# FRIENDS OF TOURNAMENT

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# £312,000 RAISED TO DATE

#### Friends of Tournament July 2023

- Gross amount raised to date £311,906
- Prize Money £83,688
- After Prizes £228,217
- Spend to Date £172,840
  - Skier & Team Grants £96,856
- Development Days £21,562
- Training Camps £10,345
- Backyard Events £2,189
- Trick/Jump Skis £8,832
- Squad Training £16,807
- Coaching Vouchers & JC Award £3,865
- Paintings and Prints £2,425
- Promotional Merchandise £9,958
- Available Funds £55,376
- FoT Bank Account @ 04/08/23 £64,407
- Jill Howard Legacy Fund £205,200
- Spend 2021 (Final) £36,015
- Carry over into 2022 £57,100 Final Spend 2022 - £50,543

Carry over into 2023 - £60,423

- Projected Spend 2023 £73,435
- Projected carry over into 2024 £35,703
- 200 balls in the bag this month with prizes of £1,625.00

1st - £541.67

2<sup>nd</sup> - £433.33

3rd - £325.00

4th - £216.67

5th - £108.33

So far 289 prizes have gone to 118 different winners.





#### The 200 Club Draw

The 79<sup>th</sup> 200 Club, July 2023 prize draw has taken place at Hazelwoods Ski World with "200 Balls in the Bag" for the 12<sup>th</sup> month running and the lucky winners are:

1st Rob Poland no. 64 £541.67 2nd PWTC – Charlotte Grant no.112 £433.33 3rd Stuart Scott-Ely no. 10 £325.00 4th The Elliott Family no. 135 £216.67 5th David Frost no. 24 £108.33

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/1355424918515292

#### THE 200 CLUB

We have had 200 balls in the bag each month since August 2022. This month we have hit almost £312,000 raised to date. After 200 Club prizes this amounts to over £228,000 available to support competitive waterskiing. Of this almost £172,000 has been spent as outlined in the statistics column on this page.

We want to keep membership of the 200 Club at 200 and we have some numbers available from the August 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**



We have now received £205,000 of the legacy left to us by Jill Howard. We are expecting a final payment of some thousands of pounds This is an amazing gift from a special person and we are beginning to think about how these monies will be used in future years. The projects that we choose will be something different to the way we use the FoT core funding.

In the meanwhile we are working on placing much of the fund in savings accounts to take advantage of the current interest rates available.

#### **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 are on the calendar so far this year and the first six have already taken place. Details of each event with an Event Bulletin can be found in the IWWF Event Management System (EMS). <a href="https://ems.iwwf.sport/">https://ems.iwwf.sport/</a> or on the Events page on the BWSW Website.

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

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

If your club would like to host a FoT Development Day next year please contact Dush at dushylukic@hotmail.com.

The National Championships will feature a Development Days Youth Festival on 25th August.

### **Squad Training Days**

During July Youth Squad Training, funded by FoT has taken place at JB Ski with John Battleday coaching and at Hazelwoods Ski World (PWTC) coached by Charlotte and Cole Grant. Both sessions were a great success despite some inclement weather in Lincoln. Hopefully the skiers involved will have benefitted before they go off to the E&A Youth and Under 21 Championships taking place in Spain and France during August.

#### **FoT Promotional Merchandise**

FoT has a range of promotional merchandise including polo shirts, towels and baseball caps. These are all available for a donation to FoT. Suggested donations are 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 a £10 donation. Look out for them at future competitions. If you would like to get any of these please email Gavin Kelly for more information at <a href="mailto:gvnkelly@aol.com">gvnkelly@aol.com</a>.



#### **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 now projecting to spend over £73,000 in 2023. We are able to do this because of the two years affected by Covid where we spent very little. We cannot sustain this level of annual expenditure unless we find some new income streams. The 200 Club Lottery generates £40,500 each year if fully subscribed.

So far this year we have spent over £30,600.

Thank you for reading and for supporting Friends of Tournament. If you have any comments about this newsletter or about the activities of FoT generally please get in touch. While FoT has a clearly defined remit as defined in it's Terms of Reference we do want to hear from you if you have ideas for other initiatives or areas where we can provide support.

Gavin, Dusko and Stuart

FoT Committee



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