

Charity Banger Race



On Sunday 23rd October 2011 myself and other ladies will be taking part in a charity ladies banger race at Yarmouth Stadium from 5.30pm

We will all be racing to raise money for a 4 year old girl called Grace Matthews who contracted meningitis B

In January Grace was rushed to the Norfolk and Norwich university hospital after developing a temperature, sickness and a rash on her body. Grace was then transferred to the paediatric intensive care unit at Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge, where her heart stopped and she had to be resuscitated. For the next few days grace suffered an irregular heartbeat, but thankfully her heart recovered. The doctors said they had never seen a heart so weak make such a good recovery. Grace was in a coma for several days.

Graces mum, Vicky, was reading Grace a story and the nurses said they thought Grace was listening but she was too weak to open her eyes so the nurse helped her. From that moment they knew that Grace was not deaf or blind.

While Graces condition was improving, she still had many medical hurdles to face. At the end of January her parents were given the

awful news that's Graces left leg needed to be amputated below the knee, and about 10 days later her right leg was also amputated below the knee. Grace also lost all of her fingers and half a thumb on her left hand and is left with half of the palm on her right hand.

Grace spent 9 weeks in Addenbrooks hospital before being transferred back to the Norfolk and Norwich university hospital, she then returned to her family home in March. Grace then started back at nursery and will be starting primary school in September with her friends.

Grace now has prosthetic legs and has shown great determination and has already walked by herself.

The money we raise will go to Graces trust fund which will help Grace now and in the future, to have the best possible limbs.

Thank you for your support