



## Associate Parliamentary Limb Loss Group

for the Promotion of the Prevention of Limb Loss and of the Provision of Prosthetic, Orthotic, Wheelchair/Special Seating, Medical and other vital Rehabilitation Services to persons of all ages suffering Limb Loss and associated Complex Physical Disabilities in the United Kingdom and Internationally

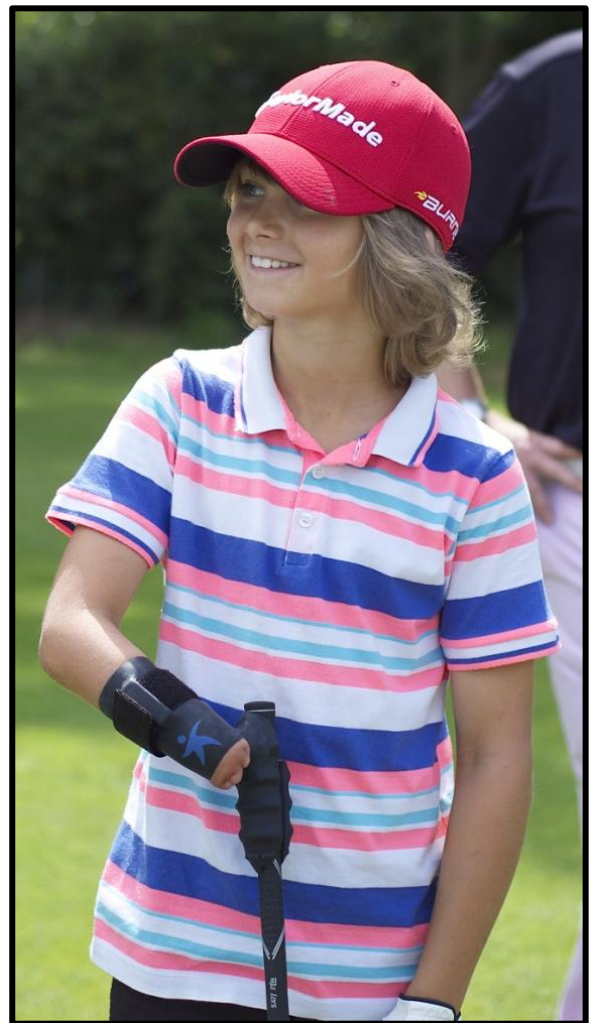
# GOLF ADAPTIONS

## A HELPING HAND DEVELOPED

A 10-year-old boy born with one hand is being tipped to become a professional golfer after having a special silicone glove made for him.

Leo Millar (pictured right) has had the silicone glove fitted to his wrist by his prosthetist Bob Watts from Dorset Orthopaedic.

The flexible silicone allows the glove to attach simply and comfortably to his right wrist, and now allows Leo to swing a club comfortably with both hands (see photograph pictured below). This glove, an innovative development based on Leo's individual need, improved Leo's ability to grip any golf club, thereby allowing Leo to swing with two hands for the first time.



Leo Millar had already learnt to master the game using just one hand after his birth defect left him without fingers on his right hand.

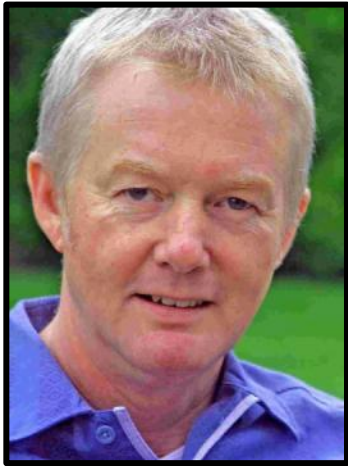
Leo, who only started playing the game earlier this year, can already expertly chip and putt a golf ball, and is being tipped for golfing success as Leo is already able to hit balls 200 yards! A distance that some amateur adults would be more than happy with! Leo has also been told he appears to have a 'text book' perfect golf swing.

Leo's golf handicap is rapidly coming down and his aim is to one day play in the Open championship alongside hero Rory McIlroy.

This bespoke glove also

appears to have been given the all-clear by the game's governing body, the Royal and Agent ("R&A"), as it has been reported that a spokesman for the R&A said that in principle they have no problem with Leo's glove, as this adaption seemed to be covered by a rule on artificial medical devices. Also adding that: ***"the R&A could not give a definitive ruling on any piece of equipment without seeing it, but if there are no particularly unusual features of the prosthetic hand I'm sure it would be absolutely fine"*** .

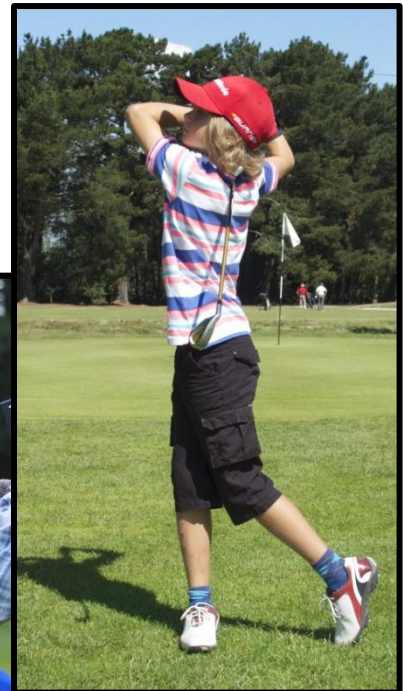




**Bob Watts**, Founder and Managing Director of Dorset Orthopaedic says: ***“as a specialist service provider we are able to respond quickly and innovatively to the needs of our patients, and it was my pleasure to develop and provide this solution, which allows Leo to play golf normally.”***



**Leo** said: ***“I can do a lot more with my new hand”*** and ***“hopefully it will change my life”***



For more information about Leo Millar please contact Bob Watts at Dorset Orthopaedic Company Ltd Unit 11 Headlands Business Park, Salisbury Rd, Ringwood Hants BH24 3PB or T: 01425 481740.

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