



NOWDA RAT'S NEST

July 4-6, 2025

6 Barn Hunt Trials

Tucker Creek Farm



PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED
BY BARN HUNT ASSOCIATION LLC

TO HOLD THESE BARN HUNT TRIALS UNDER BHA RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR
A COPY OF THE RULES GO TO: www.barnhunt.com

Friday July 4 Trial #1 Crazy 8s — Trial #2 Crazy 8s
Saturday July 5 Trial #3- Instinct, Novice, Open, Seniors, Masters
Trial #4—Masters, Seniors, Open, Instinct, Novice
Sunday July 6 Trial #5 - Instinct, Novice, Open, Seniors, Masters
Trial #6 - Masters, Seniors, Open, Instinct, Novice

B Classes will be offered

BHLE#—251437 to 251442

Judge- Madison Shepstone BHAJ-293A

TUCKER CREEK FARM
3020 Hwy 61, Slate River, ON

DOGS MUST HAVE A BARN HUNT NUMBER TO PARTICIPATE

Available at : www.barnhunt.com

Open to all breeds and mixed breeds.

Entries open May 1 and close June 4, 2025

Late entries and Day of Trial entries \$5 additional fee/class



Trial Chairperson— Candace LaFrance

Secretary: Kris Brown, 65 Margaret St, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 6W2

nowdabarnhunt@gmail.com 807-472-6720

Trial Chief Rat Wrangler: Serena Ireland

Trial Committee: Kris Brown, Candace LaFrance, Serena Ireland

Barn Hunt Rules can be obtained online in the form of a PDF file at <http://barnhunt.com>

Dogs are required to have a Barn Hunt registration number to compete in a Barn Hunt trial. Register your dog online at www.barnhunt.com. Handlers are responsible for entering and writing legibly the correct Barn Hunt number for their dog on entry form. An incorrect number may result in any legs earned being forfeited.

Directions to the trial site:

From Thunder Bay airport: head south on Hwy 61 for 10 km, farm is on the right just past Little Norway Rd and GFL Environmental. If you pass Hacquoil Rd you've gone too far.

Coming from the US: head north on Hwy 61 for 28 miles, address is on the left past Hacquoil Rd, if you pass Little Norway Rd you've gone too far.

We will have 1 ring with one judge

Friday: start time and briefing at 5:30 for

Trial #1- Crazy 8s followed by Trial #2—Crazy 8s.

Sat & Sun 9 am is General briefing and judges briefing.

First dogs should be ready to go to the blinds at 9:15am.

Saturday Trial #3—Instinct, Novice, Senior, Open, Masters

Saturday Trial #4—Masters, Seniors, Open, Instinct, Novice

Sunday Trial #5 - Instinct, Novice, Senior, Open, Masters

Sunday Trial #6— Masters, Seniors, Open, Instinct, Novice

LOOK CAREFULLY AT THE RUN ORDER WHEN IT IS SENT OUT.

SO YOU KNOW WHEN TO BE THERE AND BE READY.

The running order and further scheduling details will be emailed to all exhibitors after the actual number of entries are known for each class.

Saturday runs height order small to large, Sunday height order large to small.

Dogs being handled by the same person will be separated into different blinds.

Move ups will be allowed trial to trial.

Height divisions:

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU'RE ENTERED IN THE RIGHT DIVISION

Small: Dogs 15" and under ▪

Medium: Dogs 15.1 to 22"

Large: Dogs over 22"

Special Awards may be offered at this event

Contact trial secretary if you wish to donate a special award!

Exhibitor Information:

Entry forms can be created on the barn hunt site at www.barnhunt.com, then printed or scanned and sent with your payment.

Entering and paying through Dogshow.ca will give you actual online entry for the trials without any other steps. The waiver will need to be signed and sent to the trial secretary or can be filled out at the trial.

Cheques payable to : NOWDA—\$50 charge for all NSF cheques

Send entries to the trial secretary:

Kris Brown, 65 Margaret St, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 6W2 807-472-6720

Email: nowdabarnhunt@gmail.com Or enter online at dogshow.ca

Food & Drinks:

There will be a lunch break between each trial on Sat/Sun at the judge's discretion.

Purchase of food will NOT be available on site.

Refunds:

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee. No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reasons of riots, civil disturbances, fire, acts of God, public emergency, an 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 entry forms; illegible or incomplete entries cannot be entered in the trial. If cancelled due to Covid 19, partial refunds MAY be given.

Dog must be ON LEASH at ALL times unless they are in the ring or crated.

We will be adhering to all restrictions in place for/by Tucker Creek Farm as well as all BHA rules.

The safety of the dogs and rats is our primary concern. 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. It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dog(s) and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dog(s) and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behaviour may, at the discretion of the trial committee, may be asked to leave the site. In that case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

Exhibitors are responsible for being ready to go to the staging area when it is their turn to run. The judge need not wait for any dog holding up a class. Owners are responsible for any error made on entry forms, regardless of who may have made the errors.

Loud/Disruptive dogs:

Dogs that are loud and disruptive may be asked to locate away from the rings/crating area and/or staged away from the other dogs getting ready to compete. 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 trial committee. Terrier sparring is not allowed on trial grounds. Any dog that is sick, injured or lame will be excused from the trial grounds.

NO CRATING NEAR RINGS/CRATING IN VEHICLES PREFERRED

CRATING: All dogs must be on leash or crated at all times unless actively working, or going to or from the ring, or being pottied.

Dogs can get excited at barn hunt events. Dogs must be securely crated at all times or with the owner and on leash. Dogs may not be left unattended outside of a secure crate.

Please pick up after your do(g)s and take your waste/garbage with you.

Always be mindful of 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.

Bitches in season are eligible for entry but will be required to be kept separate from all other dogs and will be run in panties at the end of their class. Review the barn hunt rules for other details. If bringing a bitch in season, please inform the trial committee prior to the trial, and you must inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing. Please be considerate of other exhibitors and their dogs.

Accommodation

All dogs should be crated in rooms .

More and more hotels are refusing dogs.

Please be responsible.

PLEASE BE A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER AND A THOUGHTFUL GUEST.

YOU WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES INCURED BY YOUR DOG(S)

DOG MUST BE CRATED WHEN LEFT UNATTENDED



Entry forms can be created online at barnhunt.com.

BUT you must print them off and send to the Trial Secretary, it doesn't enter you in the trials.

FULL ONLINE ENTRY is done through Dogshow.ca...
all credit card and etransfers are processed through dogshow.ca

The entry form can also be used and mailed or dropped off to:

Kris Brown,
65 Margaret St,
Thunder Bay, ON
P7A 6W2

This is for cheques and cash only!! Etransfers must go through dogshow.ca

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CHECK CLASSES ENTERED PER TRIAL ONLY INSTINCT AND NOVICE CAN BE ENTERED IN THE SAME TRIALS.

For all other classes only one class/level per trial allowed. Only enter the class for which your dog is eligible.

Instinct \$20, Novice-Open-Crazy 8 \$25, Senior—Masters \$30 Circle Class: Class A or B



LATE ENTRIES AND DAY OF TRIAL ENTRIES, ADD \$5/CLASS. Move ups allowed.

Barn Hunt Registration number required for valid entry. Register your dog online at: www.barnhunt.com.

CLASS	FRI- T1	FRI - T2	SAT - T3	SAT - T4	SUN - T5	SUN - T6		FEE	TOTAL
Crazy 8								\$25.00	
Instinct								\$20.00	
Novice								\$25.00	
Open								\$25.00	
Senior								\$30.00	
Masters								\$30.00	

Dog Information

BHA Reg # BH _____ Date of Birth _____ Sex _____

Full Name of Dog _____

Call Name _____ Breed _____

Actual Height _____ inches Height Class (circle) **S <15 M 15.1 to 22 L >22**

Owner(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov _____ PC _____

Entries will be confirmed by email, please write/print your email clearly

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 & 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.

Signature of Owner/Agent _____

Telephone _____ **Email** _____

Liability Waiver & Media Release - NOWDA RAT'S NEST TUCKER CREEK FARM TRIALS

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.

By initialing here, I indicate my agreement with the above Liability Waiver. _____

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 publication, 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.

By initialing here, I indicate my agreement with the above Media Release. _____

BARN HUNT PARTICIPANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY

*******READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY*******

In consideration for participating in any **Barn Hunt events at Tucker Creek Farm**, the undersigned agrees as follows for the year of 2025

I will keep my dog under my direct control at all times. This means that I will keep my dog restrained on a leash unless we are actively engaged in working under the direction of the trainer.

I understand that participating in Instinct Events is inherently dangerous due to the unpredictable nature of dogs. This activity exposes my dog and I to above normal risks of personal injury, and my property to above normal risks of damage.

I am participating in the Barn Hunt Events at my own risk.

I am solely responsible for my own safety and that of my dog. I release Tucker Creek Farm et al, the owners of the property on which the barn hunt events takes place, and their agents, managers, employees and volunteers from all liability if I or my dog suffer personal injury and/or my property suffers physical damage.

I will take no legal action against any of the above persons or establishments upon injury to myself or my dog or damage to my property.

I am solely responsible for any personal injury and/or property damage incurred by others and caused by me or my dog, including injury or death to livestock. The replacement cost of the livestock used for this event will be:

Sheep \$ 300.00 ea. Ducks \$ 40 ea. Rats \$ 25 ea.

I will promptly reimburse any party that sustains personal injury and/or property damage caused by me or my dog. In addition, I will indemnify and hold harmless Tucker Creek Farm, and/or the owner(s) of the property on which the barn hunting events take place, from any cause of action brought by others against them caused by the actions of me or my dog.

I declare that I am the legal owner/agent of the dog identified above and that my dog is in good health, including being current on rabies, distemper, parvo and parainfluenza immunizations.

I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT BEFORE SIGNING IT

Signature of Owner/handler:

(If under 18 years of age, signature of parent or guardian)

Date: _____