

PROPOSED INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

Your Questions Answered

WHAT WILL INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP GIVE ME?

Membership benefits include: personal liability insurance, discounts, member magazines and an online profile of your rowing career, achievements and qualifications (accessible only to you). Most importantly, your membership fee will be securing the future of the sport and supporting your club. You will also benefit from other new and improved services.

HOW WILL THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP HELP THE SPORT?

The CPGA is no longer able to effectively manage this fast-growing sport solely through volunteers. The individual membership will help the organisation undergo a step-change to deliver the services the gig rowing community needs as it continues to expand.

HOW WILL THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP HELP MY CLUB?

The CPGA has reached a tipping point and there is insufficient capacity within the existing volunteer team to further develop the sport, which now has 86 member clubs and over 5300 rowers. The new individual membership fee will provide clubs with the training and support they need safety and safeguarding, coaching and coxing, funding and recruitment, and much more.

HOW MUCH WILL INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP COST?

If you are under 18, membership will be FREE. If you are over 18, membership will cost £30 per year. An adult student rate will be available.

IS THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DEFINITELY BEING INTRODUCED?

The decision has not yet been made. It will be decided by a vote of clubs at an EGM in the Spring. The CPGA have invited all members of the gig rowing to have their say via a survey. Your contribution will help clubs to represent your views when they vote.

WILL THERE BE ANY DISCOUNTS FOR FAMILIES?

Rather than discounting families the CPGA has chosen to make all memberships for U18's free.

WHEN WOULD THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP SCHEME START?

The proposed start date of the individual membership has not yet been decided. Any decision would be taken with clubs and be sensitive to the ongoing impacts of the Covid pandemic.



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WILL I HAVE TO BECOME AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE CPGA?

If you belong to a CPGA club you will need to become a member of the CPGA. Although a Waiver Scheme will be available based on extraordinary circumstances (to be determined).

I AM A 'SOCIAL' ROWER. WILL I STILL REQUIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CPGA IF I DON'T RACE AT EVENTS?

Yes. The CPGA has collected the views of clubs and rowers prior to publishing these plans. There is general agreement that dividing our community into those rowing competitively and those rowing socially is not in the spirit of the sport. The CPGA are keen to make sure that the gig rowing community remains friendly, inclusive and diverse.

I DON'T ROW BUT DO ASSIST WITH RUNNING MY CLUB. WILL I HAVE TO PAY?

If you are a member of a CPGA club you will need to become a member, however some individuals may be eligible for the Waiver Scheme (to be determined).

MUST I BE AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER TO RACE?

Yes. There will be a transition period whilst the membership is introduced. After this is completed, membership will be a required by all those participating in the sport.

CAN I PAY A LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP?

Yes, you may pay a life membership, the cost of this is yet to be confirmed.

WILL I STILL BE ABLE TO CHANGE CLUBS?

Yes, your CPGA membership will remain valid if you change clubs.

CAN I BE AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE CPGA WITHOUT BEING A CLUB MEMBER?

Absolutely. You do not need to be a club member to be an individual member.

HOW WILL I PAY?

This has yet to be decided. Clubs will be fully consulted.

IS THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP A MEMBERSHIP SCHEME OR SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE?

The answer is both. There is an annual subscription fee for which you will receive services including personal liability insurance, magazine subscription and a personal profile. But most importantly, the membership scheme will formalise your belonging to the gig rowing community. As a result, we will all be connected through our membership, our shared friends and experiences.



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