

# The BASC Wildlife Fund

in memory of Mr David Gray  
Conservation Scholarship Programme

2026

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### **Purpose:**

To support and encourage students wishing to study conservation and land management.

To promote careers in these areas by providing financial assistance to students where finance causes an obstruction to education and a future career.

### **Awards:**

There is no minimum award, however the maximum award to an individual is £4,500 per annum. The maximum period of award is for the length of the qualification, or for three years whichever is the greatest.

There will be a maximum of two awards given each year.

### **Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be UK citizens.
- The applicant or a member of his/ her immediate family must be a current member of BASC.

### **Selection criteria and application requirements:**

- Selection will be made by the BASC Project Integration Manager and the Regional team using a scoring system.

BASC's decision is final.

### **Applicants must:**

- Submit a completed application form by 5pm on 31 July 2026.

Application forms are available through the BASC website – they can be downloaded and then either completed electronically or printed off and completed by hand.

Submission of the completed application form can be by post or email, see details at the foot of these guidance notes.

- Provide evidence of their own or their immediate family's BASC membership.

Please do not send in membership cards; send in a scan or photocopy of the card along with your application form.

- Co-operate with BASC in developing and providing input for the promotion and advertisement of the award made, through social media, BASC's Shooting and Conservation magazine, press releases, the provision of images, and the progress of the successful applicant during this process.

### **Submission of application forms:**

Please submit your completed application form electronically to:  
Sandra.Forkin@basc.org.uk

Or by post to:

FAO Sandra Forkin  
BASC Legacy Funded Scholarship Programme,  
The British Association for Shooting and Conservation  
Marford Mill  
Rossett  
Wrexham  
LL12 OHL

Telephone 01244 573 034

The BASC Wildlife Fund has been set up in memory of David Gray a keen wildfowler who helped fund The Wildlife Habitat Trust (WHT)

## David Gray Conservation Scholarship Programme

### Terms and Conditions

- The BASC Legacy Funded Scholarship Programme is awarded impartially.
- BASC reserves the right not to award a scholarship in a given year.
- The monetary prize awarded to an individual can only be used to cover the direct costs of the study/development and for no other purposes.
- Applicants should be 16 or over at the time of the proposed start of their study/development.
- Applicants must provide evidence of their own or direct relative's current membership of BASC.
- Applications will only be accepted if submitted on the BASC application form.
- Applications will only be accepted if submitted by the stated deadline.
- All applicants will receive a letter notifying them of their success or not as per the application timetable for that given year.
- BASC will pay the award directly to the successful applicant/s, and may ask for proof of appropriate spend, in addition to the costs that have been identified on the application form.
- Prior to, during, and after the successful applicants undertaking the study, they will agree to undertake promotional activities, at no extra charge, at the request of BASC, highlighting their key experiences and learning relevant to the shooting community and BASC members.
- Should a successful applicant fail to confirm their acceptance of an award within 30 days of notification of their success, they will be in breach of the terms, and the monies awarded to them will not be paid.

## Consent form for photography and filming The British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC)

BASC has a commitment to protecting and safeguarding your data privacy. We would like your permission to use any photographs or video footage in print and digital media formats including print publications, websites, e-marketing, posters, banners, advertising, film, social media, teaching and research purposes.

We will never sell these pictures; we will use them exclusively for BASC's purposes. Electronic copies of the pictures or footage will be stored on BASC's secure servers.

BASC is committed to processing information in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The personal data collected on this form will be held securely and will only be used for administrative purposes.

Please tick and sign below to confirm the following:

- I understand that images on websites can be viewed throughout the world and not just in the United Kingdom and that some overseas countries may not provide the same level of protection to the rights of individuals as EU/UK legislation provides.
- I understand that some images or recordings may be kept permanently once they are published and be kept as an archive of BASC activities.
- I have read and understand the conditions and consent to my images being used as described.

I agree to my image being used on the following channels  
(please tick as appropriate):

- All the below channels
- Print publications
- Video
- Digital media – including websites and newsletters
- Social media

I agree to my personal data being used as per the following details:

- Full name
- Age
- Name and place of study

Name of person shown in image(s) .....

Age (if under 18\*) .....

Signed (Parent / Guardian\*) .....

Date .....