

# **Texas Rat Masters**

21925 Franz Road, #601 Katy, Texas 77449 Trial location (*Do not send entries to trial location address.*)

## Barn Hunt Trials, 6 trials – 1 ring

Friday April 19, 2024 (Trial 1, Trial 2) Saturday April 20, 2024 (Trial 3, Trial 4) Sunday April 21, 2024 (Trial 5, Trial 6)

Indoors, air conditioned/heated, matted ring

Opening March 12, 2024 at 6:00 am

Closes April 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm

## Judge Kayce Davis, (BHAJ-284A), Katy, TX

Permission has been granted by the Barn Hunt Association, LLC for the holding of this barn hunt trial under BHA Rules and Regulations. **Classes offered:** Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master, Crazy8

OPEN TO ALL BREEDS AND MIXED BREEDS registered with Barn Hunt Association. **BHA number is necessary for Barn Hunt Trials.** Competitors are expected to read and understand the current BHA rules prior to participating in this event. Info at <u>barnhunt.com</u>

> \*\*Snacks may be offered\*\* Lunch will be on your own. Fast food locations nearby.

Event Chair: Ken Rychlik - <u>krychlik1@gmail.com</u> 832-731-8752 Secretary: Myrna Rychlik - <u>myrnarychlik@gmail.com</u> 832-304-3084 Event Committee: Ken Rychlik, Myrna Rychlik, Jennifer Sheridan, Kathleen Milford, Susan Grayshon, or other members of the TRM working trial staff.

### **EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN**

Veterinary Emergency Group 1370 W Grand Pkwy S, Katy, TX 77494 281-888-8713 https://veterinaryemergencygroup.com/locations/katy-tx/

## ENTRY FEES

<u>If entering online at secreterrier.com</u> - \$17 per run Instinct, \$25 per run Novice, Open, \$30 per run Senior, Master, Crazy8 (additional fees may apply). <u>If mailing paper entries</u> - \$17 per run Instinct, \$25 per run Novice, Open, \$30 per run Senior, Master, Crazy8 Entries are late if received after April 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm. LATE PAPER (mailed) ENTRIES may be accepted until April 12, 2024, at 6:00 pm if trial has not filled.

**NO DAY OF SHOW** entries will be accepted. Judges are limited to 8 hours of judging and a maximum run value, which may require this dub to limit entries accordingly, and may include a limit of 25 Crazy 8 runs per trial. **See page 3 for move ups, downs, or lateral move allowances.** Not all level move ups or downs may be possible. You are responsible for notifying the trial secretary in time to process paperwork.

## \*New\* Entry Submissions – Online entries are available

**through Secreterrier.com** and fees will be taken at time of entry. (If your entry status in Secreterrier is Awaiting Payment, your entry is NOT valid and you are NOT entered in this event.)

Paper entries with payment can be mailed and sent by regular USPS mail to the address below. No more than four dogs per envelope may be entered. We do not accept emailed entries.

For sending paper entries by USPS mail, send completed, printed entry form & payment to:

Myrna Rychlik, 22511 Elkana Deane Ln, Katy TX 77449. Make checks payable to: Texas Rat Masters (*Do not send entries to trial location address.*) Entry form must be complete, signed and payment received to be considered a valid entry.

## **NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**

Dogs must be registered with the Barn Hunt Association and have a Barn Hunt number to compete in sanctioned BHA trials. Barn Hunt Regulations may be obtained on the BHA website <u>barnhunt.com</u>

#### BHA numbers are necessary to participate in Barn Hunt trials.

#### Refunds: Entry Fees for withdraw will not be refunded after closing date or

in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Event Committee. No entry fees will be refunded if the trials cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, and act of God, weather, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other causes beyond the control of the Event Committee.

- Bring chairs and crates. Your dog can be crated inside, but space is limited. It may be necessary to stack crates. Please, no X pens, or large chairs. If space is available, appropriately sized crates with non-competing barn hunt, non-disruptive/non-aggressive dogs may be allowed. (See the event Trial Chair.)
- Possessing or training with personal, live quarry is not permitted on the show grounds at anytime. This also includes your place of lodging while attending this event.
- Dogs must be on a leash at all times except when in the ring. Leashes cannot be left dangling or dragging. For safety purposes, the use of Flexi leads or retractable type leashes are not allowed inside the building.
- Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs. Potty areas designated by the club include the entire warehouse complex and grassy areas.
- Exhibitors are responsible for being ready to go to the staging area, in the staging area, and waiting for the call to the gate when it is their turn to run. The judge need not wait for any dog holding up a class.
- Texas Rat Masters assumes no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, spectators, or to any of their dogs, property, or children.

# Directions to the Event – 21925 Franz Road #601, Katy, TX 77449 (Do not send entries to event address. See Entry Submissions section)

From IH 10, exit Mason Road. Head North on Mason Road. Go 3 lights down and turn left (west) on Franz Road. You will see Classic Collision Center on left. Make a U turn and enter the warehouse complex. We are on the east corner of the last row of warehouses in the back.

**Tentative** Start Times- Final confirmation attachment will have more information regarding class and estimated check in times. Facility will be open one hour prior to start time on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

A General briefing will be held 10-15 minutes prior to the first dog running each day. Class level briefing for Instinct and Novice will be held before loading the first blind. Judges written briefing and a general briefing will be posted in predetermined areas.

Friday - First dog will not run before 3:00 pm.

Saturday and Sunday – First dog will run at 8:00 am.

Estimated check in times should be announced 2 days before the trial dates on Facebook and by email.

#### **Planned Running Order**

Friday – T1 & T2 Crazy 8 (first dog will <u>not</u> run before 3:00 pm) Saturday – T3 Instinct, Novice, T4 Novice, T3 Open, T4 Open, T3 Senior, T4 Senior, T3 Master, T4 Master Sunday – T5 Master, T6 Master, T5 Senior, T6 Senior, T5 Open, T6 Open, T5 Instinct, T5 Novice, T6 Novice

Blind size more than 150 sq ft. All Instinct through Senior blinds will hold no more than 5 teams. Master blinds will hold no more than 4 teams.

**Height Divisions**: Small, Dogs 15" & under; Medium, Dogs 15.1" to 22"; Large, Dogs over 22". Dogs are measured at the option of the judge.

**BITCH IN SEASON** - Bitches in season (BIS) MAY compete at Barn Hunt trials & fun tests. They will be run at the end of each class. BIS must wear well-fitting pants/britches at all times when not being pottied, including on the course. Owners of BIS should crate/confine their dogs away from traffic and other dogs, and potty away from other competitors. <u>Please notify the trial secretary upon arrival so running order can be adjusted</u>.

**Facility rules** – It is your responsibility to read and be familiar with BHA rules, which includes but not limited to facility grounds.

Entering and attending any Barn hunt Event at any time is done entirely at your own risk. Masks are optional.

### Spectating

Spectators allowed where space for observing is available. Spectator areas will be at the discretion of TRM.



**Destroyed course materials** - Please be aware that TRM is no longer able to absorb the cost of destroyed course materials. Destroyed course materials which include but not limited to bales, boards, mats, or misc. course equipment, may incur a replacement fee set by the club at the club's sole discretion. Bales that have been eliminated on, pulled apart/shredded to the extent it loses the shape, twine broken or pulled off (due to lack of control) are no longer useable and are considered destroyed. A **replacement fee of \$15 (per bale)** may be incurred. Replacement fee(s) must be paid before the end of the event. If paying by credit card or PayPal, add \$3.00. **See trial secretary regarding payments.** 

### Additional Information:

All Barn Hunt Clubs are assigned a Maximum Run Value per day. Judges are also limited to 8 hours of judging per day. Entries are not guaranteed and will be accepted only up to judging limits. If the trial fills, a wait list will be maintained.

## **Questions about What Class to Enter?**

Please refer to and review Part 14: Regular Classes section of the BHA Competitor Rule book.

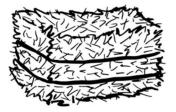
Section 2: What Class to Enter. When sending in an entry prior to the Event, the Class entered depends on titles previously earned. Dogs cannot be entered in a class they are not yet eligible to enter. It is the competitor's responsibility to know the dog's eligibility. (TRM does not have access to that information and does not have knowledge where you last competed.) Per BHA, any dog entering a class they are not eligible to enter will have any and all qualifying scores removed for that class. (See Flow Chart on page 18 of Competitors Rule book.)

## Section 3: Moving Up, Down, or Over during an Event

At this event, Competitors can move up (A to next level A) or over (A to B at the same level) trial to trial **if running order allows**, and time and/or judging limits are not exceeded. Dogs achieving RATM from Master A must move to Master B for RATCH and RATCHX and above.

Competitors can move down (A level title earned and move down to lower level B) day to day **if running order allows**. (Original entry fees will not be adjusted, credited, or refunded.)







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**Trial April 19-21, 2024** Opening – March 12, 2024 at 6:00 am Closes – April 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm



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See the premium Entry Submission Section for options and instructions.

If entering by USPS mail, send printed form to: Myrna Rychlik, 22511 Elkana Deane, Katy, TX 77449

Check class boxes below in the corresponding trial row you wish to enter.

Instinct & Novice A may be entered in the same trial. All other levels, select only 1 and circle which level A or B.

Trial levels will run consecutively. Please review the running order.

Friday – T1 Crazy 8, T2 Crazy 8

Saturday – T3 Instinct, Novice, T4 Novice, T3 Open, T4 Open, T3 Senior, T4 Senior, T3 Master, T4 Master Sunday – T5 Master, T6 Master, T5 Senior, T6 Senior, T5 Open, T6 Open, T5 Instinct, Novice, T6 Novice

<b>Trial 1 &amp; 2</b> Friday Apr 19, 2024	Trial 1 Crazy8 \$30	Trial 2 Crazy8 \$30				(Circle level below)
<b>Trial 3</b> Saturday	Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	<u>Level</u>
Apr 20, 2024	\$17	\$25	\$25	\$30	\$30	A or B
<b>Trial 4</b> Saturday		Novice	Open	Senior	Master	<u>Level</u>
Apr 20, 2024		\$25	\$25	\$30	\$30	A or B
<b>Trial 5</b> Sunday	Master	Senior	Open	Instinct	Novice	<u>Level</u>
Apr 21, 2024	\$30	\$30	\$25	\$17	\$25	A or B
<b>Trial 6</b> Sunday	Master	Senior	Open	Novice		<u>Level</u>
Apr 21, 2024	\$30	\$30	\$25	\$25		A or B

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BHA Registration #		Dog's Call Name:	
REGISTERED NAME OF DOG (	as registered on Barr	Hunt):	
Breed:			Dog's height at withers:
	DOB:		Height Class: S M L
Actual Owner(s):			1
Owner's Address, City, State,	Zip Code:		
Name of Owner's Agent/Han	dler (if any):	-	

#### **CERTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT UPON ENTRY OF DOG**

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Barn Hunt Association, LLC in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event, and further agree to be bound by the liability waiver enclosed with my entry. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard (dog or human aggressive) to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all Barn Hunt Association, LLC Rules and Regulations and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

#### LIABILITY WAIVER

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, Texas Rat Masters LLC, 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, judging at this event, 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.

#### MEDIA RELEASE FORM

I hereby authorize Texas Rat Masters appointed videographer and/or photographer to use, reproduce, and/or publish photographs and/or video that may pertain to me, including my image, likeness and/or voice without compensation. I understand that this material may be used in various publications, public affairs releases, recruitment materials, the BHA LLC website, yahoo group or facebook page, or for other related endeavors. This authorization is continuous and may only be withdrawn by my specific rescission of this authorization. Consequently, the BHA LLC or Texas Rat Masters may publish materials, use my name, photograph, and/or make reference to me in any manner that the Corporation or project sponsor deems appropriate to promote/publicize service opportunities.

Signature of owner or his agent duly aut	Date:	
Parent or Guardian Signature if participa	Date:	
Telephone:	Email Address – PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY	

#### ENTRIES WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL. Entry form must be complete, signed and payment received to be considered a valid entry