

**Premium List - Revised 6/30/15  
TWO BHA BARN HUNT TRIALS**

**Wednesday September 16, 2015**



Hosted by the Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA, Inc. (MASCUSA) and Supported by Central Miniature American Shepherd Club (CenMAS)

PURINA FARMS  
300 CHECKERBOARD DRIVE  
GRAY SUMMIT, MISSOURI  
63039

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

**Classes:**

Trial 1: Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master

Trial 2: Novice, Open, Senior, Master

No Move Ups between trials. No Move-Ups after close of entries

**Judges:**

Trial 1: Virginia Huxley, Columbia MO

Trial 2: Kathy Echols, Columbia MO

**These trials are PRE-ENTRY ONLY!**

**No entries accepted before Tuesday May 26.**

Open to All-Breeds and Mixed Breed Dogs

Preference will be given to Miniature American Shepherds until June 9, 6pm.

All Non MAS entries received before June 9 will be placed on a Wait List, and then entered in order received after that time.

Entries Close Wednesday August 26, 2015

Entry Limit 120 runs per Judge

Entry Fees: Instinct \$15 - Novice/Open/Senior \$20 - Master \$25

Trials will be held outside under shelter  
Interlocking rubber matting over cement



Dogs may enter both the Instinct Test and Novice class in the same trial until the dog has earned the RATN title and then they cannot enter the Instinct Test.

Entries accepted by USPS, UPS, Fed Ex, or FAX  
All entries must be accompanied by entry fees to be valid. A returned check does not constitute a valid entry.

There will be a \$25 fee for all returned checks.

Make check payable to MASCUSA.

Send entries & fees to the trial secretary.

Dogs must have a Barn Hunt registration number to show in Barn Hunt.  
Register your dog online at: [www.barnhunt.com](http://www.barnhunt.com).

**Trial Officials:**

Trial Committee: Mary Tamer, Sharon Jonas, Angela Ogle

Trial Chair: Mary Tamer, [matamer21@aol.com](mailto:matamer21@aol.com) 616-886-0972

Trial Secretary: Judith Walker, 1247 Jefferson St., Washington MO 63090

[studiohillk9.eventsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:studiohillk9.eventsecretary@gmail.com) 636-486-6361

**Trial Veterinarian**

Washington Vet Clinic • John Stoltz DVM

5585 Hwy 100, Washington MO 63090

(636) 239-5445

**Schedule**

8:00 am – Purina Farms Gate is Open

12:00-12:30pm – Check in (No day of show entries.)

12:30pm – General Judge's Meeting

12:45pm – Class Judge's Meeting

1:00pm – 1st dog in the ring

**Visit MASCUSA's site for information** about additional events, meals, seminars, sponsorships, catalogs and contests.

<http://mascusa.org/nationals2015.php>

**Additional Premiums are available at**

<http://www.studiohillk9.com>

**Faxed entry info**

<http://www.studiohillk9.com>

## Hotels

**Make reservations early, this is a tourist area.**  
**Please verify pet policy when making reservations**  
**Please mention that you are attending a Purina Event**  
**Dogs may not be left in rooms unattended**

**Travelodge Six Flags** (800) 782-8487 or (636) 742-3501  
581 Hwy 100 E & Gray Summit Exit, Villa Ridge, MO 63089 2 miles from Purina  
\$75 per night plus \$15 per night pet charge. Book online now for better pricing, but they will charge your credit card upon booking. This is a very pet friendly motel with lots of walking area & a grooming room with tubs; however, it is an older motel. They are upgrading the rooms and should be done by Sept.

**Holiday Inn I-44 & Allenton**, 4901 Six Flags Rd, Eureka MO 63025  
(636) 938-6661 From \$85-100 per night plus \$30 pet fee  
Very pet friendly with walking trails, grooming room with tubs

**Wildwood** 2801 Fountain Place, Wildwood, MO 63040  
(636) 733-9100 15 miles North of Purina Farms  
\$85 per night

**Comfort Inn** 1320 Thornton St., Pacific, MO 63069  
(636)257-4600 \$95 plus \$40 for pets – 2 max.

**Quality Inn** 1400 West Osage St., Pacific, MO 63069  
(636) 257-8400 \$15 per day pet fee

**Budget Lodging**, 866 South Outer Road, St. Clair MO 63077 (Exit 240)  
636-629-1000

RV spaces with hook ups are available on site.  
A form will be in the premium book for Three Rivers Cluster.

Additional Hotels in the area, search Fenton, Eureka, and Pacific

## RV

For RV/Camping Info, There is a nightly charge of \$25 for use of full-service RV spots on Purina Farms. Parking in those areas must be reserved two weeks prior to show date. A form will be in the premium book for Three Rivers Cluster. Only a maximum of two cars may park in the spots allowed for the RV & must be affiliated with that RV.



## EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

All dogs must be on a short leash and under control while on trial grounds except while showing. **FLEXI LEASHES ARE NOT PERMITTED INSIDE ANY BUILDINGS.**

Please pick up after your dog and dispose of waste in appropriate containers outside the building.

### **RUNNING ORDER:**

Dogs will be run in height order with dogs being handled by the same person separated into different staged groups. The run order and further scheduling details will be e-mailed to all competitors after trial closes and the actual number of entries in each class is known. MASCUSA reserves the right to change run order based on entries.

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

Please bring weather appropriate gear. These trials will be held outdoors. There will be crating space available under cover, or out of your vehicles. Please make sure your crate is secure as the dogs may be highly excited.

**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 class/trial.**

Entry fees for bitches that come into season will be refunded until closing time of the trial if you wish to withdraw. After the trial closes, entry fees will not be refunded. If bringing a bitch in season, please inform the trial secretary prior to the trial and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing.

Please bring adequate water for you and your dogs. There will be a limited concession available on site and there are also numerous fast food restaurants within 5-10 minutes of the trial.

There will be Port-A-Johns also available. There are indoor restrooms in the Event Center up the hill and the Visitors Center. Both within walking distance.

**Dog Aggression:** 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.

**Refunds:** No refunds will be made after the entry deadline. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused or barred from the 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.

## Volunteer Sign-Up Form

Volunteers are the backbone of any Barn Hunt Trial. Get involved, and enjoy the day even more. Please give us an idea of what job you would be most comfortable helping with. We will make sure you have ample time to prepare your dog for his/her runs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Gate Steward/ Staging Steward** -- Responsible for calling the exhibitors into the blind, and are brought to the ring when the judge is ready. This is an important job that requires good concentration and people skills.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Timer** – The judge may act as timer or designate someone else to time. This person is responsible for accurately timing each dog's run. This is an important job that requires concentration.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Course Builder**—quickly and accurately moves bales of straw into different configurations to build and maintain the courses per judge's instructions

\_\_\_\_\_ **Trial Secretary helper**--Assists trial secretary with various duties.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Scribe Sheet Runner** -- Brings Scribe sheets from the ring to the trial office/secretary.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Scribe** - - Responsible for accurately recording the judge's calls for tunnels, climbs, and the final run time, etc. This is an important job that requires excellent concentration. The judge may or may not request a scribe.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Leash Runner** – Accepts leash and collar from handler and places it near the exit. May also assist as sheet runner.

\_\_\_\_\_ **RatWrangler** – responsible for rats and PVC tubes and able to ensure humane treatment of same. There should be two rat wranglers, one inside and the other outside the ring. Both work with the judge to remove and replace rats in a timely and efficient manner so as to facilitate efficient trial flow.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Hospitality** – Greets attendees and exhibitors and directs them to trial office/secretary for sign in. Coordinates refreshments, if offered.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Will help where needed** (Train me)

It takes a village to find a rat...

## HOW TO WATCH A BARN HUNT

1. Try and watch through an entire group of 5 hunts. By arriving and leaving as the rat locations are changed, keeps disruption to a minimum.
2. Observe and admire the hunting, scenting, problem solving, and teamwork skills of the dogs and handlers.
3. Do not mention where the rats / tubes are hidden, either to another observer or competitor. You could be overheard by others.
4. Minimize conversation during the run. Once the run is over, feel free to cheer and congratulate or commiserate with the team.
5. If you see a dog eliminate on course and the judge/gate steward did not see it, wait until after the run to tell the gate steward, who will arrange for clean-up.
6. Other than elimination in the ring, if the judge did not see it, it did not happen. If the judge did not see the climb/tunnel or other non-qualifying behavior (patting bale, touching dog, etc.), it is not spectators / competitors responsibility to mention it.
7. Please give room to the outside rat wranglers removing tubes along the fence line.
8. All dogs must remain at least 20 feet from the ring.
9. No food or beverages allowed near the ring.
10. Let your dog relax in the crate or car while you are watching. You learn more without having to attend to your dog. Well-behaved, quiet dogs may be crated in the crating area.
11. You may video or photograph for personal use only, as long as you are not a distraction to the team; i.e., loud shutter noise, too close, or hanging over fencing, etc.
12. NO visiting the "Rat Rest Area" with or without a dog. Strictly enforced!
13. Children must be attended at all times, or will be fed to the rats.
14. This is a high-arousal sport! Be aware of your surroundings and dogs entering and leaving the ring.
15. HAVE FUN!!

## AWARDS:

Rosettes will be awarded for first through fourth place in Novice, Open, Senior and Master classes in each height division.

Ribbons will be awarded for all qualifiers in the regular classes and the Instinct Test.

High in Class rosettes will be offered in Novice, Open, Senior and Master classes for each trial.

New Title rosettes will be awarded to all dogs earning a title

RATCH – rosettes will be ordered and mailed to the recipients after the trial.

## National Specialty Awards

The following MASCUSA Performance Awards will be presented at the MASCUSA National' Banquet, Thursday, September 17th, 2015:

- MASCUSA Nationals Barn Hunt Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd All Trials Combined - Overall - Gift (\$40 value)
- MASCUSA Nationals Barn Hunt Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd All Trials Combined - Masters Level - Gift (\$30 value)
- MASCUSA Nationals Barn Hunt Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd All Trials Combined – Senior Level - Gift (\$30 value)
- MASCUSA Nationals Barn Hunt Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd All Trials Combined – Open Level - Gift (\$30 value)
- MASCUSA Nationals Barn Hunt Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd All Trials Combined - Novice Level - Gift (\$30 value)

The formula for calculating Levels will be:

- Novice - 2 points for each qualifying run (Trial #1 Nov, Trial #2 Nov)
- Open – 4 points for each qualifying run (Trial #1 Open, Trial #2 Open)
- Senior – 5 points for each qualifying run  
(Trial #1 Senior, Trial #2 Senior)
- Master – 6 points for each qualifying run  
(Trial #1 Master, Trial #2 Master)

*Highest Scoring Miniature American Shepherd all Trials Combined (Barn Hunt) –*

*-Purina Pro Plan Duffle Bag offered by Purina*



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**MINIATURE AMERICAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF USA**

Licensed Barn Hunt Trial

T1 Date: 09/16/2015	T2 Date: 09/16/2015
<input type="checkbox"/> Instinct <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Master

Entry Fees per dog per class entry.      Instinct \$15 - Novice/Open/Senior \$20 - Master \$25  
 Fee includes \$1.50 BHA Recording Fee.

Entries Close Wed, Aug 26, 2015, at 6:00 PM, or when the numerical limit has been reached

Mail entries with fees to: Judith Walker, 1247 Jefferson St. Washington MO 63090

Payable to the MASCUSA      All entry fees are payable in U. S. funds.

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  M  L

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

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

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

\*Barn Hunt Registration number 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 number.

\*\* S = 13" and under, M = 13.1" to 18", L = over 18".

**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, **MINIATURE**

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, 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:

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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