

# Product Brochure



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THE QUEEN'S AWARDS  
FOR ENTERPRISE:  
INNOVATION



## Tomcat - a company as unique as you.

### Peace of mind

At Tomcat we do things differently. Because we all want the things we buy to be the best possible, we only build your special product after you have explained your skills, difficulties and aspirations - not before. Whether you're an individual, a family or group, or whether your project is simple or complicated, we custom build for one reason only - to get it right for you - guaranteed!

### Exceptional Value and Customer Service

Tomcat's exceptional customer service and willingness to tackle the toughest challenges, has created over 40 innovations that have each changed lives for the better. Many, like tricycle rear steering, (Carer Control™) have been so revolutionary that they have become industry standards worldwide, and because we are so experienced at custom building - where there are similarities - our prices compare very favourably with the readymade products.

### Quality and Innovation

On each page of this brochure you will find beautifully engineered, trouble free products that keep their value like no other; each with innovations unique to Tomcat. Even those ideas adopted by other manufacturers cannot compare with the original, because there is only one Tomcat and only one you!



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Winner of The 2013 Queens Award for Innovation.

# Tomcat Tiger

DESIGNED TO SUIT THE NARROW PELVIS OF SMALL CHILDREN

## Tiger Innovation

Small children have a narrow pelvis, but a standard pedal span rarely reflects that fact! We wanted our Tiger riders' posture to be totally natural, so we manufactured our own special crank and pedal system. We saved a full 4.5cm on pedal span by tucking the drive away inside the Tigers cool looking frame, because when pedals match pelvis, the legs are naturally comfortable and the Tiger becomes the ideal therapy tool for growing bodies.

## Features

- Suitable for user heights of 70 to 95cm in two sizes
- Ideal for Restricted Growth conditions
- Can be fully accessorised with with foot, leg, trunk, arm and head support orthosis
- Fully independent, or optional Carer Control™ or Carer Braking™
- Frictionless belt drive with disc brakes and parkbrake
- Maintenance Free "All Internal" steering, braking and drive mechanisms
- Tomcat's unique "Narrow Pedal" spacing

Young children in particular benefit from our custom building skills because their bodies are at the most formative stage when our expertise at balancing a child's abilities with their potential couldn't be more important.



\*Shown with Carer Control™ arm

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# Tomcat Fizz

## OUR ICONIC TRICYCLE FOR RIDERS OF 4 YEARS AND ABOVE

The Tomcat Fizz was the first special needs trike to have carer steering and braking from the rear and the first to be truly safe on public roads. Continuous innovation thereafter, has seen it evolve into the gold standard by which all others are judged. At its heart it is a custom built, single speed trike, with a tough, light and stable frame, that disassembles in seconds for easy transport and can be converted into a trailer in seconds. It is ideally suited to riders with mild to severe visual, physical, or learning difficulties.

Since Tomcat's signature invention of Carer Control™, the Fizz has enabled thousands of children to cycle in safety, with their family or peers, with all the benefits that brings.

### Features

- 100% custom made in Gloucestershire
- Fully customised from detailed personal assessment
- Optional fixed, free-wheeling or Dual-Drive™ (fixed and free)
- Three control options: - Fully independent, Carer Controlled or Carer Braked
- Weighs from just 14kg (without accessories)
- Available as a Trailer-Trike™ for family cycling
- Can be fully accessorised for all clinical and lifestyle needs

Tomcat prides itself on its innovation, engineering standards and customer service. In 2013, Her Majesty the Queen bestowed the highest accolade that can be awarded to a British company on Tomcat and its iconic Fizz tricycle - The Queens Award for Innovation.



Versatile,  
single speed  
trike, with a  
tough, light and  
stable frame

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# Tomcat Roadhog

## A MULTI-SPEED TRIKE FOR MORE ABLE RIDERS AGED 6 TO ADULT

Based on the iconic Fizz trike, the Roadhog is a high performance multi-gear trike with either a geared hub or derailleur drive. It offers a range of braking options dependent upon ability. It is the world's only easy transportable, multi-gear trike, thanks to its innovative "Make and Break" gear control system.

### Features

- Lightweight "Two Piece" frame, .
- Upgradable to a Trailer-Trike
- Our unique hub, integrated within the axle reduces weight, friction, complexity and maintenance, with fewer chains and adjusters.
- Optional Carer Control™ or Carer Braking™ by the carer
- 'Make and Break' technology automatically disengages control cables during transportation
- Optional differential drive, back pedal brake or rear axle disc braking on most models



Needless to say the Roadhog can be fully accessorised, and being a Tomcat, it's always bespoke because the smallest issues can make a big difference on the long journeys the Roadhog is designed for.

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Multi-gear  
sports trike

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# Tomcat Handy

## HAND PROPELLED INNOVATION FOR MORE COMPLEX NEEDS AGED 4 AND UPWARDS

Hand propelling riders, with more complex difficulties, often find the pendulum effect of conventional hand cranks difficult or confusing to use and the steering difficult to manage. Tomcat has overcome those issues with our unique balanced drive to make hand cranking simple, intuitive and easy to use; whilst our ground breaking Carer Control™ system allows a carer to assist with steering and braking or even a helpful push when necessary.

The Handy is equipped with fully adjustable foot supports and a large, comfortable cushioned seat. The rotor head is adjustable for reach and height and the belt drive is clean and quiet.

### Features

- 5 speed drive with reverse braking as standard, with optional single speed fixed drive
- Optional Carer Control™ or Carer Braking™
- Optional hand AND foot propulsion
- "Two Piece" transportable frame
- Optional conversion to a Trailer
- Quiet, non oily, belt drive
- All support and lifestyle accessories are available



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# Tomcat Tamara

THE WORLD'S ONLY TRIKE DESIGNED FOR  
HOIST USERS (115CM AND ABOVE)

Many hoist users would love to cycle, but getting on and off a trike by hoist can be difficult with so many support accessories in the way. Tamara solves this problem with a backrest that tilts clear during the loading process.

Tamara also features Tomcats swivel saddle™ and this allows the user to approach from either side in a standing sling. Both the seat and backrest have “positional memory” technology, which returns the backrest to its previous support settings in seconds.

## Features

- Virtually no manual handling required
- From hoist to riding in seconds
- Exceptionally stable with no sway on seat or backrest
- Wide Swivel Seat and tilting backrest as standard
- Fully adjustable with “memory” return feature
- Also suitable for obese riders
- “Three piece frame” for easy transport in seconds
- All Tomcat features and support accessories are available
- Converts to a trailer

Tamara technology has given many hoist users the opportunity to use their body as nature intended for the very first time.



\*Shown with Carer Control™ arm

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# Tomcat Trailer

## TRAILER ACCESSORY FOR TOMCAT TRIKES

Upgrading your Tomcat Trike to a Trailer-Trike™ is a fantastic way to enjoy inclusive family activity, allowing the entire family to enjoy cycling together.

Trailer Trike™ is a Tomcat invention and most of our trikes can be Trailer Trikes™ thanks to our fantastic "Two Piece Frame" mechanism. This allows you to assemble your trike or convert it to a trailer in seconds. No tools are needed, and your trike or trailer trike is easily transported by family car. What's more - all support accessories are transferable too.

### Features

- Fully inclusive family activity
- 30 second conversion from Trike to Trailer and vice versa
- Suitable for use with almost any standard adult bike
- Dual axle changes from fixed or free wheel drive at the touch of a button
- Available with the entire Tomcat trike range except the Tiger.
- Can be retro-fitted to most Tomcat trikes



Ask for more information on how the world's best trike can become a trailer too!

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# Tomcat Bullet

## THE GREATEST ADVANCE IN ADULT CYCLING AND SPECIAL NEEDS MOBILITY IN 20 YEARS

The Bullet is a highly stable, lightweight "Low Sitting" adult trike, designed with user friendliness and transportation in mind. It is suitable for riders 135 to 188cm (4'5" to 6' 2") tall, with 5 unique models to choose from.

- The multi-g geared "Silver Bullet", for 3 wheeled leisure and everyday active use
- The single speed "Apprentice" for more complex special needs
- The "Cycle Squad" for schools, cycle centres and other multi-user environments
- The "Flash" for pure sports pleasure and race performance
- The "Rotor" for adult Hand Propelling users

Bullet optional features include progressive power assist, a full range of support accessories and many unique and innovative features, including:

### Features

- Quick Release Two-Piece frame for car transport in seconds
- Optional Full Carer Control™ or Carer Braking™ by a Carer
- Swivel Seat for easy access and hoist transfer
- Quick conversion to a bike towed trailer
- Full postural (seat and crank) adjustment while the rider stays seated. (Cycle Squad)

Whatever your adult cycling needs, you'll find it in the Bullet.



Highly stable,  
"Low Sitting"  
trike

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# Tomcat Sunfly

## SUNFLY TRAVEL CHAIR AND TRAILER

Severely disabled children often need so much equipment for daily life that travel and holidays are all but impossible. Sunfly can transform itself from a wheelchair to bike trailer, to sleeping/feeding chair in seconds, so all the equipment you need for your holiday or weekend away, is there in one easily transportable solution. What's more, Sunfly can easily transform itself on the fly, so if you setup Sunfly as a bike trailer at the start of your journey, you can change to a wheelchair at journeys end, no problem!

Seating can be Sunfly's own generic folding seat, an ISOfix car seat or your own specialist seating module, the choice is yours.

### Features

- Setup the seat system you need in under a minute
- Change setups at any time in seconds
- Comprises 7 compact, lightweight modules, plus seat.
- Padded carry bags for car transport
- Single flightcase for international travel (Sunfly travels free)
- Compact Storage
- Customisable for essential equipment carriage
- Hire or buy
- Ideal solution for OT's, local authorities, disability friendly hotels and holiday centres.



An 'all in one'  
adaptable  
product to  
suit all your  
travel needs

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# Tomcat Chair

## FOR INDEPENDENT SITTING IN THE WORKPLACE OR MAINSTREAM SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS

The Tomcat Chair is designed for ambulant or semi-ambulant users who have difficulty accessing normal height workbenches, desks and tables without assistance, and is particularly suited to users with stature, strength or balance difficulties.

Once positioned, the Tomcat Chair does not need to move again, instead, it is locked in position with a single brake lever action. The user accesses the seat from the side using the step if necessary, and then simply swivels to the working position, placing their feet on the footrest for support. Getting off is a reversal of this procedure with no assistance being necessary.

The Tomcat chair can be easily moved from one location to another.

### Features

- Suitable for table heights of 63 to 91cm
- Fully adjustable and adaptable as the user grows
- Moves easily on its castor base with single lever brake locking
- Fully adjustable footrest, folds for storage and transport
- Fully height adjustable step retracts for storage and transport
- Gas-lift seat height adjustment
- No carer assistance required

### Optional Extras

- Lateral Rainbow or Horizontal Arms, standard or extra-wide
- Access Step and/or Foot Rest
- High Quality 16hour Seating
- Liquid impervious covers to special order



# Tomcat Twisters

INNOVATIVE SHOES THAT ARE EASY TO SLIP IN AND OUT OF



1. Click the wheel and pull the shoe back clear.



2. Insert the foot with or without splint.



3. Press and twist the wheel for a perfect fit.

Tomcat Twisters are beautifully made Italian shoes in a wide range of styles, colours and sizes that have a very innovative feature. At the click of a knob, the quarter (shoe back) opens to allow the foot to slip effortlessly into place before another click and twist gathers the shoe to a perfect fit.

Because Twisters self adjust across a wide range of widths they are ideal for splint/AFO users who may want to use the shoes with or without splints.

Most Twister shoes are available with leather linings for winter or summer use (breathable).

Tomcat Twisters are available online; children's size range 20-47 (EU) Ladies size 35-41 (EU) and men's size 39-46 (EU)

## Features

- Twisters automatically adjust to a perfect fit - with or without splints
- Lace wire guaranteed for the life of the shoe
- Re-shapeable midsole on most models
- Plain removable insole
- Sheepskin linings on some models
- Full details online

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# Tomcat Accessories



**Full Carer Control™**  
Rear Steering, braking, speed control and park brake



**Carer Braking™**  
A carer operated strap brake with park brake.



**Two Piece Frame Mechanism** ◊  
5 second frame separation for easy transport

Some accessories are unavailable for certain products as indicated by the product symbol.

◊ Tiger Trike ● Hand Propelled Trike ■ Tamara Trike ▲ Roadhog Trike ◆ Bullet Trike (All models)



**Trailer Bar** ◊  
Converts most trikes to a trailer Trike™



**Clip On™ transportable Tow Bar** ◊●■◆  
Converts a trike to a trailer at any time, without disassembly



**Dual Axle™** ◊▲  
Instantly switches axle drive between fixed and free-wheeling



**Footshoes with straps**  
Lightweight and fully adjustable with "quick release" straps



**Leg Supports for Footshoe's**  
Fully adjustable for abduction / adduction



**Security Backrest**  
Width and height adjustable with security buckle and strap



**Upholstered Backrest**  
Deep cushioned support with height and tilt adjustment



**Lateral Arms**  
Width adjustable padded arms and waist strap for all backrests



**Lateral Pads**  
Independently 3 way adjustable cushioned pads with waist strap



**4 point harness**  
Wipe Clean 4 point harness available on upholstered backrests.



**Sculptured Headrest**  
Fully adjustable sculptured and deep upholstered headrest



**Headrest with wings**  
As sculptured headrest with adjustable upholstered wings



**Extra Wide Saddle** ◊◆  
30cm x 30cm sprung gel saddle



**High Stability upholstered seat**  
Hand Propelled trikes only



**Quick Release Pommel**  
Depth adjustable, quick release pommels for all trikes



**2 point or 4 point Lap-strap**  
High security lap-strap for all trikes



**Mitts**  
Left and Right Mitts by Active Hands to Tomcat Design



**Swivel Seat™** ◊  
Various Swivel Seats and saddles for all trikes



**Transfer Step™** ◊●■◆  
Enables "manual handling" free trike transfers



**Removable Shopping Basket**  
Loose shopping basket with transport removable bracket



**Trike Tidy**  
Flat pack wall storage rack for all Tomcat Trikes



**Fixed Handlebars** ◊●  
Used with Carer Controlled trikes for over wilful children



**Toe Clips** ◊●■  
Toe Clips for standard pedals



**"At last we are able to enjoy being in the big outdoors as a family!"**

HARRY'S PARENTS

**"The level of sophistication of the system gives a lot of reassurance to the parents"**

CYCLISTS FIGHTING CANCER

**"It has improved her quality of life and enabled her to pedal alongside her peers"**

BEATRICE

**"Of all the products we saw, this was the most fit for purpose for James"**

JAMES' PARENTS

# "Thank you Tomcat!"

Because of Tomcat's unique and unparalleled approach to meeting every child's exacting needs, it's not surprising that we have made a lot of friends over the years. Unfortunately, it is a sad fact that so many other suppliers miss the very essence of what it means to provide a valued service with before and after care.

"My colleague and I parted company with Bob & Jon and felt quite overwhelmed by the outcomes of the day itself. To see children who have never had the opportunity to ride independently, or even with assistance, realising the potential they or their parents could never have second guessed before, was truly wonderful! I can't remember a working day which has been so joyful from start to finish. Certainly a day I will never forget!"

Carmen Fairclough Occupational Therapist, Liverpool

"Thank you very much for Faye's beautiful trike. She really enjoys using it and is starting to realise she can make it move herself! We are so grateful to have a bike that gives her independence and strengthens her muscles at the same time, and all your clever adaptations make this possible!"

Beth Clark, Faye & family

In an age when products are judged on good and bad reviews, it's clear from the thousands of thank you letters and best wishes that Tomcat is not only enabling real freedom for children with disabilities but also bringing great joy to their carers. Below is typical of the 'thank-you's' we receive week-in, week-out.

"Our assessor, Kevin, made our son feel totally at ease. The trikes are fantastic it was very emotional watching my boy do something I thought he never would. Can't wait to get one I am so overwhelmed and grateful"

Lisa

"Tomcat trikes are simply amazing! We bought a Tiger for our son and it has given him the independence we thought we could only dream of. He loves it so much and it gives us so many opportunities to enjoy being outside as a family. I cannot praise the staff enough for their help too along the way. Huge thumbs up. Thank you Tomcat, from the bottom of our hearts!"

Sarah

**"A big thank you for the best engineered bikes and customer service there is."**

BEN JONES (SEASHELL TRUST)

**"Amazing trikes! We have the tiger trike and my son loves it :)"**

EMMY

**"Everyone came out to admire my new set of wheels; I was like a Princess"**

ANDIE

**"Fantastic equipment and fantastic people. Cannot recommend them enough!!"**

MIKE





# Tomcat: Innovation through customisation – with your ideas we change the world

## Customer Service

With disability; getting it right is about good customer service. Whether it's a professional assessment before purchase, a service, repair, tiny spare part or advice and guidance years down the line, a good trike becomes a great trike through good customer service, and at Tomcat, our customer service is second to none.

## Custom Building

Tomcat has custom built every tricycle we've ever made - be that for an individual or group. We do this because no two customers are the same. Only when we understand the skills and difficulties, future expectations, family aspirations, and how our trike will be used, do we begin. The issues are complex but the answer is simple – custom building. That is why we are the experts and that is why we guarantee everything we do.

## Assessing Customers in Remote Locations

Nothing beats a personal assessment, but in foreign countries or remote locations like the Orkneys, where personal assessment is impractical, we can still provide a fully bespoke service. By assessing video clips; reviewing answers to simple questions in our online questionnaire, and through telephone chats, our highly skilled engineers can understand the problems, then design and build a trike we know will work.

## Carer Control

When riders lack steering, braking, or danger awareness skills, choose Carer Control™ for their Tomcat. Simply attach the carer arm to the controller behind the rider; then move it left or right to steer, or pull back to brake. With all the features of Carer Braking also incorporated, your Tomcat is instantly adaptable for every rider, in every high risk situation.

## Carer Braking

When riders can steer but lack braking skills or danger awareness, choose Carer Braking™ for their Tomcat. Simply attach the strap to the controller behind the rider and pull gently to slow or stop the trike. With its helpful park brake feature, Carer Braking is ideal for riders who enjoy their independence, but need your supervision from time to time.

## Frame Quick Release™

Your Tomcat trike's Quick Release™ frame will split for transport in a stunning 3 seconds, or convert to a trailer in just 30 seconds – without tools! That's impressive! With its safety interlock and simple operation, your Quick Release™ Tomcat will be a great alternative to the wheelchair or pushchair and banish those transport problems at the same time.

## Tiger Narrow Frame

The Tiger's narrow frame is Tomcat's hidden innovation gem. Tiger looks fantastic and is maintenance free, but because small

children have a narrow pelvis, their foot displacement must also be narrow spaced for good posture. By hiding Tiger's drive inside the frame, its pedals are perfectly spaced for 2 to 4 year olds at 5cms less than standard. Invisible detail that makes the difference!

## The Dual Axle

Designed whilst innovating Trailer Trike™, Tomcat's Dual Axle™ quickly swaps the drive from fixed, (wheels and pedals rotate together), to free (pedals can coast), but we use Dual Axle™ for many other reasons besides. When tiredness, epilepsy, breathing problems or distress bring cycling to an end, just set the control to freewheel and push your Tomcat home.

## Trailer Trike

Trailer Trike™ is our generic term for any Tomcat Trike that converts to a trailer. Trikes are great for a rider's personal development, but trailers are a fantastic option for inclusive family activity, therefore Trailer Trikes become two brilliant products in one. Fizz, Tamara, Roadhog and Hand Propelled trikes can all be converted to Trailer Trikes, with all accessories available.

## Tamara Tilting Backrest

Before Tamara™ it was difficult for hoist users to mount a trike, because backrests obstructed their sling route. In co-operation with Physios at Craig y Parc, Tomcat designed Tamara where the seat swivels and essential supports tilt clear for loading,

but are full adjustable and have "positional memory return". Surprisingly, Tamara is very transportable and even converts to a trailer.

## Swivel Saddle and Transfer Step

Riders with balance difficulties are often excluded from cycling for manual handling reasons, but the Tomcat Swivel Saddle™ safely resolves that issue. When used with Transfer Step™, it allows riders to sit from the side, with the carer guiding, rather than lifting. The self-locking swivel then rotates to the riding position.

## Tomcat Chair

The Tomcat Chair was designed for students and adults who want independence but have difficulty drawing a chair in or out when sitting - particularly at high desks. Ideal for stature or cerebral palsy challenges, the user sits from the side then swivels to the work position without moving the seat. With a sliding step and tilting footrest when needed, The Tomcat Chair locks in use, but moves easily when required.

## "Integrated Axle" 5 speed Hub

To make our multi-gear trikes lighter and easier to pedal, we designed our beautifully simple and maintenance free - "Integrated Axle" 5 speed hub. With just one chain to worry about, Tomcat multi-gear drives are lighter, simpler, smoother, quieter and much more reliable than a conventional two-chain system, and with our "Make and Break" innovation, multi-gear trikes can be "Two Piece" too!

## Triangulated Frame

Tomcat's triangulated frame design, not only looks good, but has great strength and rigidity too. Since the pyramids, engineers have used triangular shapes to create immensely strong structures and so have we. Though weighing just 2.5kg on average, our trike frames are tested to a stunning 362kg without damage.

## Other Tomcat Innovations

### Trike Tidy

A self assembly "wall storage" rack for any Tomcat Trike.

### Convoy Bar

For linking two Tomcats together or to a trailer for simultaneous supervision of two riders.

### Remote Swivel Saddle

Handlebar operation of our swivel saddle for fully independent riders.

### Transfer Step

Step with handrails for semi-ambulant safe access to a Tomcat trike.

### Fixed Handlebars

Locks the handlebars when wilful riders make carer steering difficult.

### Automatic Make and Break

Allows geared trikes to be "Two Piece" by automatically "making and breaking" the gear change cables.

### "En Route" Latch-on Trailer Bar

Instantly adapts a Trike to a Trailer with an easy to carry, latch-on bar.

## Quick Release Footshoes

Footshoe straps that "quick release" for riders who suffer seizures.

## Anti-clatter footshoe cord

Prevents footshoes from striking the ground without heavy weights when the trike is not being ridden.

## Fully Adjustable Leg Supports

Each Leg Support has nine individual adjustments for perfect postural control.

## Dual Braking

Operates one brake from two levers, i.e. by rider and carer.

## Lifespan Extender

A frame adaptor that increases lifespan.

## Hollow Axle

Reduces weight without loss of strength.

## Balanced drive for Hand Propelled

Removes the "pendulum" effect from HP drives for riders with learning or strength issues.

## Belt Driven Hand propulsion

Oil, noise and maintenance free drive for Hand Propelled trikes.

## Folding Trailer Bar

Optional Folding mechanism for a Tomcat Trailer Bar.

## Sunfly Seat System

Sunfly is a highly transportable bike-trailer, wheelchair and indoor seating system all in-one.

## Sunfly Bag System

Custom bags for transport of Sunfly in car boots and suitcases.

# The Tomcat story

*A passion for enabling freedom*

It seems like only yesterday my wife Ann, made the casual remark that would change not only our lives, but the lives of disabled children worldwide. "If only we could tire Tom out", she said, "he'd sleep all night and so could we!"

My son, Tom, had Angelman's syndrome which required 24 hour supervision, so exercise or outdoor activity was all but impossible on safety grounds. Cycling seemed the answer, but in 1998 special needs trikes were crude contraptions; little used outside school for weight and safety reasons. Something revolutionary was needed!

Six months later, I'd built the very first trike for riders with learning difficulties. It had sexy looks to get it noticed for the right reasons, rear steering and braking to put Anne in control, lightness for our Cotswold hills and lightning fast transportability. Suddenly Tom's many problems

evaporated and he cycled an astonishing three miles, laughing all the way. It was a wonderful, safe, rewarding, memorable, sunny day.

Soon, everyone wanted Tom's "Carer Control" and a good idea turned into an innovative business. Because enabling severe disability brought new challenges, Tomcat became the industry's greatest innovator, with many innovations becoming industry standards and a Tomcat, the gold standard by which all other trikes were judged. Tomcat won many awards, including Britain's highest business accolade - the Queens Award for Innovation.

One winning facet was our custom building policy which ensures each customer has the technical solution that's right for them, together with the highest standard of ongoing service and support.

Our ability to custom build is so sophisticated these days, that with our international online assessment, we can, and do, build highly customised solutions for customers in hard to reach places, from the UK highlands and islands to Chernoble and the Philippines. By custom building, we can offer our customers the best possible opportunity to succeed and I have long thought it Tomcat's greatest achievement. I still do!

Bob Griffin, M.D



## Memorable Moments

### Industry awards:

- The NAIDEX Product of Year award in 2005 in which the Tomcat Science chair was runner up.
- The NAIDEX Scotland 2011 "Best Product in Show" was awarded to the Tomcat tricycle.

### Media Awards:

- Winner of The Gloucester Citizen and Echo Innovation award 2007.
- Runner up of the Gloucester Citizen and Echo Innovation award 2011.
- Winner of the Gloucestershire Citizen and Echo Innovation Award 2014.

### Royal Award/ Visit:

- The Queens Award for Enterprise in Innovation 2013.
- HRH The Duke of Kent visited Tomcat on the 6th of March 2014 to see the company's innovative work for disabled people.

### Government Grants/ Awards

*Tomcat has received three major Government grants for the development of its innovations:*

- A Business Link SMART Award in 2004 for the development of the Tomcat Science Chair.
- An I4G Investment for Growth Award in 2014 for the development of the "Sunfly".
- An I4G2 Investment for Growth award in 2016 for the development of an innovative tricycle for adults with mobility and transport problem. (The Bullet).



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