

# MVSRA Neighbourhood News

DECEMBER 2019



Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Gary Josephson at this time—Gary was a long-time supporter of MVSRA who recently passed.

Gary's funeral will be held at 2pm on Monday, December 23rd at the Bergen Church.

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Another successful Fall Wind Up Night was held on October 21 at the Caluori Pavilion in Olds. Lesson participants enjoyed competing in Beanbag Poles, Musical Carpets, and Collect-It-Up, while Cart riders enjoyed a winding course through the poles and barrels decorated for Halloween.

Thank you to Kate Tutt for her hard work organizing the Wind Up night this year. Riders, leaders and side-walkers especially enjoyed her imaginative twist on the Musical Carpets competition—plenty of laughter and excitement!

Everyone enjoyed an always delicious BBQ supper provided and organized by Sandra and Bonar Hanson.

Thank you to everyone who helped with decorations, set up, announcing, prizes, clean up, and all the other myriad of jobs which come together for a great night!

Instructors: Shelene Williams and Diane Luxen

Horse and Mule Owners: Linda Leggette and her sister Darlene; Denise Rice; Ed Stacey; Kate Tutt; Christine Watson

Horses: Lucky Surprise, Skoki Lodge; Louise; Barbie; Pepper, Sweets, and Rose.

Mules: Rudy the Wonder Mule.

Show Coordinator: Kate Tutt

Officials: Judge Joyce Coates; Ringmaster Roseanna Bradshaw

Announcers: Tom and Georgia Verhoeven

Food Coordinators: Sandra and Bonar Hanson

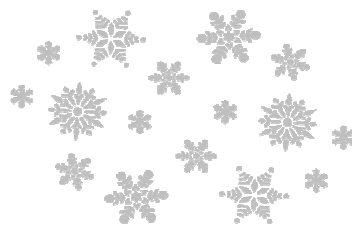
Tack Manager: Bonar Hanson

Olds Regional Exhibition & Buck Thompson—  
Operations Manager

Thank You to our Volunteers: Bonar and Sandra Hanson, Brenda Spanier, Ron & Kathleen Hoffman, Burt Hunt, Gerty Kure, Wendy and Roseanna Bradshaw; Deanna Kellsey, Linda Leggette, Elaine and Terry Welland, Cheri Lipiec, Maren McIntosh, Ed Stacey, Heather Toews, Kate Tutt, Dodie Archibald, Patti Rice, Karen Sollid, Sarah Holler, Pam Richardson, Hugh MacKenzie, Shayla Boutwell, Christine Watson, Sarah Thompson, Melanie Benoit, Terry Tiberghien, Karla Brautigam, Susan Miller, Susan Wallace, Susan Crocker, Brandy Banister, Sheri T and Daughter, Anne Allison

MVSRA was happy to have three, second year students from the Olds College Equine program visit us to observe during a night of lessons. They also connected with a few riders and gained some deeper insights into the benefits of therapeutic riding and the impact it has on our riders and their families. Both the College instructor and the students were very appreciate of the opportunities MVSRA members offered them to further their knowledge in this dynamic equine activity.

## FALL WIND UP NIGHT



### WIND UP NIGHT PARTICIPANTS:

#### Cart Riders:

Carmen, Kim, Michael, Tyler, Jared, Ryan, Barb, Kevin, and Amber.

#### Riding Participants:

##### **Group 1:**

Colton on Louise

Jesse on Sweets

Trent on Barbie

##### **Group 2:**

Sheila on Rose

Dawsyn on Sweets

Mary-Rose on Pepper

##### **Group 3:**

Jakob on Rudy

Tiffany on Pepper

Nathan on Barbie

Izak on Rose

*In the efficient clean up of the show our list of rider placements was misplaced! If you can help us out by confirming who claimed what rank for each game we would be most pleased!*

The field of equine-assisted interventions is very unique. Professionals in this field require specific technical training and ongoing education to meet the needs of the vulnerable population with whom they work. This conference will provide industry professionals with a rare intensive opportunity to gain invaluable training and capacity development in this highly specialized sector. The knowledge and skills developed at this event will be exported by attendees to CanTRA centres across Canada, definitively improving the front-line equine-based services delivered in dozens of communities. This professional enrichment will directly benefit the thousands of persons with disabilities who take part in CanTRA programs across Canada.

Established in 1980, CanTRA creates and maintains service delivery standards and best practices for member centres across Canada, including facility accreditation and instructor certification. Mount View Special Riding Association is the host centre for the CanTRA 2020 National Conference which takes place May 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 in Olds, Alberta. This conference celebrates CanTRA's 40<sup>th</sup> year of certification, accreditation, and leadership in the field of Therapeutic Riding. This conference will bring together representatives and professionals specializing in therapeutic riding and equine-assisted activities in a unique, intensive educational event.

As the Host Centre MVSRA is responsible to provide for the presentations horses, volunteers, potentially riders. There is also a need for a "barn coordinator" but we have one volunteer already for this position. As well, volunteers will be needed for additional tasks such as:

- speaker and delegate transportation from the Calgary airport to Olds (we may schedule a bus to return everyone to the airport at the end of the conference?)
- Potentially transport delegates with limited mobility between the Pomeroy Hotel and the Arena at the College for presentations.
- The small "market place" tables with CanTRA office staff on Saturday evening.
- Silent Auction support to CanTRA office staff on Saturday evening.
- Coordinate with the CanTRA office to promote the event with the local paper(s) and other online options.
- Potentially someone to work with the professional photographer to ensure the photos needed are taken—checklist to be provided by CanTRA and may be at different times over the weekend.
- Someone to help with MVSRA risk management assessment, our annual 5 year assessment. This is separate from the conference but since a number of CanTRA qualified people will be attending it is logical to have this occur.

If you can help us promote this event to your equine or educational or health care professionals as well that would be wonderful! There is a poster attached that can be used or the image for the conference can be used for Facebook, etc. If you know of a potential sponsor that would also be a wonderful contribution. Please contact Shelene if you would like a sponsor package.

MVSRA is very pleased to have the opportunity to host this national educational event. We know our exceptional volunteers will make this the most amazing event for our national delegates. Thank you for your ongoing dedication and support in so many ways!

# The Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association's National Conference

## May 29, 30, 31

In 2020, we're celebrating

Early Bird rates until January 31, 2020



at Olds College, Alberta, Canada - Hosted by Mount View Special Riding Association - presentations on:

**Physiotherapy, Hippotherapy, Biomechanics, Equine Para-Sport, Equine Facilitated Wellness, Program Management, Mounting and Dismounting riders**

Read speaker Bios on : Pippa Hodge, Tegwyn Harper, Jane James, Tricia Mellor at [www.cantra.ca](http://www.cantra.ca)



*"SHOWING OFF HER STUFF" #14/24*

*Original Limited Edition Bronze Sculpture*

*Donated by: Bronzes By Gina (<https://www.bronzesbygina.com>)*

*Artist: Gina McDougall Cohoe; her bronzes were produced for almost 20 years of the Calgary Stampede and are in collections around the world. She spent almost 80 years of her life in the Foothills of Alberta until her passing in May, 2014)*

**This beautiful bronze work will be auctioned off on the Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association Facebook page in the Spring of 2020...Like and follow the page to be in the know!**



## MVSRA AGM

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

THE CENTRE—ACCREDITED SUPPORTS TO THE  
COMMUNITY

7:30 PM



### ***MVSRA RIDING SCHEDULE***

#### ***SPRING 2020***

**Monday, January 27:** MVSRA AGM at ASC—7:30 pm

**Monday, April 6:** Rider Applications and Fees (\$125.00)\*\* due in to Karla  
 \*\*(includes \$5 Annual Non-voting Membership Fee)  
 Horse Owner Forms due in to Karla.

**Monday, April 20:** Horse Testing and Tack Cleaning at the Caluori Pavilion—5:00 to 9:00 pm.

**Monday, April 27:** Volunteer Training at the Caluori Pavilion—6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

#### **Monday Lessons:**

May 4	Caluori Pavilion
May 11	Caluori Pavilion
May 18	Caluori Pavilion
May 25	Caluori Pavilion
June 1	Caluori Pavilion
June 8	Caluori Pavilion
June 15	Caluori Pavilion

#### **Tuesday Lessons:**

May 5	Caluori Pavilion
May 12	Caluori Pavilion
May 19	Caluori Pavilion
May 26	Caluori Pavilion
June 2	Caluori Pavilion
June 9	Caluori Pavilion
June 16	Caluori Pavilion

**Monday, June 22:** Spring Trail Ride and Wind Up at Caluori Pavilion—3:30 pm start.

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