

HUNT TEST JOB DESCRIPTIONS

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WORKERS (General Guidelines)

- All workers will be briefed on their duties prior to the day of the hunt test.
- Each shift is approximately 4 hours long.
- Remember to bring your own chair, sunscreen, hat, etc. The club does provide bird calls, radios and liquid refreshments.
- You will be expected to report to your committee chair 15 minutes prior to the start of any shift you are scheduled to work. Anytime a test is completed or needs to be set up, it is the responsibility of everyone working that shift to help out.
- From time-to-time workers will need back-up and relief. Specific workers will be assigned back-up/relief duties.

MARSHALS

The marshal's job is to make certain that dogs and handlers get to the line promptly so that there are no delays. The line marshal calls the dogs/handler team to the line, relays all messages to and from the judges and gives directions to the workers in the field. Holding blind marshals make certain blinds are filled and handlers move into position. The check-in marshal keeps track of the running order board; check-ins and making certain handlers are informed of the order and lined up.

- Implements Chief Marshal's directives from judges
- Makes sure judges have chairs
- Coordinate equipment placement in field
- Arranges for all equipment needs with Steward and Equipment Chair
- Sets up/tears down holding blinds from parking area to line
- Locates and directs handlers from parking area to line
- Coordinates next test needs and set up

GUNNERS

Live gunners shoot birds. The gunners are also responsible for firing popper guns if persons on the throwers committee are not able to do this.

- Shoots all live birds
- Pops for all dead birds
- Handles all ammo and popper distribution

THROWERS

The committee's job is to throw both dead and live birds. Almost all dead birds are launched from Tangelo Tossers. Live birds almost always originate out of the Day's End manual launchers. Bird throwers may be required to use bird calls.

- Operates tossers on all dead birds
- Operates manual wingers on live birds

STEWARDS

The steward's responsibility is the care and management of the birds. They may be asked to assist our chief bird steward with live birds. Their primary job consists of taking birds from the judge on the line, drying, hanging sorting and bagging birds for reuse. During the night the dead birds are stored in a cooler unit. Part of the bird stewarding job includes placing the birds in storage and retrieving them for use in the morning. Bird stewards may also be responsible for planting birds on blind retrieves.

- Handles all bird care; feeding, watering, placement and disposal if necessary
- Bags and organizes birds at the line
- Plants birds on blind retrieves
- Sets up/tears down holding blinds used at blind stations

HOSPITALITY

The hospitality committee makes sure that the judges and workers have food and beverages. They also make certain the coolers are filled with water and sodas for the rest of the workers. Their duties include maintaining those ice and drink supplies. They may also be asked to help prepare the worker and handler bags prior to the start of the event or help at the concession stand.

- Organizes registration packets for handlers and workers
- Drinks for workers in the field
- Drinks, snacks, lunches for judges

TRAFFIC

This committee's job is to direct traffic on the grounds and manage parking areas.

- Signage
- Directs vehicles into parking areas
- Ropes off and signs parking areas
- Set-up crew for next test
- First on the grounds every morning

EQUIPMENT/GROUNDS

People in this group will be responsible for setting up taking down and moving equipment from test to test and the equipment trailer. If areas need to be groomed for tests or blinds brushed up this falls under the duties of this committee.

- Prepares grounds: mows, trims, cuts brush
- Moves portable toilets as directed
- Obtains, places and empties trash barrels
- Responsible for site clean-up
- Moves tents as directed
- Holding blind set-up and tear down
- Set-up crew for next test
- Obtains and fills swimming pools at holding blinds