



Vancouver Island Performance & Earthdog Group

Barn Hunt Trials

November 12–14, 2021

Anticipated start time 9:00 a.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Storm Haven Acres

5435 Matson Rd., Ladysmith, B.C.

Open to dogs of all breeds & mixed breeds at least 6 months of age

Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master & Crazy 8s classes

Licensed by the Barn Hunt Association, LLC, and held under BHA rules & regulations

All dogs entered must be registered with the Barn Hunt Association

<https://www.barnhunt.com/register.html>

Judges: Karen McClean, BHAJ-231-A, Okotoks, AB

Christina Benishin, BHAJ-272-B, Duncan, BC

Entries open October 6 at 7:00 p.m. and close November 2, 2021, or when entry limit is reached

Entries limited to Maximum Run Value of 240 daily

Late or day of event entries **will not** be available

Trial to trial move-ups and lateral moves will be permitted

TRIAL OFFICIALS

Trial Chair: Denise Smith, 250-895-1831, smithdenise835@gmail.com

Trial Secretary: Teresa Gufstason, 778-885-1874, tgdesign@shaw.ca

Event Committee: Carla Anderson, Kathy Klint, Kristiina Ovaska, Pattie Whitehouse

SCHEDULE

Site opens at 8:00 a.m and closes at 7:00 p.m. every day. Competitor check-in and set-up 8:00–8:45. General briefing at 8:50, followed by class briefing. First dog on the line at 9:00 a.m.

CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

Friday, Nov. 12: Karen McClean, Instinct, Novice, Open
Chris Benishin, Crazy 8s, Senior, Master

Saturday, Nov. 13: Chris Benishin, Instinct, Novice, Open
Karen McClean, Crazy 8s, Senior, Master

Sunday, Nov. 14 Karen McClean, Instinct, Novice, Open
Chris Benishin, Crazy 8s, Senior, Master

RUN ORDER

Run order for all days will be Instinct, Novice 1, Novice 2, Open 1, Open 2, Crazy 8s, Senior 1, Senior 2, Master 1, Master 2. VIPEG reserves the right to change the run order based on entries received and will send out the final class run order and judging schedule two days before the start of the trial. Blinds of 6 dogs will be used for Instinct, Novice and Open; blinds of 5 dogs for Crazy 8s, Senior and Master. Dogs handled by the same person will be in different blinds.

DIRECTIONS TO 5435 MATSON ROAD

From the Trans Canada Highway, turn west at the Cedar Road intersection (just south of Nanaimo Airport). Immediate left onto Thomas Rd. for 1 km, then very hard right onto Matson Rd. Storm Haven Acres is at the very end. Enter through the gate and **close the gate behind you** to prevent neighbour dogs entering the property.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

1. Trials will be held indoors in an unheated, partially open barn on a wood and concrete floor. Covered outdoor blind, 10' x 20'. No indoor crating.
2. There is limited parking near the barn and additional parking elsewhere on the property.
3. **Smoking and vaping are not permitted anywhere on the property.**
4. In the trial vicinity, dogs must be on lead (maximum 6', no retractable leads) or crated except when in the ring, and under control at all times. Note that dogs can become highly excited in this environment. Be proactive in managing your dog(s), give others space and respect the needs of other dogs and handlers.
5. Dogs may be walked on leash, extendable leash or long line in the fenced dog park next to the trial area and in the fields. **Watch for wildlife and livestock. Pick up after your dog!**
6. Electronic collars, bark collars, halters and muzzles may not be used on the trial grounds. Dogs may not be brought to the ring on retractable leads. Prong collars are permitted, but must be covered. Dogs will run naked in the ring.
7. Bitches in season may participate, but must be kept separate from other dogs and crated in your vehicle, must wear panties at all times except when pottying, and will run last in each event for which they are entered. **Advise the trial secretary as early as possible if you will be bringing a bitch in season.**
8. The ring is marginally accessible. Cheerful assistance will be available for competitors with disabilities; please advise the Trial Secretary ahead of time or one of the trial officials at the trial if you need assistance.

AWARDS

Ribbons will be awarded for qualifying runs in all A and B classes, for first to fourth place at each height division in all A classes except Instinct, and for first to fourth place in B classes. Rosettes will be awarded for High in Class and new titles.

DOG AGGRESSION

Any dog behaving in a threatening or aggressive manner towards another dog or person may be dismissed from the trials at the discretion of the judge or the event committee in accordance with trial hearing guidelines and BHA rules.

SAFETY

The safety of human participants, dogs and rats is of primary concern. By entering these trials, competitors acknowledge that they are familiar with Barn Hunt rules and regulations and that their dogs are familiar with and physically able to perform all course elements. In addition, competitors commit to following all instructions and direction from the judge or trial officials. Abuse of any kind towards volunteers, dogs, rats, competitors, judges or trial committee members will not be tolerated and will result in immediate dismissal from the event.

WAIVERS

Please submit the attached waiver with your trial entry. Entries will not be accepted without the waiver.

Competitors who have not previously signed a Storm Haven Acres waiver will be required to do so on arrival.

A COVID waiver will be emailed to competitors with the final trial confirmation package. Please bring it with you to sign and date on your first day of competition at the trial.

COVID PROTOCOLS

Provincial directives and Barn Hunt, LLC requirements in effect at the time of the trial will be adhered to. Details will be sent to competitors with the final trial confirmation package. **If you are not feeling well on the day of the trial, please stay home** and contact the Trial Secretary for a refund of entry fees.

REFUND AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Entry fees will be refunded if the handler is not well on the day of the trial. Otherwise, no refunds after the closing date (November 2) except for sick or injured dogs with submission of a note from a veterinarian. Submit refund request to the Trial Secretary no later than the close of the trial. Refunds will not be issued for dogs who are absent, disqualified, excused or otherwise barred from participating by the judge or the trial committee.

VOLUNTEERING

Come prepared to volunteer. Volunteer sign-up information will be provided at the trial. There will be prize draws for volunteers!

ENTER ONLINE @ WWW.DOGSHOW.CA

TOLL FREE FAX: 1-877-99-ENTRY (36879)



A service charge of 10% will be assessed. This includes entries sent online, by fax or post using a credit card or interac for payment.

To enter by mail: Fill out the form below and send with cheque or money order payable to VIPEG to
Teresa Guftason, 10469 Arbutus Rd., Youbou, BC, V0R 3E1

COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Owner's name: _____ Phone Number: _____
 Email address: _____
 Mailing address _____

DOG INFORMATION

Dog's BHA #: _____ Full Name (no titles): _____
 Call name: _____
 Sex (M/F) ____ Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) _____ Breed: _____
 Height: Small (≤ 13 ") ____ Medium (13.1"–18") ____ Large (> 18 ") ____ Actual Height at Withers _____

Entry fees: Instinct, Novice & Open: \$25 per run. Senior, Master & Crazy 8s: \$30 per run.

Entry fees must accompany registration. Entries will be registered in the order they are received.

Class	Fri. Trial 1	Fri. Trial 2	Sat. Trial 3	Sat. Trial 4	Sun. Trial 5	Sun. Trial 6
Instinct		N/A		N/A		N/A
Novice	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B
Open	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B
Crazy 8s						
Senior	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B
Master						

CERTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT UPON REGISTRATION OR ENTRY OF DOG

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog(s), or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner; the owner(s) name(s) is/are _____.

In consideration of acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and 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 (our) entry. I (we) certify and represent that the dog(s) entered is/are not a hazard (dog or human aggressive) to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance in 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.

LIABILITY WAIVER

I (we) agree that the club holding this event (Vancouver Island Performance and Earthdog Group) has the right to refuse this entry for cause that the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and the holding of this event, I (we) agree to hold Barn Hunt Association, LLC, the event-holding club (VIPEG), the owner of Storm Haven Acres, 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/these dog(s) 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/these dog(s). 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 the employees, agents, or any other persons.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(Entries will not be valid unless accompanied by payment and a signed waiver. One waiver applies to all dogs entered by a single owner and applies to owner and / or designated handler(s).)