

Greater Dallas Barn Hunt

Four Barn Hunt Trials
Saturday, January 31st and Sunday, February 1st, 2026
In Conjunction with an Agility Fun Match Offered by
The Bluebonnet English Setter Club
Show Barn, Myers Park and Event Center
7117 County Road 166, McKinney, TX 75071
*****DO NOT SEND ENTRY FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS*****

Judges: Tracy Zuniga, Aurora, IL (BHAJ-337B), and Pam Opanowitz, Allen, TX (BHAJ-100A)
Mark Shaw, Allen, TX (Relief/Backup Judge, BHAJ-043A)

Entries open on 12/2/2025 and close on 1/21/2025. We will use the random-draw method for this event as described in the Barn Hunt Competitor Rule book. The draw will be performed between 12/16/2025 and 1/7/2026. Online entries are available through Secreterrier.com. We strongly suggest using the online entry option. Paper entries must be mailed - no hand delivery, and no more than four dogs per envelope. No day-of-show entries will be available. Entries for judges and trial committee members will be taken first. An additional maximum number of entries, up to 25% of the total allowed, will be reserved for club members who commit to assist with setup and/or teardown as well as work as needed during the event. Move-ups are allowed from trial to trial.

If you need to pull your entry, please contact the trial secretary prior to 1/28/2026 so that we can fill from the wait list if possible. No-shows who have not contacted the trial secretary will be barred from entering the next available trial.

Judges are limited to a maximum run value which will require this Club to limit entries accordingly. Load Balancing and/or assignment splitting may be done at this event. Any Judge of Record at this Event may be used as a Load Balancing Judge in any ring.

Crazy 8s classes will run concurrently in ring 1 and 2 for trials 1 and 3 with 20 dogs per ring for a total of 40 per day. Competitors will be assigned to one Crazy 8s ring for each trial.

Saturday class order:

Ring 1: Trial 1 Crazy 8s, Instinct, Novice, Open; Trial 2 Senior, Master (Tracy Zuniga)

Ring 2: Trial 1 Crazy 8s, Senior, Master; Trial 2 Novice, Open (Pam Opanowitz [will design Crazy 8s course])

Sunday class order:

Ring 1: Trial 3 Crazy 8s, Senior, Master; Trial 4 Novice, Open (Tracy Zuniga [will design Crazy 8s course])

Ring 2: Trial 3 Crazy 8s, Instinct, Novice, Open; Trial 4 Senior, Master (Pam Opanowitz)

Crazy 8s classes are limited to 40 dogs per day.

Online entry fees: \$20/run (Instinct, Novice, and Open); \$30/run (Crazy 8s, Senior, and Master).

Mailed entry fees: \$21/run (Instinct, Novice, and Open); \$31/run (Crazy 8s, Senior, and Master).

Late/Day-of-Show entries: add \$5/run whether online or mailed. **Entries paid with vouchers:** add \$1/run.

Trial Chair:

Trial Secretary:

Chief Course Builder:

Chief Rat Wrangler:

Kim Virtanen, kimberlyvirtanen@hotmail.com

Nicole Birnbaum, secretary@greaterdallasbarnhunt.org

Sylvia Wilson

Ashley Brezina



<http://www.barnhunt.com>



Bitches in Season:

Per Barn Hunt Association rules, bitches in season are eligible for entry but will be required to be kept separate from all other dogs and will be run at the end of their classes. There will be designated BIS crating and pottying areas. Entry fees for bitches that come into season will be refunded until the closing date of the trial if you wish to withdraw. After the trial closes, entry fees will not be refunded. If you bring a bitch in season, you must inform the Trial Committee prior to the trial and you are requested to inform all exhibitors at the judges' briefings. Bitches in season must wear pants in the ring as well as at all other times when not pottying.

General Information:

Dogs must be eligible to run a class at time of entry. Dogs will be blinded in groups of five, except for Master which will be groups of four. Dogs who complete a title at a trial may move up in the next trial. Please make move-up requests at the Trial Secretary's desk as soon as possible. Handlers are responsible for making the request in time for the move-up to be processed.

All entries must be accompanied by correct entry fees. Entries must have a Barn Hunt Association registration number. Forms submitted without a registration number will be returned. Any entries received before the opening date will be returned or shredded. A returned check does not constitute a valid entry and will incur a \$50 penalty. No electronic entries other than via Secreterrier.com (see below) will be accepted. Send paper entries to the Trial Secretary and make checks payable to Greater Dallas Barn Hunt. **No changes will be made after Wednesday, 1/28/2026.** Entry forms sent to the trial site will incur a \$10 service charge; see the entry form for the correct address.

We are now taking online entries at secreterrier.com using the random draw feature. This is the recommended and preferred way to enter our trials. Secreterrier collects a non-refundable \$1/run service fee and entry fees upon entry. You will receive an immediate response that your entry was received. After the random draw has been completed, you will receive an entry confirmation by email. **The \$1 Secreterrier fee will also be collected from those using vouchers for entries.**

Mailed-in paper entries must include the correct fees as noted above. These fees include a \$1/run non-refundable processing fee. It's preferable that you complete the entry form below on your computer, or use the "Create/Modify Mail-in Entry Form" feature at barnhunt.com (be sure to click "I understand" and print your entry form) if mailing your entry. Hand-written entries that are not legible will be rejected.

A wait list will be maintained. Entrants who withdraw after the closing date will receive a refund only if there is an entrant on the wait list who can take their place.

Any refunds granted for any reason will be reduced by 3% due to unrecoverable credit card fees.

Managing Your Dogs:

All dogs must be kept on a short leash and under control while on trial grounds except when in the ring. Please consult the rule books for more information on how to manage your dog on Barn Hunt grounds.

Dogs will be run in an order determined by the Trial Secretary, with dogs being handled by the same person separated into different staged groups. Master will be run in blinds of four dogs; all other classes in blinds of five. **All requests for running order changes must be approved by the Trial Committee.**

Sanitation:

Handlers who fail to pick up after their dogs may be excused from the trial. Repeated or egregious offenses on this point may result in expulsion from the sport altogether.

Volunteers:

As is the case with all dog sports, volunteers are critical to the success of every Barnhunt trial. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator or any other Trial Committee member to volunteer for this trial.

Awards:

Strip ribbons will be awarded for First through Fourth place in Novice through Master classes in each height division. Strip ribbons will be awarded for all qualifiers in the regular classes and the Instinct Test. High in Class rosettes will be offered for the fastest qualifying dog in each class in each trial. New Title rosettes will also be awarded.

- Special awards will be offered at this event. If you would like to sponsor a special award, please contact the Trial Chair.
- If you expect to earn a RATCH or RATCHX+, please inform the Trial Secretary before the closing date.

Building and Property Information:

The building will open at 7:00AM and close thirty minutes after all Barn Hunt activity each day. You may check in at any time. The first dog will enter the ring no earlier than 8:00AM. A general briefing will be delivered between 7:45 and 8:00. There is no smoking allowed inside the building, and no alcohol allowed anywhere at the facility. The building is accessible to the differently abled but is not climate controlled. The rings are fenced with compact dirt footing. The blinds are 10'x20' and located inside the building on the north and south sides. Food for human consumption may or may not be offered, but there are several fast-food restaurants nearby. There are indoor restrooms on site.

Barn Hunt Grounds:

Barn Hunt grounds consist of the south side of the building, the restrooms, the parking areas around the building, any grassy or concrete areas around the building, and all hotel or other property where Barn Hunt exhibitors are lodged for the event.

Hotels and Other Accommodations:

There are a number of hotels in the vicinity of the trial site. It is expected that entrants needing hotel accommodations will have their favorites and will make their own arrangements.

Note that some popular hotel chains have changed their pet policies recently, and some have policies that vary from hotel to hotel. It's a good idea to check on this when making reservations.

RV camping facilities are also available at the show site and elsewhere in the area.

Emergency Vets:

Veterinary Emergency Group 1975 N. Central Expressway Allen, TX 75013 214-764-7702 (Closest to trial site)	Emergency Animal Hospital of Collin County 10225 Custer Rd, Plano, TX 75025 214-547-9900	Hillside Veterinary Clinic 6150 E. Mockingbird Lane Dallas, TX 75214 214-824-0397
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ENTRY FORM

Greater Dallas Barn Hunt

Licensed Barn Hunt Trials

Opening Date: 12/2/2025 - Draw Date: between 12/16/2025 and 1/7/2026 - Closing Date: 1/21/2026

Myers Park and Event Center – 7117 County Road 166, McKinney, Texas 75071

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Check A or B for each trial:

- ☐ Trial 1, Saturday January 31 2026
☐ Instinct ☐ Novice ☐ Open ☐ Senior ☐ Master ☐ Crazy 8s ☐ A ☐ B
- ☐ Trial 2, Saturday January 31 2026
☐ Novice ☐ Open ☐ Senior ☐ Master ☐ A ☐ B
- ☐ Trial 3, Sunday February 1 2026
☐ Instinct ☐ Novice ☐ Open ☐ Senior ☐ Master ☐ Crazy 8s ☐ A ☐ B
- ☐ - Trial 4, Sunday February 1 2026
☐ Novice ☐ Open ☐ Senior ☐ Master ☐ A ☐ B

Please check appropriate test date and class boxes above. SPECIAL NOTE: to reserve space for everyone, Crazy 8s will be limited to 40 runs per day.

I am a club member and am entering at the member price for: ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday

Fees: \$21 per run (Instinct/Novice/Open); \$31/run (Crazy8s/Senior/Master), due with mailed entry. Day of show (if available) add \$5. Includes \$1.75 Barn Hunt Association recording fee and \$1 Secreterrier fee. Entries with fees payable to Greater Dallas Barn Hunt are to be mailed to:

Nicole Birnbaum, 963 Shelby Lane, Lewisville, TX 75056

I enclose entry fees in the amount of: \$ _____
Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any): _____
*BHA Registration #: _____
Full Name of Dog: _____
Call Name: _____ Breed: _____
Sex: _____ Date of Birth: _____ **Height at Withers: _____
Actual Owner(s): _____
Owner's Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

*Dogs are required to have a Barn Hunt Registration number to show in Barn Hunt. Register your dog online at www.barnhunt.com. Allow at least 48 hours to receive a Barn Hunt number.

** Dogs may be measured at judges' discretion.

Entries will be confirmed by email. Write your email address clearly or fill out entry form on computer (preferred).

AGREEMENT

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, the event-giving club, 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 club-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 show-giving club may publish materials, use my name, photograph, and/or make reference to me in any manner that the Corporation or project sponsor deems appropriate in order to promote/publicize service opportunities.

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

Telephone:

Email: