

GINO WATKINS MEMORIAL FUND AND EDWARD WILSON FUND APPLICATION FORM

The Gino Watkins Memorial Fund is a Trust raised as a memorial to H. Gino Watkins, a young explorer who lost his life in Greenland in 1932. The joint Trustees (the Royal Geographical Society and the University of Cambridge), appoint a committee whose aims, on behalf of the Trust, are to implement the Fund's objects which are:

- (a) The improvement and diffusion of knowledge of the Polar Regions
- (b) The promotion of the acquisition of the special knowledge necessary for the success of Polar Exploration and for the prevention of accidents and loss of life on Polar expeditions and
- (c) With the view to the objects aforesaid the assistance by financial or other means of suitable Polar expeditions.

The Edward Wilson Fund, named after Dr Edward Wilson who died with Captain Robert Scott on returning from the South Pole in 1912, is administered by the Scott Polar Research Institute and financed by royalties from some of the Institute's publications and other donations. Grants from the fund, which are allocated by the Gino Watkins Memorial Fund Committee, are particularly applicable to expeditions in which biological and ecological studies are prominent.

The Arctic Club Award is given to an expedition selected from those who apply to the Gino Watkins Memorial Fund. It is given, usually annually, to a sporting rather than a scientific expedition composed of young people.

GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. This form covers applications to all funds; a grant may be awarded from whichever is more applicable. Individual grants are unlikely to exceed £1500.
2. This form will be photocopied for circulation to Committee members. Please complete the form legibly in type or black ink. Parts of brochures and other printed material may be included with the application. You may send complete brochures and other material with your application, for tabling when the Committee meets.
3. Please ask your two named referees to send their references to you in sealed envelopes. Include the sealed envelopes containing the references with your application.
4. In assessing expeditions the Committee will take account of the proposed locality (grants are rarely given for subpolar or populous districts), the soundness of planning and objectives, and the likelihood of success. Experience of polar travel is considered to be as worthwhile as scientific research. Expeditions that bring experience and training to young people and the Services are likely to be favoured. In making awards the Committee will additionally take account of the financial constraints on the party and the degree of self-help.
5. Return the completed form, **to arrive not later than 31 January**, to:
The Secretary
Gino Watkins Memorial Fund Committee
Scott Polar Research Institute
Lensfield Road
CAMBRIDGE
CB2 1ER
6. Applications are normally considered during February. Successful applicants receive notice of their grants early in April.
7. Please provide bank details in the event of your application being successful. Please note that, whenever possible, GWMF prefer that award cheques or bank transfers are made payable to expedition accounts rather than personal accounts.

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Reference Number:

Expedition Title:	
Expedition Leader:	Expedition web site (if available):
Summary of the main objects of the expedition:	
Country:	Location of Expedition – nearest settlement or Lat/Long (please attach a location map)
Expedition contact name and address for all correspondence:	Expedition mobile telephone contact number:
Departure and return dates	Number of weeks in field:
Total Number of members:	
Number of scientists:	Number of members under 18:
Number of mountaineers:	Number of other personnel:
Number of assistants:	
Total estimated cost:	
Travel to area:	Freight:
Other travel costs:	Field equipment:
Scientific equipment:	Food:
Fuel:	Insurance:
Administration:	Report preparation and publication:
Contingencies:	
Total grant income raised to date:	Other grant making bodies approached:
Contribution to costs by expedition members (show total and cost per member):	Other funds raised:
Whom have you consulted about your plans?	Is political permission required and if so has an application been made for a permit?
If a grant is made payment will be made by BACS. Please provide bank account details for the account to receive the grant.	
Account Name	Account Number
Sort Code	Bank

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Leader's address:		UK contact name during expedition (if known):	
Leader's e-mail:		UK contact e-mail during expedition (if known)	
Leader's mobile telephone and direct line:		UK contact mobile telephone and direct line (if known):	
Leader's fax number:		UK contact fax number (if known):	
First referee name:		Second referee name:	
First referee address:		Second referee address:	
First referee contact phone number:		Second referee contact phone number:	
First referee contact e-mail:		Second referee contact e-mail:	
Expedition member experience, qualifications and ages:			

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Summary account of proposed objectives (a detailed expedition plan with maps on A4 or A3 sheets can also be submitted):

Outline of logistic plan and operational methods:

I confirm that I have undertaken a full safety risk assessment of the activities of the proposed expedition.

Signature of leader: _____ Date: _____