

ABOUT MERLIN BRAE

Merlin Brae Waterski Club is a family orientated club, catering for skiers and wakeboarders of all ages and abilities.

We offer coaching for complete beginners and recreational skiers, through to slalom, trick, jump and wakeboarding.

There is a qualified driver and instructor on duty on Saturday and Sunday from May through to September from 10:30am until 17:00pm.

We operate a same day booking system at weekends, please call the club house to check availability **01434 250037**.

For more information or to make an advanced booking, please email merlinbrae@gmail.com for further details.



HOW TO FIND US

The club is located on Kielder Reservoir. It is about 1 mile past the Tower Knowe Visitor Centre, in the picturesque inlet of Little Whickhope.

Travelling north on the A1, come past the Metro Centre and over the River Tyne, take the left slip road on to the A69 signposted for Hexham.

Stay on the A69 until the A68 turn off signposted Corbridge and Kielder. Turn right on to the A68. Follow the signs for Kielder Water.

Continue past the dam wall and Tower Knowe visitors centre on the right. Keep on this road and across a small bridge, you will see a small inlet of water on the right. You can see the ski jump on the water and the club house to the left of it.

Take the next right, signposted "Ski School and Whickhope Anchorage". Turn right signposted water skiing. Follow the forest track to the car park and club house.

SAT NAV **NE48 1BX** gets you to Tower Knowe, follow the directions above from there.

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WHAT WE OFFER

We offer coaching for complete beginners and recreational skiers in the following areas:

Tournament Skiing

A combination of three events: Slalom, Trick and Jump. Slalom is where six buoys are negotiated. Tricks is where as many tricks as possible are performed within a certain time limit. Jump is where a ramp is used to launch the skier into the air.

Wakeboarding

Performing moves on a board, similar to snowboarding.

Kneeboarding

A small "surfboard" on which you kneel and perform tricks.

Barefoot Skiing

As with tournament skiing - but without the skis!



GETTING STARTED

Now that you have read about waterskiing, why not give it a try? Enrol on a beginners' session now! You will be given expert tuition from fully qualified instructors, with all equipment provided.

A beginners session consists of basic land training and safety instruction, which can be mastered in a matter of a few minutes - then you are launched upon your waterskiing career!

On entering the water you will be shown how your ski vest supports you and how to master your skis. Once you're confident the real lesson begins.

You will start off on a training boom, which is fitted to the side of the boat so pupils are literally an arms length away from the instructor.

Once in the water, grasp the boom, wait for the pull from the boat...and feel the exhilaration of gliding across the water for the first time - it is an amazing experience!

Sounds easy doesn't it? Why not give it a try?



PRICES 2022

The secret to our success is probably down to the fact that the club is run by members, who are all devoted to the sport. Due to this, the fees are kept to a minimum, enabling more people to participate.

Visitor fees

Ski tow £25.00

Junior/OAP/Student £18.00

Membership fees

	Membership fee	Joining fee
Single	£160	£75
Family	£245	£100
Junior/Student	£100	£50



Plus BWS membership

Single	£60
Family	£103
Junior	£23
Student	£32

Please note we do not have credit/debit card facilities.