

MVSRA

NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS

JANUARY, 2018

The 2017 Fall Session lessons, hard work, and commitment of riders and volunteers culminated in the Wind Up Games Night held October 23rd at the Caluori Pavilion in Olds. Competitors, spectators and volunteers all enjoyed a delicious supper, cart rides, and fun-filled games including Thread The Needle, Bending Keyhole, Cushion Bending Poles, Egg & Spoon, Bending Pole Bean Bags and Token Musical Pylons. The games were a hit as evidenced by the smiles and laughter of both riders and volunteers.

Special Thank—You's go to the following folks—whose individual contributions are a vital part of the wonderful big picture which is MVSRA:

Instructors: Shelene Williams and Diane Luxen

Horse and Mule Owners: Linda Leggette; Denise Rice; Ed Stacey; Kate Tutt; Pam Prescott; Sandra & Reagan Harper; Elaine Welland

Horses: Lucky Surprise, Skoki Lodge; Louise; Rose; Mea; Boon; Dan; Hudson

Mules: Rudy; Calypso

Show Coordinators: Barb Jans & Arlene Ritchie

Guest Officials: Judge Joyce Coates; Ring Master Karen Grudeski

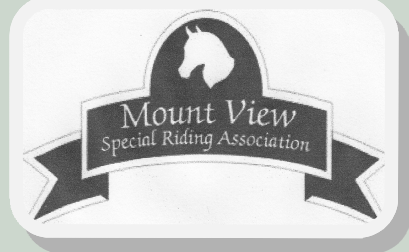
Guest Announcers and Helpers: Ropes and Reins 4H Club

Food Coordinator: Sandra Hanson

Tack Coordinator: Bonar Hanson

Olds Regional Exhibition & Buck Thompson—Operations Manager

Volunteers: Terry Tiberghien; Heather Toews; Deanna Kellsey, Hugh McKenzie, Bonar & Sandra Hanson, Sue Miller, Brenda Spanier, Dodie Archibald; Susan Croker; Shirley Luft; Roxanne Hahn; Jess Zuurbier; Shannon & Carol Ouellette;; Linda Leggette; Denise Rice; Elaine Welland; Pam Prescott; Ron & Louise Hoffman; Ed Stacey; Kate Tutt; Burt Hunt; Cheri Lipiec; Tammy Nischuk; Gary Josephson; Pam Richardson; Gerty Kure; Sandra & Reagan Harper; Barb Jans; Arlene Ritchie; Karla Brautigam; Anne Allison



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2017 PERPETUAL TROPHY WINNERS

CLARKE OWENS MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR SPORTSMANSHIP:

Recognizes the rider who exhibits the most sportsman—like attitude towards their fellow riders with their encouragement and helpfulness.

Michael

Clarke Owens was a faithful volunteer for the first 10 years of the MVSRA, bringing two or three horses each week. Clarke and his family also supplied a team and wagon for parades for many years. No matter what the weather, Clarke could be seen riding and trailering his horses down the road to the Cow Palace. Clarke's dedication and quiet good humour was an encouragement to volunteers and riders alike.

ANNE OVERWATER MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR MOST IMPROVED INDEPENDENT RIDER:

Tiffany

Anne Overwater was born in MB, and moved to Didsbury in 1962. She attended school in Didsbury and graduated from Horizon School in Olds. She worked at the Olds Bottle Depot as well as the Didsbury Hospital as a volunteer in the recycling department. Anne's first love was bowling but her second love was horseback riding. She loved all animals and company of her fellow riders. and volunteers.

EARL STEWART MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR HORSEMANSHIP:

Nathan

A long time resident of Mountain View County, Earl was a veteran of WWII in the Canadian Cavalry. He enjoyed living in the country, and loved to ride, working on many farms and ranches to be near the horses. In his later years, as a resident of the Didsbury Hospital, he was able to continue riding with MVSRA. Earl's family has sponsored this award because of Earl's love for the horse and riding.

RYAN BOUTWELL MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN THE FACE OF CHALLENGE:

Recognizes the rider who has overcome a significant challenge to enjoy and improve their riding skills.

Paulo

Ryan was a little boy who started riding with MVSRA when he was eight years old. Ryan could not walk or talk and was also hearing and visually impaired. When he first started to ride he required total support from his side walkers, but by his third year he could balance himself for several rounds around the arena. Ryan loved to ride and cuddle his pony and you could often hear him giggling as he experienced the freedom of movement. He was especially proud the summer he rode Blondie in the Olds

DON LYNCH MEMORIAL PLAQUE FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:

Heather Toews

Don Lynch was a volunteer for MVSRA for many years holding the treasurer position and helping out wherever possible. Don was an amazing man who gave of himself and his time to make our community a better place. All those who knew Don will remember him fondly as being very caring and understanding.

Class Winners

Group 1

A) Keyhole Bean Bag Bending:

1. Jesse
2. Sheila
3. Colton

B) Egg & Spoon

1. Colton
2. Jesse
3. Sheila

C) Token Musical Pylons

1. Colton
2. Sheila
3. Jesse

Group 2

A) Egg & Spoon

1. Brianna
2. Jakob
3. Tiffany

B) Cushion Pole Bending

1. Tiffany
2. Jakob
3. Brianna

C) Token Musical Pylons

1. Brianna
2. Jakob
3. Tiffany

Group 3

A) Egg & Spoon

1. Nathan
2. Izak
3. Bonnie
4. Kim

B) Cushion Pole Bending

1. Nathan
2. Izak
3. Bonnie
4. Kim

C) Token Musical Pylons

1. Nathan
2. Kim
3. Izak
4. Bonnie

MVSRA AGM

FEB 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm

ASC Meeting Room



2018 SPRING SESSION DATES

Annual General Meeting: February 12, at ASC in Olds at 7:00 pm

Rider Forms Due: April 13

Rider Selection Meeting: April 17

Horse Testing & Tack Cleaning: April 23 at Caluori Pavilion, Olds
5:00—9:00 pm

Volunteer Training: April 30 at Caluori Pavilion, Olds 7:00—9:30 pm

Lessons: Mondays: May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18 at Caluori Pavilion
Carts: 4:00 pm—5:30 pm, Lessons: 5:45—6:45, 7:00—8:00 pm

Tuesdays: May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19 at Caluori Pavilion
Carts: 4:30—6:00 pm, Lessons: 6:15—7:15 pm, 7:30—8:30 pm

Wind Up Trail Night: June 25 at Caluori Pavilion starting at 4:30 pm

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