

Team Plymouth

Making a Sporting Difference

Name: Josh Steels

Sport: Tennis

Club: Tennis in Chairs

Date of Birth: 09/03/1993

Status: Josh has a current world ranking of 14 in wheel chair tennis. Josh began playing wheel chair tennis in February 2007 as part of a newly formed sports group. In April 2008 at the National Wheelchair Tennis Camp run by the Tennis Foundation in Nottingham, Josh was chosen to attend the international training camp in Utrecht, Holland. It was at this camp that Steels played his first competitive tennis matches and gained his first world ranking points. Since then, Josh has attended nearly all of the UK events in order to improve his world ranking; Mr Steels has now been chosen as part of the junior Great Britain Team to play at the Invacare World Cup in July/August.



Ambitions: In 2009, Josh has set himself the target to enter the top eight in the World Junior rankings to make the Junior Performance Squad. Steels ultimate ambition is to play for Great Britain in the Paralympics 2012. Having been chosen as part of the Junior Boys Great Britain Team at 16 years, he is certainly capable with the dedication he has shown to reach his ultimate ambition.

Training: Josh is a very dedicated player, and trains for a minimum of five hours a week which increases to more than eight hours a week prior to his tournaments.

