

RBA Young Ornithologists Fellowship 2020 Application Form

Please complete all sections of the form below and **return to 17 Keswick Close, Norwich, NR4 6UW** by February 9th. You are not required to have previous experience at an observatory or to have been ringing, or undertaken surveys, we only ask for this information to help tailor the bird observatory stay to the applicant's experience. Please use additional sheets if required. For full terms and conditions please see page 2. If you have any queries please email us at admin@rarebirdalert.co.uk

1) **Name:**

2) **Date of birth:**

3) **Male / Female / Other:**

4) **Address:**

5) **Email address and phone number:**

6) **Social media accounts / websites / blogs:** (include account names and website addresses)

7) **Birding experience, what you hope to get from the fellowship:**
(500-1000 words, include on a separate sheet)

8) **Previous bird observatory visit(s), experience(s):**

9) **Ringing, wildlife survey experience:** (include on a separate sheet if required)

10) **Bird observatory preference:** specify in order or preference from 1-3 (1 being your most preferred)

Preference

Spurn Bird Observatory _____

Bardsey Bird Observatory _____

Sandwich Bay Bird Observatory _____

11) **Date of application:**

12) **Applicant signature:** (by signing you agree to the terms and conditions on page 2)

13) **Signature of parent / legal guardian if applicant is under 18:** (by signing on behalf of the applicant you agree to terms and conditions on page 2)

Terms and conditions

- The Fellowships are only open to UK residents.
- Applicants must be aged 16-25 before the closing date of February 9th. (proof of age may be required)
- The cost of observatory accommodation is paid for by the award. All personal costs including travel to and from the observatory, food and other costs during stay are not paid for by the award.
- Every effort will be made to place successful applicants with their preferred observatory but all applicants must be prepared to travel to and stay at any one of the participating observatories. Spurn - East Yorkshire, Bardsey Island - Gwynedd and Sandwich Bay - Kent.
- Successful applicants must stay with a participating bird observatory during 2020.
- The dates for the bird observatory stay must mutually agreeable with the applicant and the observatory. Note: the observatories have dates which are unavailable throughout the year.
- Successful applicants will receive their Swarovski binocular at the beginning of their stay at a bird observatory.
- Successful applicants will receive their books from WildSounds & Books prior to their bird observatory stay.

Privacy Statement

We value your privacy and have a strict policy on how any data relating to you is stored. Applicant's details will not be shared with any other organisation. Some or all of the details of those awarded the four Fellowships in 2020 will be shared with the participating bird observatories as well as Swarovski Optik and WildSounds & Books. The information will only be used by the observatories to tailor your stay to reflect your previous experience and for the other prizes to be provided. Your details will not be used for any other purpose by these organisations. For our full privacy policy see www.rarebirdalert.co.uk/v2/Content/privacy.aspx