

News from Zambia

Hilary Robinson reports in pictures...



Deliveries to the "little" Sisters of Mother Theresa, for the orphanage.



This young man had managed to work with these remnants of his prosthesis and asked if it was possible to have a replacement.

The service for those needing orthotics/prosthetics is patchy in Zambia



Congenital aplasia of Tibia.



"Crew" teabreak for the Ambulance at Lukulu, Western Province.



Plaster Course at Kabwe Hospital



How NOT to treat Open Fracture-Dislocation of elbow!
The initial treatment had been: Skimpy debridement, 2 FINE K-wires + 1 screw
+immediate closure (in an injury sustained 48hrs previously!)The protruding mass is
shaft of humerus covered by granulation tissue.



Severe congenital deformities are relatively common in Zambia, possibly related to viral infection during early pregnancy. These children respond very well to early amputation.



Blount's Disease. The degree of deformity becomes obvious when the patellae are pointing forwards.