



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in the Guild of Agricultural Journalists of Great Britain. Here are the forms you require to apply for membership, together with information about the Guild's Charitable Trust.

Please note:

All applicants must be proposed by a Guild member, who must be satisfied that the candidate possesses a sound knowledge of agriculture and/or horticulture.

Applications must be accompanied by a completed Direct Debit form. This will be used to draw annual subscription payments from your bank account. The subscription year runs from January 31 to January 30. Members elected on or after November 1 pay nothing until their subscription is collected the following year. The fee (effective January 1, 2011) is £63 for full members and £31.50 for those who have successfully applied for retired status.

On being admitted, members receive a membership card and a copy of our Year Book. This provides contact details of all members and useful organisations, as well as information on Guild events, awards and other activities. In addition, new members' contact details are recorded in the Guild's monthly newsletter sent out by e-mail, added to our FarmingMediaCentre.co.uk website and published in the subsequent Year Book.

Navy Blue silk Guild ties (£10) and small green lapel pins (£2) and both of which feature the motif in gold are available. The Guild of Agricultural Journalists Charitable Trust also runs a 200 Club. Details about the ties, lapel pins and 200 Club are included in the following sheets.

If you have any queries, do give me a call. Otherwise, we look forward to receiving your completed application forms and to welcoming you as a member of the Guild.

With all good wishes,

Liz Snaith
Guild Membership Secretary
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Shrewsbury
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Membership application form - all parts to be completed in full

Name:.....

Home address:.....

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Post Code: E-mail:.....

Telephone:..... Fax:..... Mobile:.....

Business title (eg Editor/Freelance/Account manager):.....

Business address

..... Post Code

Tel:..... Fax:..... Mobile:..... E-

mail:.....

Please tick to have either or both addresses listed in the Guild Year Book:

Home address and contact details Business address and contact details

Guild merchandise (please tick as required and include payment with application)

Navy blue silk tie @ £10 inc p&p Lapel pin @ £2 inc p&p

Please tick to indicate whether you are:

1. A full-time journalist whose main income is derived from writing or photography for agricultural and/or horticultural magazines or broadcast media.
2. A communicator whose main income is derived from PR, publicity writing or photography on behalf of companies or organisations supplying goods or services to the agricultural and/or horticultural industries, whether freelance, employed full-time by an agency or as an in-house PR and publicity manager.
3. A full-time British agricultural and/or horticultural journalist or communicator but not resident in the UK (OVERSEAS MEMBER).
4. Someone who does not qualify for any of the above categories but wishes to establish or maintain contacts with Guild members by becoming a Friend of the Guild (FRIEND)

Previous relevant appointments:.....

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DECLARATION OF PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS AND WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS IN CATEGORIES 1, 2 and 3

Please list below those publications or broadcast programmes in which your articles/ photographs have appeared in the past 12 months

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I confirm that the greater part of my income is derived from agricultural and horticultural journalism, photography or communications (Not applicable for those applying for the category of FRIEND).

I hereby apply for membership of the Guild of Agricultural Journalists of Great Britain.

I agree to accept the decision of the Guild Council and, if elected, to abide by the rules of the Guild.

Signed:..... Date:.....

NOMINATION

(To be completed for all applicants by a Guild member)

I am satisfied that the applicant has the necessary knowledge and/or experience to qualify for membership of the Guild of Agricultural Journalists in the category selected.

Signed:.....

Name (print):..... Date:.....

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Applicant elected at the Guild Council meeting on.....

Signed:.....

The Guild of Agricultural Journalists' Charitable Trust

A trust fund to help Guild members in need

Chairman:

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The Guild of Agricultural Journalists' Charitable Trust was set up in 1993 to help members of the agricultural and horticultural media, and their dependants, who fall upon financially bad times. It can also give help for educational and training purposes where there is financial need.

The fund is entirely dependent upon donations and the fund-raising efforts of Guild members and supporters, so that sufficient capital can be raised to produce an income that can be used to help members.

A regular source of income is the '200 Club' which holds two prize draws each year, usually at the Guild's annual meeting in the spring, and at the harvest lunch in the autumn. At each draw there is a £250 first prize, £100 second and two £50 prizes.

This is the easiest - and potentially most rewarding - way to contribute to the Trust, and the annual subscription starts at just one £10 share. However, you can hold up to 10 shares (£100) if you wish, and have more chances of winning a cash prize.

I do hope you will help support the Trust by joining the 200 Club using the enclosed application form.

If you want further details or help, please contact John Allan, who runs the 200 Club, at Meadow Mist, Radcliffe Road, Cropwell Butler, Nottingham NG12 3AG (Tel: 01159 332721) or the Trust's treasurer, Diane Montague, Chatham House, 115 Widmore Road, Bromley, Kent, BR1 3AH (Tel: 020 8290 1212).

Good luck and best wishes.

Stephen Howe

The trust is a registered charity - number 1025968



Annual Subscription Payment
STANDING ORDER AUTHORITY

Table with 3 columns: To the Manager, Bank - Branch - Address -, Sort Code Number

Table with 4 columns: Please pay, Name of Bank, Branch Name, Sort Code Number. Includes details for HSBC Ewell Branch and account information.

If there is an existing standing order for the credit of GAJ Trust 200 Club, please cancel it and replace with this mandate



Name:.....

Address:.....

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..... Post Code:.....

Please select one of the following by deleting as appropriate:
I wish to pay using the completed Standing Order Authority

I enclose a cheque made out to "GAJ Trust 200 Club"
in payment of my annual subscription for:

..... share/s at £10 per share (Maximum 10 shares)

Signed:..... Date:.....

Return to:
John R. McB. Allan, Meadow Mist, Radcliffe Road, Cropwell Butler, Nottingham, NG12 3AG



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Below you will see the interests and disciplines by which Guild members are listed on the online Farming Media Centre. The interests are listed by the key words used by anyone searching the database for writing, photography, PR or broadcast services as well as by discipline. Please complete the form by putting an X into the column next to the interest or discipline that best represents your area of expertise.

	Keyword	X		Keyword	X
1	Livestock		10a	Forestry	
2	Dairy		11	Machinery	
3	Beef		12	Environment and conservation	
4	Sheep		13	Business management	
5	Poultry		14	Farm production and processing	
6	Pigs		15	Farm politics and economics	
6a	Animal health, welfare and nutrition		16	Horticulture	
6aa	Horses		17	Fruit	
7	Arable		18	Vegetables	
8	Cereals and combinable crops		19	Rural affairs and social issues	
9	Root crops		20	Food and product marketing	
9a	Grassland		21	Overseas agriculture	
9b	Crop protection		22	Organic agriculture	
10	Non-food crops		23	Land and property	
Discipline		X	Your name:		
Expert					
Journalist					
Photographer					
PR consultant					
Broadcast and media advice					

Please send your completed form to adrian.bell@farmingmediacentre.com

or to

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