

H.A.U.N.T

- THE HISTORIAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE UNDERSTANDING AND NEGATING OF TERRORS -

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“I am inclined to believe that our personality hereafter will be able to affect matter. If this reasoning be correct, then, if we can evolve an instrument so delicate as to be affected by our personality as it survives in the next life, such an instrument, when made available, ought to record something.”

-Thomas Edison, October 1920

H.A.U.N.T – the Historical Association for the Understanding and Negating of Terrors was established by Maurice Quade in 2010.

Known in paranormal investigation circles, Maurice had been involved in various organisations for 20 years and felt that none of them was addressing satisfactorily the growing threat of the C Virus.

To this end he formed H.A.U.N.T, the emphasis on training and modes of investigation appropriate to the study of the C Virus.

Its basis is founded on the efforts of those who early on identified the C Virus and its dangers and used even the crudest of plans and equipment to protect themselves and others. In some cases they even researched it.

Using traditional equipment in unorthodox ways, Maurice and his carefully selected team investigate potential C Virus infections and other spiritual matters that could relate to the C Virus.

Since the formation of H.A.U.N.T, many other paranormal groups have adopted an interest in investigating the C Virus, claiming to be contributing to the discovery of effective control methods.

However H.A.U.N.T is the only known group to be granted access to the Exclusion Zones for official study into finding a cure for the C Virus.

A smaller specialist team has been developed by Maurice for this purpose...

CODE E TEAM**H.A.U.N.T****Team Leader****Maurice Quade**

Oversees all team operations and is only member to grant permission for any cases including expenses, technology/modes of investigation, and personnel for those cases permitted.

Leads team members when Exclusion Zone is being investigated.

All team disputes are resolved through the Team Leader.

Case Manager**Harlan Maine**

Handles incoming investigation cases and/or sets up cases that should be brought to the attention of team.

He/she is responsible for thorough research of the case, obtaining permission for case to be investigated from the Team Leader and then organising the particulars such as personnel and technology required.

Technology Manager / First Aid**Tim Abercrombie**

Responsible for purchasing equipment once permission is gained from the Team Leader; maintenance/storage of equipment assets; transport, set up and packing up of equipment used on cases and oversees it's usage during a case investigation.

EVP (Electronic Voice Phenomenon) Specialist**Alex East**

In co-operation with the Technology Manager he/she maintains/stores EVP equipment; oversees EVP equipment use on a case and examines/keeps thorough records of any captured EVPs, including any significance they have in a case.

Counsellors / DDR (Death Desire Rite) Practitioners**Eric August & Karl August**

Responsible for researching the psychological aspects of a case in co-operation with the Case Manager; assessing and aiding the psychological welfare of team members when on a case and administering DDR if required to civilians and team members.

INVESTIGATION RULES / CODE OF CONDUCT

Important: There is a limit of two hour exposure to any area in an Exclusion Zone per day in an investigation to reduce the psychological and physical impact.

➤ **General Guidelines**

- ✓ **Organisation is key:** From start to finish being appropriately organised is required to ensure that you have everything you need on the day working properly so everyone can do a thorough investigation in the safest way possible.
- ✓ **Professionalism:** Any communication in regards to a case and conduct during an investigation should always be to a professional standard to uphold the reputation of H.A.U.N.T and ensure safety.
- ✓ **Two or more Witness Rule:** For legality/legitimacy reasons, two or more witnesses must be present for set up / recording of specific evidence.
- ✓ **Know your equipment:** Knowing how to properly use all your equipment, including all its functions, appropriate storage, set up and pack up is key to being able to handle difficult cases, last minute dramas and avoids trouble which could end up dangerous/harmful.
- ✓ **Keep accurate investigation notes:** Log all events and their details so these can be compared to any research/investigation findings.
- ✓ **Never Smoke:** This can affect the quality of photographed/filmed images.
- ✓ **Know your mental and physical limits:** Includes being aware of stresses such as phobias, emotional sensitivities (such as cases involving children and particular types of violent acts) and health concerns such as those involving medication or limited physical abilities.
- ✓ **Keep your emotions in check:** Most cases involve mild to extreme themes which naturally will affect how you feel in the investigated area. We have a duty to be professional, and focus is expected. If you are overwhelmed for any reason, and feel you can't investigate to your full ability, speak to the Team Leader for permission to take a break and/or talk to one of the team Psychologists.
- ✓ **Trust your feelings:** Be aware of how you are feeling at all times – this can help you evaluate as to whether your physical/mental state is being stressed and also aids in capturing some quality evidence – there is not always visual cues as to where to explore.
- ✓ **Respect the memory of the dead at all times**

➤ **Case Manager Guidelines**

- ✓ **Confidentiality:** Make sure you are aware of any confidentiality issues arising from a case and inform the team as required. This includes Share Laws of Media obtained during the investigation.
- ✓ **Legality of Cases:** Any cases obtained via private H.A.U.N.T research, rather than a request must have its legality fully explored and ascertained before requesting permission from the Team Leader.
- ✓ **Scout location if possible:** This is to check for very real and mundane dangers such as unstable buildings, hard to navigate terrain etc.

➤ **EVP Guidelines**

- Plug in one item that will provide low background noise, eg. White Noise (static TV, particular radio station etc.), running water – this helps raise the sound floor or allow for easy filtering. Unplug all other appliances.
- Turn on the tape recorder and make every sound possible that could be mistaken for a spirit – cough, breathe, move around etc. If possible have someone go into all surrounding rooms and talk at various volumes and bang on walls etc. Once done announce that you are done with your comparative notes and begin your EVP recording.
- If able to be close to where the tape recorder is placed, ask questions of the spirit. If doing so:

Don't whisper, ask questions loudly and clearly so the microphone can pick it up and your voice can be distinguished from EVPs.

Ask simple, straightforward questions.

Be courteous, bear in mind the time period the spirit lived in and don't immediately ask if they know if they are dead.

➤ **Infection Procedures**

Contact with a CV Spirit is prohibited and extremely dangerous.

It is standard that equipment used is placed outside a known infected area, such as near a door, pointed through a window etc.

In certain cases brief access to a small infected area (such as a room) to place equipment may be permitted at Team Leader's discretion, if deemed necessary and reasonably safe.

If a team member is suspected to have been infected, they are to be immediately taken to a DDR Practitioner for monitoring.