

## 2024 Ted Lys Award application (2025 awards)



Edward Lysakowski, usually known as Ted Lys, was a well-known UK glider pilot who from the early 1970s until his untimely death in 1998 competed in UK National Championships, and in European Championships as a member of the British Team. His wife Krystyna and their daughter Karen established the Ted Lys awards in his memory.

The aims of the awards are to help qualified UK based pilots to make a rapid advance towards fulfilling personal aspirations in any sphere of gliding.

The trust makes a number of Ted Lys awards annually with the application process typically over December and January with the awards being made in February. For 2025 **Sunday 12th of January, 2025** (midnight).

Applications are invited from individuals and groups, including clubs. While past awards have been focussed on cross-country, competition, & mountain flying, proposals for any other aspect of gliding are now also eligible. Reflecting the pattern of the original Ted Lys awards where recipients attended coaching events with fellow Ted Lys award recipients, the trust will be particularly interested in proposals for group participation or specifically organised coaching activity.

There are a variety of opportunities that may meet the aspirations of a pilot wanting to advance their gliding skills and experience. The following list gives examples (the trust does not make recommendations) of the kind of activity that the trust would consider supporting.

- Cross-country soaring courses
- Master class coaching
- Mountain soaring courses
- Aerobatics courses
- Other advance training or development programmes

Applications for any individual or group training that meets your aspirations will be considered. Typically, Ted Lys awards are for 50% of any flying or course costs, and also travel costs where travel costs are significant, but the trustees do vary the awards to fit our budget.

We look forward to receiving your application.

### Ted Lys Award Funding

The monies for the Ted Lys awards come from 'Launchpoint', which is a charitable trust funded by donations by glider pilots and other generous people. Launchpoint does not have a huge pool of capital or regular interest to draw on so to continue making Ted Lys awards (and Caroline awards, which it also funds) the trust relies on new donations.

Please consider donating or fund raising for the trust. A number of pilots have also left the trust a legacy in their will. There is more information at

<https://members.gliding.co.uk/launchpoint/leaving-a-gift-in-your-will/>

### **Group or Individual Application**

The application form has three sections. You need to complete only two of them.

If the application is for:

- Yourself (single pilot)

Please complete:

- Section A – Individual Ted Lys Award Application
- Section C – CFI/ Club Endorsement

- Group flying (multiple pilots)

Please complete

- Section B – Group activity application
- Section C – CFI/ Club Endorsement

Please either complete the application electronically or on paper. And return it to us as a PDF or MsWord document or PDF of the scanned paper application.

If the space on the form is insufficient, please extend the answer box as you need or add additional pages as required.

### **Please Note**

Completed forms should be submitted ahead of the closing date detailed on the Launchpoint website Ted Lys Award application page:

<https://members.glidering.co.uk/launchpoint/ted-lys-award-application/>

Please submit your completed application by email to [tedlys.launchpoint@gmail.com](mailto:tedlys.launchpoint@gmail.com)

Applications are open to all members of UK community. When deciding between applications of otherwise equal merit, the trustees will give special consideration to women, the young, and those who have disabilities or other disadvantages.

Section A – Individual Ted Lys Award Application

**Applicant**

Name:	
Address:	Telephone contact numbers:
	Email(s):
	Age:
Home gliding club:	
Are you a member of another gliding club or do you regular fly at another club?	

**Brief Summary of your present standard and experience**

(We suggest you might include years gliding, FAI badges, a description of your gliding level in your own words and any other aviation experience)

**Your Goals for Gliding**

(Short description of what you want to achieve)

**Ted Lys Award – What are you asking us to support**

Are you intending to do a course? Do you have an ad-hoc training programme, if so, what does it include? Please write as much as you need; don't feel limited to the small space below.

**Ted Lys Award – Timetable**

What is the intended or proposed timetable for the activity?

Section A – Individual Ted Lys Award Application

**Ted Lys Award – Costs**

What are the costs of the activities you are asking for a Ted Lys award to support?

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**Flying Experience & Qualifications**

The normal minimum qualification for a Ted Lys Award is a completed FAI Silver C.

Please give us an idea of how much flying you have done in total and in the last two years.

Total gliding hours		Last 24 months	
No. of winch launches		Last 24 months	
No. of aerotows		Last 24 months	
No. of self-launch		Last 24 months	

Other aviation:

**Gliding Qualifications & Achievements**

	<u>Date Obtained (1)</u>
FAI Silver complete	
BGA 100 km Diploma (Part I / Part 2)	/
FAI Gold Badge. (Distance / Height)	/ /
FAI Diamond (Goal / Distance / Height)	/ /
BGA Instructor (Basic / Ass't / Full)	/ /
SFCL Flight Instructor	
Aerobatic badge. (Standard / Sports / Intermediate / Unlimited)	/ / /

1 - (exact date is not required, month/year is acceptable)

**Your Flying**

Describe your gliding experience, the kind of flying you normally do, and what is most important to you. Please also comment on any noteworthy flights and achievements, aspirations and goals.

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Section A – Individual Ted Lys Award Application

**Final questions!**

If you do not receive a Ted Lys award to help cover the cost your proposal, how will you fund this flying?

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Do have any kind of disability?  
(Y/N/Do not wish to answer)

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By signing below, I confirm that the information I have given is accurate and that the development activity I propose is not and will not be the subject of any concurrent funding or application for funding from any other organisation.

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Signature:
Date:

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Section B – Group activity application

**Applicant**

Name:	
Address:	Telephone contact numbers:
	Email(s):
Home gliding club:	

**The Goals of the Activity you are asking us to support**

(Short description of what you want to achieve)

**Ted Lys Award – What are you asking us to support**

Please describe the activity you are proposing.

Please write as much as you need; don't feel limited by the small space below.

**Ted Lys Award – Timetable**

What is the intended or proposed timetable for the activity?

**Ted Lys Award – Costs**

What are the costs of the activities you are asking for a Ted Lys award to support?

**Ted Lys Award – Delivery**

Who will manage and deliver the activity? If its not a BGA club (or similar) or a well know coach please summarise their gliding experience and background.

Section B – Group activity application

**Flying Experience & Qualifications**

The normal minimum qualification for a Ted Lys Award is a completed FAI Silver C.

What are or do you believe will be the flying experience and qualifications of those benefiting from the Ted Lys Award? (If there are named individuals, please name them and tell us about them. If it's a particular group or subset of your club or community please describe how you will select them and their likely background and abilities. Please include gliding experience FAI badges, experience of the activity you are proposing.)

If you do not receive a Ted Lys award to help cover the cost your proposal how will you fund this activity?

Do any of the those who would benefit from the Ted Lys award have any kind of disability?

(Y/N/Do not wish to answer)

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**Section C – CFI/ Club Endorsement**

**Note to Sponsor** (preferably Club CFI or Chairman):

To help with the selection of candidates please give as full an endorsement as you are able, bearing in mind your relationship and acquaintance with the applicant.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the details on this form are correct and that the applicant is suitable for an award, having in mind the aims of the Trust. My reasons for endorsing this application are:

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Name:	Signed: / (or email submission)
Sponsor's qualification / position in Club:	
Sponsor's address:	
Email:	
Preferred Phone:	