



BATEC Promo



Get your video camera and photos ready! Batec have a new promotion that they hope will surpass the **CLICK&GO** contest they ran last spring. Here is the scoop:

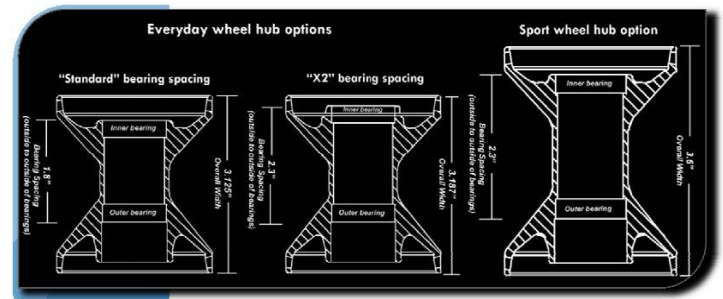
- **CONTEST TITLE:** "When the going gets rough, the rough get going ... with Batec";
- **AIM:** Presenting Batec as an attractive winter product as well;
- **HOW TO ENTER:** Users have to send in a photo or video (there are two categories) of themselves using the Batec in adverse weather conditions whether it be rain, wind, fog, snow, etc.
- **LENGTH:** Four months (November, December, January, February) with one finalist (monthly winner) in each category and one absolute winner per category in March (grand final);
- **PRIZES:** One winner in each category each month will receive a rucksack + poster + calendar. The winners of the grand final will receive a luggage rack and battery travel pouch (launching soon) PRIZE VALUED AT MORE THAN €300;

All the information on the contest is available here: <http://www.batec-mobility.com/en/blog/bateccontests/381-enter-our-new-contest-when-the-going-gets-rough-the-rough-get-going-with-batec-3-november-2015-29-february-2016>

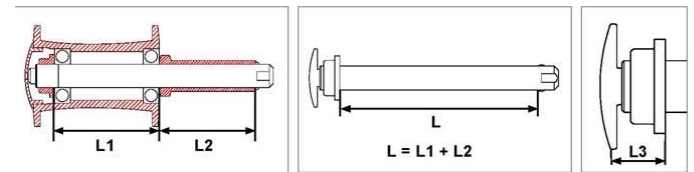


Axles

Years ago most chairs were using a 7/16 inch axle and it was usually a low grade steel. Many users had problems with them experiencing breakage by simply jumping off a curb, something that the engineers of the time did not take into account perhaps because of the perception they had of the end users abilities and activities. Today, most wheelchair manufacturers use 12 mm, 1/2 inch, and even 5/8 and 1 inch axles. Those axles are often made of hardened stainless steel and are incredibly durable.



With end users getting more and more technologically savvy and seeking better wheels, the question always



comes up as to the size and type of axle needed to go with the new wheels and their chair. We use the following information from MBL to determine the length of axle required.

We ask the end user to take the bearing spacing of the hub that they are going to be using and add the length of the cambar insert or axle plate and spacer if any. Then, measure the axle from the thread to the ball bearing and we should be good to go.

Appreciation Event



The 3rd Annual GTA region-wide celebration of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities will take place December 3rd at 7601 Sheppard Ave.

East, from 7pm-10pm. The event host is Diane Dupuy, Founder & President of Famous PEOPLE Players. This is the premier disability appreciation & awareness event bringing the GTA together to celebrate and strengthen accessibility with an awards ceremony, live music, VIP's, exhibitors, raffles, and great prizes! For more information to "Celebrate Unity in Accessibility" and to Promote, Participate, or Partner see: www.dec3rdtribute.org

Sunrise - RGK

Further to the acquisition of RGK, Sunrise has been working to put in place their way forward for that product line and it is now on-line www.sunrisemedical.ca.

We have been the exclusive distributor for RGK Wheelchairs in North America since 2000 and, although we will continue to sell the product to our network thanks to our relationship with Sunrise Medical, the order forms and pricing will be determined by that organization. All orders with 49 Bespoke Inc. in process will continue as before and we will process new orders in the same manner through Sunrise Medical.

We take this opportunity to provide our heart felt thank you to everyone for their support of 49 Bespoke and this product over the last 15 years and we look forward to continuing that relationship ... guaranteeing the fit!

Game On Ontario

On November 24th the Canadian Paralympic Committee (CPC) applauded the Ontario Government for launching a new plan to help Ontarians participate and excel in sport.

It is labelled, "**Game ON**" and it is designed to build on an existing foundation of sport organizations, programs and

investments. It recognizes the many ways in which organized sport can be good for people and communities, from the health benefits of physical activity to the economic benefits of hosting major events.

As Karen O'Neill, CEO of CPC said, "This is an exceptional follow up and extended legacy to the 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Games. The sport plan builds upon and enhances the current sport system and capacity in Ontario to create a strong and accessible pathway for all athletes, coaches and officials. We look forward to working with Ontario in this exciting initiative to increase the level of opportunities in sport for Ontarians living with a disability."

7 New Hall of Famer's



The CPC also celebrated seven accomplished and influential individuals November 27th at a gala in Ottawa,

for the official induction ceremony of the Canadian Paralympic Hall of Fame. Honored that night were Athletes: wheelchair racer Chantal Petitclerc of Montreal, Que., para-alpine skier Lauren Woolstencroft of Banff, Alta. and wheelchair basketball player Marni Abbott-Peter of Vancouver, B.C.; Coach: the late Wilf Strom of Winnipeg, Man.; Builders: Audrey Strom of Winnipeg, Man., Donald Royer of Sherbrooke, Que. and the late Gary McPherson of Edmonton, Alta. (accepting Val Kamitomo) Congrats to CPC and great Paralympians!

Bits and Bytes

- 49 IDPD Employer Day Nov 30 Pearson ConCtr. Brampton;
- 49 Home Modification Summit Nov 30 HGI Vaughan, ON;
- 49 IDPD at City Hall in the City of Vaughan Dec 1;
- 49 IDPD GTA Appreciation Event Dec 3, Scarborough, ON;
- 49 Abilities Expo Washington, DC December 4-6;
- 49 49 Bespoke Xmas Closure Dec 23-25.

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Comments are welcome; contact the editor Reg McClellan in the manner you wish below.