

**Harrington:** A name that rings throughout the Southern states whenever the sport of waterskiing is discussed! Tommy, as we all know, is often regarded as the finest boat driver to ever grace the sport while Ann, more often than not, is the ‘behind-the-scene’ and backbone of the whole tournament operation.

Many skiers, especially those relatively new to the sport, fail to realize how much time and effort is involved in tournament operation including preparing for and tabulating results after a ski tournament. Also, everyone should realize the tournament does not move without the scorers being ready to record times and scores for each skier throughout the entire tournament! Long after the last skier has left the parking lot, folks like **Ann Harrington** and her fellow scorers are still working diligently to ensure the skier’s efforts are correctly reported to the proper AWSA governing body.

Flash back to the late 1980’s and early nineties. Kim Bryant and Alan Sanner were going to North Carolina to ski tournaments (attempting to compete), while also trying to promote Trophy Lakes as a waterski venue worth the journey to Charleston. We met Ann and Tommy at Anger, NC and became GREAT friends (Also Ann liked our blended tailgating margaritas). On a more serious note, they both took us under their ski wings by offering their support, time, and advice to not only help promote our site but to also help make it a place for all to enjoy and ski personal bests!

The support Ann gave to Trophy Lakes and to all skiers is essential for a tournament’s success. Kim and Alan cannot express enough gratitude for the many, many tournaments and countless hours Ann spent working Trophy Lakes tournaments over the years. Now this did not come without a cost. We established standards to keep her coming to Trophy Lakes. We built an air conditioned scoring and judging tower and had Direct TV installed so Ann would not miss a **NASCAR race**.

We tried to make casino gambling legal in Charleston, but that’s still a work in progress (they had it on the tour boats, but we never told her that, because we needed her at the lake. Ann was always patient, repeatedly asking “six confirmed, what line length was that?” especially when Kim was in the boat because he and Tommy were talking about the skier’s last pass. If Ann went missing from the lake, we knew we could find her at the corner gas station buying some lottery tickets!

Waterskiing in the Carolinas has been blessed by Ann’s **presence** and **dedication**.

Her support and love for all in the sport would be hard to match!

We can think of no other person more deserving of the honor to be added into the North Carolina Waterski Hall of Fame.

Ann, we want you to know, we are still lobbying for that Casino to be built here in Charleston!! If that day comes, you always have a home away from home with us at Trophy Lakes. Also, we will give you a place to store that BIG JACK POT WIN.

**Please accept our LOVE and THANKS for your many years of dedicated support!**

Trophy Lakes, Kim Bryant and Alan Sanner