

### Rolling Rampage

The Canadian Foundation for Physically Disabled Persons (CFPDP) has dedicated itself to promoting the talent and ability of people with a disability.

Sports and Canada's Paralympian's, in particular, have always been a central focus of that campaign because the



CFPDP believe in the power of sport to inspire. In recognizing athletic achievements, "Foundation projects like the Canadian Disability Hall of Fame, the Great Valentines Gala, and the WhyNot

Marathon have served notice to the world that people with disabilities are every bit as gifted and accomplished as their able-bodied peers;" it is unfortunate that 25 years down the road for the Paralympic movement which was born out of a meeting in Dusseldorf, Germany in 1989 that this is still something that we need to talk about!

The Rolling Rampage presents these athletes to an audience on Parliament Hill and involves Members of Parliament, Senators, and other dignitary's in their own wheelchair race.

Again this year, October 09, we can thank **Conval-Aid** in Ottawa for their assistance providing chairs and **FEDEX** for delivering them.

In addition, Founder and Mr. CFPDP the Honourable Vim

Kochhar pays tribute to other Rolling Rampage sponsors annually like last year's Scotiabank Group, ICICI Bank, and The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Canada.



### Rehacare & OSOT

We appreciated the ability to be involved at the recent Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists (OSOT) Conference and enjoyed the experience at Rehacare in Dusseldorf, Germany. These two events were totally different and naturally very different in scope. Whereas the OSOT Conference was designed and attended by prescribing authorities, had about 50 exhibitors, and total attendance in the neighbourhood of 400 people, Rehacare boasted about 800 exhibitors, attendees from end users of products, dealers, technicians, through prescribing authorities in numbers in excess of 50,000.

At both events there was great representation from **VARILITE®**, **RGK**, **Ki Mobility**, **Kenda**, and a host of other products we stock for same day shipping.

We enjoy the opportunity to participate in these events, but must admit that the most enjoyable participation comes when end users of the products are encouraged to attend and challenge the dealers and manufacturers to continually develop new products to better meet their individual needs!

# Ki Mobility Updates

Unique to their design, Ki Mobility now has an O2 tank which stays in place with a secure and rattle-free clamping system. They have also added the ability to adjust the angle of the holder so it is much easier to accommodate for back angle and aftermarket seating



 and positioning systems that other O2 holder designs do not allow for. Retro fit kits are available.

They are now offering both standard and waterfall arm pad options on chair. A generously padded waterfall design provides additional comfort and protection when needed. Choose between desk and full length versions.



Does your client need something more than the standard armpad?

Lastly, the titanium Frame Option will be migrated to the Catalyst 5 Order Form in the next couple weeks. It is the most economical titanium frame option available on the market. Now you can make the lightest aluminum folding frame on the market even lighter by selecting the titanium option in 250lb or 350lb capacity!



#### D's Locks

The D's Locks lever is typically mounted on a down tube on the front of the wheelchair, but did you know D's Locks are available with an Attendant Assist cable for mounting on push canes in the rear of the wheelchair? Just make sure to request this on the quotation or order.

Key benefits of D's Locks:

- Single lever positively locks wheels in place
- Locks can be engaged and disengaged easily, even with limited hand control
- Lockset lever can be mounted almost anywhere for user convenience
- Adds no width to most wheelchairs
- Wheels can be removed and replaced while D's Locks are engaged

- Compatible with most everyday wheelchairs and wheels
- For simple installation see www.dslocks.net

#### **VARILITE® ICON**

For many wheelchair users, a solid back system is essential for proper positioning. It supports the spine and positions the pelvis. Lateral supports of the back system keep the user stable.

The back system provides a mounting structure for headrests, thoracic supports, chest harnesses and hip belts. Pads, blocks or other positioning accessories that attach to the back help accommodate kyphosis, scoliosis, abnormal tone and other conditions.

Built with the user, caregiver, and technician in mind, the ICON™ Back System provides the best solution for those who demand fast installation, adjustment versatility, and simple operation. The ICON™ Back System offers a variety of back types and sizes, each with innovative VariLock hardware, plus a VARILITE® air-foam floatation cushion for superior comfort.



# **Bits and Bytes**

- Ottawa trip and Happy Thanksgiving October 8-13;
- 10th Annual Rolling Rampage Ottawa, ON October 9;
- Medtrade Atlanta Georgia October 20-23;
- TO2015 Parapan Sport Conf. Oct. 27-30 Toronto, ON;
- Toronto Fall Classic Car Auction Oct 31-Nov 2.



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