



# BESPOKE PLUS

*"If your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt!"*

## RGK's New VITA



RGK marks their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with the introduction of a number of new products including the **VITA** available in both an open frame and box frame. This product is not funded through any approved product listings as yet, but the Hi-Lite and Maxima are available in Canada as ultra light open and box frames respectively.

*"Vita means 'Life' in Latin, and that is how important RGK feels the right chair is for you.*

*Vita combines the bespoke and personal values, which has defined RGK, with technology, flair and style."*



Frames: Bespoke 7020 aluminum frame with a choice of colour accents  
 Footrest: Adjustable height or integrated  
 Wheel: Sun Fusion, sizes available: 22, 24, 25, 26"  
 Castors: Aluminum centre castor wheels  
 Camber Bar: Adjustable or integrated  
 Locks: Scissor or push to lock  
 Upholstery: Strap adjustable seat sling, Strap adjustable "Airtech" backrest upholstery and neoprene front frame protectors  
 Tool kit: Supplied - Optional Extra's may include Anti-tip, Backrest: Folding Seating: Ergonomic seating initially introduced and pioneered by RGK. Side guard and arm rest options are available along with all kinds of wheels, push rims, castors, etc.

All RGK chairs are designed, engineered, and built in-house; They have built to order over 17,000 single units since their inception in 1988!

## More Than 4 Wheels

We have the pleasure of working with Sheila Buck, Author, Presenter, OT and all around good person to have in your corner when you are assessing your seating and mobility needs.

A good seating and mobility evaluation involves not only the assessment, but the consideration of many factors including physical, functional, and lifestyle of the end user. These factors play a large role in determining the prescription of seating components and wheelchair frames/design to enhance functionality and overall performance for daily quality of life issues. It is imperative that we recognize that seating is not exclusive of mobility or the other way around. One enhances the other and therefore must be considered together when completing a final assistive technology prescription.

We will be in Fredericton, NB on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Notices have/will be going out and we will also be inviting other suppliers to join us to provide a good range of products to touch and feel as part of the presentation that has the following objectives:

### Objectives:

1. To understand how clinical presentation can be used as a method of determining the critical pathway to gaining postural control, pressure management, and mobility;
2. To review the assessment data required to create a simulation of posture prior to gaining the correct sizing for seat cushions, back supports, and wheelchairs;
3. To understand the dynamics of pelvic positioning related not only to the seat support but the back support as well;
4. To understand the variety of interventions available

to accommodate fixed postures and/or to enhance flexibility and correction based on the client's ability to tolerate correction or adjust posture throughout the day;

5. To review set up particulars related to optimal functioning of seat and back supports within the wheelchair to enhance functionality and mobility;
6. To review the principle of "Do no harm", related to seating and mobility assistive technology provision;
7. To review wheelchair set up and its affect on functional performance and seating;
8. To review seating prescription and its affect on wheelchair set up and functionality.

More to come on this in the next issue of Bespoke Plus and we will certainly be keeping folks abreast of developments on twitter as well. @49Bespoke

## Comfort Feet

We have stock of the popular Wheel Comfort Padded Foot plate. They are designed to help protect bare feet, maintain foot angle and placement, and maintain balance.



They attach securely to existing footplates, are easy to use and remove, lightweight, portable, durable, and Waterproof (closed cell foam). They are available in medium, large, and the small comes in two pieces as if attached to the foot rest of a chair with flip up foot rests.

## VIVA La Searle

We had the pleasure of attending a trade show recently and this gentleman walked up and talked to us for quite a period of time; checking out all the products and genuinely interested in the quality and why they were developed.

But, at the end of the day he was not there to buy any equipment, just support the folks in his community that put on the event and "check out the ladies" in attendance!

After that comment, he briskly walked away gazing around mischievously and not showing the extra 47 years on his 50 year old body!

## VARILITE® Meridian

The AADL program Approved Product Listing now carries the Meridian™ Cushion series. We also have the V999 category which includes the Reflex™ and the Stratus™. For more info, contact Braden Hirsch [15@49bespoke.com](mailto:15@49bespoke.com).

## Tsunami Little Wave

The AADL program Approved Product Listing now carries the Tsunami Little Wave in both Category A and B. Again, please contact Braden Hirsch at [15@49bespoke.com](mailto:15@49bespoke.com).

## RGK Smart Drive



RGK is promoting the Smart Drive in the UK and some countries in Europe on behalf of Max Mobility and Quart Health Care is distributing the product here in Canada. We will continue to make the product

available to the dealer network through us here as well to compliment Quart's activities on a super product.

## Bits and Bytes

- 49 Niagara Regional trip Friday July 26;
- 49 Eastern Ontario trip August 1-5;
- 49 New Brunswick Trip August 12-16;
- 49 REE Richmond, BC September 9;
- 49 SAOT Conference Edmonton September 15;
- 49 OSOT Conference September 27-28, London, ON!

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