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:

Roadway Inn and suites - 161 bridge st East Windsor CT 06088 Baymont Inn and Suites - 260 Main St East Windsor CT 06088 Holiday Inn - 1 Bright Meadow Blvd, Enfield, CT 06082 Quality Inn - 5 Ella Grasso Tumpike Windsor Locks CT 06096

Also at same location!

Barn hunt clinic and fun test on Monday July 2 See www.pvssc.org or email aussielvr@gmail.com for more info. AKC Fast CATs Tuesday and Wednesday- see www.kssc.org or email sskobold@msn.com for more information.



4 The Dogs/PVSSC



July 3-4, 2018 Barn Hunt Trial (2 all-breed trials Tue, 1 all-breed trial Wed) Showplace for Dogs 121 N Road East Windsor, CT 06088 Judge: Elizabeth Staley

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: April 30, 2018.

Maximum of 10 dog entries per envelope.

Closing Date: June 18, 2018.

No Refund of Pre-Entries withdrawn after the closing date.

Standard schnauzer preferred entries starting April 16, 2018.

Limit: 8 hours judging per day

Trial is outdoors on grass. Please come prepared for the weather.

Classes offered Tuesday: RATI , RATN x2, RATO x2, RATS x2 & RATM x2,C28 **Wednesday**: RATI, RATN, RATO, RATS, RATM, C28

Barn Hunt Trial Organizers:

Chairperson: Pat White, halcyonss@comcast.net

Secretary: Michelle Bell, aussielvr@gmail.com, 757-871-7082 6070 Beaver Spring Rd Gloucester VA 23061

Event Committee Members: Pat White, Michelle Bell, Gail Mackiernan

and Members of Potomac Valley Standard Schnauzer Club

Cost: RATI - \$15.00 (Late \$20.00), Novice/Open \$20.00 (Late \$25.00), Senior/Master/Crazy 8's \$25.00 (Late \$30.00). Standard Schnauzers have priority entries starting 4/16/18. On 4/30/18 entries will open to all breeds until limits are reached. Late entries will be accepted from 6/19/2018 until 6/28/2018 at an additional charge of \$5 per entry. There will be no day of show entries accepted.

Payment via personal check, MO, cashier's check made payable to PVSSC, or cash is acceptable. Secretary is not

responsible for cash sent through the mail.

Food Service: www.stirthepot.com is across the street.

Trial Photographer: Lisa Klepp, lisareneevisions.com

Qualifying ribbons and 1st - 4th Place Ribbons will be awarded for each class as well as High In Class. The PVSSC will also offer special ribbons and prizes for Standard Schnauzers as well as "judges choice" award for most entertaining standard schnauzer run per trial. SCHEDULE is subject to change. Please review final confirmation.

9:00 AM General Briefing- Judge: Elizabeth Staley

TENTATIVE Class order Tuesday Instinct - Novice 1, Novice 2, Open 1, Open 2, Crazy 8's, Senior 1, Senior 2, Master 1, Master 2. TENTATIVE Class order Wednesday Master, Senior, Crazy 8's, Open, Novice, Instinct

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.

4 The Dogs, Showplace for Dogs, and PVSSC are not responsible for items left in vehicles.

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.

Emergency Veterinary Services: New England Vet Center and Cancer Care 955 Kennedy Rd Windsor CT. 06095 860-688-8400 Open 24 hours. 5.3 miles from site.

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 aussielvr@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 cofirmations, 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.

Site information:

 No dog suffering from a contagious disease or illness will be allowed on the premises. State law requires proof of rabies vaccination for dogs over 6 months. Please be prepared to provide this.
The Showcase For Dogs is a non smoking facility. If any participant must smoke, it should be done in their car.

3. The picnic tables will be available for use during the event. All trash must be placed in the proper receptacles.

4. Parking will be provided. All cars/vans/vehicles will be parked in an orderly manner and observe traffic patterns and signs.

5. The water station will be available throughout the event.

Observe proper use of the water to prevent waste, heavy mud puddles, or damage to drain sites. **The water is not for human consumption.**

6. Portapottie bathroom(s) will be available to participants.

7. No fires are permitted anywhere on the grounds without permission.

8. All handlers/owners will be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs

9.If any dog is perceived to be a potential hazard, the owner/ handler will be asked to leave the premises.

10. Severe discipline, physical punishment, and/or abuse in any form will not be tolerated. Any handler/owner demonstrating severe punishment will be asked to leave the grounds. 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 littler 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.

Barn Hunt 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 <u>received</u> 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.
- <u>At no time should dogs be tied out or otherwise left attached to</u> <u>something other than a human; specifically, leaving your dog(s) tied</u> <u>to an unattended chair or in an open crate is not allowed.</u>
- 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-aussielvr@gmail.com.

4 The Dogs/PVSSC

East Windsor, CT

Licensed Barn Hunt Trials

Trial 1 7/3	Trial 2 7/3	Trial 3 7/4	
□ Instinct □ Novice □ Open □ Senior □ Master		🗆 Open 🛛 Senior	□ Open □ Senior

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.

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*Barn Hunt Registration number required for valid entry. Register your dog online at: 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 (weiterev to hold Barn Hunt Association, LLC, 4 The Dogs, PVSSC, 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 I egal 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 t heir employees, agents, or any other persons

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

Telephone: _____Email: _____

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

_____ Blind/Staging Steward Gate/Leash Steward

I'm flexible and/or trainable