

Barn Hunt Trial Organizers:

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Event Committee Members: Elizabeth Staley, Alison Christofoli, Deirdre Baker, Brenda Dorman, Teresa Chisman, Michelle Bell, Keri Bagley, Melissa Dimeler

Cost: RATI and Line Drive - \$20.00, All other classes \$25.00. There will be no day of show entries accepted. Late entries received 4/25/2024 - noon 5/2/2024- add \$5 per run/class. NO ENTRIES ACCPETED AFTER }[[}Á 5/2/2024. Late entries may not receive confirmations. Wait List active until late entries close.

PLANNED SCHEDULE:

SUBJECT TO CHANGE - please review final confirmation for schedule - A and B classes will run mixed

€ K5 am – Property Opens 0J:00 am – First Run

Judges: Friday & Sunday - Heidi all classes Saturday - Shannon all classes

Class order Friday & Sunday: LD 1- LD 2- I - N1- N2 - O1 - O2 - C81 - S1 - S2 -

M1 - M2

Class order Saturday: M1- M2 - S1 - S2 - C8 1 - LD 1- LD 2- O1- O2 - Instinct - N1 - N2 (no T1 to T2 move ups)

Briefings will be held in accordance with the rules.

Running order: Small to Tall with accommodations made for handlers with multiple dogs.

Final Class order will be published in the confirmation letter. Dogs being handled by the same person must be separated into different staged groups. Bitches in season will run at the end of the class with panties securely on, as per BHA rules. **Move-ups** will be allowed from trial to trial Friday and Sunday but only day to day on Saturday.

Food Service: Water, snacks and lunch are available for workers/ exhibitors who bring food to share. We will have a potluck each day and we welcome food donations. The club will provide the main food items. Sunday will be tacos for cinco de mayo.

AWARDS: Ribbons will be given to all qualifiers. Placement ribbons, New Title/RATCH/RATCHX Rosettes. Special Sponsored Awards may be given. If you would like to sponsor an award, contact the secretary.

The Club will offer a few special "CINCO DE MAYO" themed RATCHX ribbons made by Meghan Rice. These will be limited to the first teams earning a RATCHX that want them. Other RATCHX ribbons will also be available.

Payment via check, paypal, MO, cashier's check made payable to 4 The Dogs, or cash is also acceptable. Secretary is not responsible for cash sent through the mail.



4 The Dogs Barn Hunt

May 3-5, 2024

Barn Hunt Trial (2 trials per day) Isle of Calais Healthy Outdoors 19393 Spring Lake Drive Smithfield, VA

Judges: Heidi Connolly (BHA-219A - Zuni, VA) and Shannon Floyd (BHAJ-135A Carrollton, VA)

Permission has been granted by the Barn Hunt Association, LLC to hold this barn hunt trial under BHA rules and regulations.

<https://barnhunt.com/barnhuntrules.html>

Open to all breeds and mixed breeds, ages 6 months or older . Dogs must have a Barn Hunt number to participate.
Opening Date: March 18, 2024. Maximum of 10 dog entries per envelope.
Closing Date: April 22, 2024. Late entries due by noon May 2nd. No Refund of Pre-Entries withdrawn after the closing date.
Classes offered daily: RATI(1), RATN x2, RATO x2, RATS x2 & RATM x2 Crazy 8's (1)
Limit: 8 hours judging per day
Trial is outdoors in a dirt floor barn at a farm. Blind area will be outdoors in a shaded area or under a tent/EZ up . Crating in your own vehicles.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

*At all times, the safety of the dogs, handlers, and rats is to be of paramount importance. Rats will be humanely handled and safely confined in aerated PVC tubes; Barn Hunting is not intended to harm or kill rats.

*By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all obstacles safely.

*Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the show committee.

*Children of any age are eligible to handle a dog in a Barn Hunt trial as long as they can control the animal before, during, and after the hunt. However, the parent or guardian must remain on the premises at all times with any child under the age of 16.

*It is expressly understood that participants alone are responsible for the behavior of their dog(s). Any participant whose dog(s) create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the event committee, be asked to leave the event site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. 4 The Dogs, LLC will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by participants or spectators, or to any of their dogs or property.

*4 The Dogs reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog(s) on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against 4 The Dogs or any official thereof.

*No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.

*Exhibitors are responsible for complete, accurate, and legible information on the entry forms; illegible or incomplete entries cannot be entered in the show.

*In addition to placements and HIC awards, special awards may be sponsored by exhibitors and/or the club. These will be listed in the final confirmations.

Accommodations (verify that they still accept pets)

Hotels:

Red Roof Inn, 1925 Coliseum Dr. (I-64 Exit 263B) Hampton, VA
(757) 838-1870 or 1-800-843-7663. Pets are free. 25 min to trial.

Days Inn Newport News, 14747 Warwick Blvd Newport News VA
855-799-6859. \$10 Pet fee. 30 min to trial.

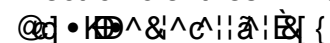
Limited RV Parking/Camping on site pending property owner approval - please contact trial secretary if you want to RV camp - pre-reservations ONLY. NO hookups, no indoor facilities - port-a-potty on-site. There are some local parks that allow camping.

Withdrawals: Withdrawals after the closing date due to injury of the dog will be eligible for a 75% refund of entry fees paid upon receipt of a note from your veterinarian. The note must be dated and emailed or mailed to the Trial Secretary prior to the close of the trial weekend. If you have questions, contact the Trial Secretary directly at bhsecretaryva@gmail.com.

Administrative Reminders: If you provide your email address, we will acknowledge receipt of your entry via email. If you do not receive an initial confirmation within one week of mailing your entry, contact the Trial Secretary. Check your confirmations, errors must be reported no later than the move-up deadline. Secretary is not responsible for errors not brought to her attention. Please double-check your entry form and remember to sign the Release Form. A \$25.00 service charge will be added for any returned checks and must be paid via cash or PayPal.

Online/Electronic Entry/Payment Option:

Electronic entries will be available via



Runs fees using this service are \$1 higher than listed in the premium.

Emergency Veterinary Services:

**Animal Emergency Center,
2025 George Washington Mem.
Hwy, Yorktown, VA 23693
(757) 234-0461**

Loud/Disruptive dogs: Please keep dog barking in the crating and ring area to a minimum so as not to disturb other exhibitors. Any dog behaving in a threatening or aggressive manner toward another dog or a person may be dismissed from the trial if justification is found to do so by the judge and/or event committee. In that case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

Collars and Leashes: Per BHA rules, electronic collars/devices are not allowed anywhere on the site – this includes electronic bark collars. Head halters are also not allowed at BH trials. Prong collars may not be used on the site or while competing. Approved collars include flat snap or buckle collars of solid construction and leather or nylon leads. Limited slip martingale and single piece slip collars/leads are allowed. Harnesses are allowed. Dogs **MUST** run “naked,” without a collar/harness. Dogs should be brought to the ring with collars/harnesses which can be easily and quickly removed and replaced. All dogs must be on leash at all times except when in the ring.

Class Descriptions:

Crazy 8's: Twelve PVC tubes hidden on the course. Tubes will be: Four with litter only, eight with both litter and a rat. Time Limit: 2 minutes. 10 pts per rat, 10 pts for tunnel, 10 pts for climb.

RATI (Rat Instinct Class): Three PVC tubes placed in plain sight on the course. Tubes will be: one dry, one with litter only (no rat), and one with both litter and a rat. Time Limit: 1 minute.

RATN (Novice Barn Hunt): Three PVC tubes hidden on the course. Tubes will be: one dry, one with litter only, and one with both litter and a rat. Time Limit: 2 minutes.

RATO (Open Barn Hunt): Five PVC tubes hidden on the course. Tubes will be: one dry, two with litter only, two with rats and litter. Time Limit: 2 minutes, 30 seconds.

RATS (Senior Barn Hunt): Eight PVC tubes hidden on the course. Tubes will be: one dry, three with litter only, and four with rats and litter. Time Limit: 3 minutes, 30 seconds.

RATM (Master Barn Hunt): Eight PVC tubes hidden on the course at all times. There will be anywhere from one to five rat and litter tubes; all others will have litter only. Handler must declare when ring is cleared. Time Limit: 4 minutes, 30 seconds.

Line Drive: 9 PVC tubes hidden in a row of bales. 4 rats and 5 litter. No climb or tunnel required. Dogs may run on leash. Time limit: 1 minute.

******Please review the BHA rules for A/B class eligibility.******

*Dogs are eligible to enter both RATI and RATN on the same day.
Any dog may enter Crazy 8's with a BHA number.*

****Volunteers are appreciated. We will have a worker raffle.****

Exhibitor Information:

- All dogs must be on a maximum 6' leash, except while hunting, and be under control while on the grounds. Flexi-leads may not be used within 30 feet of the ring.
- Any dog that fouls the arena in any way (e.g., urinates, defecates, vomits) will be immediately excused. The handler is expected to clean up after the dog, both in the ring and out.
- All entries must be accompanied by entry fees and be **received** prior to the day/time of closing to be considered valid.
- Exhibitors not attending the General/Judge's briefings will still be held responsible for knowing the information given in these briefings.
- All dogs must be crated or on a leash at all times except when running. Dogs may be crated in the car, or in the climate controlled crating area. There is plenty of space for crating. Please keep your crating area clean/dry. Barking dogs **MUST** be crated in vehicles or away from other dogs so that they do not disturb the neighbors. Please ensure your crate is secure as the dogs may be highly excited.
- **At no time should dogs be tied out or otherwise left attached to something other than a human; specifically, leaving your dog(s) tied to an unattended chair or in an open crate is not allowed.**
- Any dog that is sick, injured or lame will be excused from the trial grounds.
- Please be considerate about picking up after your dogs and leaving the grounds as you found them. Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the event committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement, per BHA regulations.
- The schedule is fluid throughout each day. No special considerations will be made to accommodate other activities outside of the trial.
- Bitches in season are eligible to compete but will be required to be kept separate from all other dogs and run in panties/britches at the end of their class, regardless of height. Entry fees for bitches that come into season will be refunded until date/time of closing of the trial after which no refund is given if you wish to withdraw. If bringing a bitch in season, please inform the Trial Secretary prior to the trial.

4 The Dogs not responsible for personal items.

Barn Hunt LLC Rules can be obtained on-line in the form of a PDF file at <http://barnhunt.com/barnhuntrules>

Exercise your dog responsibly. Please pick up after your dog at the show site and hotels. All dogs must be on leash except when in the ring within the designated trial site. Off-leash areas may be available. Personal firearms must be locked in your vehicle.

4 The Dogs @ The IOC

19393 Spring Lake Drive, Smithfield, VA

Mail entry with check or Money Order to:

4 The Dogs Barn Hunt, 714 N 5th St, Hampton, VA 23664

Online entry via: www.secreterrier.com

BH Registration #: _____ DOB: _____ Sex: _____

Dog Full Name:

_____ Call Name:

_____ Breed: _____ Height

(in): _____ Height Class: ___ S ___ M ___ L Owners

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

___ A Class ___ B Class

Friday T1 (5/3/2024):

___ Instinct ___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master ___ Crazy 8's Friday T2:

___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master

Saturday T1 (5/4/2024):

___ Instinct ___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master ___ Crazy 8's

Saturday T2:

___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master

Sunday T1 (5/5/2024):

___ Instinct ___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master ___ Crazy 8's

Sunday T2:

___ Novice ___ Open ___ Senior ___ Master

WAIVERS:

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to win prizes, ribbons, and/or trophies, I (we) agree to hold Barn Hunt Association, LLC, 4 The Dogs, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any BHA LLC approved judge, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons.

I/we also certify that I/we do not, to my/our knowledge, have COVID-19 at the time of attending this event. Nor have I/we been in contact with or exposed to any known carrier of COVID-19 within the past 14 days. If I/we have had the virus, I/we certify that we have had at least two negative tests 14 or more days prior to the Event or have had a positive antibody test, and have been released by government officials and/or health care providers to resume normal activity without limit. I/we understand that we have entered and are competing at this Barn Hunt event entirely at my/our own risk and take full responsibility for my/our own health and safety during this Event. I/we pledge to follow all Barn Hunt Association and specific Club Event rules and requirements to mitigate any possibility of infecting others or becoming infected. I/we will also cooperate with any health department and/or State/Local guidelines that have jurisdiction in the area in which the Event is taking place. The Barn Hunt Association LLC and 4 The Dogs are in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 infection incurred at any time by any person, in attendance or not in attendance, before, during or after this Event.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Phone: _____