



2025 Cherrybend Membership Policy

Corporate Membership Levels

Corporate Memberships provide a large quantity bird pre-purchase to facilitate multiple events throughout the season. Membership includes a Member Fee plus the Bird Credit (quantity of birds chosen to keep on hand for your availability).

Each Corporate level membership fee includes up to 3 people listed as users of the account. These approved individuals are given the privilege to schedule hunts/events and apply the funds/points on account towards the charges.

Bird Credit and Loyalty Points

Bird credit is tracked in the form of Loyalty Points within our Reservation system that translates to a dollar amount in Quickbooks. Each point is reflected with the ratio of 0.0001 per dollar. (This is what works best for our accounting process.) For instance, a \$348 cash credit equals 3,480,000 loyalty points and is kept on account as our liability. Loyalty Points/credit may be applied to birds, services, and products. (It is not available to be applied as tips for Guides. Best practices are guides are tipped cash at the time of the event.) All points must be used by the end of each season or forfeited as we keep birds on hand to accommodate your pre-paid level. The birds held for your account cannot be kept for six months after the end of the season to the following season therefore the credit does not roll to the next season. You can request a statement of points/bird credit at any time. You may also add points/credit at any time.

Event Scheduling

To schedule an event, it is best to make contact and then confirm the details by email. We will then send a Reservation Confirmation by email with the invoice attached reflecting the requested services. Please review all of the details listed on the Reservation including date, time, number of participants, and services requested. Changes may be made any time to the reservation such as adding/subtracting birds or services. The Final Bill will reflect all the services and products utilized for the event. Your credit/Loyalty Points will be applied to the invoice. Any overage above your credit on account can be paid with cash, credit card or check.

Events may be scheduled for large groups with private use of the Big Barn room at no additional charge to a Corporate Member as long as hunting and/or lunch are scheduled.

Our staff will facilitate the scheduling of catering, guides and hospitality.

A minimum of 4 pheasant equivalent per person is required for each release. Most Corporate Members prefer 5-6ph per person. Please specify at the time of booking how many birds and if pheasant or chukar.

Events with catering and guides may only be cancelled or rescheduled without penalty greater than 4 days before the event. We are always cognizant of the weather and will forecast if torrential rain/lightning will impact the event. Low percentage chance of rain or snow does not affect the hunts. Should a short notice cancellation occur, you may be responsible for the catering and/or guides. No show on a confirmed event will result in a full charge to your account as we would have unrecoverable losses. Please communicate efficiently as for your event we will have all hands on deck and even some guides traveling in from out of state.

Guidelines

- **Safety First.** Hunters must have on and display hunter orange. No loaded guns in parking lot or near office.
- **All participants must sign a release and waiver on arrival.**
- Morning hunts generally begin at 9am. Afternoon hunts go out at 1pm. Special start times (earlier) may be accommodated.
- Fields are assigned to ensure safety. Field sizes range from 20-90 acres each. There is a total of 367 acres at the main farm with an additional 700 acres for overflow; totaling 1,067 acres to hunt on Cherrybend. Field requests can be made but they are not guaranteed as fields are assigned based on the size of the hunt/bird release.
- Office hours are 9a-5pm. Phone messages may be left after 5pm. Voicemails are regularly checked so “next day” hunts can be accommodated but not promised. Worst times to call are 8:30-9:15 and 11-1:30pm as we are checking customers in and out.

Fields and Hunting

- Designated fields will be assigned. Please let us know if you prefer a specific field and we will do our best to schedule you in that field. Please understand it depends on hunt size and availability.
- We ask that you remain in the assigned field unless you are given permission to move into an adjacent field. Just call the office to check that the field is unoccupied.
- In the event that someone crosses over on you and shoots a bird in your field, we request that you call the office and let us know. We can only make it right if we are told about it. Also, be mindful of *shared hedgerows and fencerows*. Be courteous.
- NO alcoholic beverages in the hunting areas or prior to hunting. Libations may be enjoyed at the Barn or house afterwards.
- All guns must be empty and remain in your vehicle if you are not hunting. **Safety FIRST!**
- Guided hunts must follow the safety rules of each guide. If safety becomes an issue, the guide has the right to terminate any hunt with no bird refund.
- Bird cleaning is available with last call at 3:30pm.

Dogs

- Dogs must remain under control. If a dog exhibits poor behavior by running in other fields, a warning will be issued. At that time the dog may need to be placed on a long lead. If it subsequently continues to bust into other fields generating a complaint, action may be taken. This includes moving to a remote field and/or the Member replacing the neighboring hunter’s birds that were busted. You must make it right with neighboring field if your dog runs and busts their birds.
- Be advised that this a working farm with varying types of crops. There is corn and bean stubble, wheat and sorghum, as well as fencerows with natural cover. We do our best to limit noxious weeds, however this is a big farm. You are responsible for your dog’s safety.
- Early season hunting can be hot. We do not recommend working your dogs too hard. The air temperature may be cool, but the temperature in the cover can be much warmer. Please be cautious. Call the office if your dog shows signs of heat exhaustion and we will bring water back to you. We also reserve the right to refuse to schedule a hunt as we know the conditions on the farm best.

Sportsmanship

- We expect our Members and their guests to display good sportsmanship on our premises. Dangerous hunting practices will not be tolerated.

We do our best to meet everyone’s needs for each event. Communication is important so that expectations are clear. Hunting is not a “guaranteed” sport, however we work very hard to maintain a residual population of birds on the farm to enhance the hunts. There will be good days of hunting and also days that they just got away. But a bad day hunting is always better than any day in the office.

Bird prices are subject to change throughout the season due to availability and market price. Only pre-paid birds will be locked in on pricing.