

Bespoke Plus

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Where is the Win-Win

As Canadians are embroiled in a national election and our friends and neighbors south of the border have a president who has single handedly thrown his country under the bus in favor of a me first win at all cost tariff trade war, we have all North America with elbows up for their jurisdiction.

Canadians open the door for people, they listen to all views, and work with people to accommodate all parties. They are the first to apologize if they get anything wrong and need to rectify decisions made. My friends in the USA have similar mannerism. It is appalling to see our leaders in North America promoting a me first agenda instead of what we can do to make things better for everybody.

We urge all leaders to start looking at the good in people and root out corruption if the facts warrant it while respecting the opposition. Party politics has created a divide in our two countries, and it appears that our friends south of the border have a bigger task in dealing with this than Canada does as they have elected a convicted felon who has paid for a delayed prison stay and is pushing the legal boundaries on nearly every executive order. He is proven to be a habitual liar with all self-respecting media outlets having to "Fact Check" every word that comes out of his mouth.

Win-Win on the Courts

This weekend we have the CWBL Finals taking place in Montreal, Quebec (6 teams D1 and 10 teams D2) and the NWBA have their championships (D3 16 teams, D2 16 teams, D1 16 teams) and Hall of Fame (HOF) Ceremonies in Richmond, Virginia.

Both National Sport Organisations in Canada and the USA welcome league participation and collaborate on develop issues. The HOF Committee, which this writer has been one of the longest members of, proudly call these three athletes Jeremy, Stephen, Scott, and contributor Paul to the HOF. There are many sponsors involved in these

events, and we are proud to recognize Batec-Mobility is the newest sponsor of both the NWBA and the HOF. The announcement read Batec-Mobility is a sponsor of the National Wheelchair Basketball Association (NWBA) and is recognized as a new addition to the NWBA Hall of Fame family. They are specifically featured in an NWBA Instagram post celebrating their sponsorship and also linked to the NWBA Hall of Fame induction.



Subscribe to the NWBA HOF YouTube Channel here: (<https://www.youtube.com/@nwbahalloffame>) to watch the HOF Ceremonies live stream starting at 5:45pm EST, Saturday, April 12, 2025.

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We enjoyed our participation in the 2025 international seating symposium and were pleasantly surprised with a great exhibitor turn out showcasing new products.

This event was a coming out party for Rehasense USA with a fantastic booth with all of their products on display.

The game changer tech group promoting cool seats in the Ind easy chairs was definitely the new product buzz of the event. We await confirmation from them to be able to showcase their products in this publication

MBL has developed many parts and pieces for manufacturers in the industry and they were there with a very impressive display and new products including their OMOBIC line.

Cheelcare had their Latest offerings on display with the companion, curio, Aware, and other hardware looking at building the infrastructure for significant growth.

Gallop who also have many offerings to all manufacturers in the industry showcased their products.

We enjoy this event and do hope that it reverts back to alternating between Canada and the United States every year. Two of the other new products at this event were the ones from Method Mobility and Soul Mobility.

Method Mobility

The AMP Technology by Method Mobility provides the freedom to go where you desire with their power add-on solution; AMP empowers your manual wheelchair to perform like a power chair, without the hassle of transportation or space limitations.



The AMP utilizes industry proven PG Drives power controls and state of the art gear reduced brushless wheel motors to provide a unique driving experience. The AMP is designed to effortlessly position

underneath your existing manual wheelchair with no tools needed. Simply roll on to lock in place and roll off when you are done. The center section of the AMP contains a powerful and safe lithium iron phosphate (LiFePO4) battery and the control center. A lock in place mechanical balancing suspension assembly keeps the AMP aligned under the wheelchair for optimal performance and stability. This unit can be joystick driven or blue tooth push rim activated.

Soul-Mobility

Todd Hargrover, a veteran in the industry with many new products introduced over the years showcased his Hybrid Mobility solution to getting from A to B.



His innovative product bridges the gap between manual wheelchairs and large dedicated power chairs. He can change his manual chair to function as a power chair in 30 seconds while

maintaining his exact same seating set up with his "PowerFlex" system!

CFPDP Events

The Honourable Vim Kochhar, retired Senator is long from retired from his volunteer Chair position with the Canadian foundation for physically disabled persons (CFPDP). This week he announced the following:

1. New Globe and Mail advertisement.
2. Shah Family Foundation for their generous gift in recognition of Vim's 41 years with CFPDP. Some of their contribution along with CFPDP funds will go towards greater disability representation in Canada's Board Rooms – a \$5 million nationwide impact that will help prepare the next generation of leaders to take their place at a decision-making table.
3. Presented the CFPDP impact report and available online highlighting the contribution CFPDP and their team makes with just 2 employees and 37 volunteers with a 12% administrative cost.
4. He announced the next event, the Canadian Disability Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon will be on Thursday, October 9th at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel.



Bits and Bytes

- 49 CMEF April 08-11, 2025, Shanghai, CN;
- 49 CWBL Finals April 10-13, 2025, Montreal, QC;
- 49 NWBA & HOF April 11-13, 2025, Richmond, VA;
- 49 Abilities May 2-4, 2025, New York, NY;
- 49 RESNA May 12-16, 2025, Chicago, IL;
- 49 W/C Bball Nat Champ May 23-25, 2025, Oshawa, ON;
- 49 Abilities June 20-22, 2025, Chicago, IL;
- 49 Abilities August 1-3, 2025, Houston, TX;
- 49 Abilities September 5-7, 2025, Phoenix, AZ;
- 49 C&R Expo China September 12-14, 2025, Beijing, CN;
- 49 CMEF September 26-29, 2025, Guangzhou, CN;
- 49 CDHF October 09, 2025, Royal York Toronto, ON;
- 49 Abilities October 17-19, 2025, Ft. Lauderdale, FL;
- 49 CSMC September 9-10, 2025, Toronto, ON;
- 49 Rehacare Dusseldorf, DE September 17-20, 2025.

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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.**