

April 12, 10:30 AM - 2PM

Gallatin County Fairgrounds, livestock barn 1 Tamarack and Grand Streets, Bozeman For information: http://www.gallopingdog.com/

Barn Hunt is an exciting new sport for dogs of any breed or mix, in which they locate rats (safely enclosed in aerated, heavy PVC tubes) hidden, along with an empty tube and a tube filled with rat bedding, in a straw bale maze. Neither dog nor handler knows where the tubes are located: the game is for the dog to find the correct tube and for the handler to signal that the dog has found it.

Barn Hunt Association judge Pat Bruski will explain the rules and procedures of the sport. Dogs will be introduced to rats (safely enclosed so there is no direct contact). Along with their handlers, they will try their skills within the straw maze.

There is no fee for the event, however we will ask for donations to pay for the judge's expenses. You need not be a member of GDAC to participate.

Dogs must be on leash on Fairgrounds property, and on leash in the event building, except when running the maze (which is completely enclosed)

Please bring a crate for your dog, or be prepared to crate your dog in your car. Bring a chair for yourself and anything else you might need (e.g., snacks, dog treats). The livestock barn is not heated so dress yourself and your dogs accordingly. There are some electrical outlets available for small heaters etc.

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