

Annual General Meeting 2026



The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of The British Water Ski & Wakeboard Federation Limited will be held on Sunday 18th January 2026 at 1p.m. via online video conference call

Registering for this Online Meeting

In order to attend the online AGM it is important to register via our online form on the BWSW website. To enable access, we will provide a link to the video conference call the week before the AGM date.

Timetable of Events

12.30 to 12.40pm Proxies for voting clubs to join the video conference / register their attendance
12.40pm to 12.55 Other attendees to join the video conference
1:00pm Annual General Meeting starts

AGM Online Resources – www.bsw.org.uk

- AGM Notice (previously circulated)
- AGM Circular (previously circulated)
- Agenda
- Annual Report
- Minutes AGM January 2025
- Financial Statement 2024-25
- AGM Board Election Flowchart
- Candidate Summary CVs

AGM Voting

To clarify the voting process by our Full Members (voting clubs and cable centres) - only officially appointed club and cable proxies attending will be given voting rights at the AGM. Voting proxies will be given a number of votes (details of voting rights have been included below), to which a Full Member is entitled. For your club or centre to vote at the AGM, a Proxy Form must be completed. The form must show the name of your representative or indicate your wish to pass your vote to the Chair of the meeting or to provide a postal vote.

Note that for our AGM to be valid a minimum of 16 Full Members must be represented in person or by proxy for the purposes of any quorum.

Voting Rights – clubs and centres are allocated votes on the following basis:

- The club/centre must be a Full Member of British Water Ski & Wakeboard
- The club/centre must have paid the 2025 affiliation fee to British Water Ski & Wakeboard
- The club/centre must have registered all its members for the 2025 season
- To vote by proxy British Water Ski & Wakeboard must have received prior to **5 pm on Wednesday 14th January** a completed and properly authorised Proxy Form

Having met all the Voting Rights (criteria), votes are allocated as follows:

- A club/centre with between 1 and 30 registered members has **One** vote
- A club/centre with between 31 and 60 registered members has **Two** votes
- A club/centre with between 61 and 90 registered members has **Three** votes
- A club/centre with between 91 and 120 registered members has **Four** votes
- A club/centre with between 121 and 150 registered members has **Five** votes and so on ...

Nominations for Board Elections

A list of candidates who intend to stand or re-stand for election at the AGM is detailed below. Summary CVs are available online to ensure voting delegates are informed of those standing for election who meet the desired skills and diversity criteria.

The Board of Directors

The current articles of association provide for 8 members of the Board as a maximum. In any given year there are typically 7 elected members, made up of 5 non-Independent Directors, 2 Independent Directors plus the CEO. An Independent Director is defined as someone who is free from any close connection to the

Federation and who, from the perspective of an objective outsider, would be viewed as independent and who shall be appointed through an open recruitment process based on skills and experience. For the avoidance of doubt participation in water skiing, wakeboarding and any sport associated therewith shall not automatically disbar someone from being an Independent Director as long as they have no vested interest or are otherwise incapable of objectively being viewed as not independent.

It is important to note that for a governing body to be eligible for continued funding through Sport England, it is a mandatory requirement that its Board **must consist of a minimum of 25% independent directors**.

Each Director (including Independent Directors but excluding the CEO as a Director) shall retire at the third AGM following their election but they are eligible for re-election by the Full Members (eligible voting clubs and centres) for a maximum period of two further terms of three years. Additionally, any members co-opted to fill a board position since the previous AGM also need to stand for election. The rotation and any wish for members to re-stand does not in any way inhibit additional nominations being made and voting members voting.

Our Chair, Martin Winter (Non-Independent) resigned in mid-November 2025, having completed nearly ten years as a Director. We very much would like to put on record our thanks and appreciation for the huge amount of work and input by Martin during his BSWW board tenure. Steve Sopp, Vice Chair (Non-Independent) and long-standing board member, stands down at this AGM having reached the maximum term as contemplated by the Sports Code and the Articles. Steve has had a lifetime of involvement in the sport and will continue to act as Waterski Committee Chair. We thank him for the huge amount of time and input over many years on the Board. Simon Sinclair (Independent) was co-opted during the current year (to lead on sponsorship acquisition) however Simon decided to resign from the board last December and will not stand for election. We thank him for his time and input during his tenure.

AGM Board Rotation & Elections

The following Board member will stand down at the AGM having completed the maximum term in accordance with the Articles:

- Steve Sopp (re-elected 2025) Non-Independent

The following co-opted Board member will stand for election:

- Ruston Smith (co-opted 2025) Independent

The following new candidates will stand for election:

- Katie Lowe Non-Independent
- Jeremy Nevill Non-Independent
- Robert Sawyer Non-Independent

The following members will be continuing in office:

- Andrew Phillips (elected 2024) Independent
- Shelley Meyern (elected 2025) Independent
- Michael Lock (re-elected 2025) Non-Independent
- Anny Wooldridge (elected 2024) Non-Independent

We look forward to welcoming you at the Annual General Meeting.



Patrick Donovan
Company Secretary

12th December 2025