

Benoit Systemes - Batec

Effective June 01, 2021, Benoit Systemes have taken over the distribution of Batec Mobility in France. Although the founder of the company (Robert Benoit) has passed, the company bearing his name will be marketing and



promoting a product he may have envisioned some 50 plus years ago with the evolution of his Motrax Machine.

Benoit Systemes have serviced the world extremely well over the last 25 years and they do an excellent job in France. Their commitment to offer a range of innovative



products for mobility and autonomy for people with a disability has been at the core of their reason for being. Further to many discussions about the cohabitation of these two great brands (which Robert needed no convincing of) they heard the interest, seen the reliability of Batec products, and have acted. Now, they are proud to be the official distributor of Batec's

range of hand bikes in France. Discover Benoit Systemes



Eagle Locks Shipping



We have full stock of the Eagle Locks (they are not a brake they are a lock) stylish, modern design, aluminum alloy individually manufactured in a multi-pass CNC production process.

They are easy to lock and unlock as per a very efficient lever design. They have a better multi-tooth design grip and a metallic surface finish treatment in Black, Red, or Blue; and they work with your existing clamps with their 19 mm barrel.

If you need a precise, accurate, and durable lock, check out the Eagle Locks we have with same day shipping; more in this previous issue of Bespoke Plus.

Permobil TiLite Blog



Permobil education had a two-part blog on the evolution of wheelchair frames and provided an overview on how TiLite has become an industry player. In part two, we are reminded that David Lippes incorporated a company named Ti Sport Tech (TST) in 1998. TST produced bicycle

frames (road/mountain), as well as other sports gear using titanium. Mr. Lippes' began to produce rigid wheelchair frames with performance in mind, using titanium and cutting-edge engineering. The branding read TiSport and overtime the name evolved to TiLite. They joined the Permobil family in 2014.

Among TiLite offerings, two distinct rigid frame styles have evolved; the open frame (cantilevered mono-tube "Z" frame seen in the Aero Z, ZRA, and ZR models) and the closed frame (the dual-tube design seen in the Aero T, TRA, and TR models).

Each frame design is engineered with lightweight materials in a functional custom configuration with the result being proven durability.

The blog can be found here on the Permobil site.

Accessible Canada

CiviCRM.ca relayed information on Bill C-35 which was introduced on June 22 by the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion Carla Qualtrough. The bill will be known as the proposed Canada Disability Benefit Act.

Their take on it is that "there won't be any quick fixes for people with disabilities in poverty. As a community, it will take us years to make sure this benefit is strong and effective".

"Much like the Accessible Canada Act, it will take lots of work from all of us to get the bill passed. And the work will not end with the passing of Bill C-35. Just like many of us continue to work on the Accessible Canada Act, we will be working on the Canada Disability Benefit Act for a long time to come".

If you want to know about the Canadian Disability Benefit, here are some resources:

- The <u>Government of Canada's Backgrounder</u> on the Benefit
- The latest <u>Angus Reid Poll</u> looks at what the people of Canada think about disability poverty and the proposed new national benefit
- Disability Without Poverty has launched their <u>new</u> <u>website</u> working to make sure the disability benefit becomes a reality.
- Inclusion Canada's has <u>Design Recommendations</u> they are suggesting for the Canada Disability Benefit
- More resources can be found on the <u>Include-Me site</u> What you can do right now:
 - 1. Get educated. Check out the resources above.

- 2. Note a Federal election will be known soon and your vote counts.
- 3. Call, write or Zoom your MP. They are on break from the House of Commons now.

Did you know that you are living in a country where 22% of the people live with a disability and over 33% of the people living in poverty have a disability?

Did you know that 89% of Canadians are in favour of a disability benefit program?

Do you support Bill C-35?

Motion Integrates CHCP

Motion is on the move making strides to have the rebranding show positive developments in the community in which they do business and ultimately on the balance sheet as well.

Motion announced the integration of Manitoba's Canadian Health Care Products Ltd ("CHCP"), effective July 1, 2021. CHCP, now known as Motion Winnipeg, will fall under the Motion LP structure effective immediately, and is the first corporate Motion location in the province of Manitoba!

Business at CHCP will carry on as usual with the team in place and Joe Perry named Regional Director; suppliers will update their records and the NAV ERP system will be implemented in the coming weeks. (204) 832-9963 winnipeg@motioncares.ca. Questions can be directed to jeff.preston@motioncares.ca Director, Product Marketing.

Bits and Bytes

- Abilities Expo August 6-8, 2021 Houston, TX;
- Paralympics Aug 24-Sept 5, 2021 Tokyo, Japan;
- Abilities Expo September 10-12, 2021 Phoenix, AZ;
- REE Lite September 14, 2021 Richmond, BC;
- Abilities Expo Oct 1-3, 2021 New York, NY;
- Rehacare Dusseldorf, DE October 6-9, 2021:
- 37th ISS October 27-30, 2021 Pittsburg, PA;
- Abilities Expo October 29-31, 2021 Los Angeles, CA;
- Abilities Expo Nov 12-13, 2021 Toronto, ON;
- 9th Annual SCI Conference November 16-18, 2021;
- Abilities Expo December 3-5, 2021 Dallas, TX.

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We have grown up in sport, have a social service background, and have adopted an advocacy role in our business practice. **Comments are welcome.**