



Rat Games Winter League

Hosted by:

Canine Adventures

32250 W Eight Mile Rd

Farmington Hills, MI 48336

Round 1 January 16, 2021

Round 2 January 30, 2021

Round 3 February 13, 2021

10 am – 5 pm

Judge: Tenille Gross, Farmington Hills, MI, RGJ-052

Registration: 12/18/2020 – 1/9/2021

Permission has been granted by Rat Games, LLC for sanctioned trials.

Rat Games is open to all breeds and mixed breeds of all sizes. Dogs must registered with Rat Games and have a number to enter. For a complete copy of the rules or to [register a dog](#), go to www.ratgames.com. You can grandfather in for Course Classes at higher levels from other rat hunting venues. See “Grandfathering Titles” on page 20 of the [Rat Games Rule Book](#) for details.

What Is League Play and How it Works

The clubs are provided a packet with maps and hides. There is a 2 week period to complete 2 games. This happens three times for a total of six games over 6 weeks.

A participants FIRST run on the course must be their run for the league. There shall be no practicing on a course before the official run. Dogs may enter additional runs on the same course but will only be ranked from their first run. Additional runs are marked FEO.

Results are submitted to Rat Games where dogs are ranked among all of the clubs hosting leagues.

Trial Organizers:

Event Chair & Trial Secretary: Lea Gross, Lea.K9Adventures@gmail.com (734) 890-7365,
Farmington Hills, MI

Schedule:

Briefing at 9:45 am

Trial starts at 10 am

Running Order

Round 1	1/16/2021	Tunnels & Mad Hatter
Round 2	1/30/2021	Speed & Distance
Round 3	2/13/2021	Heads or Tails & Bet the Farm

Notice to Exhibitors

- 🐾 **Invalid Entries** – Entries are not valid for the following reasons: unsigned, no payment, incorrect payment, wrong information, incomplete information, to name a few. Invalid entries will be held and not processed until all information has been completed.
- 🐾 **Payment** will be processed when entry is received, i.e.: cashing of checks, run payment on credit cards, etc.
 - **Non-Sufficient Funds** – All payments returned with NSF will be subject to a \$50 fee.
 - **Checks** are made payable to Canine Adventures.
 - **PayPal** available. Please add \$1 per run for processing and send to Info.K9Adventures@gmail.com
- 🐾 **Entries/closing dates**
 - **Entries** - will be considered “on time” if postmarked by the entry closing date posted in the premium.
 - **Day of Show (DOS)** – No Day of Show (DOS) entries available.
 - **No entries will be accepted after the close date.**
- 🐾 **Confirmations** – Confirmations are sent out via email. Please check for accuracy and contact the trial secretary at Lea.K9Adventures@gmail.com if changes are needed.
- 🐾 **Rules** - It is the handler’s responsibility to read and understand the rules in the Rat Games Rule Book. Rule books can be found on the Rat Games website.
- 🐾 **Bitches in season** – BIS may compete in trials for Rat Games. They must wear pants and be kept separate from other dogs. BIS will run at the end of their class. BIS must wear panties specifically designed for the purpose of prevention/containing seasonal discharges on trial grounds and when out of their crates or when being pottied. Panties must be worn to and from the designated potty area. Designated crating area will be assigned or must crate out of vehicle. Please inform the trial secretary when you arrive for additional information. Failure to do so can be grounds for dismissal.

- 🐾 **Dog Aggression** – Any dog behaving in a threatening or aggressive manner toward another dog or person may be dismissed from the trial if justification found to do so by the judge and/or trial committee.
- 🐾 **Cancellation Policy** – Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an “Act of God” such as fire, flood, etc., an event may be canceled. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them of the cancellation. We will return all or part of the entry fees at our discretion.
- 🐾 **Withdrawals/Refunds**
 - **Before closing date** - If a competitor withdraws before the closing date, a refund will be issued, less any processing fees, within 5 days after the trial.
 - **No Refunds:**
 - After the closing date.
 - Or if in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for such dismissal.
 - **Withdrawal due to dog injury or illness** - Refunds may only be given for dog illness or dog injury *with* a note from a Veterinarian. Notes must be presented before trial begins. A refund will be issued, less any processing fees, within 5 days after the trial.
- 🐾 **Crating area** – Please check in with the trial secretary for the designated crating area information. Crating is outdoors and out of vehicles. Dogs must be under control while on trial grounds. All dogs must be on a short leash or crated at all times unless actively working. RETRACTABLE LEASHES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON PREMISIS.
- 🐾 **Smoking/Vaping** is not permitted within 50 feet of any straw, in the building or within 50 feet of the doorways.
- 🐾 **Ribbons and Awards** – Green flat ribbons will be awarded for all qualifying runs. Placement ribbons will be awarded 1st – 4th place depending on number of dogs in class as stated on page 21 of the Rat Games Rule Book.
- 🐾 **Ribbon Presentation** – Results will be announced shortly after each class. Ribbons will then be placed on the ribbon display table to be picked up.
- 🐾 **Trial Grounds** – This trial will be held at Canine Adventures, located at 32250 W Eight Mile Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 48336. This is an indoor event. Heated warehouse/not air-conditioned.
- 🐾 **Parking** is free for this event.
- 🐾 **Ring** – Padded floor, combination of 4’ black wire fence panels, 4’ lattice fence panels. Indoors.
- 🐾 **Blind** – Blind will be a minimum of 10’ x 20’ and with a maximum number of dogs, 5.
- 🐾 **Volunteer Info** – Just like other hunting organizations, the trial runs with the help of volunteers. No experience needed, we will show you what to do!
- 🐾 **Directions to 32250 W Eight Mile Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 48336** (Between Farmington Rd and Merriman/Orchard Lake Rd)
 - **From the East:** I-696 W, Exit #5 Orchard Lake Rd, follow south to 8 Mile Rd. (There will be a slight jog, turn left on Grand River and then turn right, onto Orchard Lake Rd.) Turn right on 8 Mile Rd. Location is on the right, corner of Hugo/8 Mile Rd.

- **From the West:** I-96 E to M-5 E, Exit Nine Mile Rd; turn left off ramp. Turn right on Farmington Rd. Turn left on 8 Mile Rd. Location is on the Left, corner of Hugo/8 Mile Rd.
- **From the South:** I-275 N Exit 8 Mile Rd, turn right. Location is on the Left, corner of Hugo/8 Mile Rd.

Where to Stay

Please call ahead to confirm establishment still accepts pets.

Extended Stay America 21555 Haggerty Rd. Novi, MI 48375 (4.3 mi/8 min) 248-305-9955

Knights Inn 37527 Grand River, Farmington Hills, MI 48355 (4.7 mi/10 min) 248-477-3200

Motel 6 38300 Grand River, Farmington Hills, MI 48335 (4.5 mi/9 min) 248-615-1425

Red Roof Inn 24300 Sinacola, Farmington Hills, MI 48335 (4.4 mi/10 min) 248-478-8640

Red Roof Inn 39700 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170 (10.1 mi/15min) 734-459-3300

Game Descriptions (Page 8 of Rat Games Rule Book)

Heads or Tails*

Work your dog at a distance with limited rats on course: two in the half you are on and two in the other half (distance challenge).

Distance*

Another distance challenge similar to Heads or Tails except the entire course is behind a distance line.

Speed*

Learn how to handle stress by focusing on finding each rat within 30 seconds or less and optionally, calling clear when your dog is complete.

Pairs*

Teamwork is a beautiful thing to behold. Two people, two dogs and four minutes to find six rats.

Tunnels*

Two minutes and lots of tunnels. Complete as many as you can but no points for repeating them.

Bet the Farm*

A point game based on speed and similar to Mad Hatter with a twist! You don't know the number of rats on a course and you may call clear when course is clear of rats for a bonus.

Hurdles

Versatility plus! Hurdles, rats and recall, oh my!

Mad Hatter*

Have we gone mad?! Ten rats on course every time is a doggie smorgasbord and total fun for the dog! Have fun and find rats!

Me First*

Dogs race head to head on their own mirror image courses. The first to call rat correctly wins.

*Games offered in the Trial

Rat Games Winter League Trial Entry Form
January 16 – February 13, 2021

Make Checks Payable to: Canine Adventures

Mail checks and entries to: Canine Adventures, 32250 W Eight Mile Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 48336

Owner		Dog			
Name		Dog's Registered Name			
Address					
City/St/Zip		Rat Games #			
Phone		Call Name			
Email		Running as a Veteran? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
Emergency Contact Name & Phone		Breed		Sex	
		DOB		Height	
Handler (if different than owner)					<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Handler
Entry Form					
All Games are \$15 each.		1/16/2021	1/30/2021	2/13/2021	# of
Day of Show (after closing) \$20		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Runs
Games	Tunnels				
	Mad Hatter				
	Speed				
	Distance				
	Heads or Tails				
	Bet the Farm				
Total Number of Runs					
<p>In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I/we certify that I/we have knowledge of, and are familiar with, and agree to abide by, the Rules and Regulations of Rat Games in effect at the time of this trial, and by any additional rules and regulations as approved by Rat Games for this trial. I/we certify that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs.</p> <p>I (we) acknowledge that if this application for the entry of this dog is made available to me (us) for participation in a Rat Games event, that I (we) agree that this facility has the right to refuse the entry of this dog and/or they reserve the right to dismiss the dog and myself for cause which Rat Games deems to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this and the opportunity to train my dog(s), I (we) agree to hold Rat Games, Canine Adventures/Scamper Detectives, and all associates 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 or dogs while in or upon the premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim, and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for damage or injury to the dog or myself, either physically or mentally, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by negligence while in or upon the premises of the Rat Games grounds. The terms of this agreement bind the parties for the current period of training, and all subsequent classes/training/ events in which they hereafter participate.</p> <p>Media release: I hereby authorize club-appointed videographer and/or photographer to use, reproduce and/or publish photos and/or video that may pertain to me, including my image, likeness and/or voice without compensation.</p> <p>Signature of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry:</p>					

 Owner/Exhibitor Signature

 Date

 Parent or Legal Guardian Signature of Junior Handler

Number of Total Runs Entered (all dogs): _____

_____ Runs x \$15 = _____

_____ DOS Runs x \$20 = _____

Total Enclosed - _____