



Smarty Paws Rat Pack Spring Trial

April 3- 5, 2026

Friday- Sunday: 7:30am- 6pm

6 Trials, 2 Judges

This trial will be held at 4175 N. Rancho Dr., Suite #120, Las Vegas, NV 89130

Trial Chairperson is Brenda McCracken: b.mccracken999@gmail.com, 702-575-5692

Trial Secretary is Sara Shumway: smartypawsbarnhunt@gmail.com, 702-488-1054

Trial Judges are **Jim Shear** (BHAJ-189A) and **Angie Shear** (BHAJ-190A)

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.

Committee Members include: Brenda McCracken, Jaclyn Rabito, Madison Whitman, Brandy Whitman, Bri Jansen, Laura Foley, and Sara Shumway

Chief Course Builder: Nick Luthi

Event Numbers: BHLE-260685, BHLE-260686, BHLE-260687, BHLE-260688, BHLE-260689, BHLE-260690

*****PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE PREMIUM, WE HAVE INCLUDED NEW INFORMATION FOR THE REGISTRATION PROCESS*****

On Friday the 3rd, the facility will open at 7:30am, check-in will start at 7:30am, please check-in at least 15 minutes prior to your run, Judge's Briefing is at 7:45am. This trial will start with the first dog entering the ring at 8:00am on Friday April 3rd- we will run in this order: Instinct, Novice, Novice, Open, Open, Crazy 8s, Senior, Senior, Master, & Master. Jim Shear will judge Instinct, Novice, Open, plus any Senior/Master runs to keep judges' hours at minimums. Angie Shear will judge C8s, Senior, & Master.

On Saturday, the facility will open at 7:30am, check-in will start at 7:30am, please check-in at least 15 minutes prior to your run, General Briefing is at 7:45am and then we load the first blind immediately. This trial will start with the first dog entering the ring at 8:00am on Saturday April 4th. The facility will close when the events are completed. April 4th will run in this order: Master, Open, Open, Instinct, Novice, Novice, Master, Senior, & Senior. Jim Shear will judge Master runs. Angie Shear will judge Instinct, Novice, Open, & Senior.

On Sunday the 5th, the facility will open at 7:30am, check-in will start at 7:30am, please check-in at least 15 minutes prior to your run, Judge's Briefing is at 7:45am. This trial will start with the first dog entering the ring at 8:00am on Sunday April 5th- we will run in this order: Instinct, Novice, Novice, Open, Open, Senior, Senior, Master, Master, & Crazy 8s. Jim Shear will judge Master. Angie Shear will judge Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, & C8s.

Classes are consecutive. A Barn Hunt Association Number is required to enter this trial.

This location is an indoor facility with a parking lot in front of the building. Please park in the designated areas, we will include instructions in the confirmation email. We will have parking spots designated for volunteers. Dogs will be crated in vehicles and must be on leash at all times when not actively hunting.

The 2 rings are indoors with rubber flooring that is covered with straw.

The blind will be 10'x20' in size to accommodate 4- 6 dogs and handlers. Chairs will be provided in the blind.

The running order will be posted near the blind. We reserve the right to change the run order if necessary.

If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Sara Shumway (702-488-1054). Volunteers will be given raffle tickets that can be used for prizes or future discounts on trials.

Stephanie Reed with Play Paws Record Video & Photo will be taking photos and videos at the event. Stephanie will have a signup sheet onsite.

- **RUN ORDER:** The club reserves the right to change the run order based on entries received and shall send the judging schedule prior to the start of the trial with confirmation. Dogs will run in staged groups of no more than six (6). Dogs being handled by the same person will be separated into different staging groups (blinds).
- **MOVE UPS:** Previous trial move ups must be submitted by Noon, **March 27, 2026**, via email. Same day move ups must be turned in to the Secretary no later than 30 minutes after the last class of the first trial of the day. Next day move ups must be submitted no later than 30 minutes after the last class of the day. Exhibitors may also request lateral and move downs.
- **HEALTH/SAFETY:** We will follow all local and state health & safety rules with information being sent out with your final confirmation as these rules can change quite frequently. If you are not able or willing to follow the local/state rules, please **DO NOT** enter this trial.
- **COLLARS & LEADS:** No electronic collars, bark collars, muzzles or head halters allowed on Barn Hunt show grounds. Per Barn Hunt Association all pinch collars must be covered. No retractable leashes or flexi leads to be used onsite.
- **BITCHES IN SEASON (BIS):** May compete but must be run at the end of each class. BIS must wear pants at all times when not in their vehicle except when being pottied in the designated BIS potty area. Please inform the Trial Secretary prior to the start of the trial so your fellow exhibitors can be made aware of BIS present.
- **HEIGHT DIVISIONS:** Small – Dogs 15" and under at the withers, Medium – Dogs 15.1" to 22" at withers, and Large – Dogs over 22" at withers.
- **DOG AGGRESSION:** A judge or the trial committee may dismiss any dog behaving in a threatening or aggressive manner toward another dog or person. Please report any issues immediately.
- **ANIMAL SAFETY:** The safety of our dogs and rats are our primary concern. By entering these trials, exhibitors acknowledge they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport and that their dogs are familiar and physically able to perform all course elements.
- **AWARDS:** Qualifying runs in Instinct receive a flat qualifying ribbon. Novice through Master qualifying runs receive a flat qualifying ribbon. Novice through Master placement ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 4th double flat. A team earning a new title shall receive a New Title Rosette. The Club awards High in Class Ribbons to the dog receiving the best score in Novice A, Open A, Senior A, Master and Championship Classes. If a

competitor receives a RATCH, RATCHX or higher RATCH title at this trial, they will receive a special RATCH ribbon; we also award Novice X through Senior X Titles ribbons. We have Crazy 8 rosettes available for those teams who earn their Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum, Platinum-Bronze, etc. Titles. ****If you anticipate achieving a RATCH or RATCHX+ or a Crazy 8s Title please advise the trial secretary or trial chair (email or call/text) when you enter the trial.**

- REFUNDS & CANCELLATION POLICY: After the closing date, entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused or barred from competition by action of the trial committee. Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. The club will refund all monies less what is needed to pay for unrecoverable costs if the event 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 event committee. Abuse of any kind toward volunteers, dogs, rats, competitors, grounds, judges, or the trial committee will not be tolerated and will result in immediate dismissal from the event with no refund.
- REFUNDS & CANCELLATION POLICY (continued): Withdrawals after the closing date due to an injury of the dog will receive a refund of paid entry fees. Request for a refund must be accompanied by a dated note from a veterinarian and must be emailed or mailed to the Trial Secretary. If you do not follow all health/safety rules as outlined by BHA, Smarty Paws Rat Pack BH, or local and state governments, you will be asked to leave the grounds immediately, for the weekend, and there will be no refund of your entry fees.
- RETURNED CHECKS: A returned check does not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$50 fee for all returned checks.
- SMOKING: Smoking and Vaping are not allowed on the property.
- FOOD: Bottled water and small snacks will be available for our volunteers.
- No site camping.
- Handlers who fail to pick up after their dogs may be excused from the trial.
- This event is for dogs over 6 months of age.

Entry Fees:

- **Registration Opens March 1st at 8:00am, Registration Closes on March 27th.**
- ****PLEASE READ: DO NOT EMAIL ENTRIES BEFORE 8am, THEY WILL BE DELETED AND NO NOTIFICATION SENT. THIS IS NEW FOR OUR REGISTRATION PROCESS; WE HAVE NEVER INCLUDED A TIME.**
- Instinct, Novice, & Open will be \$25 per run.
- Senior, Master, and Crazy 8s will be \$30 per run.
- Late entries accepted until the trial is full, please add \$5 to each run.
- Move-ups during this trial.
- **Withdrawals & Refunds must be requested by March 27th.**

Please use the entry form on the Barn Hunt Association's website, or use the attached entry form. Entries without signatures or payment will not be accepted. Please fill out your form correctly, any errors on the form will be the responsibility of the owner. You will receive a confirmation email for your entry.

All entries must be accompanied by correct entry fees; your entry is not valid unless payment is received. 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 or after the closing date will be returned. A returned check does not constitute a valid entry and will incur a \$50 penalty. Note: you may fill out your entry form online by clicking "Create/Modify Mail-in Entry Form" at the event link on barnhunt.com. Be sure to click the "I understand" box and print your entry (use the "print" button right under the box) before mailing it. 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.

For payment, you may use Zelle, check, cash, or card.

If you mail or drop off your form, please email a photo of your form prior.

Email your entry form to: smartypawsbarnhunt@gmail.com

You may Zelle your payment to: smartypawsLV@gmail.com

***Please do not Zelle your fees until you receive your Confirmation with your fees listed; Zelle payment is required within 24 hours of your Initial Email Confirmation sent timestamp.**

****If payment is not received within 24 hours, your entry will be removed and placed on the waitlist and the next competitor on the list will be notified****

-OR-

Please take a photo of your form & email it to me prior to mailing it. Mail your entry form and check (payable to “Smarty Paws Canine Coaching, LLC”) to: Smarty Paws Canine Coaching, Attn: Sara Shumway, 4161 N. Rancho Dr., Suite #120, Las Vegas, NV 89130

If you want to pay with cash, please bring your entry form and cash to the Smarty Paws Barn Hunt office (4175 N. Rancho Dr., Suite #120, Las Vegas, NV 89130) Monday- Wednesday during the hours of 10am- 3pm

***EMAIL YOUR FORM PRIOR TO DROP OFF TO SECURE YOUR SPOT**

If you want to pay by credit or debit card, please call the Smarty Paws office at 702-396-8501. There is a 3.5% charge added when using a card.

Entry Form

April 3rd- 5th, 2026

Smarty Paws Rat Pack Barn Hunt, 4161 N. Rancho Dr., Suite #120, Las Vegas, NV 89130

Entry Fees: \$25 for Instinct, Novice, & Open; \$30 for Senior, Master, & Crazy 8s

Late Entry Fees: \$30 for Instinct, Novice, & Open; \$35 for Senior, Master, & Crazy 8s

Dog's Name: _____

Please circle the event(s) you would like to enter:

Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	Trial 4	Trial 5	Trial 6
4/3/26	4/3/26	4/4/26	4/4/26	4/5/26	4/5/26
Instinct		Instinct		Instinct	
Novice	Novice	Novice	Novice	Novice	Novice
Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior
Master	Master	Master	Master	Master	Master
Crazy 8s					Crazy 8s

Please circle if you are interested in lunch on: Saturday/Sunday

Lunch is \$10 per day.

Please mail or email your entry to Sara Shumway

CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL (SmartyPawsBarnHunt@gmail.com)

I have enclosed entry fees in the amount of \$ _____

Full Name of Dog: _____

Call Name of Dog: _____

Barn Hunt Number: _____

Barn Hunt Class, A or B (ex: Novice, Open B,): _____ A or B

Breed: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Dog's height at withers: _____

Owner's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature of Owner: _____

Please check box for waiver. Signature: _____ Date: _____

I agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this, we agree that Barn Hunt Association, Smarty Paws Canine Coaching, Smarty Paws Rat Pack Barn Hunt, the judge, employees, and volunteers of aforementioned parties, & any provider of services are not held responsible for 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(s) on premises or grounds; I assume all liability and responsibility for such claim; and we further agree to hold the aforementioned parties not responsible for any claim for damage or injury to the dog or myself, either physically or mentally, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence while in or upon the premises of the grounds.