



## Okanagan Find It Dog Sport Association



# Happy Ratter Trials



Open to all breeds and mixed breeds, ages 6 months & older

**Jazz's Grooming and Training Center**

2109 Louie Drive, West Kelowna, B.C. V4T 2L3

**Saturday and Sunday June 28 - 29, 2025**

– Trials 1, 2, 3 and 4 – all classes and Games: Dump Hunter (all levels) and **NEW** Rats in the House (level 1) will be offered at each trial.

Permission has been granted by Happy Ratters to hold these trials.  
Dogs are required to be registered with Happy Ratters to participate

[www.happyratters.com](http://www.happyratters.com)

**Judges: Wanda Tait (Summerland) and Heather Schneider (Kelowna)**

**Entries open Monday June 9, 2025 at 6:00 pm (PST) on a first received basis**  
**Entries close Wednesday June 18, 2025 at 1:00 pm (PST) or when limit is reached**

**Entries sent to: Karen Yuen Email: [karenyuen1988@gmail.com](mailto:karenyuen1988@gmail.com)**

Early or late event entries will **not** be accepted  
Day of entry will be accepted on June 28 and June 29 (on site only)  
Exact cash only will be accepted for day of entries and for move ups fees.



Okanagan Find it  
DOG SPORT ASSOCIATION

## TRIAL OFFICIALS

**Chair:** Heather Schneider. **Cell:** 250-764-9580. **Email:** corgi@shaw.

**Secretary:** Karen Yuen **Cell:** 250-575-6800 **Email:** [karenyuen1988@gmail.com](mailto:karenyuen1988@gmail.com)

**Committee:** Heather Schneider, Wanda Tait, Karen Yuen, Teri Lory, Lynne Johaneson, Margaret Smithson.

### Exhibitor Information

- Exhibitors are responsible for complete, accurate, and legible information on their entry forms; illegible or incomplete entries cannot be entered in the trial. Entries are complete only after the entry form(s), waiver and fees have been received. A confirmation email will be sent to each competitor once their entry is completed within 48 hours.
- **All entries (except for day of entries) must be sent by email to the trial secretary and fees paid by e-transfer.**
- Entries received prior to the opening date and time will not be accepted. On site day of trial entries will be accepted.
- Children over 5 are eligible to handle a dog if they can control the animal before, during, and after the hunt. The parent or guardian must always remain on the premises with any child under the age of 16.
- Spectators accompanying owners/handlers can attend the event, but space is very limited for spectator viewing (see waiver form)
- Go Pros or other similar devices may be worn – please note restrictions on page 7 of the rule book.
- Competitors may enter a maximum of 6 runs per day per dog which can be any combination of regular classes or games. For example: A dog can be entered each day in 2 regular classes, 2 Dump Hunter classes and 2 Rats in the House classes. Handlers may not enter the same dog twice in the same class on the same day. The maximum number of dogs that can be entered per handler is 4.
- Safety of participants and dogs is of primary concern. By entering these trials, competitors commit to following all instructions/direction from the judge(s) and trial officials.
- Veterinarian: Fairfield Animal Hospital, 1987 Kirschner Road, Kelowna BC 250-860-6550

### Site Description

- The four trials will be held at Jazz's Grooming and Training Centre in West Kelowna and indoors on a black matt surface.
- **Directions: From the North:** Drive into West Kelowna on Highway 97 and turn right onto Elk Road. At the first stop sign, turn right onto Louie Drive. Then turn right by the green Nor Val Rental sign and drive down the hill to Jazz's (#2109). **From the South/West:** Drive into West Kelowna on Highway 97 and turn left onto Elk Road. At the first stop sign, turn right onto Louie Drive. Then turn right by the green Nor Val Rental sign and drive down the hill to Jazz's (#2109).
- There are limited electrical and water facilities. Bring your own food and water for you and your dog(s) and any cooling/heating materials needed.
- There is NO camping on site. Parking will be in front or behind Jazz's. There is no crating indoors.

- Designated exercise and potty areas for the dogs will be identified for you. Dogs must be on leash at all times unless running. Please keep 10 feet between dogs.
- There is a toilet and hand washing on site. The site has limited wheelchair accessibility.
- NO smoking or Vaping is permitted anywhere in or by the building.

## Dogs

- Dogs must be 6 months of age or older to enter. There is no upper age limit for competing dogs.
- Dogs must always be on lead (maximum 6') except when on course and under control. Note that dogs can become highly excited. Be proactive in managing your dog(s) and respect the needs of others.
- Prong, choke, pinch or electronic collars are not allowed in the staging area or on the way from the staging area to the ring. Dogs may wear belly bands for medical reasons.
- Dogs must run naked in the ring.
- Dogs showing signs of aggression toward people, or other dogs will not be allowed. Aggression is not tolerated which can include actual contact, multiple lunging or excessive barking/growling at dogs and/or people. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.
- Bitches in season may compete but must wear panties in the ring and on the ground except for when pottying. Bitches in season will be staged separately. **Advise the Trial Secretary as early as possible if you will be bringing a bitch in season.**
- Competitors with multiple dogs in the same class will run in different staging groups and resets will be done for those dogs – except for Games. Only one handler per dog is allowed.
- Dogs in wheelchairs, 3 legged dogs, deaf and vision impaired dogs may participate. Shirts may be worn for extenuating reasons. Sick dogs, dogs with recent stitches or other conditions are inappropriate for competing are not permitted.

## Staging

- The ring is inside Jazz's Grooming and Training Centre. There will be limited spectator viewing. Dogs and handlers will wait for their turns in the designated area outside of Jazz's (by the back door). Please be careful when exiting after your turn that you do not run into the other team waiting to go in.
- The gate steward will let you know when you can enter for your turn.
- The judge or gate steward will not wait for any dog holding up a class because the exhibitor is not ready for their runs unless there are extenuating circumstances (see page 14 of the rule book) The Club has no obligation or responsibility for calling or locating dogs that are not brought to the ring when required.

## Awards

- **Ribbons:** Class and game qualifying, 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place ribbons and title rosettes will be awarded.

## Volunteering

- Our trials cannot run without volunteers. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be provided, and as needed volunteering positions may be assigned to you at the trial.

## Refunds

- No entry fees will be refunded if the trials cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.
- No refunds after the closing date **June 18, 2025** except for sick or injured dogs. You must submit your refund request no later than the day of trial. Refunds will **not be issued** for dogs who are absent, disqualified, excused, or otherwise barred from participating by the judge or the trial secretary.
- Please stay home if you are sick and a full refund will be given (see also waiver form)

## Happy Ratter Rules

- Happy Ratter rules apply at these trials and on the grounds, designated parking areas and the immediate

area. [www.happyratters.com](http://www.happyratters.com) By entering these trials, exhibitors acknowledge that they have read and understand these rules.

- Treating/rewarding is allowed per HR rules. Dropped food will incur ten faults.
- There are no age or height divisions in Happy Ratters.
- **Trial-to-trial move-ups will be permitted.**
- Dogs that have earned their Barn Hunt Novice title(s) or higher, may enter at the Happy Ratter level. Dogs that have earned their Barn Hunt Open title(s) or higher, may enter at the Expert Ratter level. All dogs new to any Happy Ratter Games must enter at level 1.
- Handlers whose dogs have earned a Happy Ratter regular class title can choose to move up to the next level or remain in that class at the **metallic** level. Please identify if you are entering in a regular class or metallic on the entry form. **An EXCEPTION** is made for the Extraordinaire title - REX. Dogs that have earned their REX, must either move to the Extreme class or back to a lower class.
- **NEW** – Rats will NOT be moved in the Games class even if the handler is running multiple dogs in that game class. Handlers running multiple dogs will know where the rat location is for their subsequent dog(s). An exception is made for level 5 Games and the Infestation games (see page 21)

### Sunday Schedule:

**8:00 AM – PARKING OPENS \*\* PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE THE SITE OPENS \*\***

**8:15 am – 8:30 am** Check-in.

**8:30 AM** – General briefing followed by judge's briefing

**8:45 AM** – First dog on the line (Ratter)

We will break for lunch at the discretion of the Judge(s)

### Preliminary running order:

**Saturday: T1 Ratter, T2 Ratter, T1 Happy Ratter, T2 Happy Ratter, T1 Expert, T2 Expert, T1 Champion, T2 Champion, T1 Extraordinaire, T2 Extraordinaire, T1 Extreme, T2 Extreme, T1 Dump Hunter Level 1, T2 Dump Hunter Level 1, T2 Dump Hunter Level 2, T2 Dump Hunter Level 2, T1 Dump Hunter level 3 and T2 Dump Hunter level 3. T1 Rats in the House Level 1 T2 Rats in the House level 1.**

**Sunday: T1 Ratter, T2 Ratter, T1 Happy Ratter, T2 Happy Ratter, T1 Expert, T2 Expert, T1 Champion, T2 Champion, T1 Extraordinaire, T2 Extraordinaire, T1 Extreme, T2 Extreme, T1 Dump Hunter Level 1, T2 Dump Hunter Level 1, T2 Dump Hunter Level 2, T2 Dump Hunter Level 2, T1 Dump Hunter level 3 and T2 Dump Hunter level 3. T1 Rats in the House Level 1 T2 Rats in the House level 1.**

**Note: the Extraordinaire and Extreme class will be run as one class.**

\*Ok Find it reserves the right to change the running order and schedule based on entries and will send a general briefing, final class run order and judging schedule prior to the start of the trial.

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## Four Happy Ratter Trials June 28-29, 2025

Complete one registration form for each dog. Please ✓ off each class you want to enter for that dog for each trial on the form below. Complete the waiver form only once. **Entries open Monday June 9 at 6:00 pm (PST). Trial confirmation(s) will be sent within 48 hours of the opening date/time or receipt of entry. Email your entries to: [karenyuen1988@gmail.com](mailto:karenyuen1988@gmail.com)**

**Trial fees must be sent by e-transfer to: [ofidsatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ofidsatreasurer@gmail.com) within 48 hours of trial confirmation. Please include a note with your e-transfer (e.g. Karen and Titan Expert and Dump Hunter entry fees)**

**FEES: Ratter, Happy Ratter, Expert, Dump Hunter L1-3 and Rats in the House L1: \$20.00  
Champion, Extraordinaire and Extreme \$25.00. Total Fees: \_\_\_\_\_**

### COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Owner's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_  
Handler's name (if different from owner) \_\_\_\_\_

### DOG INFORMATION

Dog's HR #: \_\_\_\_\_ Call name (no titles): \_\_\_\_\_  
Full name as registered with Happy Ratters: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex (M/F) \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Trial	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
<b>Trial 1 June 28</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Ratter	Happy Ratter	Expert	Champion	Extraordinaire	Extreme
<b>Trial 2 June 28</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Ratter	Happy Ratter	Expert	Champion	Extraordinaire	Extreme
<b>Trial 3 June 29</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Ratter	Happy Ratter	Expert	Champion	Extraordinaire	Extreme
<b>Trial 4 June 29</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Ratter	Happy Ratter	Expert	Champion	Extraordinaire	Extreme

Please identify the class you are in: regular or metallic (class): \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Trial</b>	<b>Dump Hunter</b>	<b>Dump Hunter</b>	<b>Dump Hunter</b>
<b>Trial 1</b> <b>June 28</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>	_____ <b>Level 2</b>	_____ <b>Level 3</b>
<b>Trial 2</b> <b>June 28</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>	_____ <b>Level 2</b>	_____ <b>Level 3</b>
<b>Trial 3</b> <b>June 29</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>	_____ <b>Level 2</b>	_____ <b>Level 3</b>
<b>Trial 4</b> <b>June 29</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>	_____ <b>Level 2</b>	_____ <b>Level 3</b>

Please identify the class you are in: regular or metallic (Dump Hunter):\_\_\_\_\_

### **NEW Rats in the House**

<b>Trial</b>	<b>Rats in the House</b>
<b>Trial 1</b> <b>June 28</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>
<b>Trail 2</b> <b>June 28</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>
<b>Trial 3</b> <b>June 29</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>
<b>Trial 4</b> <b>June 29</b>	_____ <b>Level 1</b>

## WAIVER AND CERTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT UPON 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, whose name(s) is/are \_\_\_\_\_. In consideration of acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of Happy Ratters and Ok Find it 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 entry. I (we) certify and represent that the dog(s) entered is 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 Happy Ratter 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 (Okanagan Find It Dog Sport Association) 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 Happy Ratter Trial, the event giving club (OFIDSA), their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, trial officials, Okanagan Find it Dog Sport Ass., and the owner and / or lessor of Jazz's Grooming and Training Centre, 2109 Louie Drive, West Kelowna, BC Canada, and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and the HR 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 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 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.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_(please print)

Name(s) of dog(s) entered: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entries will not be valid unless accompanied by payment and a signed waiver.**

**This waiver applies to all dogs entered by the owner, applies to the owner and/or designated handler(s) and any spectator(s) they bring with them.**