



# FRIENDS OF TOURNAMENT

## Monthly Newsletter No 49

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#### 🏆 200 CLUB RESULTS – May 2026

💰 Prize Pot: **£1,373.13**

169 members took part this month. Congratulations to our winners:

- 1 🏆 David Stevenson No. 61 - £457.71
- 2 🏆 Keith Jones No. 88 - £366.13
- 3 🏆 Danny Jays No. 4 - £274.63
- 4 🏆 Jeff Smith No. 23 - £183.08
- 5 🏆 Damian Ackerer No. 91 - £91.54

🙌 Thank you to everyone supporting FoT through the 200 Club.

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#### 📊 FoT IMPACT SNAPSHOT

💰 Total Raised 🏆 Prize Money 🎯 Invested in Sport 📁 Available Funds

**£478,667**

£132,926

£323,669

£22,071

🎉 Celebrating the **10th year of FoT** and over **£474k raised** for waterski.

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#### 📣 HELP US GROW THE 200 CLUB

Membership has dipped since 2024 when we managed to sell 200 tickets for 14 months— and we want to build it back stronger.



## Why join?

- Support grassroots and elite athletes
- Help clubs benefit financially
- Be part of something growing the sport

### Join here:

[www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/200-club](http://www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/200-club)

*Clubs are especially encouraged to get involved.*

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## WHERE THE MONEY GOES

-  **Skier & Team Grants** – £179,306
  -  **Development Days** – £46,070
  -  **Training Camps** – £21,195
  -  **Squad Training** – £25,893
  -  **Loan Equipment & Medals** – £15,771
  -  **Coaching Support** – £12,200
  -  **Promotional Merchandise** – £20,009
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## DID YOU KNOW?

- 459 prizes have been won
  - 150 different winners
  - £345k+ reinvested into the sport
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## BACKYARD EVENT SUPPORT

It's great to see the growth in Backyard Events. Following in the very successful footsteps of the Cotswold Aeries (6 events this year) we have the second year of the London Series with 5 planned events and the Scotland Series launched this year with 6 events. FoT supports these events with a £200 package consisting of merchandise for prizes and some cash to help enhance the events with a free BBQ for example. Details can be found on Facebook where they all have dedicated pages.

## ● DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING DAYS 2026/27

Confirmed activities are:

- Two very successful Development Days in Scotland, at Town Loch and Aboyne took place on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May.



- A two-day invitational Training Camp at Dams Watersports with Damien Ackerer took place on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May with 9 young skiers achieving new PB's and some jump training for the first time.
- A D Day will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> June at Tallington with Tom Parkin coaching. – Preference to Tallington based skiers but contact Danny Jays on 07364 127340 if you would like to register. Filling up but still some space.
- The FoT Youth Festival at Tallington on 25<sup>th</sup> July – A Bulletin with information will be published soon.
- Development Day at Denham Waterski Club. 4<sup>th</sup> August – email Steven Plumridge at [steve@denhamwaterski.com](mailto:steve@denhamwaterski.com) to register

Development Day participation costs £20 per day and participants must be Under 17.

If your club is interested in hosting a Development Day please contact Dush at [dushylukic@hotmail.com](mailto:dushylukic@hotmail.com)

**Effective from 2027 any club benefitting from a Development Day will be expected to give support to FoT by participating in the FoT 200 Club Lottery**

## ● COMPETITION CALENDAR 2026

Apart from Backyard events there are many Ranking List competitions on the calendar, plus of course our National Championships. Many of these events are already almost fully subscribed but there are also spaces to be filled on some. Wiremill and Scotland have events which could do with some more support. The calendar can be accessed via the IWWF Event Management System (EMS) which can be found at <https://ems.iwwf.sport>

## ● NEW FoT PUBLICITY PUSH

A new FoT poster has been distributed to all clubs and is part of this Newsletter.

✦ Please display it in your clubhouse to help:

- Raise awareness
- Attract new supporters
- Showcase the impact of FoT

## ● 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 [cora@carpolinsurance.co.uk](mailto:cora@carpolinsurance.co.uk) or Adele Fearn at [adelefearn99@gmail.com](mailto:adelefearn99@gmail.com)

**Donations of kit and equipment would be gratefully accepted**

## ● FINANCE

The final spend for 2025 was £49,106.

**The projected spend for 2026 is as follows:**

Participation Grants	£25,800
Development Days	£10,000
Training Camps	£5,000
Training Vouchers	£3,500
Squad Training	£5,000
Merchandise Purchases	£1,000
Loan Equipment	£2,000
<b>Total Spend</b>	<b>£52,300</b>

£18,080 spent so far in 2026. We are projecting a carry-over of about £7k into 2027

## 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 2026 the plan is :

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

### **JHLF Youth Squad Grants**

14 young Squad skiers submitted applications and after careful assessments and consideration the following five skiers were selected to each receive a £1,000 grant.

Harrison Crossland – U21

Harley Coster - U17

Isabel Cosgrove – U17

Charlie Fearn – U17

Buddy Carrington – U14

The remaining nine will get five FoT Coaching Vouchers each.

Effective next year any skier receiving a Grant in two successive years will not be eligible to apply in year three.

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## Friends of Tournament Committee

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# 200 CLUB



Take part, download and register today!

## 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 £305,000 spent supporting elite youth skiers and various development activities with over £127,000 in prize money.



### In December 2025 the 5 prizes were:

1st £450.00, 2nd £360.00, 3rd £270.00, 4th £180.00, 5th £90.00.

## LOTTERY PRIZE DRAW

### Who can Join?

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



FUNDING THE ATHLETES OF THE FUTURE together.

