

RGK - BESPOKE (custom made) wheelchairs for daily use and active living customers. Made to measure products with industry leading ERGO Seating ensures the ultimate in postural support and performance!



McMaster Has it Right

For many years the School of Rehabilitation Science at McMaster University has invited manufactures and representatives from our industry to present products and have you, term five OT students, grill us on industry issues. We appreciate the opportunity to be involved once again January 21st, 2010 and look forward to offering continuing education throughout your career.

As per previous years, students are presented with case studies prior to seeing our products and have to think about what type of equipment might be suitable for the person they are hypothetically working with. Based on our products and knowledge, we answer questions and demonstrate how our products may assist. The students quickly learn that there is no right or wrong answer, but there are an incredible number of products available to assist them with their future challenges.

It is our job to ensure that we keep the education going. We challenge you to find schools in your areas and offer equipment training to them. There are many avenues of Health Science and we are sure that the people training to be part of the Healthcare industry could all see benefit from a little equipment knowledge.

It is refreshing to be part of this education process in our industry. Many thanks to Diane Tait OT (St Peters Hospital) and Shaminder Dhillon OT (Assistant Clinical Professor, School of Rehabilitation Science, McMaster University)!



49 Bespoke Inc.

RGK Wheelchairs, Inc., was officially renamed 49 Bespoke Inc., in September 2009. This took place as a result of growth in the scope of the legal entity originally formed to bring RGK Wheelchairs to North America. After a decade of marketing and promoting RGK Wheelchairs and strengthening relationships with **Varilite**®, **Ki Mobility**, **Kenda**, and other manufacturers, Russel Simms and Greg Eden sold their shares in the company to Reg McClellan. Although the logos for those companies have always been front row and center, it has been a goal to come up with a generic name for the importer of these fine products.

We chose to use the numbers 4 and 9 with the English term for custom made "Bespoke" and to add the legal incorporated requirement. The significance of the 4 and 9 relate to Reg McClellan's privilege to have worn the number 4 for over 20 years on the men's national wheelchair basketball team and an honor that his partner shares having wore the number 9 on the women's national team for 20 plus years.

It is business as usual in the marketing and promotion of all the products you have come to expect from us!

49Bespoke.com



Quattro



Performance



Interceptor



Grand Slam



Air & Foam Overview

VARILITE® Air-Foam Floatation Technology in a nutshell combines the best characteristics of air and foam! Our most popular cushion product is the **Evolution™**.

AIR: Fluid, displacing under load providing pressure relief.

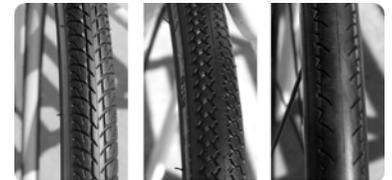
FOAM: Acts like a spring compressing under load and providing support and conformation.



Air-Foam Floatation – The Key is immersion. The valve releases air to immerse the user in the foam. Each cell of the open-cell foam provides support and distributes the pressure. Increased immersion provides increased load distribution and greater stability. Optimal pressure distribution is achieved over the largest possible area. The combination of soft foam under the pelvis and firmer foam under the thighs creates continually adjusting forces that evens out the interface pressures.

KendaCanada.com - Black

Kenda did a great job of producing some of the first colored **non-marking** tires on the market and Schwalbe brought **black non-marking** to the scene. Kenda introduced three manual chair tires in non-marking black in stock and available. The K192, K184, and K196 seen to the right. See them all at www.kendacanada.com.



Ki Mobility Tsunami

Doug Munsey, President of Ki Mobility complimented co-worker Murray Slagerman recently for his above and beyond engineering work to get the Tsunami, an incredibly light, multi-adjustable rigid frame wheelchair to market that comes in with a transport weight (without the rear wheels) of 10.9 lbs. in titanium and 11.2 lbs. in heat treated after welding 6061 aluminum. Ki Mobility is committed to improving people's mobility through the design and manufacture of innovative mobility products with the Tsunami and the folding ultra-light

weight chairs in both aluminum and titanium in their Catalyst Series! For more info on the Tsunami line of chairs, visit our on-line information at: www.kimobility.ca.



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- International Seating Symposium March 10-13, 2010 in Vancouver, BC.

BESPOKE PLUS helps to market and promote **RGK Wheelchairs**, **VARILITE®** Seating and Positioning Systems, **KENDA**, and **Ki Mobility** products, along with Spinerger, Glance, Rogue, Frog Legs, Schwalbe, Sun, MBL and other great products.

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