



## The Stairclimber People – Case Study

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### stairclimber flexibility helped Mat inside AND out

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Mathew Laban could not weight bear, stand or walk because of a brain tumour, spinal fractures and osteoporosis.

One of his pleasures in life was a bath.

The size and configuration of the family home in Bradford made it impossible for him to have that enjoyment.

S-Max stairclimbing wheelchair changed that. And gave him the opportunity to get outside and enjoy some fresh air and the sun on his face.

Using the S-Max in its Sella variant (with integral seat), Mat's partner Jenny could safely take Mat upstairs to relax in the bath in the way he loved- with a cup of coffee and a biscuit.

And she could take Mat over the front door's raised threshold, down the stone steps to the pavement where she would transfer him to his wheelchair.

S-Max reduced the physical strain on Jenny, and improved mental health for both her and Mat.

*But the story doesn't end there....*

When Mat's condition deteriorated to the point that external transfer was becoming difficult for Jenny, AAT stepped in again!

S-Max has the flexibility to adapt to a wheelchair, by removing the seat and adding brackets.

Making that change meant Jenny no longer had to lift Mat from stairclimber to wheelchair to go out and about.



*"Mat was like the Duracell bunny- he just kept going. His legacy will be that our experience can help show other people facing a similar situation that with the right support and equipment, you do not have to be confined to the downstairs of your home," says Jenny.*

*"Until you're in that position, you've no idea what's out there. The stairclimber was an absolute life saver, an amazing piece of equipment. It gave us some independence. Without that piece of equipment Mat and I would have had no way of leaving the house together."*

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