

Thursday January 19: FUN TEST

@ Matrix Dog, LLC

13720 Deere Court, Mead CO 80504 Indoors! Fully Matted! Cooled & Heated! *Please see the end of the premium for important information on how to find us.*

Judge: Vicki Franks, Prospective Judge – Kenmore, Washington

Additional judges may be added to load balance, split, and/or relief judge.

Any of the Judges of Record for this event may be used to judge any of the classes at this event at the discretion of the Club under the rule provisions for Load Balancing, Relief Judging, and Splitting. Qualifying scores are assigned to the official Judge of Record for that class.

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

Open to all Breeds and Mixed Breeds of all sizes!

Test Opening Date: Dec. 20, 2022. Entries received before this date will be destroyed. **Pre-Entry Closing Date:** Jan. 9, 2023 or when entry limits are reached.

Late & day of show entries will be accepted for an additional fee if space allows. Late and Day of Show entries are not a guaranteed entry and will be accepted only up to judging limits. Confirmations will not be sent for late entries.

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

ENTRY LIMIT:

Will be limited to approximately 5 hours of judging.

TRAINING IN THE RING WILL BE ALLOWED including use of belly bands.

TREATS IN THE RING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED due to the following trials.

You can enter as many runs in as many classes as you would like. For example, you can enter one dog in four Master, three Open, and two Senior runs if you'd like!

CLASSES OFFERED:

Instinct, Novice, Open, Senior, Master, Crazy 8's.

You can enter as many runs in as many classes as you would like. For example, you can enter one dog in four Master, three Open, and two Senior runs if you'd like!

BLIND INFORMATION:

Blind will be at least 200 square feet, located at least 15' away from the ring. Instinct/Novice/Open will be blinds of up to 6 dogs. Senior & C8's will be blinds of up to 5. Master will be blinds of 4-5.

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

Thurs: FUN TEST ONLY! Instinct, Novice, Open, Crazy 8's, Senior, Master.

FEES: Pre-Entry (received on/before 1/9): All levels \$10 per run.

Late Entry & Day Of (received after 1/9): All levels \$15 per run.

Day of Entries can be submitted at any time prior to the start of the class. CHECK THE WELCOME LETTER FOR CONFIRMED START TIMES.

HALF PRICE Entries for Junior Handlers (under 18 at the time of the tests)! *Please note on entry form if Junior Handler, include age. Must enter via paper form. No credits/refunds for handler changes after pre-entry closing. Additional fees will be due if dog is not run by a junior handler.

Checks Payable To: Rocky Mountain Ratters

Send Entries & Fees To: Jen Giacchi, 13120 Raritan St, Westminster CO 80234 ONLINE ENTRY AVAILABLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL FEE AT www.RockyMountainRatters.com

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 official online entry via the www.RockyMountainRatters.com website. Maximum of 10 dog entries per envelope. For day-of-show entries please bring cash or check along with a completed entry form.

Test Chair/Secretary: Jen Giacchi

Address: 13120 Raritan St, Westminster CO 80234 Email: Entries@RockyMountainRatters.com Cell: 720-523-3647 (Matrix Dog, LLC) Test Committee: Jennifer Giacchi, Natalie Nelson-Lang, Judy Katz, Joe Aden, Summer Aden, Lindy Phillips, Kathy Bourland, Noelle Hufnagel, Carol Henning, Jackie Harris

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE: (check the welcome letter for confirmed times)

Thurs: Building will open at 5pm, Briefing at 5:30pm, Tests to follow.

CHECK THE WELCOME LETTER FOR CONFIRMED TIMES!! This is an estimate!

Building will close no sooner than 30 minutes after the last dog of the day has run.

TEST GROUNDS:

Barn Hunt grounds consist of the Matrix Dog training & event building.

There is an indoor restroom at the site.

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

The test will be held indoors, on matted concrete. There is heating and cooling in the building but please dress appropriately for the outside weather. <u>Please feel free to bring fans, power</u> strips, extension cords, etc.

HEIGHT DIVISIONS:

- Dogs 15" and under Small
- Dogs 15.1 to 22" Medium
- Dogs over 22" 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.

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 test grounds except while showing. **FLEXI LEASHES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON TEST GROUNDS.**

<u>Per BHA rules</u>: bark collars (including citronella, etc), head halters, uncovered prongs and muzzles are not allowed to be used on the test 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 9 section 13 of the competitor rulebook for further information regarding collars and leashes.

FOOD:

There are also numerous restaurants within 10 minutes of the test. See welcome letter for more information.

CRATING:

There will be crating space available inside the building but please make sure your crate is secure as the dogs may be highly excited. Disruptive dogs will have to be crated outside of the covered test area. If your dog cannot handle other dogs or people walking past their crate, plan to crate outside the test area. Please bring adequate shade.

IMPORTANT: Only soft or metal crates are allowed - no x-pens. All crates MUST have a tarp/blanket/towel/mat underneath them, between the crate and the matted flooring. Please be careful about water/food/etc spillage on the mats.

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/test and <u>must wear pants</u>. If bringing a bitch in season, you must inform the test secretary prior to the test and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing.

REFUNDS:

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 test.

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 Test 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/credit of entry fees due to this will be made at our discretion.

AWARDS:

There will be no awards given for the fun test.

RV CAMPING & PET FRIENDLY HOTELS:

There is NO camping allowed on site. There are two RV parks within 15 minutes from the test site.

Visit <u>www.MatrixDog.com</u> and click on the "Nearby Accommodations" link for information on local places to stay!

IMPORTANT DIRECTIONS TO TEST SITE:

Matrix Dog, LLC: 13720 Deere Court, Mead, CO 80504

From I-25 turn East onto Hwy 66. About .5 miles I-25 turn South onto Deere Court. Matrix is the last building on the left, and the middle unit. DO NOT park directly in front of the other units or block the garage bay doors. You can pull up to the building to unload and then parallel park on the dirt off Deere Court or along the back fence. After 5:30pm during the week and all day Saturday and Sunday the neighboring businesses in the building are closed and you can park in those spots.

Call 720-523-3647 with questions.

Visit <u>www.MatrixDog.com/location</u> for more information and a map.

Rocky Mountain Ratters Licensed Barn Hunt FUN TEST Entry Form

Trial 1: Instinct	Novice	Open	Senior	Master	Crazy 8's	
FOR FUN TESTS YOU and two Open runs c		-				ter three Novice runs
Entries <u>Received</u> AFT	ER closing 1/9:	\$15 for all level	s. Entries <u>Receiv</u>	<u>ved</u> ON OR BE	FORE 1/9: \$10 fo	r all levels.
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I enclose entry fees in						
Name of Owner's Ager	nt/Handler (if any):				
BHA Registration #:		(If you have one.	Not required for	<i>fun tests.)</i> Dat	e of Birth:	Sex:
Full Name of Dog:						
Call Name:	Breed:					
Actual Height:	Height Class:]S (15" and unde	er) 🗌 M (15.	1" to 22")	_ L (over 22")	
Actual Owner(s):						
Owner's Address:						
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I understand th	at it is my responsi	bility to read the B	HA rulebook and kn	ow the BHA rules	before competing.	
I understand th entry fee rate.	at if my entry will b	e RECEIVED after t	he pre-entry closing	g date (see premi	um), that I am respon	sible for paying the late
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Signature of owner o	or his agent duly	authorized to i	make this entry:			

Telephone: ______ Email: ______ ENTRIES WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL. TRIAL INFO IS SENT VIA EMAIL. WRITE YOUR EMAIL CLEARLY.