



2017 Grand National Championship 2017 Games Championship 2017 Versatility Championship

(updated 7/7/2017)

Hosted by North Texas Barnhunters



**Myers Park and Event Center
7117 County Road 166,
McKinney, Texas**

(Do not send entries to this address. See the entry form for the correct address.)

Open to all Breeds and Mixed Breeds who have a Barn Hunt Open (RATO) title or above earned on or prior to April 30, 2017. *Preference will be given to dogs with Barn Hunt Senior (RATS) titles or above until 7/21/2017, after which entries for dogs with RATO titles will be processed in the order received.* The Barn Hunt National is a non-regular competition with cumulative scoring over three days of competition. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded in Grand National, Games, and Versatility. Gold Medal winners will earn the special titles of RGNC, RGC, and RVC.

National Rules Link:

http://www.barnhunt.com/national_2017/national2017_rules.pdf

Judges:

Liz Carter, NV | Darla Lacey, GA | Karen Cumming, NY | Janet Picard, CA | Wally Quinn, WA | Mark Shaw, TX

Entry Fees:

Grand National \$60. Team \$40 (\$20 each dog). Hurdles \$30

Check or Money order made payable to North Texas Barnhunters.*

Trial Secretary: Pam Opanowitz, 641 Meadowbrook St, Allen TX, 75002, quigsis@gmail.com, 214-649-9270

Trial Chair: Pam Opanowitz, quigsis@gmail.com, 214-649-9270

Trial Committee: Pam Opanowitz, Kaylynn Steffen, Carrie Atkinson, Don Beisert, Lori Henderson, Deborah Ungles, Traci Murdock, Mark Shaw

Grand National & Games Entry Requirements and Entry/Draw Schedule:

Dogs must have an Open title earned prior to April 30 to be eligible for entry into the Barn Hunt National. The title held on April 30 is the title level used for the opening dates below.

Entries will be accepted on a "First Received" basis using the following Opening dates:

- Dogs with Master titles and above: Entries open June 1
- Dogs with Senior titles: Entries open June 15
- Dogs with Open titles: Entries open July 7 (will be held until July 21 and then processed in the order received)

Dogs may be entered any time after the opening date and before the closing date, but will not get special consideration for their title level if they enter later than the ranges set for their title. A waiting list will be maintained.

There is a separate entry form for Games. All entries for the same dog (Grand National plus any Games) must be in the same envelope. If entering Team, all entries for both dogs must be in the same envelope.

- Team dogs may have different level titles (e.g., one dog has a Master title and one an Senior title).
- Team entries are accepted during the open date period for the dog with the highest title competing in the Team.
- The Grand National and/or Hurdles entry for the dog with the lower level title will be set aside until the opening date for that level.

Entries close July 31.

Entry Limits:

Grand National: 160 dogs

Team: 60 teams/120 dogs

Hurdles: 100 dogs

Cancellation/withdrawals

Cancellations/Withdrawals prior to the closing date of July 31 will be refunded in their entirety. After July 31 and prior to September 5, fees will be refunded if there is a dog on a waiting list to fill that spot.

*Returned Checks incur a \$50 fee, and do not constitute a valid entry

Exhibitor Information

Bitches in season are eligible for entry. All Barn Hunt rules applying to Bitches in Sea-

son will be in effect at the National.

Check in: Will be Thursday evening from 3-5:00 pm and Friday morning from 7-7:30 am. Only dogs without a verified height measurement are required to check in. If not included on with the entry form and not previously measured for a National, a height card from any agility organization may be presented, or a measurement will be required. Dogs will be moved in height class as necessary. All entrants will get gift bags which can be picked up during either check-in time.

Grand National and Games Awards:

- All Qualifying scores in all classes will receive a Qualifying ribbon.
- For each Grand National Course, first through fourth place ribbons will be awarded for each height category (small, medium, large). Course 1 and Course 2 awards and High Course 1 and 2 will be announced after the completion of each course. The Top 50 finishers will be announced after Grand National competition on Saturday. Course 3 and 4 awards will be announced on Sunday after all competition and prior to the medal awards.
- Rat Hurdles will have placements by size, first through fourth, plus High Hurdles Round 1, High Hurdles Round 2, and Overall High Hurdles ribbon
- Team will have placements, no size differentiation, first through fourth, and top team gets High Team ribbon.
- The Grand National Champion will earn a Gold medal, second will earn Silver and third Bronze.
- The Games Champion will earn a Gold medal, second will earn Silver, and third Bronze.
- The Versatility Champion will earn a Gold medal, second will earn Silver, and third Bronze.

Veterinarians: Emergency Animal Hospital of Collin County, 10225 Custer Road, Plano TX; 214-547-9900 (6pm-8am 7 days). Dr. Chandler Lindsley, Cross Timbers Animal Hospital, 1301 N. Custer Rd., McKinney, TX 972-529-6999 (8am-6pm M-F, 8am-1 pm Sat.; noon-5pm Sunday)

Show Photographers: Mark Kmiecek and John Frick, Makco Marketing Inc., <http://www.makcophotos.com>. The show photographers' portrait setup area is off limits to users other than the official photographer.

Host Hotel:

La Quinta Inn, 6501 Henneman Way, McKinney TX, 75050, 972-908-2370. Room fee: \$95. Call 866-527-1498 to reserve a room, and use the code "Barnhunt2017" to get the special rate. The reservation block number is 608112010. NOTE: Please inform management of your dogs when you book reservations and when you register. Hotel dog regulations and fees may change without notice. The club cannot be responsible for any changes.

A list of other area hotels is available at http://barnhunt.com/national_2017/lodging.pdf. Owners must assume full responsibility for their dogs at hotels/camping areas. Early reservations are recommended. Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs immediately on hotel and show grounds. Hotels require that

dogs be crated when unattended; no bathing or grooming of dogs in guest rooms. Any damage to hotels or the event site are the responsibility of exhibitors/handlers and may result in disciplinary action by the Event Committee.

RV Parking: RV spots are available at the show site for \$40 per night (with electricity; \$15 with no services). Reservations will not be taken; availability is first-come-first served. Lighthouse RV Park (1232 Central Expy, Melissa TX, 972-838-4600) is 10 miles from the show site; fees are \$40/night. There are other RV camping options available; contact Deborah Ungles (d_ungles@yahoo.com) for more information.

Directions: Hwy 75 or Dallas North Tollway to US 380. US 380 to Lake Forest Drive (FM 1461), North to County Road 166, right turn, and North again several hundred yards to Myers Park.

General Information:

All dogs must be on leash and under control while on trial grounds except while showing. Pick up after your dog and dispose of waste in appropriate containers on the site. No flexi-leashes within 50 feet of any ring or crating area. Dogs may not be left overnight at the trial site.

Bring weather appropriate gear. These trials will be indoors, but the building is not climate controlled. Texas in September may be warm or cool. Food and drink are available on site (pre-ordered box lunches, donuts, coffee, snacks) or at nearby fast-food restaurants.

No smoking (including e-cigarettes) is allowed anywhere inside the building.

Schedule of Classes:

- Friday, Course 1 and Team (1st half)
- Saturday, Courses 2, Team (2nd half), Hurdles Round 1
- Sunday, Courses 3 and 4, Hurdles Round 2, Medal ceremony

Note: This schedule may change depending on overall entry numbers.

Vendors: There is a \$50/day flat fee, paid directly to Myers Park, for vending at the National. By default this is a 10' x 10' space, but larger spaces may be available by special arrangement. Vendors must provide their own tables and chairs. Electricity may or may not be available. Email Deborah Ungles (d_ungles@yahoo.com) for more information or to reserve your vending space.

Banners: Banners will be displayed at the show site for a \$10 fee. These can be club banners, vendor banners, or individual banners. Please contact Deborah Ungles (d_ungles@yahoo.com) for information on how to submit your banner. Banners must be retrieved by the owner at the end of the event.

Raffle: We will hold a raffle to help defray the costs of holding the National. Clubs and individuals are invited to bring a basket or an item representative of their region, or anything else they would like to donate, to the raffle. Please see http://barnhunt.com/national_2017/raffle.pdf for more information.

Annual Banquet: Join us Saturday night at the host hotel for the Annual Banquet.

Tickets will be available for pre-order before 8/14/2017. Contact Carrie Atkinson (2deltadogs@gmail.com) for more information. Included in the festivities will be presentation of the Zipper Spirit Award and the RATTIE award.

The Zipper Spirit Award is given personally by Robin Nuttall to the person she feels has epitomized the spirit of Barn Hunt in the past year. This award is decided by Robin and kept confidential until the banquet.

The RATTIE Award is the People's Choice award, chosen from public nominations for dogs and/or dog/handler teams who have been positively impacted by the sport of Barn Hunt. RATTIE Award information is on the website.

Volunteers: We need volunteers to help the National run smoothly! Our Volunteer Chair is Don Beisert. Please email him at don.beisert@gmail.com and/or fill out the form below and enclose with your entry form.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Classes entered: Grand National Games Both

Height: Small Medium Large

Jobs you are willing to do:

Scribe

Inside Rat Wrangler Outside Rat Wrangler

Course Builder

Gate Steward

Blind Steward

Any / Other

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Mailed to: Pam Opanowitz, 641 Meadowbrook St., Allen TX 75002
Signature must be waived for FedEx/Overnight entries.

Dog Registered Name: _____ BH#: _____

Call Name: _____ Sex: _____

Breed: _____ DOB: _____

Height Class: Small Medium Large

Height Card: Enclosed Will Bring Needs Measurement Measured previously

Owner(s) Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any): _____

Total Fee Enclosed: _____

BHA National Rules, General Rules/Regulations, and information are available at www.barnhunt.com

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

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

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Team Mate BH# (if applicable): _____ Team Mate Call Name: _____

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