



BARN HUNT

NEWSLETTER

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Hi and welcome to our June newsletter.

What a busy month May was! Three Barn Hunt events and elsewhere a King's Coronation 😊 Thanks to everyone who comes to our events and becomes part of the Barn Hunt Community. We love to see all the regular faces and a big hello to all of our newcomers.

We had our first event in Ardleigh, Essex which was a great success, thanks to Joe for a wonderful day! We are returning on Saturday July 15th. Please enquire for Introductory and Intermediate sessions. We had our 2nd event at Paws Project in Nottinghamshire over two days and all had a wonderful time, our special thanks to Anke and Paul for providing fantastic hospitality! We will be returning on the 29th and 30th of July; with two rings for both Introductory and Intermediate and we plan to run Trials.

At the end of May we paid our third visit to Lets Go Manor in Hampshire which saw the first use of our new Heras fencing and twin ring set up (photos on the website). We had both an Introductory and Intermediate ring for use on Saturday and Sunday, we believe it is a definite improvement to the Barn Hunt experience and it was really well received. We were very fortunate to have professional photographer Geoff Pirie on hand to take photos on the Saturday, his photos can be viewed on his website ([Barn Hunt - Let's Go Manor, Over by Geoff Pirie Photography](#)). We also had a Fun Test (mock trial) this is run to same rules and conditions of an Official Trial. We had 17 competitors who competed in both Instinct and Novice, certificates were awarded to all those who successfully completed the Fun Test and rosettes presented to

1st, 2nd, 3rd fastest times in Novice. Some great photos are in the gallery on our website.

We are expecting to run Official Trials with full Barn Hunt Association (BHA) recognition from July.

Upcoming events will feature workshops in both Introductory and Intermediate and Trials. We are making plans to introduce a Master Class for those who have completed Intermediate workshops – details coming soon!

Please see our upcoming events schedule and register your interest in the days you can attend and which classes you wish to participate in, we will then endeavour to devise a schedule that suits you our Barn Hunt participants.

Upcoming events for 2023

- June 24th & 25th, Holly Lodge Farm – hosted by Tails We Win Flyball Teams
- July 1st & 2nd, Ampthill, Bedfordshire
- July 15th, Ardleigh, Essex, Essex & Suffolk Dog Training
- July 22nd & 23rd, Lets Go Manor, Hampshire
- July 29th & 30th, Paws Project, Newthorpe, Notts.
- August 5th & 6th, Bracknell, Berkshire

We welcome our first visit to Bracknell in August!

We have secured venues for Liverpool, Stoke and West Cumbria and we are working on dates outside of the school holidays 😊 to put together a “Northern Tour” 😊 And maybe Angus and Inverness!

For those of you that are interested in progressing to competing in Trials, we are planning our first Official Trial this Summer! It would be great to hear from you if are interested in competing. Please remember that you will require a BHA registration number to compete in Trials – registration is through our parent

organisation Barn Hunt Association, it is a one-time fee of \$32 for a lifetime registration.

For those of you who have dogs registered with the American Kennel Club and United Kennel Club, UK Barn Hunt Titles will be recognised!

All UK Barn Hunt Titles are registered with Barn Hunt Association – all UK dogs' Titles will be visible on the BHA Register along North American Dogs.

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What is the difference between Fun Tests and Official Trials?

Fun Tests

- Fun Tests are mock trials- the key word is Fun!
- Handlers can use rewards in the ring such as toys and treats.
- Dogs do not have to be registered with Barn Hunt Association to enter a Fun Test.
- All runs are timed: Instinct – 1 minute, Novice – 2 minutes.
- Dogs do not earn qualifying scores towards their Titles
- Fun Tests are a great way to experience Trial conditions but continue to train with your dog.

Official Trials

- Trials are where you and your begin to work towards earning Barn Hunt Titles – we begin with RATI – Instinct and RATN – Novice.
- Dogs do need to be registered with Barn Hunt Association prior to entering a Trial as a BHA registration number is required for the entry.
- No treats or rewards can be used in the ring.
- All runs are timed: Instinct – 1 minute, Novice – 2 minutes.
- Dogs earn qualifying scores towards their Titles.

Our previous newsletters are available to read on the website.

We look forward to seeing you all in near future, as usual please join our Facebook group and if you have any photos that you would like to share to add to our website gallery please email them to info@barnhuntuk.co.uk