

# BESPOKE PLUS

"If your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt!"

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#### Tsunami ADP

Ki Mobility's new Type 4 Ultra Light Rigid has been assigned ADP numbers for both the Aluminum Heat Treated after welding and Titanium models:

TA - Aluminum TT - Titanium WMA4RZ010







### **Veterans Return**

Starting in 1984 and 1992 respectively, Chantal Benoit and Kendra Ohama were kids on the national wheelchair basketball team and they were both selected once again to represent their country for the upcoming world championships in Birmingham, England July 7-18, 2010!

The Canadian Women have finished on top of the world in the past four world championships and their record would suggest that they have been dominant since their first major title (gold medal) at the 1992 Paralympics in Barcelona, Spain. But, the team has never blown away the competition; they often struggled during round robin play and came from behind to advance to the top spot.

This years edition of the team does not have the mathematical balance of teams gone by and despite having a nucleus of returning veterans or older kids like these two, the team is in transition. A few months ago they participated in a friendly series with Germany (a decade of power in the 80's), Holland, and Australia. Canada was disjointed, struggled to be considered in games, lacked cohesion, direction, and they were not a TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More).

We have all heard the philosophy of the weakest link, but it is more apparent in this game because you have individuals with all their working muscle groups and those that are not able to fix their pelvis in the chair, yet they are equal on court and need each other to meet classification rules. Players in this game have to discover how to get the most out of each other physically, know each others strengths and weaknesses and do what they can to compliment each other.



The 2010 edition of the Canadian Women's Team is in tough and would be well advised to forget about outcome, get back to the basics of playing with something they all have and something that has driven these two kids; their head, hands, and heart! Congratulations Neuf, Gonzo, Janet, Tara, Elisha, Nancy, Cindy, Tracey, Katie, Elaine, Jessica, and Lisa! Follow the team at www.wheelchairbasketball.ca as their efforts culminate at the world championships sponsored in part by RGK!









#### **ICON** is Here!

We have the first samples of the latest offering from VARILITE® ... the ICON ™ Back System. See them at ISS in BC next month and our feature in the next issue.





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### Blax in Stock

Matt Peters is the founder of Blax Push Rims by Arwin manufacturing the only push rim promoting active grip technology. We stock them and here is an overview of the offerings:

Everyday "KNURLED" in sizes 24", 25", 26". These hand-rims are targeted at active C6/C7 wheelers who use X-Core, Quickie, Spinergy, Glance, Sun, and Rouge wheels.

Everyday "DOUBLE-STUFF" in sizes 24", 25". These hand-rims are targeted at active C5/C6 wheelers who use Spinergy, Fusion, Rouge wheels. The "DOUBLE-STUFF" has a much wider surface area for pushing on, making it easier for a person to control their chair; the added grip allows the user to wheel in places they never thought possible.

Everyday "TWISTED" in sizes 24", 25". These hand-rims are targeted at new injuries and those in rehab C4/C5/C6/C7 wheelers. These are built for Spinergy, Fusion, Rouge wheels. Like the "DOUBLE-STUFF" the "TWISTED" has a wider surface area and an added protrusion every 2.5 inches for more grip. These rims were designed to replace the projection rim and may become a rehab must have!

Quad-Rugby "BIG-STIX" in sizes 24", 25". These rims started it all and continue to be pushed on rugby courts around the world. They truly are a low-pointers best offence. Fat, sticky, and Strong. For Spinergy wheels.

## Ki Mobility Tsunami Stats

	Tsunami AL	Tsunami Ti
Transport Weight*	11.2 lbs.	10.8 lbs.
Standard Weight	18.8 lbs.	18.5 lbs.
Seat Width	14"-20"	14"-20"
Seat Depth	14"-22"	14"-22"
Front Seat Height	14"-23.5"	14"-23.5"
Rear Seat Height	12.5"-21"	12.5"-21"
Camber	0°, 2°, 4°, 6°, 8°	0°, 2°, 4°, 6°, 8°
Tubing Size	1-3/8"	1-1/8"
Weight Capacity	250 lbs.	250 lbs.
* Without wheels		

# **Bits and Bytes**









- SHHC Windsor Lunch & Learn Seating Symposium Windsor, ON February 25;
- International Seating Symposium March 10-13 in Vancouver, BC;
- Advanced Mobility Education Day March 23<sup>rd</sup> in Vancouver, BC;
- MEDIChair Halton's 10<sup>th</sup> Education Conference Oakville, ON April 22;
- CWBL Finals April 2-4 Douglas College Coquitlam, BC;
- Rugby Nationals May 13-16 Carleton University, Ottawa, ON;
- BBall National Championships May 20-23, Saskatoon, SK.

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