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Pay by direct debit or cheque: Download a membership application form

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I enclose a cheque for the amount of:

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WHY JOIN AFRICAN BIRD CLUB?

- Help to protect and conserve African birds
- Receive our bulletins
- Attend our meetings
- Communicate with others with similar interests
- Access / add to a wealth of information and experience

BIANNUAL BULLETINS

100 page colour Bulletins free to all members, packed full of feature articles about the African birding scene including:

- A unique round-up of news and events
- Research papers and survey results
- Conservation studies and issues
- Identification articles with photographs & illustrations
- Site guides and trip reports
- Information and reviews of recent literature

OUR MEETINGS

We organise one or more meetings each year for our members, which include topical talks and presentations and an opportunity to meet other members.

OUR WEBSITE

Your subscription and donations help maintain our website which provides a wealth of birding information on every African country and an opportunity to communicate with other birders.

BE A PART OF THIS

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THE AFRICAN BIRD CLUB IS A UK REGISTERED CHARITY.

THE CLUB WAS FORMED IN 1994 BY VOLUNTEERS WITH A COMMON INTEREST IN AFRICAN ORNITHOLOGY.

OUR AIMS ARE TO PROVIDE A WORLDWIDE FOCUS FOR BIRDS IN AFRICA.

WE GATHER AND SHARE INFORMATION ON AFRICAN BIRDS.

WE ENCOURAGE INTEREST IN BIRDS AND BIRDING IN THE REGION.

AND WE RAISE MONEY TO SUPPORT PEOPLE AND PROJECTS THAT WORK TO HELP CONSERVE AFRICAN BIRDS AND THEIR HABITATS.

Your subscription and donations contribute to our Conservation Fund. This supports conservation and training projects in Africa that are vital to securing the long term future of birds and their habitats.

**EXAMPLE PROJECTS**

**CONSERVATION:**

**Southern Ground Hornbill**

The poisoning of wildlife is increasing in South Africa and vulnerable species like the Southern Ground Hornbill are suffering unsustainable losses. Our grant of £1500 helped fund a workshop to explore solutions to the problem.

**EDUCATION:**

**Creating community awareness**

Lake Ol’ bolossat is an important bird area in Kenya’s Central Province. We provided £860 to support local guide George Ndung’u to teach schoolchildren and their families the importance of the wetland habitat to their livelihoods.

**HABITAT:**

**Madagascar’s spiny forest**

The spiny forests of Madagascar have unparalleled levels of diversity and endemism but suffer the fastest rates of forest loss in the country. ABC funds supported a major survey of the birds and reptiles in the habitat.

**MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY**

Please tick appropriate box

- Individual member (UK and Africa) £25
- Individual member (Europe except UK) £28
- Individual member (Rest of the World) £30
- Family member £30
- Supporting member* £40
- Student member £12
- Life member £600

The Supported Membership Scheme is intended to assist those birders in Africa with limited access to funds. There are a limited number of Supported Memberships available, but birders based in Africa may enquire about Supported Membership at any time.

*The additional amounts paid by Supporting Members are used to subsidise African members who may not be able to pay the full rate. Supporting Members can nominate the individuals they wish to support in this way or leave it to the Council’s discretion.

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Membership fee £
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Please tick appropriate box

Financial year

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