# FRIENDS OF TOURNAMENT

# £429,000 RAISED TO DATE

#### Friends of Tournament June 2025

- Gross amount raised to date £428,802
- Prize Money £117,960
- After Prizes £310,842
- Spend to Date £269,711
  - Skier & Team Grants £143,705
- Development Days 339,863
- Training Camps £19,195
- Backyard Events £2,189
- Trick/Jump Skis/Medals £11,571
- Squad Training £24,352
- Coaching Vouchers & JC Award £8,586
- Paintings and Prints £2,425
- Promotional Merchandise £16,654
- Available Funds £41,130
- FoT Bank Account £37,418 @ 08/07/2025
- FoT Funds in Insignis Funds £17,722
- Jill Howard Legacy Fund Bank £3,783
- JHLF Investments £204,582
- Final Spend 2024 £50,275
  Carry over to 2025 £35,521
  Projected Spend 2025 £62,414
- 172 balls in the bag this month with prizes of £1405.63.
  - o 1st £465.83
  - o 2nd £372.67
  - o 3rd £279.50
  - o 4th £186.33
  - o 5th £93.17
- So far 404 prizes have gone to 141 different winners.





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#### The 102nd 200 Club Draw

The 102nd 200 Club, June 2025 prize draw has taken place at Premier Waterski Club during their recent Slalom Ranking List competition With 172 numbers this month and a prize pot of £1,397.50 the lucky winners are:

1st Catherine Wharton No. 112 - £465.83 2nd Jeff Smith No. 150 - £372.67 3rd Tim Hazelwood No. 37 - £279.50 4th The Black Cat No. 183 - £186.33 5th Dusko Lukic No. 87 - £93.17

Congratulations to them and a big thank you to everyone who supports FoT through the 200 Club. We are now into our 9<sup>th</sup> year of FoT and have raised a gross amount of almost £429,000, a fantastic achievement thanks to the generosity of all the FoT supporters.

A video of the draw can be seen via the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/100063587380602/videos/751562820650720
We want to keep membership of the 200 Club at 200 if possible but we have dropped down a few since the start of 2024. So, if you, your friends, or your club would like to join the 200 Club for the next available numbers a signup form can be downloaded here:

http://www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/200-Club-Sign-Up-Form-2023.docx

It would be great to sign up more clubs. Your club funds may benefit while supporting the sport.

#### **National Youth Festival 2025**

The 2025 British Waterski National Youth Festival will take place as a stand-alone event for the first time, at Lound Waterski Club on Friday 1st August, followed by a Backyard Slalom event on Saturday 2nd August.

Bulletin and Entry Form can be downloaded by the links below:

http://www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/FoT-British-Youth-Festival-2025.docx

http://www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/National-Youth-Festival-1st-August-2025-Booking-Form-.docx

If there are any U18 Novice slalom skiers out there you can still enter.



#### **The Jill Howard Memorial Award 2025**

The recipient of the 2025 Award is Dave Hawley from Wiremill Waterski Club. Awarded by the FoT Committee the award is given to someone each year who goes above and beyond to support their club and the sport in general. Dave is a stalwart of the Wiremill Club and worked tirelessly to help get the club ready to host the 35+ Championships.

#### **Loan Kit Scheme**

The Loan Kit Scheme is now being managed by Cora Coster and Adele Fearn. The arrangements are that a piece of equipment can be borrowed for six months but then must either be returned or purchased. If you have equipment on loan that should be returned please contact Adele or Cora. An extension to the loan period can also be requested. If anyone is looking for kit please contact Adele or Cora to see what is available. Cora Coster at <a href="mailto:cora@carpolinsurance.co.uk">cora@carpolinsurance.co.uk</a> or Adele Fearn at adelefearn99@gmail.com

#### **JHLF Development Grants**

During the FoT Development days from the 2024 season and with affirmation from their performances in the 2025 D-day programme, FoT have identified a number of skiers with potential to significantly advance their competitive skiing careers. Our objective is to provide those skiers with additional funding and coaching access to reach those potential goals.

Two such skiers, who meet those criteria, hail from the Cotswold Water Ski club and have each been awarded a bursary of £500 from the Jill Howard Legacy fund.

Isabella Neale, aged 11, has strong potential in tricks and slalom - she is very tall with a willowy frame which will serve her well as she matures. She is already running the slalom course at 49kph and has the potential to become a short-line skier in the U-14 age group.

Bodhi Wareing, aged 10, is a strong all-round athlete with a very powerful frame for such a young boy. He also has laser focus when he is into an activity. He loves all forms of water-borne activity including wakeboard which has fuelled his interest in tricks. He has good balance on a slalom ski and is ready to really progress both disciplines. One to watch in 2026.

#### **Projected Spend 2025**

#### **FoT Basic**

The projected spend for 2025 is £62,200. With a £62k spend, we are forecasting a carryover amount into 2026 of around £16k.

Participation Grants for World and	
E&A Championships	£32,600
Development Days	£12,500
Training Camps	£2,500
Squad Training Vouchers	£5,000
Nationals Medals	£1,300
Coaching Vouchers 2024/25	£3,500
Equipment/Merchandise Purchases	£5,114
Grand Total Spend	£62,514

#### Jill Howard Legacy Fund



Although flexible the general plan is to spend around £17k each year on projects that Jill would have appreciated. This would mean the fund lasting for about 15 years. So for 2025 the plan so far is as follows:

Five Squad Grants	£5,000
Three D Day Skier Grants	£1,500
Backyard Event Support	£3,600
Jill Howard Youth Festival	£1,000
Technical Support Grants	£4,500
Officials Support/Training	£1,400
	£17,000

#### **FoT Merchandise**

There is new FoT Merchandise available this year with caps and polo's in new colours and the addition of Hoodies. Look out for them at events later in the year. The gear proved popular at the recent 35+ Championships with caps, polo's, towels and hoodies being sold.

Gavin, Dush and Stuart FoT Committee

#### Supported By:





#### **DEVELOPING COMPETITIVE WATERSKIING**

#### What is the 200 Club?

It is a monthly lottery with a maximum of 200 participants. Tickets cost £25 per month.

#### Why Join?

If fully subscribed, a chance of winning between £108 and £541 each month while supporting Waterski in the UK.

#### Who Owns it?

Run by BWSW Ltd, Friends of Tournament fund raising sub committee.

# Where does the money go?

So far over £112,000 has been paid out in prizes and the remainder builds the fund.

# In February 2025 the winners took:

1st £471.25, 2nd £377.00, 3rd £282.75, 4th £188.50, 5th £94.25. Over £410,000 has been raised so far.

#### Who can Join?

Individuals, clubs and businesses can all have a ticket in the 200 Club.

# LOTTERY PRIZE DRAW











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