

# **2025 Cherrybend Membership Policy**

# **\$671.90 Renewal \$725.52 New Member**

(Includes the sales tax- base pricing \$650 and \$700)

#### Twelve (12) pheasant equivalent credit. (Early Bird Special dues paid by 8/31)

This is your first 3 hunts covered under the membership (4ph released each time.) You may use the credit all at once if you like.

(Membership purchased after 8/31 results in a reduction in credit. September=10ph, October=8ph)

Membership includes your immediate family—husband, wife, and minor children (under 18 or in college/military)

Guests of Members may hunt at on Member credit and pricing with a 4ph minimum release = \$116.

Morning Hunts: 9am

**Afternoon Hunts: 1pm** 

# \*Exclusive to Cherrybend "Traditional Hunting"

After Membership credit is used up, Members <u>only</u> may hunt the Farm without releasing birds during designated times. This "residual hunting" is coveted by our Members as they are the only ones allowed the privilege to hunt residual birds and pay-for-take. It's perfect for those wanting to spend time with their dog and getting them on scent. Guests must release a minimum.

#### Each Residual Bird= \$15

(each bird bagged without release and found in the fields)

#### **Traditional (Residual) Hunting Hours:**

Tuesday-Friday 9-3:30pm during Non-Holiday weeks Saturday and Sunday After 3:30pm unless fields are available Holiday Weeks Schedule dependent but likely after 3:30pm daily

### **Mixed Bag Hunts**

You may trade out birds if you want a mixed bag to hunt. 4 Pheasant are equivalent to 6 chukar or 10 quail

### **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.

- Safety First. Hunters must have on and display hunter orange. No loaded guns in parking lot or near office.
- 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 273 acres across the road or additional remote location of 440ac for overflow; totaling 1080 acres to hunt on Cherrybend. Field requests can be made but they are not guaranteed.
- Standard Membership— primary pheasant credit must be **claimed or booked by Feb.1st**<sup>th</sup>. Chukar and quail are *usually* available until March 31<sup>st</sup>. Bird credit **does not roll** over to following season nor is there a refund.
- Guides with dogs are available. All guides work for cash tips. Please book them at the time you schedule your hunt.

## **Guidelines**

- Each Member must check-in at the Office prior to hunting. Check out is also required.
- Reservations need to be made in a timely manner. Last-minute requests are based on availability.
- 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 8:30-9:15 and 11-1:30pm
- Morning hunts generally begin at 9am. Afternoon hunts go out at 1pm. Special start times (earlier) may be accommodated.
- Guests hunt for \$116 (4ph). Please indicate the number in your party at the time of reservation.
- We have a "No Haggle" policy. We don't do it. Our Member's, Corporate Member's and their guests are given a discount. Pricing IS as posted and subject to change throughout the year with market pricing changes. Pre-Paid birds are locked in.

# 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 to you and shoots a bird in your field, we request that you call the office and let us know. Also, consider that a bird that flushes and is downed in a neighboring field CAN be retrieved. Be mindful of *shared hedgerows and fencerows*. Be courteous and aware of neighboring hunters.
- NO alcoholic beverages in the hunting areas or prior to hunting.
- 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 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 the 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 during high heat as we know the conditions on the farm best.

# Sportsmanship

 We expect our Members to display good sportsmanship on our premises. Dangerous hunting practices or obnoxious behavior could result in a cancelled hunt and possibly Membership revocation with no refund. It is also poor sportsmanship to knowingly shoot and down a bird and leave it lay and not claim it.

We do our best to accommodate everyone's particular hunting and training needs. 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 where 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.