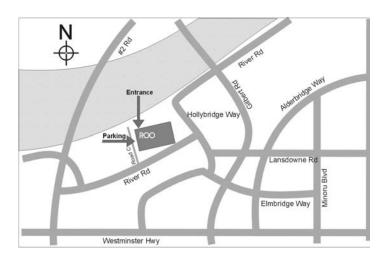


REE

The 18th Annual Rehab Equipment Expo (REE) in Vancouver, BC will look a lot different this year as it is no longer at the Sea forth Armoury downtown it is now at the Richmond Olympic Oval (ROO) in Richmond , BC!

This Tuesday September 11, 2012 we will see you at our double booth #51 at the ROO 6111 River Rd, Richmond, BC, V7C 0A2.



- 8am to 4pm
- Free Underground Parking Lot
- (Entrance is on the West side)
- Entrance to the REE is at the North West corner of the Oval (on the river side)
- Admission \$2 (no pre registration)
- Free Admission (if you arrive by transit, bike or in a car pool of three or more)
- Free food and drinks (including a hot buffet lunch from 11.30 to 1pm)

The purpose of REE is to give clinicians and consumers in the community and health facilities access to information needed to make educated decisions regarding the purchase of home medical equipment.

REESOURCE SCHEDULE

People who are acknowledged experts in their field will be available to answer your questions. Each person will be at the designated table for one hour at the time indicated. They have been asked <u>not</u> to make a presentation; instead you can cut to the chase and pick their brains. They are:

9:30

R1 Drug and Alcohol Issues Sarah Troffe R2 Education Resources and Options Robyn Littleford R3 Alt & Augmentative Communication Anne MacCallum R4 MSI Prevention Steve Weston

10:30

R1 Research/Use of Nordic Walking Poles Mandy Shintani
R2 Active Living Choices Janet Gamage
R3 Pressure Man/Comfort Shannon Sproule & Tom Hetzel
R4 Seating and Power Mobility Cathy Husken

Noon to 1pm

Funding Panel in room 2029B on the South side of the Exhibit Hall

1:30

R1 Smart phones, Tablets, and Applications for Rehab Needs Adele MacNeill, Helena Jung, Renee Lopes Lieu R2 Home Accessibility Heather Nelson & Suniti Seth R3 Consumer Perspectives Walt Lawrence R4 Managing Spasticity Felicia Wong

2:30

R1 Anything Whatsoever to do with Seating Joanne Yip
R2 Managing Shoulder Pain Darryl Caves
R3 Vocational Opportunities Janet Finlayson
R4 Adult Pressure Wound Prevention Guylaine Desharnais

There are over 100 exhibitors this year and new logo's on the letterhead. Apart from all the manufacturers, distributors, and dealers supporting the event, there is ROO, CAOT BC, HMEDA, GF Strong, Vancouver Health!

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OSOT 2012

Christie Brenchley, Executive Director of the Ontario Society for Occupational Therapists (OSOT) writes, "We're really looking forward to seeing you on the 21st at Building Together-Reaching New Heights! Thank you for contributing to the strength of our Exhibit Hall and the valuable learning experience it provides to our Conference participants."

This year OSOT is hosting a Silent Auction on September 21 – 22, 2012 at Conference to raise funds to support the OSOT Research Fund.

OSOTRF funds important research that contributes to development and innovation in rehabilitation and occupational therapy. They presently offer two annual Grants to support the development of evidence in occupational therapy and to contribute knowledge to the evolution of Ontario's health care system to better meet the needs of Ontarians who may be experiencing barriers to managing necessary day to day living skills and occupations (self-care, productivity and leisure) because of injury, illness, chronic disease, disability, aging, learning disabilities or mental health issues.

The OSOT Research Fund (OSOTRF) is administered by a registered charitable foundation, the Canadian Occupational Therapy Foundation (Charitable Registration Number: BN 118834795 RR 0001). Your support of Ontario OTs and their capacity to influence the health of children, adults, and seniors in Ontario will not go unnoticed! Your generous donation will be publicly acknowledged at their upcoming event through promotional announcements and a prominent display of the company's/individual name and logo beside the donation. Income tax receipts for the value of donated items that are worth at least \$20 will be issued when proof of value is provided and they want you to know that a donation of any size is appreciated! Click here: www.osot.on.ca/eng/PDFs/OSOTRFAuction2012 Donatio nForm.pdf

To submit a donation commitment form or to learn more about OSOT, the Research Fund or the silent auction, please contact Lois Favacho at <u>lfavacho@osot.on.ca</u>, by telephone at (416) 322-3011 or visit <u>www.OTOntario.ca</u>.

Conference 2012 Information can be found here: <u>www.osot.on.ca/eng/workshops/conference.asp</u>

RGK Elite Units

Out of the 246 wheelchair basketball chairs at the London 2012 Paralympics about 56 or 21% were RGK Elite units. These units, along with all the other models may be viewed at <u>www.RGKLife.com</u>.



CDN Men Win Gold

Wheelchair Basketball Canada has all the information on the London Paralympics on their web site, but we quote them on their news release which read, "the Men's Team won its third gold medal in the past four Paralympic Games on Saturday, beating the defending champions from Australia 64-58. Canada avenges the previous final in 2008 when Australia ended Canada's bid for a threepeat." See <u>www.wheelchairbasketball.ca</u> and catch replays at <u>www.paralympic.org</u>.

Bits and Bytes

Sept 11, 2012 Richmond, BC;
OSOT Sept 21-22, 2012 Mississauga, ON;
Rehacare October 10-13, Dusseldorf, Germany;
PSport ON Inclusion Evening Nov 8 Steam Whistle;
19thCDN Disability Hall of Fame Nov 29 Toronto ON;
29th ISS March 5-9, 2013 Nashville, TN.

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Please give us a call or contact the editor, Reg McClellan, if you have something that you think we should expound on.