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# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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	the Whitgiftian Association and agree to be bound by the leted form to The Secretary, the Whitgiftian Association,	
PERSONAL PROFILE		
Date of Birth: House		
Qualifications and/or Degrees (state University if applicable)		
Current Job/Profession/Employment: Retired □		
(Not obligatory) Please include a bri boys leaving the School or Universit	ief career summary, which will be of value to us in provid y (or use separate sheet):	ing careers and mentoring advice to
The subscriptions listed below assum	CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP I category (see reverse for further details). Subscriptions are due that all communications are sent via email. Where a member e subscriptions shown below. Payments may be made by cheque direct debit using the debit form provided.	requests correspondence to be sent
☐ FULL	Residing within 20 miles of Haling Park	£50
COUNTRY & OVERSEAS	Residing more than 20 miles from Haling Park	£40
☐ SPORTS MEMBERS	Full Playing Members of the Whitgift Sports Club	nil
☐ LIFE MEMBERS	Members who have paid a lump sum in advance	£1,000 (currently)
☐ PATRONS	Annual Donation	£25
□ <i>P</i>	lease send me all correspondence by post (add £10 to amount a	bove)
	estanding obligations or financial liabilities to any previous club of ary or legal action. I declare that the above information is truth	
SIGNED	Date	

#### NOTES ON MEMBERSHIP

The Whitgiftian Association is a members' organisation that welcomes current Sixth Formers and past pupils of Whitgift School. The Association maintains details of all members, arranges Reunions and a variety of other social events, provides networking opportunities, mentoring and careers assistance and supports the School through notifying members of forthcoming social and sporting events at Haling Park. The Association maintains an active website and state-of-the-art database for the benefit of its Members. In addition, the annual 'WA News' is dispatched to all Members via e-mail, together with the 'OW Newsletter' (bi-monthly) and 'Whitgift Life', published twice yearly by the School. The School occasionally publishes 'The Whitgiftian' magazine. When published, members are notified and may request a copy, at cost price, to be sent by post at the prevailing rate.

The Association maintains strong links with the Whitgift Sports Club in Croham Road where its principal sports continue to be rugby, cricket, football and hockey, water polo/swimming (off-site). Association members are encouraged to visit Croham Road and are welcome at all times. Your WA Membership Card allows a discount on all bar purchases and lettings fees. Members of the Association wishing to play sport at Croham Road may apply for membership of the Whitgift Sports Club separately. OWs who are Full Playing Members of the WSC receive free membership of the WA (Sports Members). Please call the Clubhouse Manager on 020 8686 2127 who will be pleased to send you an application form.

The Association also has affiliations with the Old Whitgiftian Golf Society, the Old Whitgiftian Squash Club, the Old Whitgiftian Fives Club, the Old Whitgiftian Sailing Club and the Whitgift Veterans Rifle Club, all of whom welcome new members. Swimming, shooting, squash and fives facilities are provided at Haling Park. Other affiliated groups include The OW Chess Club, The Corps of Drums and The Prayer Fellowship. The Whitgiftian Benevolent Society is a separately constituted charity, which assists distressed Old Whitgiftians and their families, current and former members of the staff of the School and present Whitgiftians.

The Association also co-ordinates the activities of Old Whitgiftian Regional Branches who arrange their own reunions and social activities. These branches include: Sussex, East Anglia, Oxfordshire, South West and West Midlands/Warwickshire. Further regions are in the course of formation and a full list of current regional contacts is available from the Secretary.

#### Membership

Sixth Form pupils at Whitgift School automatically become members of the Whitgiftian Association where their parents have elected to contribute to the Advanced Membership Scheme (AMS). Upon leaving school, the AMS contributions cover membership of the Association for up to seven years. Any former pupil of Whitgift School may apply for membership of the Whitgiftian Association at any time subject to completing and submitting the accompanying form together with the relevant payment or, alternatively, a completed Direct Debit form. A period of seven days will then elapse whilst the application is processed by the Membership Committee and the candidate is formally accepted.

## **Rights and Benefits**

All members (except Patrons) of the Whitgiftian Association are entitled to the following rights:

- a. to wear the colours and ties of the Association, to receive the Annual Report and Accounts and to receive notice of and to attend and vote at general meetings.
- **b.** to a Whitgiftian Association Membership Card which provides access to events arranged by the Association and to the Whitgift Sports Club and allows a discount on bar purchases and clubhouse letting fees
- c. to membership of the Affiliated Societies of the Association on payment of an appropriate subscription
- d. to receive the Association's newsletters, publications and regular communications by e-mail
- e to invitations to reunions, regional and other events arranged by the Association for which members receive discounted ticket prices
- f to invitations to events and activities at the School and the Whitgift Sports Club
- g to participation in careers and mentoring programmes

# **Annual Subscriptions**

Categories of Membership, together with the relevant subscriptions are shown overleaf. Payment of subscriptions is due by 1st September each year. For ease of administration, payments by annual direct debit are preferred using the form provided.

### **Patrons**

The Patrons' scheme is designed to appeal to registered OWs who may have paid a one-off subscription in the past and have received notifications over many years. By becoming a Patron, such OWs can support their alumni organisation whilst remaining in touch with fellow members in exchange for a small annual donation. Patrons will receive notifications of reunions and the annual WA News by email (or by post for an additional £10).

## Life Membership

Life membership of the Association is available for a one-off payment currently standing at £1,000, representing excellent value, especially to younger members. The sum required in any given year is subject to an annual increase of 5%, or such other increase as shall be deemed appropriate by the Committee. If you are interested in this category of membership please speak directly to the Chairman or Secretary on 020 8633 9926.