

# MANDAN

Horse &  
Saddle Club



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## FUN FOR WESTERN SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS OF ALL AGES *Focusing On Youth*

The Mandan Horse and Saddle Club is a non-profit organization in existence since 1946. The club improves the quality of life for area equine owners and western sports enthusiasts by providing fun things to do. Activities help young people develop character, responsibility and leadership while improving their horsemanship, riding and roping skills in a supportive atmosphere, bringing families together.

Activities are held at Dacotah Centennial Park, 2428 Longspur Trail SE, Mandan, a facility owned by the Mandan Park District and annually leased by the MHSC.

Thanks to Dale Pahlke and many other generous sponsors, major upgrades were completed in 2023, including covered grandstands that seat 4,000 people, drain tile beneath a larger, crowned arena, new lighting, and a plug and play sound system. Riders enjoy the new Dale Pahlke Arena at the Dakota Community Bank and Trust Rodeo Grounds.

Learn more:

[mandanhorseandsaddle.com/arena](http://mandanhorseandsaddle.com/arena)



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## 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **Past President:** Ida Erickson
  - **President:** Ellen Huber
  - **Vice President:** Shelby Arendt
  - **Arena Co-Directors:** Ron Mosset & Shawn Mosset
  - **Secretary:** Megan Fettig
  - **Treasurer:** Ashley Ross
  - **At-Large:** Chad Kahl, Bailey King, Kerry Mosset, Annette Rhode, Callie Schiermeister
  - **Mandan Rodeo Liaison:** Laiken DeMorrett (Jan-July), Jason Mittlestadt (Aug-Dec)
- Non-Voting*
- **Youth Directors:** Rylyn Arndorfer, Liliانا Kahl, Kia Rhode
- Additional*
- **MHSC Liaison to Mandan Rodeo:** Steph Weigel (Sept-Dec)

## FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Jan. 1, 2023 Balance..... \$62,981.23  
Dec. 31, 2023 Balance ..... \$45,887.64

### INCOME

Sponsorships & Grants..... \$74,413.25  
Entry Fees ..... \$71,671.26  
Stall Rentals ..... \$6,294.37  
Gate Admission ..... \$5,307.50  
Equipment Sales ..... \$4,850.00  
Membership Dues ..... \$3,494.96  
Facility Rental ..... \$2,889.68  
Other/Miscellaneous..... \$3,140.29  
**Total Income..... \$172,061.31**

### EXPENSES

Facilities & Equipment..... \$91,196.50  
Prizes..... \$41,847.58  
Livestock Contractors ..... \$20,573.50  
Contract Services/Personnel.... \$12,178.08  
NDHSRA Share of Entry Fees.... \$8,253.00  
Postage, Printing, Supplies ..... \$4,078.62  
Insurance..... \$3,367.43  
Ambulance..... \$1,845.00  
Promotional Items..... \$1,218.63  
Other/Miscellaneous..... \$3,376.56  
**Total Expenses ..... \$187,934.90**

Less refunds ..... \$1,220.00

**NET LOSS..... \$17,093.59**

### Notables:

- Record sponsorship revenue!
- Equipment sales from prior arena: roping chute, timed-event stripping chute, and poles. Sound system payment received in 2024.
- Panel sales proceeds on deposit with the Mandan Rodeo Days Organization, to be used for mutually agreed upon capital and equipment improvements. The MHSC will receive reimbursement for \$11,700 in office building costs not covered by prior equipment sales, grants and donations.
- Facility expenses include \$50,000 grant passed through to Park District, office building at \$33,650, other miscellaneous items for new facility, and utilities (electrical, water, internet).

## 2023 MEMBERSHIPS



families



individuals

The MHSC held two family rodeos and high school rodeos in New Salem in 2022 while the arena was under construction. Rebuilding membership and activating the new arena with more activities were areas of emphasis for 2023.

## FACILITY & EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENTS

**Horse Pens.** MHSC and Mandan Rodeo Days volunteers set up 56 pens in June for rental during events.

The board is seeking paid help for 2024 with pen and facility management. Boy Scouts assisted with clean-up, barrel setting and gates at some 2023 events.





**WILD WEST FAMILY RODEO ALL-AROUND CHAMPIONS** received certificates to order custom saddles. Pictured (l to r):

- Beginner Champion (6 & under), Carmia Hausauer (17 pts);
- Peewee Champion (7-9), Briar Ross (24 pts);
- Junior Champion (10-14), Pete Maher (22 pts); and
- Senior Champion (15+), Lauren Riehl (20.5 pts).



Thank you saddle sponsors: Starion Bank, American Legion Post 91 of New Salem, Curtis Rud Oil, and Dakota Community Bank and Trust.

## SUMMARY OF 2023 COMPETITIONS & ACTIVITIES HOSTED BY THE MHSC

Date	Competition or Activity	Participants	Entries	Spectators	Volunteers
June 4	Family Rodeo	115	351	50	30
July 9	Wild West Family Rodeo	132	520	50	30
July 22	“Take the Money & Run” Barrel Race	216	330	50	20
July 30	Roping Trilogy	85	171	30	30
Aug. 8-9	Goat Tying Clinic	13	n/a	n/a	3
Aug. 17	NBHA ND Dist. 3 Barrel Race	100	150	50	15
Aug. 19-20	N.D. High School Rodeos (double-header)	148	781	500	80
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>809</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>208</b>

### IMPROVEMENTS (continued)

**Office building.** Completed in August, the building provides a place for on-site entries, stock draws, and prize distribution, limiting congestion in the crowd's nest.

**Water Truck.** This was a late 2023 purchase made in cooperation with the Mandan Rodeo Days Organization

**2024 Plans.** Boards have approved a cost quote to extend water lines to the horse pens and add hydrants there as well as by roughstock pens. Also in the works is a proposal



to buy additional portable panels with a trailer and rack. This can be used to set up additional temporary horse pens in times of higher demand.

## SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

The MHSC asked participants to complete an on-line survey about 2023 activities, plus ideas for 2024 and beyond. There were 31 respondents. Here are highlights:

### Activities requested for 2024

1. Family rodeos — 84%
  2. Barrel racings — 71%
  3. High school rodeos — 58%
  4. Roping events — 52%
  5. Practice nights — 45%
- Clinics are also of interest.

### Rodeo Ready Digital App

New in 2023.

1-5 scale, 1=poor and 5=excellent.

- Entering family rodeos — 3.47
- Monitoring times/scores — 3.85

### Experience with new facility

1-5 scale, 1=poor and 5=excellent.

- Average rating of 4.42
- 92% good to excellent

### Importance of Potential Improvements

1=not at all, 5=very important.

1. Permanent restrooms NW side of complex — 4.19
2. Permanent restrooms SE side of complex — 3.93
3. Lighting in contestant parking areas — 3.27
4. Additional bleacher seating on arena's south end — 2.68
5. VIP seating above chutes — 1.93



# MHSC 2023 SPONSORS

## CHUTES & ARENA

### 2023 Season

- Circle Diamond Ranch Supply, Mandan
- Ed's Wheel Alignment, Bismarck
- Farstad Oil, Mandan & Minot
- First Community Credit Union
- Heart River Stables
- Interstate Engineering, Mandan
- Lillis Electric, Mandan
- Northern Plains Equipment, Mandan
- Roshau Chiropractic & Rejuve Wellness

## FACILITY GRANTORS

- Marathon Petroleum Mandan Refinery
- Rural Development Finance Corporation

## ALL-AROUND SADDLES

### WILD WEST RODEO: July 9

- American Legion Post 91 of New Salem
- Curtis Rud Oil
- Dakota Community Bank & Trust
- Starion Bank

### FAMILY RODEOS: June 4 & July 9

- American Family Insurance - Kraft Agency
- American Legion Post 91 of New Salem
- Chief Construction, Mandan
- City of Mandan Event Grant
- Gunscher's Auto Repair
- Mandan Eagles
- Missouri Valley Veterinary Clinic
- Northeast Acres Ranch

## IN-KIND DONORS

- Storage Unit: Northland Auto Auction & Storage
- Equipment: Bobcat of Mandan
- Marci Jo Photography & Lil Redd's Photography
- Cutting Cattle: Fred Berger
- Cattle Hauling: Chad Ellingson
- Metro Area Ambulance
- Dumpster: Trans Trash

## TAKE THE MONEY & RUN

### BARREL RACING : July 22

- Bennigan's Restaurant
- State Farm Insurance - Rod Skytland

### HIGH SCHOOL RODEOS: Aug. 19-20

- American Legion Post 91 of New Salem (2)
- Big O Tires
- BNC National Bank
- Capital Credit Union
- Cowboy Chuckwagon
- Curtis Rud Oil
- Direct Ag Supply
- Ellingson Angus
- Farm Credit Services
- Gold Buckle Tack
- Horner Equine, Dawson
- JTH Portables, Tioga
- Kist Livestock Auction
- Joe & Sandra LaDuke
- Lil Redd's Photography
- McDonalds (DM Williams)
- Optimal Contracting, Arnegard
- Pahlke Steel, Bismarck
- Precision Insurance Agency, Tappen
- Reiter Welding, Dickinson (2)
- Roshau Chiropractic (3)
- Runnings
- Security First Bank
- Stray Creek Services, Dunn Center
- Vision Source
- Upper States Ag

## NEW OFFICE BUILDING

- Ryan Karsky Construction & Homes
- Mandan Park District
- Front Street Millwork
- Menard's
- Northern Plains Heating & Air
- Truss Systems
- Western Edge Electric

