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*Thank you!*

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Thursday August 27, Friday August 28, 2020  
Two Sanctioned Trials Each Day  
@ Estes Park Events Complex, Barn W  
1125 Rooftop Way, Estes Park CO 80517  
Indoors on concrete.

Judge Sandra Tung (BHAJ-082A)

Permission has been granted by the Barn Hunt Association, LLC for the holding of these barn hunt trials under BHA Rules and Regulations.

**Open to all Breeds and Mixed Breeds of all sizes!**

A Barn Hunt Registration Number **IS REQUIRED** to enter this trial.

**Opening Date:** June 24, 2020

**VIZSLA PRIORITY ENTRY:** ALL BREEDS can enter anytime via the paper entry form after trial opening, but Vizsla's will have priority for the first fourteen days. Entries for all other breeds will be held until July 8 and, if there are still runs available, entered into the trial in order of receipt at that time. On/after July 8, all entries will be entered in the order received regardless of breed.

**Closing Date:** August 10, 2020 (11:59pm MST) after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in the "FEES/ENTRIES" and "REFUNDS" policies of this premium.

Any changes to your entry (besides move-ups) must be done in writing before closing! Please email [Jen@RockyMountainRatters.com](mailto:Jen@RockyMountainRatters.com).

**OTHER EVENTS AT THIS SHOW:**

More information here: [https://www.vcaweb.org/events/specialty\\_2020.shtml](https://www.vcaweb.org/events/specialty_2020.shtml)

**ENTRY LIMIT:**

Until the 240 Maximum Run Value (see BHA club rulebook) per judge limit is reached.

**CLASSES OFFERED:**

Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master, Crazy 8's  
Dogs may enter both the Instinct class and Novice class in the same Trial until the dog has earned the RATN title and then they cannot enter the Instinct class any longer.

**BLIND INFORMATION:**

Blind will be 10'x20' and located 20' away from the ring.  
Master will be blinds of 4 dogs, all other classes will be blinds of 5 dogs.

**TRIAL GROUNDS:**

Inside Barn W is considered BHA trial grounds and subject to BHA rules & regulations.

**PRELIMINARY RUNNING ORDER:** (subject to change based on entries)

Instinct (T1), Instinct (T2), Novice (T1), Novice (T2), Open (T1), Open (T2), C8 (T1), Senior (T1), Senior (T2), Master (T1), Master (T2), C8 (T2)

**PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE:**

Building will open at 7am. Briefing at 8am. Trials to follow briefing.

**FEES & LATE/DOS ENTRIES:**

Pre-Entry: \$20 Instinct, \$27 Novice/Open/Senior/Master/Crazy 8s.

Late entry WILL be offered. **There will be no day of show entries.**

*(You can enter at the trial for the following days, just not same day.)*

Late Entry: \$25 Instinct, \$30 Novice/Open/Senior/Master/Crazy 8s.

Check the status of runs available on our website

[www.RockyMountainRatters.com/events](http://www.RockyMountainRatters.com/events)

Checks Payable To: Rocky Mountain Ratters

Send Entries & Fees To: Jen Giacchi, 13120 Raritan St, Westminster CO 80234

Online entry at [www.RockyMountainRatters.com/events](http://www.RockyMountainRatters.com/events) may be available if runs are still available after the trial opens to all breeds on July 8.

All entries must be accompanied by full entry fees to be valid. A returned check does not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$50 fee for all returned checks. No entries will be taken over the phone or electronically (other than the online entry form on our website). Maximum of 10 dog entries per envelope.

**Trial Chair/Secretary:** Jennifer Giacchi

Address: 13120 Raritan St, Westminster CO 80234

Email: [Jen@RockyMountainRatters.com](mailto:Jen@RockyMountainRatters.com)

Cell: 720-523-3647 (Matrix Dog, LLC)

**Trial Committee:** Natalie Nelson-Lang, Kathy Bourland, Judy Katz, Cindy Pitts

**AKC Liaison:** Judy Katz

### MOVE UPS:

From another event can be made up until 24 hours prior to the start of the trial. Requests must be in writing. Email Jen@RockyMountainRatters.com.

During the event move-ups are allowed each day, but must be submitted to Trial Secretary within 30 minutes of the conclusion of your class (MUST BE BEFORE the start of the class you are moving into, if that's shorter than 30 minutes).

### AWARDS:

Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to all dogs with qualifying scores. Placement ribbons will be awarded to first through fourth place in each of the three height divisions for Novice, Open, Senior, and Master classes. Title ribbons will be awarded for Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master & C8.

### HEIGHT DIVISIONS:

- Dogs 13" and under - Small
- Dogs 13.1 to 18" - Medium
- Dogs over 18" - Large

### VOLUNTEERS:

We need your help! A Volunteer Sign-Up sheet will be on site. We will need Gate Stewards, Rat Wranglers, Course Builders, Leash Runners, Scribes, and Sheet Runners. Information about each position is available at [www.BarnHunt.com](http://www.BarnHunt.com).

### EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:

All dogs must be at least 6 months of age to compete in a Barn Hunt event.

All dogs must be on a short leash and under control while on trial grounds except while showing. **FLEXI LEASHES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON TRIAL GROUNDS. Per BHA rules:** electronic collars, bark collars (including citronella), head halters, and muzzles are not allowed to be used on the trial grounds. **Dogs are required to run "naked" and should be brought into the ring with collars/harnesses/slip leads which can be easily and quickly removed and replaced.** Please see page 10 section 14 of the competitor rulebook for further information regarding collars and leashes.

### RV PARKING & HOTEL INFO:

[https://www.vcaweb.org/events/specialty\\_2020.shtml](https://www.vcaweb.org/events/specialty_2020.shtml)

There is **NO SMOKING** on the grounds. Please pick up after your dog and dispose of waste in appropriate containers outside the building.

**The trial will be held indoors. Please be prepared for hot/cold weather as this is Colorado and it could also snow or be hot! There is no guarantee of electricity.**

### CRATING:

Crating indoors on concrete. Please clean up after yourselves!

Disruptive dogs will have to be crated outside of the trial area. If your dog cannot handle other dogs or people walking past their crate, plan to crate outside the trial area. Please bring adequate shade.

### BITCHES IN SEASON:

**Bitches in season are eligible to compete but will be required to be kept separate from all other dogs and will be run at the end of their class/trial and must wear pants.** If bringing a bitch in season, please inform the trial secretary prior to the trial and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing.

### REFUNDS:

Refunds/credits will be issued within 10 days of the completion of the event.

Any entries pulled prior to pre-entry closing will be refunded minus any PayPal/Transaction fees. You must pull in writing (email or in person).

Any entries pulled after pre-entry closing will only be given a credit in the form of a voucher (minus a \$10 administrative fee per day) if there is:

- a) an entry on the waitlist that can take your spot (\*refund issued minus admin fee)
- b) an injury to the entered dog, in which case a veterinary note may be required
- c) a death or hospitalization of an immediate family member, in which case a doctor's note may be required
- d) an emergency weather declaration (i.e. road closure due to weather, national weather emergency)

**You must pull in writing (email or in person) before 7 am on the day of the trial.**

If you wish to re-enter another day with your voucher you will pay the current entry fee rate. **TREAT VOUCHERS LIKE CASH. THEY WILL NOT BE REPLACED IF LOST.**

Entry fees will not be refunded/credited in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused or barred from competition by action of the Trial Committee or BHA.

Entry fees will not be refunded/credited in the event that a handler is ill or injured.

Entry fees will not be refunded/credited for bitches in season as they are eligible to compete.

Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an "act of God" such as flood or fire, or civil disturbances or any other causes beyond the control of the organizing committee, the event may be canceled. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them of the cancellation. Any refund of entry fees due to this will be made at our discretion.

There are numerous places for food close by and there are indoor restrooms in an adjacent building.

## DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE:

### From the North/South:

Take I-25 to Exit 243. Use the left 2 lanes to turn left onto CO-66 W. Follow US-36 W to 4th St in Estes Park. Turn left on 4th St and take the next left onto Rooftop Way. Pass the Estes Park Events Complex on your right, the next building will be Barn W.



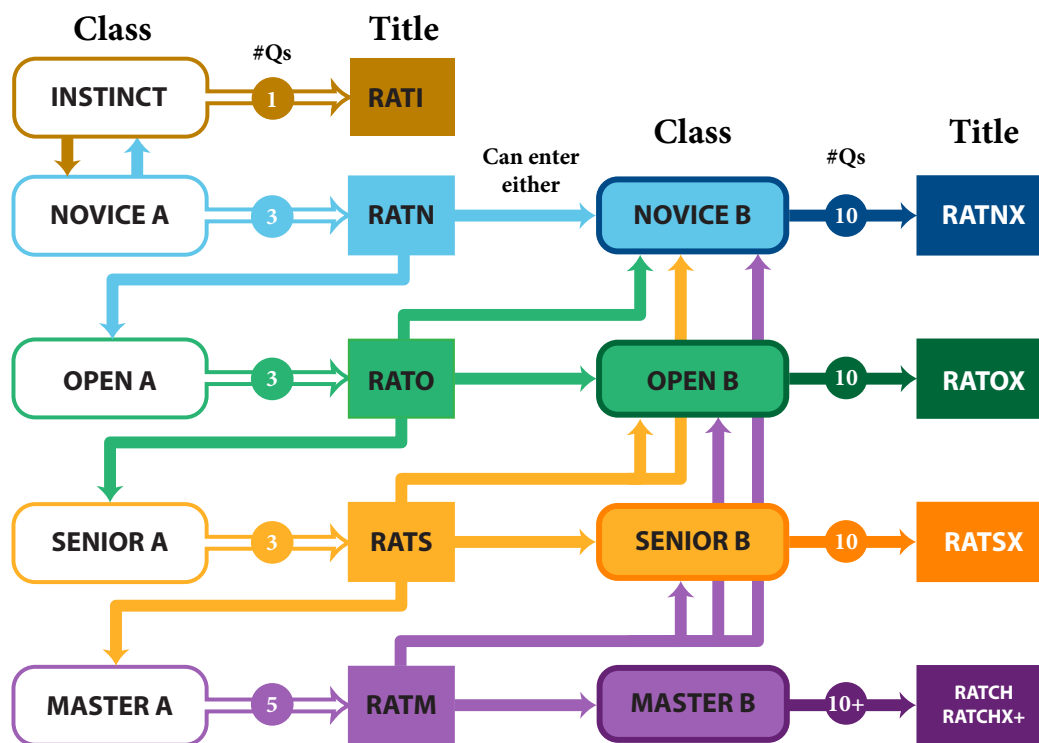
# Barn Hunt® Guide to A and B Classes



Beginning in the summer and fall of 2018, the Barn Hunt Association will start implementing B classes and a new titling track. These changes affect only the Regular classes of Novice, Open, Senior, and Master. The changes were made to give teams an opportunity to stay at a single level or move down to a previous level while also giving them an opportunity to achieve new titles at that level. Here is what you need to know about the new B classes.

- All dogs, regardless of handler experience, start in A class at each level and stay in A class until the dog attains the title at that level.
- Once a dog finishes a title from A class, that dog may either move UP to the A class at the next level, LATERALLY into the B class at the same level, or DOWN to any previous level they are eligible to enter.
- In B classes, X titles are awarded after 10 qualifying scores. 10 qualifying scores in Novice B will be RATNX, 20 scores will be RATNX2, etc.
- There will be one set of placements for all competitors in each B class level, regardless of height.
- A dog may show in any class that dog is eligible for. So a dog with a Master title may move DOWN and show in Novice B, Open B, or Senior B.
- Dogs are not required to finish a particular B class title to move on from that class. A dog may have multiple qualifying scores from different levels and may choose to enter different B class levels at different events.
- Dogs are never required to enter any lower level B classes, but must enter Master B to attain the titles of RATCH, RATCHX, and above.
- **For each Event:**
  - All dogs must be entered in only one class level and type. (i.e., a dog cannot be entered in Novice B on one day and Open A on the next.)
  - Dogs entered in B class must stay in that class for the entire event (may not move up or down during an Event.)
- Dogs may be entered in one B class level one weekend and a different one the next. As an example, a dog with a RATM title could enter Master B on one weekend, then Open B the next, up to Senior B, then back to Master, etc.
- All existing Master scores and titles are grandfathered in to the B classes.

## TITLE PROGRESSION CHART



In the chart above, the A classes are listed on the far left. Next are the Qs needed to get the title at that level. Once you have the title the solid arrows show you where you can go next. For example, once you have your RATS title (gold box), you can follow the solid gold arrows to see that you can next enter either Master A, Senior B, Open B, or Novice B. Each X title takes 10 qualifying scores.

## Rocky Mountain Ratters Licensed Barn Hunt Trials

Thursday	Trial 1: Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	Crazy 8's
Thursday	Trial 2: Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	Crazy 8's
Friday	Trial 1: Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	Crazy 8's
Friday	Trial 2: Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	Crazy 8's

*Circle classes above that you wish to enter. Instinct and Novice may be entered at the same trial. For all other regular classes only one class/level per trial is allowed. Only enter the class for which your dog is eligible. Crazy 8's may be entered in addition to the regular classes and any/all levels are welcome to enter Crazy 8's.*

Trial Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: **A** or **B** Level Classes

(If nothing is circled we will presume you are entering A classes.)

Pre-Entry Fees (before closing): \$20 for each Instinct.      \$27 for each Novice/Open/Senior/Master/C8.

Late Entry & Day Of Show Fees (after closing): \$25 for each Instinct.      \$30 for each Novice/Open/Senior/Master/C8.

Make Checks Payable to **Rocky Mountain Ratters**. Mail to Jen Giacchi, 13120 Raritan Street, Westminster CO 80234

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 (13" and under)       M (13.1" to 18")       L (over 18")

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

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

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

*\*A Barn Hunt Registration # required for valid entry. Register your dog online at [www.barnhunt.com](http://www.barnhunt.com). Allow at least two (2) business days to receive a Barn Hunt #.*

I understand and agree to the refund policy listed in the premium.

AGREEMENT: I (we) acknowledge that if this application for the entry of this dog is made available to me (us) for participation in a Barn Hunt event, that I (we) agree that this facility has the right to refuse the entry of this dog and/or they reserve the right to dismiss the dog and myself for cause which Barn Hunt deems to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this and the opportunity to train my dog(s), I (we) agree to hold Barn Hunt Association, LLC, Matrix Dog, LLC, Rocky Mountain Ratters and all associates 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 or dogs while in or upon the premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim, and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for damage or injury to the dog or myself, either physically or mentally, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by negligence while in or upon the premises of the Barn Hunt grounds. The terms of this agreement bind the parties for the current period of training, and all subsequent classes/training/events in which they hereafter participate.

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

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

ENTRIES WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL. WRITE YOUR EMAIL CLEARLY.