

# FRIENDS OF TOURNAMENT

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## £317,000 RAISED TO DATE

### Friends of Tournament August 2023

- **Gross amount raised to date – £317,471**
- **Jill Howard Legacy Fund - £205,350**
- **Prize Money – £85,265**
- **After Prizes – £232,206**
- **Spend to Date - £188,500**
  - Skier & Team Grants - £108,415
  - Development Days – £21,562
  - Training Camps - £10,345
  - Backyard Events - £2,189
  - Trick/Jump Skis - £8,832
  - Squad Training - £19,308
  - Coaching Vouchers & JC Award - £4,910
  - Paintings and Prints - £2,425
  - Promotional Merchandise - £10,513
- **Available Funds – £43,706**
- **FoT Bank Account @ 31/08/23 - £50,481**
- **Jill Howard Legacy Fund - £205,350**
- **Final Spend 2022 - £50,543**
- **Carry over into 2023 - £60,423**
- **Projected Spend 2023 - £7,500**
- **Projected carry over into 2024 - £40,808**
- **196 balls in the bag this month with prizes of £1,592.50.**

1<sup>st</sup> - £530.83

2<sup>nd</sup> - £424.67

3<sup>rd</sup> - £318.50

4<sup>th</sup> - £212.33

5<sup>th</sup> - £106.17

- **So far 294 prizes have gone to 119 different winners.**



### The 200 Club Draw

The 80<sup>th</sup> 200 Club, August 2023 prize draw has taken place with “196 Balls in the Bag” and the lucky winners are:

- 1st Simon Poole no. 100 £530.83
- 2nd Steve Sopp no. 1 £424.67
- 3rd. Dusko Lukic no. 87 £318.48
- 4th Cora Coster no. 136 £ 212.33
- 5th Nicole Gordon no. 48 £106.16

Congratulations to them and a big thank you to everyone who supports FoT through the 200 Club. A video of the draw can be seen via the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/100063587380602/videos/217960860962631>

### THE 200 CLUB

We have had 200 balls in the bag each month since August 2022 but this month we had 196 due to some expiring numbers that have not been renewed. This month we have hit over **£317,000** raised to date. After 200 Club prizes this amounts to over **£232,000** available to support competitive waterskiing. Of this **£188,500** has been spent as outlined in the statistics column on this page.

We want to get membership of the 200 Club back to 200 and we have some numbers available from the September draw onwards. 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](#):

## Jill Howard Legacy Fund



Our plan is to place all of Jill's money into several savings accounts through a savings platform called Insignis. This should give us an initial return of around 6% over the next 12 months. The onboarding process to set up the accounts is underway and should be completed very shortly.

Separately we are considering various projects that we can use an annual spend of between £12,000 and £15,000 from Jill's Legacy. If you have any thoughts about this please let us know. The FoT Terms of Reference are also being updated to include the management of the "Jill Howard Legacy Fund"

## Development Days 2023

FoT Development Days give the opportunity to young skiers who are not yet competing or have just started to compete to experience a day of focused high level coaching. All participants are given a free British Competition Licence after the event.

Nine Development Days have been completed this year and we will soon be developing the programme for 2024. If your club would like to host one of these days please contact Dush at

The D Days completed so far this year have been fully subscribed and very successful. We have seen a number of youngsters go over the ramp for the first time and get onto Trick skis.

- ~~1. April 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - OWSC - Steve Glanfield~~
- ~~2. April 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday - Cotswolds - Meg Stowe~~
- ~~3. May 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Town Loch - Chris Heron~~
- ~~4. May 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday - Llangorse - TBC~~
- ~~5. May 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday - Lound - Marc Grinhaff~~
- ~~6. June 2<sup>nd</sup> - Tallington - Glenn Campbell~~
- ~~7. June 24<sup>th</sup> - Ellingham - James Winwood~~
- ~~8. August 8<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - OWSC - Steve Glanfield~~
- ~~9. August 18<sup>th</sup> Friday - Cotswolds - Meg Stowe~~

If your club would like to host a FoT Development Day next year please contact Dush at [dushylukic@hotmail.com](mailto:dushylukic@hotmail.com).

The National Championships featured a FoT Development Days Youth Festival on 25<sup>th</sup> August. There were 27 youngsters who took part in a two-round series of novice slalom events. This will definitely become a feature of future Nationals.

## FoT Promotional Merchandise

FoT has a range of promotional merchandise including polo shirts, towels and baseball caps. These are all available for the following prices. Baseball Cap - £12, Polo Shirt - £20, Cotton Bath Sheet - £30 and Microfibre Bath Sheet - £25. We now also have White and Royal Blue T Shirts in Youth sizes for

£10. Look out for them at future competitions. If you would like to get any of these please email Gavin Kelly for more information at [gvnkelly@aol.com](mailto:gvnkelly@aol.com).



### FoT Loan Kit

FoT also has a range of skis and other gear, largely donated by generous supporters, that is available for loaning out. We need to replenish stocks and if you have any kit, skis, ropes or handles you no longer need please consider donating them to FoT. Contact Dush or Gavin if you have anything to donate.

**We have a pause on the loan kit scheme at the moment while we reorganise the way we manage it. Our aim is to relaunch it next season.**



### FoT Projected Spend 2023

We are approaching the end of the season and so are looking at the FoT budgets for next year. The initial estimates are that our projected spend will be around £60,000. Our spend for this year has so far been £46,680 but our full year spend is now forecast at around £67,500. This is possible due to the money raised but not spent in the two years affected by Covid. This “warchest” will diminish over the next couple of years. We will give more details of how we have used the FoT monies this year and plans for 2024 in future newsletters.

### The Waterski Ball 2023

This years end of season Ball will be held once more at the Hilton Northampton on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November. More details and booking info will be posted online and circulated in the next couple of weeks but please save the date.

Gavin, Dusko and Stuart

FoT Committee



## Friends of Tournament

### What is The 200 Club?

The 200 Club is a non-profit, volunteer-run organisation that supports the development of water skiing in the UK. The 200 Club is a non-profit organisation that supports the development of water skiing in the UK. The 200 Club is a non-profit organisation that supports the development of water skiing in the UK.

### Why join?

By joining the 200 Club you will be able to support the development of water skiing in the UK. The 200 Club is a non-profit organisation that supports the development of water skiing in the UK.

### What costs it?

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### How do I join?

Sign up forms can be found in the resources section of the tournament website.

[www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk](http://www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk)  
or email [tournament@twsuk.com](mailto:tournament@twsuk.com)

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### Where does the money go?

The money raised by the 200 Club is used to support the development of water skiing in the UK. The 200 Club is a non-profit organisation that supports the development of water skiing in the UK.

### What happens to the 200 Club money?

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*It could be you!*



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