

# **BESPOKE PLUS**

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#### Ki Mobility



Doug Munsey and Murray Slagerman founded Ki Mobility in 2004.

Doug spent five years as a rehab supplier, and then 16 years with Quickie and Sunrise Medical in various capacities: sales rep, product manager, director of quality, director of marketing, director of product development, and vice president of marketing.

Murray, Canadian connection, spent six years at Otto Bock, both as a sales and design engineer, before moving to Quickie where he spent seven years. During those years, he held positions as a design engineer, engineering manager and manager of advanced development.

### **Ki Mobility ADP Approved**



RGK Wheelchairs, Inc., distributes **RGK** Products in North America, *VARILITE*® Seating Systems in Canada, **KENDA** Tires and Tubes, and introduced *Ki Mobility* Products to the Canadian population some eight months ago.

Now, coinciding with big news for *Ki Mobility* south of the border with a VA contract, the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) in Ontario has approved the Catalyst 4 and 4C as Type 2 products on their approved products listing and the Catalyst 5, 5 VX, and 5 Ti in the Type 3 category! We were pleased to be one of the first to use the new application process in

Ontario and thank ADP's Ian Lowe, Senior Program Coordinator, Wheelchair, Positioning and Ambulation Aids for his support and guidance through the duration of the process. In addition, we thank Patricia O'Neill, M.Sc.E., P.Eng., Discipline

Leader/Research Engineer Rehabilitation Engineering at the Ottawa Hospital Rehabilitation Centre where our test results were reviewed and new tests performed.

For the record, the device codes are as follows:



#### *Ki Mobility* Catalyst 4, 4C ADP device code is WMA2KI010 *Ki Mobility* Catalyst 5, 5Ti device code is WMA3KI010 *Ki Mobility* Catalyst 5Vx device code is WMA3KI015

"Ki," pronounced "key," is the Greek word meaning "to set in motion." *Ki Mobility* is dedicated to developing innovative products that provide optimal performance for the end

user. They have designed and built the lightest, most energy efficient, and cost effective folding wheelchair available on the market; and it performs like a rigid chair thanks to its unique between the rails design and power X-hinge system!



#### Performance is Ki!

The Catalyst is designed so that the energy you put into the hand rim goes towards moving the chair. The efficient design of the Catalyst's frame drastically reduces flex and improves propulsion.

#### Portability is Ki!

With its revolutionary Power-X Hinge, the Catalyst is not only lightweight, but folds easily.

#### Lightweight is Ki!

The Catalyst is 30 to 40 percent lighter than comparable folding chairs.

#### Designed to Fit.

The Catalyst is available in 14" to 20" widths and depths with dozens of options to help you customize the chair to your needs.

We look forward to showcasing the complete product line at the upcoming People in Motion Show <u>www.people-in-motion.com</u> and later in the year at the Canadian Seating and Mobility Conference <u>www.csmc.ca</u>. Look for special introductory offers that include *VARILITE®*, Kenda, and Spinergy products with the *Ki Mobility* line of products.



Sandy Dodge, long time VARILITE® Customer Service Manager has taken on a new challenge to manage a medical clinic near her home in Auburn, WA. She will be greatly missed in this role, but everyone understands that you can only commute an hour each way for so long!

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## 5e Colloque québécois

L'Association des établissements de réadaptation en déficience physique du Québec (AERDPQ) sont disponible pour le 5e Colloque québécois de positionnement et mobilité, et nous sommes fiers de soutenir cet événement!

Merci pour l'invitation à Danielle Dessureault, Chef de programme Aides techniques à la mobilité et à la posture et Gilles Bourgault, Conseiller aux affaires cliniques et professionnelles.



### Team Kenda at Defi Sportif



Four years ago we entered a Team Kenda in the 21<sup>st</sup> edition of Defi Sportif. This years Team **KENDA** was comprised of Gabriel Brule, Claude Gingras, James Camill, Jamie Sopha, Diana Lim, Chantal

Benoit, Dave Durepos, Patrick Anderson, and Reg McClellan with roster and off court support from Sabrina and Heather. Team **KENDA** went 4 and 0 to make the finals at the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary against the same team they played four years ago. This time it was Team Kenda's turn to take top honours with a 68-57 win over the Quebec Provincial team.



Monique Lefebvre, Executive Director, her staff and volunteers did their usual fantastic job organizationally making this year's event another best ever. Congratulations to all and we look forward to being involved again next year! For further information check out

<u>www.defisportif.com</u>. We are impressed with Monique and honoured her with this image on our teams warm ups and another six dozen t-shirts for her staff and volunteers!

### **Bits and Bytes**

- National Seating and Mobility May 1<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> in Scottsdale, AZ;
- Spring Medtrade May 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> in Long Beach, CA;
- Rugby Nationals May 8<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> in Toronto <u>www.cwsa.ca/nat-08.html</u>;
- CWBA National Wheelchair Basketball Championships May 16<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Vancouver;
- People in Motion Show in Toronto at Exhibition Place June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th;
- RESNA Annual Conference June 26<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> in Arlington, VA;
- Paralympic Games September 6<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Beijing, China;
- Rehab Equipment Expo September 9<sup>th</sup> in Vancouver;
- Canadian Seating & Mobility Conference September 24<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> in Toronto;
- Shoppers Innovations Conference/Trade Show November 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> in Toronto;
- Shoppers Innovations Conference/Trade Show December 9<sup>th</sup> in Calgary!

**BESPOKE PLUS** helps to market and promote **RGK Wheelchairs**, **VARILITE**® Seating and Positioning Systems, **KENDA**, and **Ki Mobility** products, along with Spinergy, Glance, Rogue, Frog Legs, Schwalbe, KIK, Sun, MBL and other great products.

If you have something that you think we should be expounding on, please contact the editor, Reg McClellan.