FRIENDS OF TOURNAMENT

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£362,300 RAISED TO DATE

Friends of Tournament April 2024

- Gross amount raised to date £362,300
- Prize Money £97,656
- After Prizes £264,644
- Spend to Date £211,437
- Skier & Team Grants £118,715
- Development Days £25,572
- Training Camps £15,445
- Backyard Events £2,189
- Trick/Jump Skis/Medals £10,101
 - Squad Training £19,308
- Coaching Vouchers & JC Award £5,715
- Paintings and Prints £2,425
- Promotional Merchandise £11,951
- Available Funds £53,207
- FoT Bank Account @ 21/04/2024 £45,744
- Jill Howard Legacy Fund £226,268
- Final Spend 2023 £64,048
- Carry over into 2024 £40,157
- 182 balls in the bag this month with prizes of £1,478.75
 - o 1st £492.92
 - o 2nd £394.33
 - o 3rd £295.75
 - o 4th £197.17
 - o 5th £98.58
- So far 329 prizes have gone to 126 different winners.





The 200 Club Draw

The 88th 200 Club, April 2024 prize draw has taken place. The draw took place at the BWSW Office with 182 numbers this month and the lucky winners are:

1st Stuart Scott-Ely No. 10 - £492.92 2nd Lexie Coster No.187 - £394.33 3rd James Timothy No.67 - £295.75 4th Rod Scutt No. 9 - £197.17 5th Ella Wilson No 77 - £98.58

Congratulations to them and a big thank you to everyone who supports FoT through the 200 Club. We are now into our 8th year of FoT.

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

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/100063587380602/videos/470238568687943}$

THE 200 CLUB

We want to keep membership of the 200 Club at 200 if possible but we have dropped down a few as we started 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.



Jill Howard Legacy Fund

The first JHLF Grants of £500 have been awarded to four clubs who are using the money to upgrade their technical kit needed for hosting Competitions. The Clubs are Bluebird Deaf, Cirencester, Denham and Scottish Waterski at Town Loch. All are running competitions this year and

the details of these can be found on the IWWF Event Management System (EMS).

https://ems.iwwf.sport/

Five Grants to our Youth Squad Skiers of £1,000 each have been awarded to: Lucy Roberts, Seb Turp, Harley Coster, Buddy Carrington and Tom Parkin.

Six Grants to some of last years Development Day skiers of £500 each have been awarded to: James Thatcher, Ollie Myers, Luke Mead, Ellie Morrison, Willow Skipsey and Max Reakes.

There were many applications for the available grants where the skiers were measured on seven different criteria. The applications were of a high standard and were assessed on their merits individually by each member of the FoT Committee before consolidating the results.

Congratulations to those successful in the Grant scheme this year and commiserations to those who were not successful this time around.

Development Days 2024

Nine Development Days have been confirmed and are available for booking. These are aimed at U17 youngsters who are developing but not yet competing in competitions. There is a notional cost of £20 per event with a maximum of 8 participants for each day ensuring that all get plenty of time on the water. They are filling up fast so if you want to book a slot go to EMS and download the Bulletins and Booking Form.

FoT Development Day - Town Loch	Town Loch NTS	26/05/2024
FoT Development Day - Cotswold	Cotswold Waterski Club	28/05/2024
FoT Development Day - Lound	Lound Water Ski Club	29/05/2024
FoT Development Day - Dams Watersports	South Lake	31/05/2024
FoT Development Day - Ellingham	Ellingham Water Ski Club	08/06/2024
FoT Development Day - Llangorse	Llangorse Waterski Club	22/06/2024
FoT Development Day - Chichester	Chichester Waterski Club	05/08/2024
FoT Development Day - Rickmansworth	Rickmansworth Waterski Club	07/08/2024
FoT Development Day - Gosfield	Gosfield Lake Water Ski Club	13/08/2024

These events are loaded onto the IWWF Event Management System where Bulletins and sign up forms can be found. https://ems.iwwf.sport/

FoT Development Days Youth Festival 2024

Following the success of the Youth Festival at the National Championships in Oxford last year it will be back at this year's event at Hazelwoods Ski World in Lincoln. Full details and eligibility will be published soon in the Combined National Championships, Bulletin 1. The event will take place over two days with an afternoon session on day 1 and a morning session on day 2. It is also planned to offer free on water training sessions and some other activities as well as the Competition.

Nicholas Le Forestier Trick Training Camp

The first Trick Training Camp supported by FoT took place at the Waterski Academy in April where Youth Squad Skiers and some Development Day Skiers were treated to coaching by multiple World Trick Champion and Record holder, Nicholas Le Forestier. The weather wasn't very kind, but everyone benefited from the camp.

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.



Projected Spend 2024



Our projected spend (excluding the JHLF) in 2024 is around £63,100. This level of spending is only possible due to the Covid years where money was raised but not spent. We will not be able to maintain this for more than another year unless we find additional sources of income and manage to maintain the 200 Club with close to 200 tickets sold each month.

Grants for European and World Events	£33,100
Development Days	£12,500
Training Camps	£5,000
Youth Squad Training	£5,000
Training Vouchers	£4,200
Equipment/Merchandising/Nationals Medals	£3,300

Gavin, Dusko and Stuart

FoT Committee

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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?

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 £87,000 has been paid out in prizes and the remainder builds the fund.

In September 2023 the winners took:

1st £541.67, 2nd £433.33, 3rd £325.00, 4th £216.67, 5th £108.33. Over £327,000 has been raised so far.

Who can Join?

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

LOTTERY PRIZE DRAW





