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Friends of Fair Isle

Friends of Fair Isle have provided much needed support for the Fair Isle Bird Observatory Trust (FIBOT) for over 70 years. It is a way that supporters can contribute to the running of the Obs whilst enjoying the benefits of a free Annual Report, a newsletter and early booking opportunities.

The minimum subscription rates (from 1st April 2022) are:

- At least £24.00 for **Full Membership** (choice of printed/pdf Annual Report and newsletter plus email/letter correspondence; available for up to two people at one UK address)
- At least £10.00 for **Green Membership** (pdf Annual Report and pdf newsletter; all correspondence by email; also available to Friends living overseas).

Membership entitles Friends of Fair Isle to a copy of the FIBO Annual Report published in the membership year, one newsletter and preferential booking in the year following joining (one room per membership).

Subscriptions are due on or before 1st April and are valid until 31st March of the following year. (If joining late in the membership year, please state which year you wish the payment to apply to).

It is also possible to join as a Life Friend for £600 (Green Life Friend for £250). Please contact the Finance Director directly if you wish to take out a life membership.

As a charity, FIBOT does everything it can to minimise administration costs. You can help by paying your annual subscription through your bank, if this is located in the UK. A Standing Order will instruct your bank to pay the amount stated automatically on the date completed and each April thereafter. It can of course be cancelled at any time. You can either arrange a Standing Order through your digital banking app (if you have one) or by filling in the form overleaf. Completed Standing Orders should be returned to the Finance Director who will process your membership and then forward the Order to the bank. You can also pay by cheque, PayPal, bank transfer or cash (the latter only in person at the Obs).

Friends who pay UK income tax can greatly increase the value of their annual subscription by Gift Aid-ing them. Simply complete the Gift Aid Declaration overleaf and return this along with your completed subscription form or Standing Order to the Finance Director. This will allow FIBOT, a recognised charity, to reclaim Gift Aid on your annual subscription and any further donations that you may wish to make.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership number (FIBO use)

(Please tick below where applicable, and complete in block capitals)

<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to become a Friend of Fair Isle starting with the year* 20...../20.....
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to renew my membership for the year* 20...../20.....
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay £..... (minimum £24) for Full membership
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to receive a printed Annual Report (UK Full members only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to receive a printed Newsletter and posted correspondence (UK Full members only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay £..... (minimum £10) for Green membership (all communication will be by email/pdf)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay £600 to become a Life Member (please fill in your Annual Report/newsletter choices above)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay £250 to become a Green Life Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	I enclose a cheque
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have paid by PayPal
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have arranged an online Standing Order payable to the FIBOT bank account 00337438, 80-31-20
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed the Standing Order form on page 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed the Gift Aid Declaration on page 2

*Note: subscriptions are due on 1st April each year. Unless otherwise indicated above, applications received in March will apply to the following year.

Name..... Date

Address.....

Postcode..... Email..... (essential for Green membership)

This form should be returned to Fair Isle Bird Observatory, c/o Finance Director, Rosebank Cottage, 30A High Row, Melsonby, nr Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 5LZ

STANDING ORDER

Membership number (FIBO use)

(UK bank accounts only. Note: a Standing Order can also be set up using various digital banking apps)

Name of your bank

Address of your bank

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Please pay to the Bank of Scotland, Edinburgh George Street Branch (80-31-20), PO Box 1000, BX2 1LB for the account of Fair Isle Bird Observatory Trust Ltd (Account No. 00337438) the sum of £..... being my annual subscription now and on 1st April in each succeeding year until further notice. This cancels any previous order signed by me in favour of Fair Isle Bird Observatory Trust.

Bank sort code number

Your bank account number

Signature and date

Name (in capitals)

Please send completed form to the Finance Director, not directly to your bank.

GIFT AID DECLARATION

Note: a Gift Aid form can also be completed online: www.fairislebirdobs.co.uk/gift_aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, you can increase your donation to us by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. All you have to do is complete the Gift Aid Declaration (below):

I, [FULL NAME]

whose home address is:

[ADDRESS]

[POST CODE]

confirm that:

I would like the Fair Isle Bird Observatory Trust - registered Scottish charity SC011160 - to reclaim the tax on this and any other eligible donations or subscriptions that I may make in the future or have made in the past four years. I understand that I need to pay enough Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax in each tax year to cover the Gift Aid claimed on all my donations otherwise it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

Notes:

- Please let us know if you change your name or home address.
- To maximise your tax giving, your Gift Aid declaration will be automatically backdated 4 years as permitted by the Gift Aid Scheme. If you have begun paying taxes more recently or would prefer not to backdate the declaration for any other reason, please email admin@fairislebirdobs.co.uk or write to the address above in the first instance.
- Please let us know if you no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.
- You may cancel your declaration at any time by notifying us.
- Higher-rate taxpayers may claim further tax relief on donations made under the Gift Aid Scheme.
- Corporate donations and those made from Charitable Trusts or Foundations are not eligible for Gift Aid.