

## 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.

## Accommodations (verify that they still accept pets)

### **Hotels:**

Best Western Bensalem, 3499 Street Rd, Bensalem, PA 19020  
(215) 638-1500



# 4 The Dogs/ CCRCA Barn Hunt

**May 29, 2018**  
**Barn Hunt Trial**  
**(2 all-breed trials per day)**  
**in conjunction with CCRCA Nationals**  
3499 Street Rd  
Bensalem, PA 19020  
**Judges: Eva Raczka**

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

**Open to all breeds and mixed breeds, ages 6 months or older . Dogs must have a Barn Hunt number to participate.**

**Opening Date: March 19, 2018**  
Maximum of 10 dog entries per envelope.

**Closing Date: May 9, 2018. CCRs have priority on entry until 4/2/18.**  
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 on grass on hotel grounds.

## **Barn Hunt Trial Organizers:**

Chairperson: Pat Stearns, markandassoc.inc@verizon.net

Secretary: Elizabeth Staley, bhsecretaryva@gmail.com,  
714 N Fifth St, Hampton, VA 23664

Event Committee Members: Jennifer Harms, Pat Stearns,  
Anita Rose, Penny Sleeth, Elizabeth Staley

**Cost:** RATI - \$15.00, Crazy 8's \$25.00 Novice/Open \$20.00, Senior/Master \$25.00. Curly Coat Retrievers have priority on entry until 4/2/18 at which time entries will open to all breeds until limits are reached. There will be no late or day of show entries accepted.

### **SCHEDULE:**

**SUBJECT TO CHANGE** - please review final confirmation for schedule

0J:00 am – General Briefing Judges: Eva Raczka  
TENTATIVE Class order Instinct - Novice 1, Novice 2, Open 1, Open 2, Crazy 8's, Senior 1, Senior 2, Master 1, Master 2.

We will allow move ups from T1 to T2.

Briefings will be held before each class.

**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.

**Food Service:** There are a number of food establishments near the hotel.

**Payment** via personal check, MO, cashier's check made payable to CCRCA, or cash is also acceptable. Secretary is not responsible for cash sent through the mail.

All dogs earning a qualifying score will receive a toy courtesy of CCRCA. Qualifying ribbons and 1st - 4th Place Ribbons will be awarded for each class as well as High In Class. The CCRCA will also offer special ribbons and prizes for the HIC CCR.

**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. 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 bank check.

4 The Dogs and CCRCA is not responsible for personal items left in vehicles or outside at the trial site.

**Barn Hunt LLC Rules** can be obtained online in the form of a PDF file at <http://barnhunt.com>

**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 hunting within the designated trial grounds.**

### **Veterinary Services:**

**Street Road Animal Hospital**

**4869 Street Road**

**Feasterville-Treose, PA 19053**

**(215) 396-4747**

**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. Master class blind size will be announced in final confirmations based on entry numbers for Master class in each trial.

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

### **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. Barking dogs MUST be crated in vehicles 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/ CCRCA**  
 Licensed Barn Hunt Trials  
 Bensalem, PA

<b>T1</b>	<b>5/29/18</b>	<b>T2</b>	<b>5/29/18</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Instinct	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	<input type="checkbox"/> Instinct	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	<input type="checkbox"/> Instinct	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice
<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior
<input type="checkbox"/> Master		<input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Crazy 8's	<input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Crazy 8's

Check appropriate boxes above. Instinct and Novice may be entered at the same trial. For all other classes, only one class/level per trial allowed. Only enter the class for which your dog is eligible.

Fees: \_\_\_\_\_ Includes \$1.50 BHA Recording Fee.

Payable to: CCRCA Mail Entry To: 4 The Dogs, 714 N Fifth St, Hampton, VA 23664

I enclose entry fees in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

\*BHA Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Height Class: \*\*  S  M  L

Actual Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Barn Hunt Registration number required for valid entry. Register your dog online at: [www.barnhunt.com](http://www.barnhunt.com).**

**\*\* S = 13" and under, M = 13.1" to 18", L = over 18".**

**AGREEMENT**

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.

Signature of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you chose to pay with PayPal, please provide the transaction number here:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 There is a \$5 administrative fee for all PayPal entries. submit payments to: [merrimacdogtraining@gmail.com](mailto:merrimacdogtraining@gmail.com)

Volunteers (please return with your entry):

Trials thank their volunteers for assisting to keep the day running smoothly.

Please let us know what jobs you are willing to assist with:

\_\_\_\_\_ Scribe \_\_\_\_\_ Inside RW \_\_\_\_\_ Outside RW

\_\_\_\_\_ Gate/Leash Steward \_\_\_\_\_ Blind/Staging Steward

Classes you are running a dog in/cannot work: