

Newmarket Amputee sets his sights on making the boundary

A Newmarket based amputee is starting a cricket team after finding no cricket provision in Suffolk. Leigh Joy-Staines has found very little provision for amputees across Suffolk. There is a football and basketball team but Leigh is a big cricket fan determined not to miss out on playing his favourite game due to a disability.

Leigh said 'My aim is eventually to get an amputee cricket league started, this will take some time. In the meantime I am inviting all amputees to join me in playing charity matches against able bodied teams to raise funds for amputees.'

Leigh has received great feedback from local leisure centres and local councils who will help promote the cricket club. Haverhill Cricket Club is very interested and has said they will play the amputees if they get a team together.

Everyone is behind this all we need now are the amputees who wish to play cricket. If you are an amputee and you want to get involved please register your interest to leighjoystaines@yahoo.com or at 01638 664 193.

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Leigh Joy-Staines

A 29 year old man who had his leg amputated in 2008 due to a surgeon severing his artery. As a result, his printing career was over and his joy of playing football has ceased. He is determined not to let this ruin his life. He now has a baby boy Teddy whom he wants to teach to stay fit and healthy – one way to teach Teddy is stay active himself hence the idea of the cricket team.

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