



## Aberdeen Red Kites 10-year Anniversary Photo Competition

2017 marks the 10-year anniversary of Aberdeen's red kite reintroduction project and RSPB Scotland is hosting a photo competition to highlight these magnificent birds of prey and celebrate their success in the Aberdeenshire area.

You can be of any age or skill level to enter but photos must be taken in the north-east of Scotland and must feature a red kite in a natural setting. We cannot accept entries from professional photographers. The judges will be looking for photos that tell a powerful story about these much-loved birds and the role they play in our environment.

The winning entrant will win a day out with an RSPB Scotland Conservation Officer to observe local red kite hotspots, take photos and learn more about the species and its conservation. The winning photo will also be displayed at TechFest in Aberdeen in August 2017 along with runner up photos and any special commendations.

Please read the competition rules and terms & conditions below carefully before submitting your entries.

Good luck!

## COMPETITION

### Rules

1. This competition is open to all UK residents except any employee of the RSPB and their immediate family members. Proof of age may be required.
2. Applicants under 18 must get consent from their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) before entering the competition. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of applicants under 18 agree to the Rules and Terms and Conditions on behalf of the applicants.
3. All applicants must be amateur photographers.
4. The competition is free to enter and no purchase is necessary.
5. All entries must be submitted by email to [aberdeenredkites@rspb.org.uk](mailto:aberdeenredkites@rspb.org.uk) and **only one entry per person is permitted**. Please refer to the competition page for further details at <https://www.rspb.org.uk/our-work/conservation/conservation-projects/details/274636-aberdeen-red-kites> Entrants must include their name, phone number and preferred email address.
6. Photographs entered must feature at least one red kite and be taken in north-east Scotland and the location must be specified as part of the applicant's entry correspondence.
7. Images of red kites in captivity are not eligible.
8. No wildlife habitats should be harmed or unduly disturbed in the process of taking photographs. Further guidance is available at <http://www.rps.org/adminuploads/external/images/nature@rps.org/Nature%20Photographers%20Code%20of%20Practice.pdf>
9. Entries will be forwarded to judges to be judged anonymously. Entrant's identifying details (including watermarks, signatures or logos) must not therefore appear on the image itself. Entrants should avoid using their personal details in the file name of digital images.
10. Entrants will be required to submit their original high resolution digital files if requested. These files should be of sufficient quality to reproduce to the following specifications: At 300dpi, landscape - 3800 x 2000 pixels, portrait – 2200 x 3600 pixels.
11. The RSPB must receive entries by midnight on Tuesday 15 August 2017. Any entry which is late, incomplete or inappropriate will be deemed invalid at the discretion of the RSPB.
12. The RSPB accepts no responsibility for any technical failure, malfunction or any other problem with any server, internet access system or otherwise which may result in any entry being lost, corrupted or not properly registered or recorded. No responsibility will be taken for damaged or lost entries.
13. Entries will be judged by Ewen Cameron (formerly of Scottish Natural Heritage) and Jenny Weston (RSPB Scotland).
14. The judges shall assess the entries and one winner will be selected. The judges' decisions shall be final. No correspondence regarding the results will be entered into.
15. The winner shall receive a day with an RSPB Scotland Conservation Officer to experience red kites in their natural environment. The winning entrant can bring one additional person on the trip. Any children must be accompanied by an adult.
16. The Conservation Officer retains the right to determine the most appropriate time of year and the specific itinerary for the day out. Contact details for the Conservation Officer will be provided to the winner and arrangements will then be made between the prize-winner and the Conservation Officer to find a mutually convenient date.
17. The winning entry will be printed and displayed at TechFest on 26 & 27 August as part of an RSPB Scotland red kite display along with runner up photos and any special commendations. There is no additional prize for runners up or special commendations. This will include the display of their name and photograph at TechFest. You agree that your personal data may be used for this purpose.
18. The winner will be notified by email or telephone (using the details provided at entry) within 1 week of a decision being made. If a winner does not respond to the RSPB within 21 days of being notified by the RSPB, then they will forfeit their prize and a replacement winner will be selected from the other applicants.
19. The prize is non-exchangeable, non-transferable and no cash alternative is offered.
20. The RSPB reserves the right to replace the prize with an alternative prize of equal or higher value if necessary.
21. The winner's name and photo will be published on the competition website and on social media (Facebook & Twitter).
22. Please note hard copy entries cannot be accepted. See above (5) for email entry instructions. Full copyright title remains with the author/owner of any entry. Please see the full Terms and Conditions below.
23. The RSPB reserves the right to refuse entry or to refuse to award the prize to anyone in breach of the Rules or the Terms and Conditions or the spirit of the Rules or the Terms and Conditions.

## Terms and Conditions

1. By submitting an entry, you agree to be legally bound by the Rules and these Terms and Conditions.
2. Any entry must be your original work and it must not infringe the rights of third parties including copyright, trade mark, trade secrets, privacy, publicity, personal or proprietary rights. In addition, all entries must be produced legally without trespassing on any land and no wildlife or habitats should be harmed, put at risk or unduly disturbed in the process.
3. Full copyright title shall be retained by the author of any entry. By submitting any entry to the RSPB (including any text, photographs, graphics, video or audio), you agree to grant the RSPB a perpetual, royalty-free, non-exclusive, sub-licensable right and worldwide license to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, publish, translate, create derivative works from, distribute, perform, display and exercise all publicity rights with respect to your entry, and/or to incorporate your entry in other works, in any media now known or later developed for the full term of any rights that may exist in your entry, and in accordance with privacy restrictions set out in the RSPB's Privacy Policy.
4. By submitting an entry, you agree to waive any moral rights contained in your entry. Any entry you provide shall be non-confidential.
5. By submitting an entry, you agree the RSPB may use the material for any purpose and in any way it chooses, including, but not limited to, marketing, publicity, advertising and presentations.
6. The RSPB (including its subsidiaries, agents or distributors) shall not be liable for any direct, indirect or consequential loss or damage or for any costs, claims or demands of any nature whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of the use of your entry or any part thereof.
7. Insofar as is permitted by law, the RSPB (including its subsidiaries, agents or distributors) will not in any circumstances be responsible or liable to compensate the winner or accept any liability for any loss, damage, personal injury or death occurring as a result of taking up the prize, except where it is caused by the negligence of the RSPB, its subsidiaries, agents or distributors or that of their employees. Your statutory rights are not affected.
8. You agree to indemnify the RSPB (and its subsidiaries) against any claim from any third party for any breach of the Rules or these Terms and Conditions.
9. The RSPB reserves the right to update the Rules and these Terms and Conditions from time to time and any updated version will be effective as soon as it is published on <http://www.staging.rspb.org.uk/our-work/conservation/conservation-projects/details/274636-aberdeen-red-kites>.
10. **The RSPB takes your privacy very seriously; we will only use your personal information in accordance with the terms of these Terms and Conditions and the RSPB's Privacy Policy.** By submitting an entry, you confirm that you have read and agree to the terms of our Privacy Policy.
11. Any personal data submitted will be held securely and in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Personal data supplied may be passed on to third party suppliers only insofar as required for fulfillment/delivery/arrangement of the prize.
12. The winner may be required to participate in publicity related to the competition which may include the publication of their name and photograph in any media. You agree that your personal data may be used for this purpose.
13. For the avoidance of doubt, by submitting your entry you warrant that all persons featured in your entry have given you their express consent for their image, voice or other details to be used and, in the case of vulnerable adults or persons under 18 years of age, you warrant that you have obtained express consent from their parent(s) or legal guardian(s).
14. This competition is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with Facebook or Twitter. In using external sites such as Facebook or Twitter you acknowledge and agree to be bound by their Terms & Conditions and Privacy Policy.
15. The RSPB is registered in England and this competition is governed by English law and English Courts have exclusive jurisdiction.
16. The **Royal Society for the Protection of Birds** (the 'RSPB') is a registered charity in England & Wales no. 207076 and in Scotland no. SC037654 whose registered address is at the Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL.