

THE STORY OF DR. DANIEL E. FOX AND LACEY FOOTBALL

It was 1994 and Lacey was playing Toms River North at their stadium on a Friday night. Aamir Dew was running up a storm against the Lions in the opening drive. A Lacey linebacker name Chris Bergstrom just made a great play, but unfortunately broke his leg and was lying on the field needing assistance. A young Dr. Fox attended the athlete and determined that his leg needed to be set immediately. The procedure was done and saved the athlete a great deal of pain and his great recovery allowed him to have a collegiate football career.

In 1997 Joe Roberts developed a kneecap problem that was going to take him out of football, but a procedure done by Dr. Fox saved the day allowing Joe to play his senior year. Following high school he became a team captain and Little All-American at Fairfield University.

Many Lacey athletes were helped by the efforts of Dr. Fox, but none as much as QB Tom Kelly. In 2012 he was leading his team to an undefeated season when his collarbone was broken during a game. This injury should have taken him out for the season, but Tom did not want that and asked if the doctor could get him back sooner with a special operation. Dr. Fox again came through and Kelly returned and became the "Come Back Player" of the year in the state.

And so it is that hundreds of Lacey athletes over the years have been helped by their friend and doctor—exactly 21 years a relationship that has lasted the test of time.

