

Neil Handley represents Britain in World Games



Table Tennis player Neil Handley has been chosen to represent Great Britain in the International Sports Federation for Persons with Intellectual Disability (INAS-FID) world games in Japan.

Neil who is 20 years old discovered his talents two years ago whilst attending a sports session at Springhill Sports Centre. Already he is ranked 6th in the country in his category and currently attends training with the elite in Crewe every week.

His family are really proud of him with his sister Vicki saying that prior to finding the sport he didn't go out much and didn't have many friends. Julie and Dave his parents are astounded with his success but are also daunted by the efforts that they have to go to raise money to support him. The cost alone of going to Japan is £1900.

It's fantastic to see Neil reach such high levels in his sport and we wish him all the luck in the games. The Rochdale Borough Disability Sports and Leisure Forum are giving £100 towards his costs and will continue to look for other funds for the future.