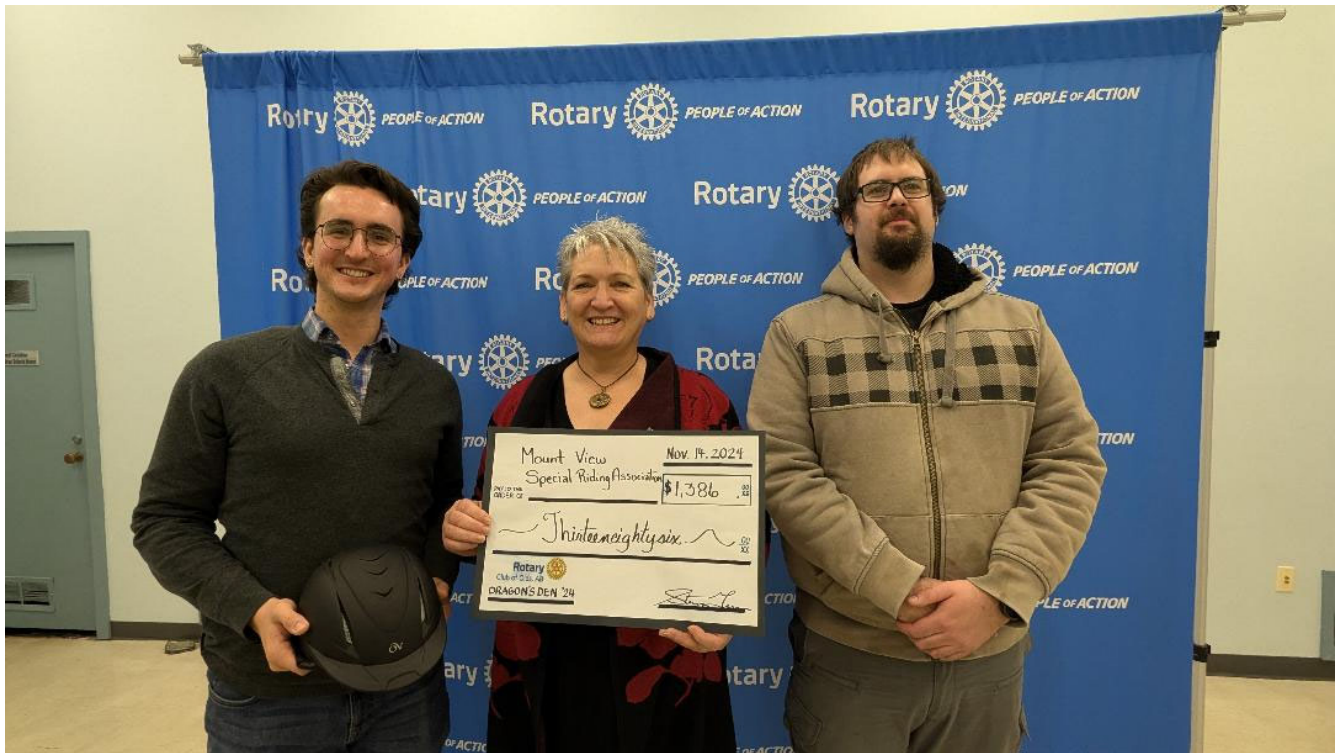
Thank You to Olds Regional Exhibition staff for the facility and assistance.



MVSAR Volunteers with horses

Rotary Club Grant

Congratulations to volunteers Crystal, Connor and Kye, who submitted a successful grant request and presentation to the Olds Rotary Club for \$1386.00 in funding towards new helmets, a speaker system, and the construction of larger shafts for the wheelchair carts. Great job!



Mountain View Power and Town of Olds Grant:

Thank You to Mountain View Power and Town of Olds for a grant of \$2500, and to Crystal Fullerton for her work in obtaining the grant!

