Stewarding: General Stewards (Days)

Age: 16+

Shifts: Approximately 8 hours per day in a rotating shift pattern between 8am and midnight. Shifts have been planned so you will always be able to access part of the delegate programme.

A Day in the Life of a General Steward

I had a slow start today because my team did the late shift yesterday evening. I ensured I was up for breakfast and then had a long shower before joining the other stewards for 11.30 team worship with our pastors. From there, it was straight into lunch and team briefing because our team took over from the morning shift at 1 pm.

Today, I was at a gate for the beginning of my shift, checking that everyone had their New Wine wristband and welcoming them onto the site. A Village Host from the field nearby brought me a piece of cake!

Then, after my tea break, I swapped over and spent two hours driving the buggies. We needed to move some equipment across the site, so I had a two-seater buggy with storage space on the back. I also took a pack of water out because it's been a scorching day, and I thought some of our stewards might need a top-up.

The rest of our team were doing patrols and seminars. We usually do two different things each shift. There were three lost children during our shift today, so the patrolling stewards were all scrambled to join the search! The children were found, of course; we haven't lost any yet!

It's 7 pm, and I'm off duty, so I'm going into the evening meeting. After that, I might look around the Resource Hub or head into the Team Lounge for coffee and (more) cake. I won't be too late into bed because our team begins at 8am tomorrow.

My first job will be helping the day delegates park their cars, and then I'm stewarding a seminar until lunch. The last bit of our shift will be after we've eaten when the whole team gather to exchange the ice packs. It's one of my favourite jobs. I love racing the other tables and seeing the queue go down.